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Almost 140 years ago, the first luxury Orient Express trains began their legendary journey across Europe. Drawing inspiration from this historic legacy, La Dolce Vita Orient Express invites you to embark on a fascinating journey through Italy in timeless style along eight extraordinary itineraries. The epitome of excellence, the train celebrates the art of Italian living by bringing the beautiful country's design aesthetic, culture and finest food-and-wine traditions to the railway.

In 1883, the "Rome-Express" train connected France to Italy for the first time, originally departing from Calais and Nice to reach Rome. This new route offered travellers the chance to discover the history and wonders of ancient Rome, turning the city into one of the world's most popular stopovers. A beloved capital throughout the history of the Orient Express.



Paying homage to the Italian artistic boom of the 1960s, La Dolce Vita Orient Express is the result of the creative vision of Dimorestudio, an architectural and design studio founded by Emiliano Salci and Britt Moran. Inspired primarily by the great masters of design, including Carlo Scarpa, Gio Ponti and Ignazio Gardella, the train stands out for refined details that explore the marriage between space and time, echoing the works of Lucio Fontana, Agostino Bonalumi and Enrico Castellani.

La Dolce Vita Orient Express is much more than just a train: it's an experience in which hospitality and authentic Italian style come together to create a modern adventure with timeless charm.

The 12 Deluxe cabins, 18 Suite cabins, exclusive La Dolce Vita Suite, dining car and inviting bar offer guests a truly unique and sophisticated experience. Here, beauty and comfort come together to deliver a journey like no other experienced before.



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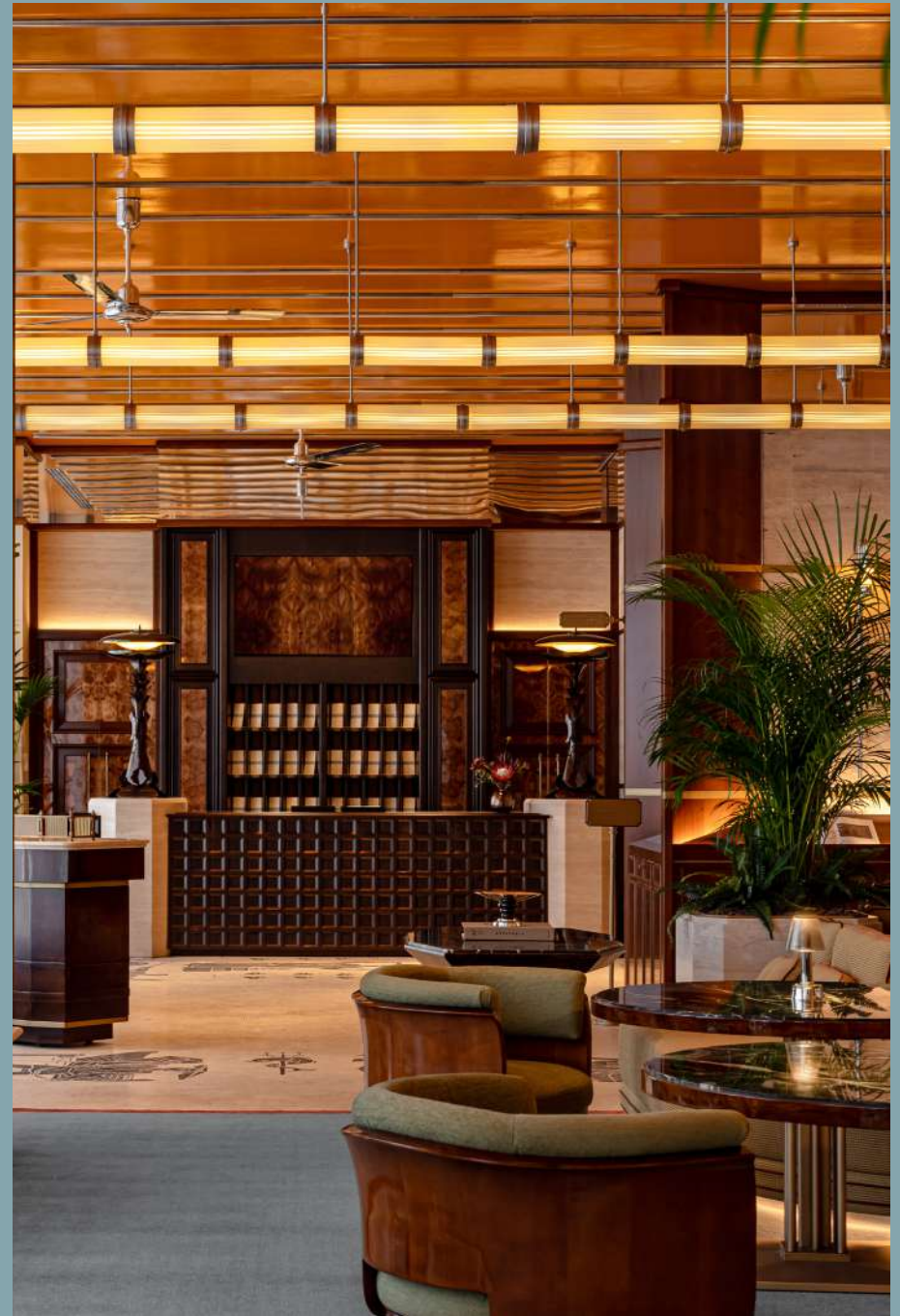
LA DOLCE VITA LOUNGE

The La Dolce Vita Orient Express adventure begins in the La Dolce Vita Lounge, an exclusive area in Roma Ostiense train station, designed by interior designer Hugo Toro.

A setting that encapsulates all the charm of luxury rail travel while celebrating the station's storied history.

Adorned with artworks evoking the thrill of the journey, with nods to iconic European cities and exotic landscapes, the lounge pays homage to the spirit of adventure that defines the Orient Express. In this delightful setting, guests can relax in the run-up to departure, while dedicated staff members take care of check-in and on-boarding.

Guests can also savour a selection of canapés and drinks and prepare to board in good time and grand style.







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DELUXE CABIN

The Deluxe cabin offers a cosy, refined setting designed to provide the utmost comfort.

The walls, adorned with mirrors that amplify natural light, pair harmoniously with the wood ceilings, creating an inviting and relaxing space. Boasting painstaking attention to detail, the furnishings reflect the timeless elegance of authentic Italian style with their clean lines and fine materials embodying quiet luxury.

The comfortable, stylish sofa transforms into a double bed with ease, while the poufs can be used as small tables or stools where required. Each cabin features an en suite bathroom for maximum comfort and privacy, allowing guests to enjoy their journey without ever sacrificing their personal space.





SUITE CABIN

Refined and inviting, the Suite cabin features a comfortable living area with a sofa, small table and two armchairs for ultimate relaxation. The warm, enveloping colours of the cabin, ranging from orange and terracotta to violet, create a cosy yet sophisticated setting and complement the luxurious brass detailing perfectly.

The expertly positioned smoked mirrors amplify the space and delicately reflect light. The ceiling, coated with refined «burnt Sienna» lacquer, gives the Suite cabin extra charm. Every element of the cabin has been carefully selected to deliver unrivalled luxury, with each detail contributing to a comfortable, warm and stylish setting.

This cabin also features an en suite bathroom. Melding design and functionality flawlessly, it's designed to make the journey even more perfect and unforgettable.







ON BOARD

La Dolce Vita Orient Express offers guests an array of exceptional food throughout the day and evening, from breakfast to lunch, through to Italian Aperitivo and gourmet dinner. The gastronomic delights are prepared by Heinz Beck, a chef with three Michelin stars who brings a refined vision of Italian cuisine with him on board.

Guests can savour the authentic Italian cuisine of a menu that celebrates the culinary traditions of all the regions visited by the train: a journey through the flavours, aromas and colours of the country.

The dining car welcomes guests with an utterly refined combination of eclectic furnishings and geometric designs: walls coated in delicate sage-green lacquer, together with soft lighting, create the perfect cosy setting in which to fully enjoy the exquisite food prepared.

The elegantly decorated bar car features lacquered ceilings and sophisticated furnishings in beige, cream-white and camel hues.

Here, the cultural staple that is the Italian Aperitivo takes centre stage, with a selection of appetisers, fine wines and signature cocktails.

After dinner, live music transforms the car into the perfect place for those who want to chat over a drink or lose themselves in the rhythm and beat.









ITINERARIES



8 itineraries take guests on a journey to discover Italy's most remarkable places.





LA DOLCE VITA VENICE AND PORTOFINO

ROME - VENICE - PORTOFINO - ROME
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

On this journey, La Dolce Vita Orient Express sets off from Roma Ostiense train station towards Venice.

With canals winding between historic buildings, picturesque bridges and gondolas gliding gently on the water, Venice is a city whose charm is nothing short of legendary.

Its eclectic, mysterious «calli» (narrow streets) lead to iconic monuments such as St Mark's Basilica and Doge's Palace, examples of a rich heritage and past which continue to enchant visitors to this day. Here, guests can take part in off-board experiences to fully immerse themselves in the local culture, crafts and hidden wonders of the city.

The train then sets off to Portofino, a charming seaside town with pastel-coloured houses, spectacular coastal views and small luxury shops. Visiting the small square overlooking the sea or stopping at one of the typical restaurants serving fresh fish, time seems to slow down.

Portofino offers visitors pure relaxation, perfect for those who want to lose themselves in the understated elegance of the Ligurian Riviera.

To make the journey even more authentic, guests can enjoy exclusive experiences at every stop.

A three-day and two-night itinerary to immerse oneself in places that epitomise Italian sophistication and excellence.





VENICE AND TUSCANY

ROME - VENICE - SIENA - ROME
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

An exciting journey that sets off from Rome to Venice, a city suspended between water and sky, where history, art and mystery intertwine in a truly one-of-a-kind place. Its canals wind between ancient buildings and reflect the golden light of sunset, while gondolas glide quietly beneath bridges connecting the city's peculiar narrow streets (known as «calli»).

The beating heart of Venice, Piazza San Marco—or St Mark's Square—enchants visitors with its majestic Basilica, the slender form of the bell tower, its historic porticoes and the charmingly retro cafés and bars. Thanks to a selection of exclusive bespoke experiences available, guests can discover Venice in all its sublime authenticity. From there, the journey moves on to Tuscany, where rolling hills dotted with vineyards and cypress trees form captivating landscapes.



Arriving in Siena, one is immediately taken by the charm of the medieval streets that open onto picturesque views. Its maze of alleyways leads to beautiful squares, including the breathtaking Piazza del Campo, the beating heart of the city, famous for the «Palio» horse race.

Ancient artisan workshops and historic neighbourhoods are testament to centuries-old traditions that, to this very day, give life to this remarkable Tuscan city.

At every stop on the itinerary, bespoke experiences designed to allow guests to immerse themselves fully in the rich cultural heritage and Italy's most authentic traditions are available. A three-day and two-night itinerary to discover extraordinary places, bastions of age-old traditions and unique masterpieces.





ETERNAL STONES OF MATERA

ROME - MATERA - PESCOCONSTANZO - ROME
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

The journey sets off from Rome to Matera, one of the oldest cities in the world, famous for its fascinating «Sassi», which are ancient cave houses listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This extraordinary labyrinth of rupestrian dwellings takes visitors on a journey through history, tradition and unique cultural heritage: a truly one-of-a-kind place guaranteed to take any visitor's breath away.

After lunch in a typical restaurant carved into the rock, the journey continues on to Abruzzo, a uniquely beautiful region in which unspoilt nature, ancient history and folklore intertwine seamlessly. Alongside the dizzying peaks of the Gran Sasso massif, the rich vegetation of its national parks and its picturesque perched villages, this region offers a truly awe-inspiring experience of authentic flavours, natural wonders, art and traditions.



The stop, Pescocostanzo, is a charming village located 1,395 metres above sea level in the Maiella National Park. Listed among «The Most Beautiful Villages in Italy», this place enchants with its Renaissance-and Baroque-era architecture and traditional crafts, including bobbin lace and wrought iron work.

At every stop, guests can enjoy bespoke experiences designed to allow them to enjoy the rich cultural heritage of Italy to the fullest and immerse themselves in this beautiful country's most authentic traditions.

A three-day and two night itinerary offering the opportunity to discover some of Italy's most incredible historic and natural marvels.





THE TRUFFLE ROUTE

ROME - NIZZA MONFERRATO - ROME
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

One of two itineraries dedicated to Italy's exceptional food-and-wine offerings, this journey sets off from Rome to Montferrat, a region—listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site—characterised by rolling hills, centuries-old vineyards and enchanting villages.

The birthplace of the Barbera grape variety and some of Italy's finest wines, the area offers an amazing experience for the senses, including breathtaking landscapes and tastings in some of its age-old wine cellars.

Here, visitors can discover the ancient art of truffle hunting in the company of expert truffle hunters and their loyal dogs. The perfect way to experience, first-hand, the thrill of this proud tradition in the forests of Montferrat.

Another option is to visit the area's age-old wine cellars to sample some exquisite local wines, expertly paired with typical regional cuisine. A three-day and two-night itinerary in which nature, tradition and flavour come together to deliver an unforgettable experience firmly rooted in authentic Piedmontese food and wine.





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TASTES OF TUSCAN VINEYARDS

ROME - MONTALCINO - ROME
2 DAYS- 1 NIGHT

A journey to discover some of Italy's remarkable gastronomic delights, this itinerary sets off from Rome to Montalcino in Tuscany, covering breathtaking landscapes and areas steeped in history and culinary traditions to explore.

On this adventure, guests can admire the rolling hills of Val d'Orcia, dotted with medieval villages and ancient abbeys surrounded by centuries-old vineyards. Renowned for Brunello, Montalcino welcomes visitors through its historic cellars, where they can sample some of the finest incarnations of this esteemed wine.

A two-day and one-night itinerary, perfect for discovering the food-and-wine traditions of Tuscany and immersing oneself in the beauty of its most iconic landscapes.





FROM ROME TO SICILY

ROME - MARATEA - TAORMINA - PALERMO
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

This journey from Rome through to Palermo offers a unique experience combining the allure of the Italian landscape with the pleasantly gentle pace and scenic charm of rail travel. With spellbinding stops—including Maratea and Taormina—in the heart of Southern Italy, this itinerary immerses guests in areas steeped in the region's history, natural marvels and food-and-wine traditions.

First stop: Maratea. Nestled between the crystal-clear waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea and the mountains, this small town enchants visitors with its ancient buildings, awe-inspiring beaches and a majestic statue of Christ the Redeemer dominating the skyline.

From here, the journey continues through Calabria and its wild natural terrain to the city of Villa San Giovanni. It's here where one of the journey's most special moments takes place, when the train is loaded onto a ferry to cross the Strait of Messina.



During the crossing, travellers can watch on as Calabria and Sicily seem to merge on the horizon. Once in Sicily, the train resumes its journey to Taormina, one of the crown jewels of the island.

Straight away, Taormina enchants visitors with stunning views of Mount Etna and the sea. Its historic town centre is the perfect place to take a stroll and lose oneself among picturesque small streets and panoramic terraces.

The final stage of the journey is Palermo, where rich Arab and Norman heritage permeates every corner of the city and is reflected in the hustle and bustle of its historic markets. The Sicilian capital offers a richly diverse experience, punctuated by the irresistible smells of the delicious street food, extravagant Baroque churches and ancient buildings guarding centuries of history.

At every stage of this journey, guests can enjoy bespoke experiences designed to allow them to experience Italian culture and traditions in the most authentic way possible.

A three-day and two-night itinerary that will tantalise every sense while revealing the genuine beauty and profound charm of Southern Italy.





FROM SICILY TO ROME

PALERMO - TAORMINA - MARATEA - ROME
3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

The journey along the Tyrrhenian coastline begins in the lively city of Palermo, a place steeped in history and charm, where Arab and Norman architecture complements the vibrant colours of local markets.

The journey continues to Taormina, a true gem overlooking the Ionian Sea, where picturesque alleyways and the imposing Greek Theatre offer postcard-worthy views while Mount Etna towers majestically in the background.

The next stage of the itinerary is a truly unique experience, where the train is loaded onto a ferry to cross the Strait of Messina. During the crossing, guests can revel in the views of the Calabrian and Sicilian coastlines while sailing a sea that has inspired myths and fuelled legends for centuries.



Once on the mainland, the train continues its journey towards Maratea, past sheer cliffs, hidden coves and a striking statue of Christ the Redeemer dominating the landscape from above.

In Maratea, we see for ourselves just how unspoilt nature and the ancient beauty of the town come together to provide an unforgettable experience.

At every stage of this journey, guests can choose bespoke experiences in which they can enjoy, first hand, this beautiful country's traditions and culture like never before. A three-day and two-night itinerary immersing guests in the soul of Southern Italy, its history, culture and uniquely beautiful scenery.

An adventure in which the warmth of these regions and their captivating traditions produce moments that will stay in your heart for a lifetime.





SHORES OF SICILY

CATANIA - PALERMO - TAORMINA - CATANIA
2 DAYS- 1 NIGHT

Following a circular route, this itinerary sets off from Catania to Palermo, then through to Taormina along the coast. A journey into enchanting history, traditions and landscapes, delivering a truly unique experience. The first stage is Palermo, where Arab and Norman influences coexist in the city's precious architectural heritage.

Among its ancient buildings and majestic cathedrals, the city reveals its true soul, comprising artisan workshops, bustling markets and food stands filling the streets with incredible smells.

Every stop provides an opportunity to sample local specialities, including fragrant panelle, ricotta-filled cannoli and, of course, the majestic arancina.

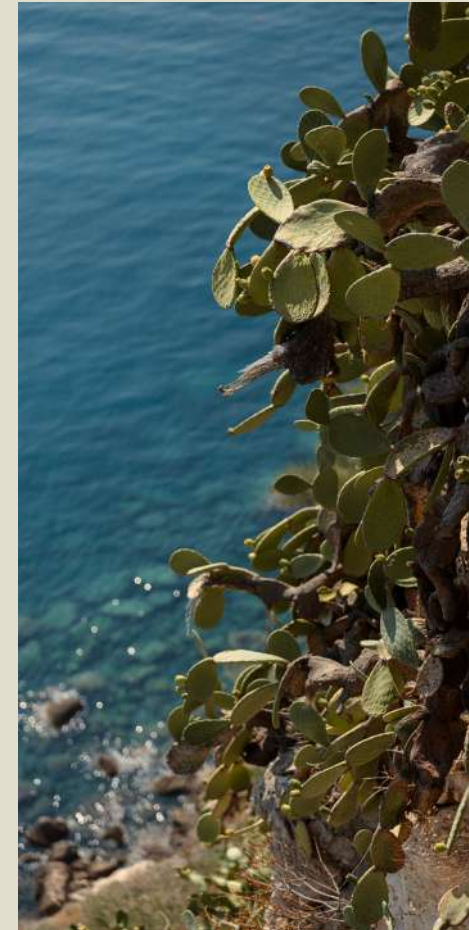
Moving on to the second stage, Taormina, guests experience all new delights on their journey.

Famous for its Greek Theatre, the town offers extraordinary views of Mount Etna and the Ionian Sea: the ideal destination for those looking for art, history, nature and good food all rolled into one.

Visitors can enjoy a relaxed stroll among its lively alleys and beguiling terraces, while the stylish cafés and refined boutiques make every stop simply irresistible.

At every stage of this journey, guests can choose exclusive experiences rooted in the area's traditions, designed to allow them to fully enjoy what the region has to offer.

A two-day and one-night itinerary to discover Sicily's coastal marvels and fall in love with such a vibrant, bountiful region.







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