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Featuring Program Host :  
**Pamella Henson, Executive Vice Chancellor of  
University Advancement, Washington University**

June 20 to 28, 2025

# Cruise Italy

TUSCANY, CINQUE TERRE & AMALFI COAST



**EXCLUSIVE GUEST SPEAKER**  
**Dwight David Eisenhower II**

# La Dolce Vita

Experience the best of the Italian Riviera and Tuscany on this exclusively chartered, seven-night cruise round-trip Rome aboard the **World Navigator**, a deluxe small ship able to dock in unique ports not available on other itineraries. Customize your Italian sojourn with included Traveler's Choice options to spend a day immersed in the art, history and architecture of either Florence or Lucca. Enjoy a private boat cruise to two of the UNESCO-designated Cinque Terre's iconic cliffside villages — Vernazza and Monterosso. Explore the fortified town of Bonifacio on the French island of Corsica, where Napoleon famously stayed in the late 18th century. Step back into the ancient world with a visit to the petrified city of Pompeii, frozen in time for centuries after the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Savor the splendor of the Amalfi Coast and the Isle of Capri on an incomparable journey that concludes with a visit to the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery and Memorial — led by Guest Speaker Dwight David Eisenhower II. Learn more about the critical Allied campaigns that were fought there during World War II and join Eisenhower in laying a wreath to honor those who lost their lives in those battles.

Front cover: *The Cinque Terre village of Vernazza*

This page: *Capri Faraglioni rock and Augustus Gardens*







Amalfi, Amalfi Coast, Italy



### **Washington University Alumni and Friends:**

#### **Be part of a wonderful group—on a remarkable journey!**

Join Washington University alumni and friends on a trip of a lifetime: Cruise Italy, a seven-night journey to discover some of Italy's most iconic landmarks on this exquisite itinerary, cruising round-trip Rome with excursions that take you to the heart of Tuscany, the magnificent Cinque Terre, Bonifacio on the French island of Corsica and on to the awe-inspiring ancient ruins of Pompeii—a city frozen in time.

#### **What's So Special About Traveling with Washington University?**

*Just about everything!*

We are excited to announce that Pamella Henson, executive vice chancellor for University Advancement at WashU will be joining this tour. Don't miss this opportunity to travel with Pam and have an opportunity to hear first-hand about exciting developments on the Danforth and Medical School campus. You'll also be traveling with a wonderful group of alumni and friends who share your love of learning through travel. Whether exploring the historic city center of Florence, the Cinque Terre villages of Vernazza and Monterosso, the petrified Roman city of Pompeii, or the unforgettable Amalfi Coast, you'll find camaraderie and a contagious spirit of adventure.

#### **Do you have to be an alum to join a Washington University Travel Program trip?**

Alumni, parents, friends—and their friends—are all welcome. The travel experience is made even more special when shared with others who love learning through travel. So sign up today—on your own or with a friend—either way you'll enjoy an unforgettable travel experience!

**Don't Wait:** *Space is limited, and our early booking savings offer is only valid until December 9, 2024! You could save \$2,000 (per couple). Please see the cruise rates listed separately in this brochure!*

#### **David E. Webb**

Director, Travel Program and Education  
Washington University in St. Louis

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#### **Program Host**



**Pamella Henson** is a visionary leader who weaves together experience and purpose. With over three decades of service, she builds relationships with alumni, parents, and friends by aligning their passions with the strategic priorities of Washington University. Through these connections, she has witnessed WashU's far-reaching impact.

As Executive Vice Chancellor, Pam leads a team that mobilizes the time, treasure, and talent of the university community to shape WashU's next chapter. Before that, she served as the Vice Chancellor for Alumni and Development Programs and led transformative initiatives as the Executive Director of Development for the Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center.

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## GUEST SPEAKER

### **Dwight David Eisenhower II**

Grandson of General and President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Dwight David Eisenhower II is a noted historian of World War II and the Cold War. His 1986 bestseller, "Eisenhower: At War 1943–1945," was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in History. Eisenhower received a B.A. in history cum laude from Amherst College. Following graduation, he served in the United States Naval Reserve for three years as an officer on the USS Albany; shortly afterward, he earned his J.D. cum laude from The George Washington University Law School. Today, Eisenhower is Senior Fellow of the Foreign Policy Research Institute and a Public Policy Fellow at the Annenberg School of Communication and the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania, where he teaches "Communication and the Presidency."

### ***Battle of Sicily: Operation Husky***

Meet Professor Eisenhower on a specially arranged visit to the **Sicily-Rome American Cemetery and Memorial**, where 7,845 of American military war dead from World War II are buried. These casualties are from the July 10 to August 17, 1943 Allied battles to liberate Sicily, the September 9, 1943 landings in Salerno and the 1944 landings at Anzio Beach. Learn more about the history of these critical campaigns as Eisenhower reflects on his grandfather's World War II legacy and the battles waged here that helped bring the Allies to victory in Europe.

# Entombed in Time



Famously located in the shadow of the Mount Vesuvius volcano, the ancient city of Pompeii first rose to prominence in the eighth century B.C. as a Hellenistic center of Greek culture.

By the time Vesuvius erupted in 79 A.D., the influence of nearby Rome had turned the wealthy coastal city into a resort for some of the Roman Empire's most elite citizens — featuring luxurious villas, open-air squares,

bath houses and a 20,000-seat amphitheater. On the fateful August day that tephra from Vesuvius buried the city under a shroud of volcanic ash, an estimated 2,000 people perished beneath it. Pompeii and those who died in the city remained entombed for nearly 17 centuries. The petrified city was discovered in 1748 by explorers who found it astoundingly frozen in time, preserved by the volcanic ash that destroyed it.

Today, the excavated ruins of Pompeii are a UNESCO World Heritage site that offers a rare glimpse of the daily rituals of Roman life during the reign of Emperor Titus. Your immersive tour of this astounding archaeological landmark explores the lavishly adorned Vetti family estate and the city's extraordinary amphitheater — the earliest surviving stone amphitheater of the Roman world — for a journey through antiquity like no other.



Wall fresco at Pompeii

## INCLUDED FEATURES

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if you purchased air through Gohagan & Company and your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom and on excursions.
- ◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
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- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
- ◆ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- ◆ Meals included as noted in the itinerary (B,L,R,D).



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## 2025 | 9-DAY/8-NIGHT ITINERARY

### Depart Home City

#### Day 1 | June 20

Depart your home city.

### Rome, Italy/Embark

#### Day 2 | June 21

Arrive in Rome and embark the **World Navigator**. (D)

### Livorno for Tuscany

#### Day 3 | June 22

Arrive in Livorno and choose from one of two included Traveler's Choice excursions in Tuscany. The first option is a tour of Florence that includes a visit to the Fine Arts Academy to see Michelangelo's legendary statue of David. The second choice is a tour of the 16th-century walled city of Lucca and a visit to magnificent Villa Reale di Marlia. (B,L,D)

### Porto Venere/ Cinque Terre

#### Day 4 | June 23

Enjoy extraordinary views as the ship arrives in the medieval town

of Porto Venere. Disembark after breakfast for a private boat cruise to the astounding Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit two of its iconic cliffside villages — Vernazza and Monterosso — with time at leisure to explore at your own pace. You will have the option to return to the ship for lunch or remain in Porto Venere for lunch on your own and have extra time to enjoy the coastal scenery. Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception on board this evening. (B,L,R,D)

### Bonifacio, France

#### Day 5 | June 24

Today, the ship arrives in Bonifacio on the French island of Corsica. Your discovery of this dramatically situated medieval town begins with a tram ride from the harbor to the Haute Ville, or upper town, and around the plateau to

savor panoramic views. You will then stroll through Bonifacio's ninth-century citadel, perched high on a limestone promontory, to see historic landmarks such as Place Bir Hakeim, St. Jean Baptiste church and Le Grain de Sable — a weathered rock formation that appears to collapse into the sea. Enjoy the Jardin des Vestiges and see the house where Napoleon stayed. (B,L,D)

### Sorrento for Pompeii

#### Day 6 | June 25

Enjoy breakfast with views of Sorrento, an outpost of the ancient Roman Republic and the scenic gateway to Mount Vesuvius and Pompeii. Explore the ancient petrified city of Pompeii on foot to see the wealthy Vetti family estate and the extraordinary amphitheater — the earliest surviving stone amphitheater of the Roman world — and Temple of Jupiter.



Villa Reale di Marlia, Lucca, Italy



Bonifacio, France





*Vernazza, Cinque Terre, Italy*



*Limoncello*

You will have the option to return to the ship for lunch or stay in Sorrento for lunch on your own. Shuttle busses will provide transportation from the port to the Sorrento city center.

Later this afternoon, immerse yourself in Sorrento's local traditions on a walking tour that includes a chance to learn the secrets of limoncello and experience a tasting of the popular Italian liqueur. Those who prefer to continue exploring Sorrento at leisure may do that instead of the tour. This evening, enjoy a traditional tarantella performance, featuring traditional Neapolitan songs and dance. (B,L,D)

### **Sorrento/Amalfi/ Isle of Capri**

#### **Day 7 | June 26**

Admire the natural splendor of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated

Amalfi Coast on a panoramic drive that takes you past its sun-drenched beaches to the medieval village of Amalfi.

Enjoy a short orientation tour and some time on your own to explore the charming local boutiques and cafes. Return to the ship for lunch on board as we sail to Capri.

Disembark this afternoon for a tour of captivating Capri, the island where, legend has it, Homer's Odysseus resisted the alluring call of the sirens.

Visit the Augustus Gardens, a series of serene, flower-filled terraces that have breathtaking panoramas of the Faraglioni rock formations rising from translucent waters and the craggy peak of Mount Solaro, the highest point on the island. You will also see the ancient perfumery of Carthusia — the smallest fragrance laboratory in the world. (B,L,D)

### **Nettuno**

#### **Day 8 | June 27**

The ship arrives in Nettuno for a special excursion with Guest Speaker Dwight David Eisenhower II to visit the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery and Memorial. Learn more about the importance of the Allied campaigns in Sicily during World War II and join Eisenhower in honoring the 7,845 American military war dead who are buried here. A chapel shows the names of 3,095 who are still missing.

Tonight, attend the Captain's Farewell Reception with your fellow travelers. (B,L,R,D)

### **Rome/Return to Home City**

#### **Day 9 | June 28**

Transfer to the airport after breakfast for your return flight home. (B)



*Monterosso, Cinque Terre, Italy*



*Sicily-Rome American Cemetery, Nettuno, Italy*



## World Navigator

This newly constructed small ship, an intimate yacht appointed in retro-chic elegance, is able to dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships. Each of the 95 suites and staterooms (up to 465 square feet) features a stunning ocean view, and most include a private balcony. All accommodations in your private haven at sea offer a queen-sized bed that can be separated into two twin beds, a private bathroom with spa shower and luxury hotel-style amenities — including bath products from L'Occitane. Complimentary alcoholic/nonalcoholic beverages and Wi-Fi access are available throughout the cruise. All meals aboard ship are included, featuring culinary adventures that rival your discoveries ashore.



### 2025 DEPARTURE DATE

**June 20 to 28**

(Embarkation: June 21)

Category-Description	Standard Rate	Early Booking \$1,000 Savings*
<b>8</b> Stateroom with panoramic ocean view picture window. Deck 3	\$6,390	<b>\$5,390</b>
<b>7</b> Stateroom with <b>private balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 5, forward.	\$7,890	<b>\$6,890</b>
<b>6</b> Stateroom with <b>private balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 5, midship.	\$8,990	<b>\$7,990</b>
<b>5</b> Stateroom with <b>private balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, midship.	\$9,790	<b>\$8,790</b>
<b>4</b> Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling <b>Juliet-style balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 5, aft.	\$10,990	<b>\$9,990</b>
<b>3</b> Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling <b>Juliet-style balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, aft.	\$11,790	<b>\$10,790</b>
<b>2</b> Stateroom with balcony. Deck 6.	\$12,890	<b>\$11,890</b>
<b>1</b> Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling <b>Juliet-style balcony</b> and interior sitting area. Deck 6.	\$14,090	<b>\$13,090</b>
<b>Journey Suite 2</b> Suite with <b>large private balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 5.	\$15,090	<b>\$14,090</b>
<b>Journey Suite 1</b> Suite with <b>large private balcony</b> and sitting area with sofa. Deck 6.	\$15,990	<b>\$14,990</b>
<b>Discovery Suite</b> Suite with <b>larger private balcony</b> and separate living room with sofa. Deck 5.	\$16,890	<b>\$15,890</b>
<b>Navigator Suite 2</b> Extra-large, one-bedroom Suite and separate living room with sofa and floor-to-ceiling ocean view, <b>large private balcony</b> , bathroom has a tub and two sinks. Deck 5.	\$17,790	<b>\$16,790</b>
<b>Navigator Suite 1</b> Extra-large, one-bedroom Suite and separate living room with sofa and floor-to-ceiling ocean view, <b>large private balcony</b> , bathroom has a tub and two sinks. Deck 6.	\$18,790	<b>\$17,790</b>

**\*Early Booking Savings of \$1,000 are available when you book by 12/9/24 and pay in full at time of booking. If you pay only your deposit by early booking date, you still save \$500 per person.**

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Port taxes in the amount of \$195 per person are included in the above prices. Deck plans available upon request.

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## PRE-TOUR EXTENSION

### Rome

**June 17 to 21, 2025** (Program Begins: June 18)

Capital of the Roman Empire, the UNESCO-inscribed “Eternal City” of Rome features spectacular Baroque landmarks from centuries as a nucleus of culture, religion and political power. Travel to the Colosseum, one of the new Seven Wonders of the World, followed by a tour of the Roman Forum. Immerse yourself in Vatican City, the smallest country in the world and home to the opulent Vatican Museums — including a visit to Michelangelo’s Sistine Chapel. Stroll the Piazza Trinita, see the iconic Spanish Steps and toss a coin into the legendary Trevi Fountain. Conclude your extension in Rome with a guided tour of Villa Borghese Park and its lovely art museum, the Borghese Gallery. Accommodations are for three nights in the deluxe **Westin Excelsior Rome**.

**Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,895**

**Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$2,395**

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*Florence, Italy*



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