

'VIVA VERDI!'

Our Premium tour to the Verdi Festival in Parma, then La Scala, Milan & La Fenice in Venice! 29th Sept to 20th October, 2023



Join your hosts & tour creators, Jennifer and Stewart, founders of OPERATIF! & Music Lovers Tours. In the good company of other music-lovers you will embark on a truly wonderful emersion into the life of Verdi, with the highpoint, performances of Verdi's operas in the Internationally renowned 'Festival Verdi,' in Parma. (our 5th Festival tour) Following Parma, we will travel to Milan for a memorable performance at the iconic La Scala. We'll also enjoy a private front and backstage tour and a guided visit to the La Scala Museum. After Milan we finish our tour with four marvellous nights in 'La Serenissima,' Venice, the city which brought us Vivaldi and yes, we'll certainly be hearing some as well as the final icing on the cake, attending an opera at La Fenice.

Many music-focussed visits are made during this tour, including Casa Pavarotti, the great tenor's beloved estate in Modena, Cremona Violin Museum, Renata Tebaldi Museo, Verdi's birthplace, his country estate, the home of his sponsor and father-in-law Sig. Baretti and the tiny jewel of a theatre in Busseto, built in his honour by the proud people of his small region.

In fact, there is so much in this tour for the lover of opera and of Verdi in particular, it really is a 'must do!' Alongside our music-focussed activities there are visits of a broader interest nature, convivial meals together and free time for you to follow your heart or just relax. The first part of our tour is based in the non-tourist region of Emilia Romagna, encompassing Parma, Reggio Emilia & Modena. These smaller towns are delightful!

See our Package Details over the page.....

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La Fenice, Venice

TOUR OVERVIEW

We land in Bologna and travel the short distance to Reggio-Emilia, our first base. There are only four bases on this easy-paced tour. We take time to unwind and start to enjoy the relaxed lifestyle in this region, known as the 'stomach of Italy!' for its world renowned food and wine legacy. This is the home of Parmigiano, Tortelloni, Prosciutto, Balsamico & Lambrusco! Our next stop, Parma, is a short distance away. Here we will see the main three operas in the Festival and at least one concert. We can usually offer you optional secondary performances, if you wish to really indulge. We enjoy a number of our wonderful visits whilst staying in the home of the Verdi Festival. It's then on to the vibrant city of Milano and its world-famous opera house. Our theatre tour adds greatly to the experience as an audience-member when we attend the opera. In Milan our hotel is steps from La Scala and the famous Galleria and Duomo so exploring is easy. Finally we have four nights in Venice where we hear a Vivaldi concert and enjoy an opera at La Fenice.

OUR PREMIUM PACKAGE INCLUDES -

- ^ Return Flights and Dubai Stop-overs (Land Only also available)
- ^ Daily full breakfast
- ^ Hand-picked Delightful 4-star hotels in prime locations
- **^ 4-Bases Reggio Emilia, Parma, Milan, Venice** (min 4-nights in each.)
- ^ Guaranteed Premium performance tickets
- ^ All scheduled visits, entries and activities
- ^ Deluxe coach travel
- ^ 8 Dinners & 2 'long' lunches, with wine
- ^ Professional Italian Tour Director & Expert Local Guides
- ^ Fully hosted by Jennifer Parish & Stewart Cameron.

ACT NOW....! This unique, engaging and utterly enjoyable tour, always fills up.

TOUR PRICE: Please contact us for pricing & options within our tour package. **CONTACT US NOW:** 1300 308 385 | tours@musicloverstours.com.au

