

# Price CAD \$6300

**PLEASE NOTE: PRICES ARE BASED ON DOUBLE OR TRIPLE OCCUPANCY ONLY.**

# MARIAN

COUPLES FOR CHRIST

## YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

**Air Fare:** International airfare | Internal flights between cities as outlined in the itinerary.

**Accommodation:** Stay in 4-star hotels (Twin-bedded rooms with 2 people sharing)

**Meals:** Buffet breakfast, Lunches and Dinners

**Tour Management:** An English-speaking tour manager will accompany you throughout the entire journey to ensure a smooth and enriching experience.

You will have a **local guide** for all the scheduled tours, offering in-depth knowledge of each destination.

**Entrance Fees:** All entrance fees for the sites and attractions listed in your itinerary are included, so you can enjoy each location without any additional costs.

**Transportation:** Travel comfortably by deluxe AC/Air-Cooled coach during all surface transport.

**Tiping:** A tip of EUR 160 per person is required for the entire tour. This includes tips for bus drivers, tourist taxes, guides, and restaurants during the tour. The tip is typically calculated per person per day.

## YOUR TOUR EXCLUSIONS:

**Personal Insurance for Travel Protection:** Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance | Medical Insurance

**Personal Expenses:** Any personal items or purchases, such as souvenirs, personal hygiene products, Portage, laundry, mini-bar, telephone calls, and other incidental personal expenses are not included

**Wines & Beverages:** Wines and beverages are not included

Any Items Not Specifically Mentioned in Inclusions This refers to anything not listed in the "What your Tour Price Includes" section.

**Church Donations:** Church donations typically range from \$2 to \$5 (per person).

**Visas to countries:** Travelers are responsible for obtaining the necessary visas for the countries.

Meals not included in the itinerary (those outside the regular menus provided by the tour). Meals are pre-set with no option for a choice of menu. Special dietary requests may be accommodated with prior notice.

**Change of Travel Dates:** Any deviation from the original group travel dates may result in additional airfare and taxes.

ETIAS European Travel Authorization for visitors is not included (Cost Euro 7 for 3 years)

**Airport Transfers for Land-Only Passengers** (If a traveler is not taking a group flight and is arriving by land only, they are responsible for arranging their own airport transfer, either by taxi or bus. However, if they arrive at the same time as the rest of the group, transfers may be arranged for them)

**Payment methods :** You can pay by Cheque / E-transfer / Credit card payments will incur an additional service fee of 2.5% of the tour price.

**Baggage Charges Not Included in Trip Cost:**

Airline baggage charges are not included in the trip cost. We will advise you accordingly.

Any charges for baggage exceeding weight limits or size limits set by airlines will be the responsibility of the traveler.

**BOOKINGS AND DEPOSITS** - You must complete and sign the official Royale Orchid Booking form given below and read terms and conditions of the tour below. Please enclose an initial non-refundable- Non- Transferable deposit of \$500 per person (adult / child) towards the cost of the tour. All cheques must be payable to Royale Orchid Tours and Holidays upon which you will receive an official receipt. Your receipt is written confirmation of your tour.

**BALANCE PAYMENTS** - Balance payments towards the costs of the tour must reach us at least 120 days prior to departure of the tour Date.

**AMENDMENTS** - A transfer from one tour to another will be treated as a cancellation from a tour and a fresh booking of another. Therefore, cancellation rules will apply. Tour Itinerary/ Hotel/ Airlines/ Flights/ routes are subject to change without prior information.

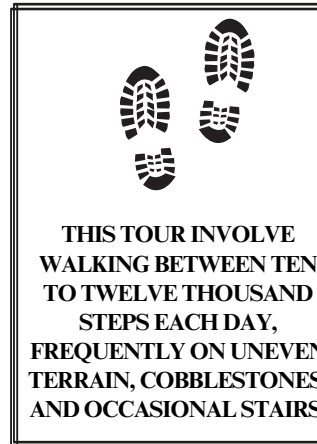
**CANCELLATION** - All services such as airline seats / hotel accommodation / ground transportation are pre-booked well in advance. We are liable to pay penalties to all our suppliers/ vendors if these services are released within the mentioned period. If cancellation is made:

**Deposit Non-Refundable & Non-Transferable - \$500**

120-60 days - 25% retained and remainder refunded less Deposit

61-46 days - 50% retained and remainder refunded less Deposit

45 days or less - 100% retained of your tour price



**May 14 Day 1** Leave from Canada

**May 15 Day 2** Arrive in Rome finish Immigration after lunch we visit St Paul outside Walls and St John Lateran. Then we check into our hotel.

**May 16 DAY 3 ROME - VATICAN & PANORAMIC CITY TOUR OF ROME** After breakfast we board our coach to Vatican City, the smallest nation in the World. The most famous square of Vatican City is St. Peters Square with St Peter's Basilica, the largest church in the World, unsurpassed in beauty to which millions of tourists and pilgrims come from around the world. Gaze in awe at Michelangelo's Pieta and Bernini's amazing bronze canopy .We get into a world like no other in the Vatican Museum, see awe inspiring relics and works of art. The Tapestry gallery, Raphael Rooms and the most overwhelming Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece on the ceiling and his famous last Judgement. Morning visits the Vatican Museum after lunch go to your conference

**May 17 DAY 4 ROME Conference Day**

**May 18 DAY 5 ROME Conference Day** at 2pm we will visit Piazza Navona, Pantheon ( from the outside), Trevi Fountain and the Spanish Steps.

**May 19 DAY 6 ROME - ASSISI** Today after breakfast, we board our coach and drive visit the quaint town of Assisi. On arrival at Assisi, we will explore this hilltop town and walk the narrow winding streets with its story book stores and shops. Towering above the town is the Basilica that still retains something of the atmosphere of the early 1200s. Take in the view of the countryside from the top of the huge 13th century Basilica which also has many of St. Francis' possessions and a series of frescoes depicting his life. Then a short walk takes you to the Basilica of St. Clare, who was one of his most devoted followers. After lunch and Dinner we will stay Overnight in Assisi.

**May 20 DAY 6 ASSISI -VENICE** After breakfast, we proceed to Venice. In the afternoon we embark on a haft day tour of trip to magnificent Venice. We proceed to take a Vaporetto (water taxi) or our own private boat to this charming city built atop 118 tiny islands without streets, crisscrossed by 160 canals and linked by 400 footbridges. Explore all the sights and sounds of St. Mark's Square, visit the Basilica was built to house the Saints remains, the Bell Tower and the Palace of the Doges. Stop for a photograph at the Bridge of Sighs, feed the pigeons or visit the World-famous Murano Glass Factory and learn the art of glass blowing. Later after a delicious dinner overnight in Mestre.

**May 21 DAY 7** Venice Flight To Barcelona overnight in Barcelona

**May 22 DAY 8 BARCELONA** Today enjoy a guided sightseeing tour which includes a drive around Montjuic to see the Olympic Stadium and a great panoramic view of the port and city. Continue to the city center's Plaza Catalunya and Paseo de Gracia to admire Gaudi's eccentric Houses Batllo and Mila as well as his SAGRADA FAMILIA, an unfinished architectural masterpiece that is still a consecrated expression of the Catholic faith. Dinner & overnight in Barcelona

**May 23 DAY 9 MONTSERRAT** Today after breakfast we proceed to Montserrat and we will also visit the pilgrimage site of Montserrat and its countryside. Situated 4,055 feet above sea level in a mountain range composed of striking pink conglomerate a form of sedimentary rock, this is the site of the Benedictine abbey that boasts the Black Virgin of Montserrat Sanctuary, patron saint of Catalonia. Here, Ignatius remained in an all-night vigil before the altar of the Virgin where he hung up his armament, sword, and all signs of his military past. We'll celebrate Eucharist in the chapel behind the Black Madonna. Dinner & overnight Barcelona

**May 24 DAY 10 ZARAGOZA** After breakfast we board our coach to Zaragoza and visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, the name given to the Blessed Virgin Mary who supernaturally appeared to the Apostle St James the Greater in AD 40 while he was preaching. This was the first Marian Apparition, although it is unique because it is the only one to have occurred while Mary was still alive on Earth. Overnight in Zaragoza

**May 25 DAY 11 ONWARDS TO LOURDES - MOTHER DEAREST, WE COME TO THEE....**

Early morning, we board our coach to Lourdes, packed lunch will be provided. Sit back in the comfort of your coach and watch the countryside fly by as we zoom towards Lourdes. We arrive in the picturesque Lourdes, the birthplace of St. Bernadette to whom Our Lady appeared in 1859 near the Grotto of Massabielle. After dinner, proceed for the evening rosary at the Grotto, a spiritually uplifting moment. Overnight at your hotel in Lourdes.

**May 26 DAY 12 LOURDES - A DAY WITH OUR MOTHER** After breakfast, the day is free for personal activities. Connect with the Lord during mass at the awe-inspiring underground Basilica of St. Pius X, learn and be inspired by the story of Lourdes and walk in the footsteps of St. Bernadette at the movie presentation. Walk the station of the Cross on the mountain overlooking Lourdes, visit the relic room and drink from the water of the miraculous spring. Continue with your visits to the shrine till late evening. Dinner and overnight at your hotel. in Lourdes

**May 27 DAY 13 LOURDES - SALAMANCA** After breakfast, board your coach to begin your journey to Loyola via the bustling university town of Salamanca in Spain. Sit back and enjoy the drive through the beautiful and scenic countryside. Salamanca, known as the Golden City owing to the colour of its historic sandstone buildings. We visit La Clerical, a church and college of the Jesuit Order, constructed in the seventeenth century; La Casa de las Conchas, currently a public library, but also a monument noted and decorated by its shells, symbolizing the ever-famous pilgrimage to Santiago (El Camino); the University of Salamanca, the oldest University in Spain and the third oldest in Europe; the two joint Salamanca Cathedrals (old and new), one of a Gothic/Romanesque style and the other a Renaissance style, respectively; the Roman Bridge, extending along the River Tormes, is a national monument and among one of Salamanca's sturdiest bridges; La Iglesia de San Marcos, constructed in Romanesque style, containing breathtaking paintings that portray many scenes of Our Lady's life. Overnight in Salamanca.

**May 28 DAY 14 FATIMA** This morning after breakfast, we drive to Fatima we visit the village and home of the three children Jacinta, Lucia and Francisco. Then we proceed on a tour of the Square (the largest square in Christendom) including the sites of the Apparitions, Rosary Basilica with the tombs of the visionaries and the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and other main sites. Later follow along the beautiful Way of the Cross along the Via Sacra (The Sacred Way) culminating in the chapel of Calvary, which overlooks all of Fatima, rest of the day is free for you to visit the holy places on your own. Dinner and overnight at Fatima

**May 29 DAY 15 GOODBYE EUROPE** Early in the morning after breakfast, it is time to say goodbye to Europe as you board your coach to the airport for your flight back home. Good times need never end, after your check-in formalities are completed, sit back, relax, and enjoy the in-flight services and meals as you relive the high points of your tour.

