

Perugia Assisi with drop off in Rome

Your personal English speaking driver will pick you up at the hotel and lead you, in a cozy luxury car, to Assisi a wonderful pre-roman town located in the middle of the green Umbria region, well known for having seen the birth (and the death) of St Francis, the Italian Patron Saint and St Chiara. In Assisi you will see and visit the Papal Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi, one of the most important places of Christian pilgrimage in Italy. UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2000. The basilica, which was begun in 1228, is built into the side of a hill and comprises two churches known as the Upper Church and the Lower Church, important early example of the Gothic style in Italy.

Decorated with frescoes by numerous late medieval painters from the Roman and Tuscan schools, include works by Cimabue, Giotto, Simone Martini, Pietro Lorenzetti and possibly Pietro Cavallini. The range and quality of the works gives the basilica a unique importance in demonstrating the development of Italian art of this period. You will also see the Basilica of Saint Chiara and on the way out from Assisi, Santa Maria degli Angeli.



The basilica was constructed in the Mannerist style between 1569 and 1679 enclosing the 9th century little church, the Porziuncola, the most sacred place for the Franciscans.

It was there that the young Francis of Assisi understood his vocation and renounced the world in order to live in poverty among the poor and thus started the Franciscan movement.

Lunch upon suggest during the excursion, because you are in Umbria, country of truffles, you may want to get the chance to taste it.

