



Northern Italy

EXCLUSIVELY FOR YIVO

SEPTEMBER 1 – SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

\$9,588

per person,
double occupancy*

\$2,565

single supplement

*see page 5 for details

Few of us are familiar with the history of Italian Jews. Even less of the Ashkenazi influence in northern Italy. But that is YIVO's wheelhouse, so come with us while we explore the fascinating, troubled, and glorious history of Italian Jews in the northern tier. Dr. Elissa Bemporad, with noted historian Dr. Samuel Kassow, will lead us on an extraordinary tour.

*The tour will be chaired by Irene Pletka,
vice-chair of the YIVO Board of Directors.*

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ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

Day 1 / Monday, September 1 / Arrival in Turin

- Arrival at Turin Airport (transfers from Milan can be arranged at extra cost)
- Transfer from Turin Airport to the hotel
- Welcome Reception and Dinner
- Grand Hotel Sitea

Day 2 / Tuesday, September 2 / Turin

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning walk in the former Ghetto to the JCC
- Visit the JCC, including the Museum of Jewish Collections from Piedmont; the Emanuele Artom Library; and the two synagogues of the community
- Lunch
- Afternoon visit to Primo Levi's grave at the Jewish cemetery and a walk in the historic part of Turin, home to the Mole Antonelliana, the Royal Palace and Library
- Return to the hotel in the late afternoon
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel Sitea

Day 3 / Wednesday, September 3 / Turin

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning excursion to Small Ghetto and Synagogue in Saluzzo (and time permitting, visit Carmagnola)
- Return to Turin
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel Sitea

Day 4 / Thursday, September 4 / Turin – Casale Monferrato – Genoa

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Departure from the hotel
- Visit the Baroque Synagogue and Museum in Casale Monferrato
- Lunch served in Casale Monferrato
- Arrive in Genoa in the late afternoon
- Check-in at the hotel
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Genova Melia Hotel

Day 5 / Friday, September 20 / Genoa – Nervi – Florence

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Departure from the hotel
- Visit the Spianata di Castelletto viewpoint
- Tour in the Ghetto and the Synagogues
- Transfer to Nervi
- Visit the Sholem Aleichem memorial in Nervi
- Lunch in Nervi

- Afternoon transfer to Florence
- Check-in at the villa near Florence
- Shabbat Dinner at the villa
- Villa Olmi

Day 6 / Saturday, September 6 / Florence

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning transfer to Florence's historic town center
- Walking tour including La Murate, San Ambrosio Market, Via Delle Oche, Piazza della Repubblica, Piazza della Signoria
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Villa Olmi

Day 7 / Sunday, September 7 / Florence

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning transfer to Florence's historic town center
- Visit the Great Synagogue and Jewish Museum
- Continue on foot to Piazza del Duomo
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Villa Olmi

Day 8 / Monday, September 8 / Florence – Modena – Parma

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Depart Florence and drive to the Emilia-Romagna region
- Visit an "Aceto Balsamico" producer near Modena
- Lunch in Modena
- Walking tour in Modena, including the Ghetto and Synagogue
- Check-in at the hotel in Parma
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel De La Ville

Day 9 / Tuesday, September 9 / Parma – Fossoli – Parma

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Examine rare early Yiddish and Hebrew manuscripts and books at the Biblioteca Palatina
- Continue to the Fossoli Concentration Camp and Museum of the Deported
- Return to Parma in the afternoon
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel De La Ville

Day 10 / Wednesday, September 10 / Parma – Ferrara – Mestre

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Depart Parma for Ferrara
- Visit the grave of Giorgio Bassani at the Ferrara Jewish Cemetery
- Lunch in Ferrara
- Walk in the Ghetto to the National Museum of Judaism and the Shoah
- Check in at the villa in the late afternoon
- Dinner at the villa
- Villa Barbarich

Day 11 / Thursday, September 11 / Mestre – Padua – Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning at leisure
- Transfer to Padua
- Visit the grave of Rabbi Meir Katzenellenbogen at Padua's Historic Cemetery
- Visit Padua's Jewish Museum and Synagogue
- Transfer to Venice
- Continue to the hotel by boat
- Check-in at the hotel
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

Day 12 / Friday, September 12 / Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning tour in the Venice Ghetto, including the Historic Synagogues
- Visit the Jewish Cemetery on the Lido
- Return to the hotel in the afternoon
- Shabbat Dinner
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

Day 13 / Saturday, September 13 / Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning walking tour to Rialto Bridge and San Marco Square
- Afternoon at leisure
- Farewell Dinner
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

Day 14 / Sunday, September 14 / Venice – Home Flights

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Boat transfer to the airport

** Itinerary is subject to change.*

** Dietary restrictions will be accommodated if possible.*

**** Please see visa information on page 6.**

RATES

\$9,588 per person*, double occupancy – includes a \$1,000 per person tax-deductible gift to YIVO†
\$2,565 single supplement

* Based on a minimum of 15 participants.

† Upon receipt of the final payment, YIVO will provide a letter indicating your tax-deductible contribution.

The price is based upon the following included services:

- All private services throughout the tour
- All transfers on arrival and departure day (September 1 and September 14)
- Full time Tour Director (Dariusz Kuzniar)
- Deluxe hotel accommodation throughout
- Daily breakfast buffet at the hotels
- 5 lunches
- 5 dinners (alcoholic beverages are not included, except for a few meals)
- All entrance fees as per the program
- Luggage handling at all hotels
- Transfers in Venice by boat
- Tips to drivers, guides and Tour Director
- All taxes and fees

Not included services:

- Flights to and from Europe
- Transfers on days other than the announced arrival and departure dates
- Individual arrival transfers from Milan (currently €375 per transfer – subject to change)
- Pre- or post-tour hotels or other arrangements
- Meals and services not mentioned
- Travel insurance – strongly recommended!
- Any personal expenses

Payment:

To sign up for the tour, each traveler must complete a reservation form. Upon receipt of the reservation, YIVO will issue an invoice. The first installment (\$3,000 per traveler) is due March 1st, and the second and final installment is due no later than July 1st (60 days prior to departure).

Cancellation and Refund:

For all cancellations, we will refund payment less the following cancellation fees:

<u>Prior to the departure</u>	<u>Cancellation fee</u>
Up to 181 days	\$1,000
180 to 96 days	\$4,000 per person
95 to 46 days	\$5,000 per person
45 days or less	Full Payment

Changes:

Participants requiring individual travel arrangements in conjunction with this tour must inform the Tour Operator as early as possible. Individual arrangements can be made pre- or post-tour. For any change made 90 days or less prior to the tour, a service fee of \$100 per person will be charged. All expenses involved with individual travel arrangements will be the responsibility of the individual traveler.

Meals:

Breakfasts are served buffet-style at the hotels. Other meals are served at restaurants or at the hotels and are based upon set menus reflecting local traditions. However, alternatives are provided for travelers requiring special meals, such as vegetarian or fish options. Lunches will vary according to the time and the place. Alcoholic beverages are not included except for a few meals.



Airport Transfers:

Momentum Tours & Travel offers complimentary transfers on the listed arrival and departure dates. These are September 1 in Turin and September 14 in Venice. Individual transfers from Milan Malpensa Airport can be arranged at an extra cost. The current transfer cost is \$400 per car. A pre-stay at the hotel in Turin can be requested. Payment for pre-tour services must be paid directly to Momentum Tours & Travel by the individual travelers.

Travel Insurance:

While Travel insurance is not required for this tour, it is strongly recommended. Momentum Tours & Travel recommends TravelDefend's concierge service for purchasing travel insurance. TravelDefend represents most insurance companies and can guide you to the policy that fits you best. All questions regarding travel insurance must be made directly to TravelDefend or to the travel insurance company of your choice. YIVO and Momentum Tours cannot be held responsible for any insurance matter or dispute.

Passport and Visa:

Visas for U.S. citizens are not required for this departure. However, travelers from other countries should check if visas are required. Please ask if in doubt. In addition, each traveler must possess a passport, valid for at least six months after the tour has been completed.

COVID and Travel:

There are no longer COVID-related restrictions for travelers. Borders are open, and masks are not required. We continue to recommend that travelers be vaccinated and boosted.

Disclaimer:

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