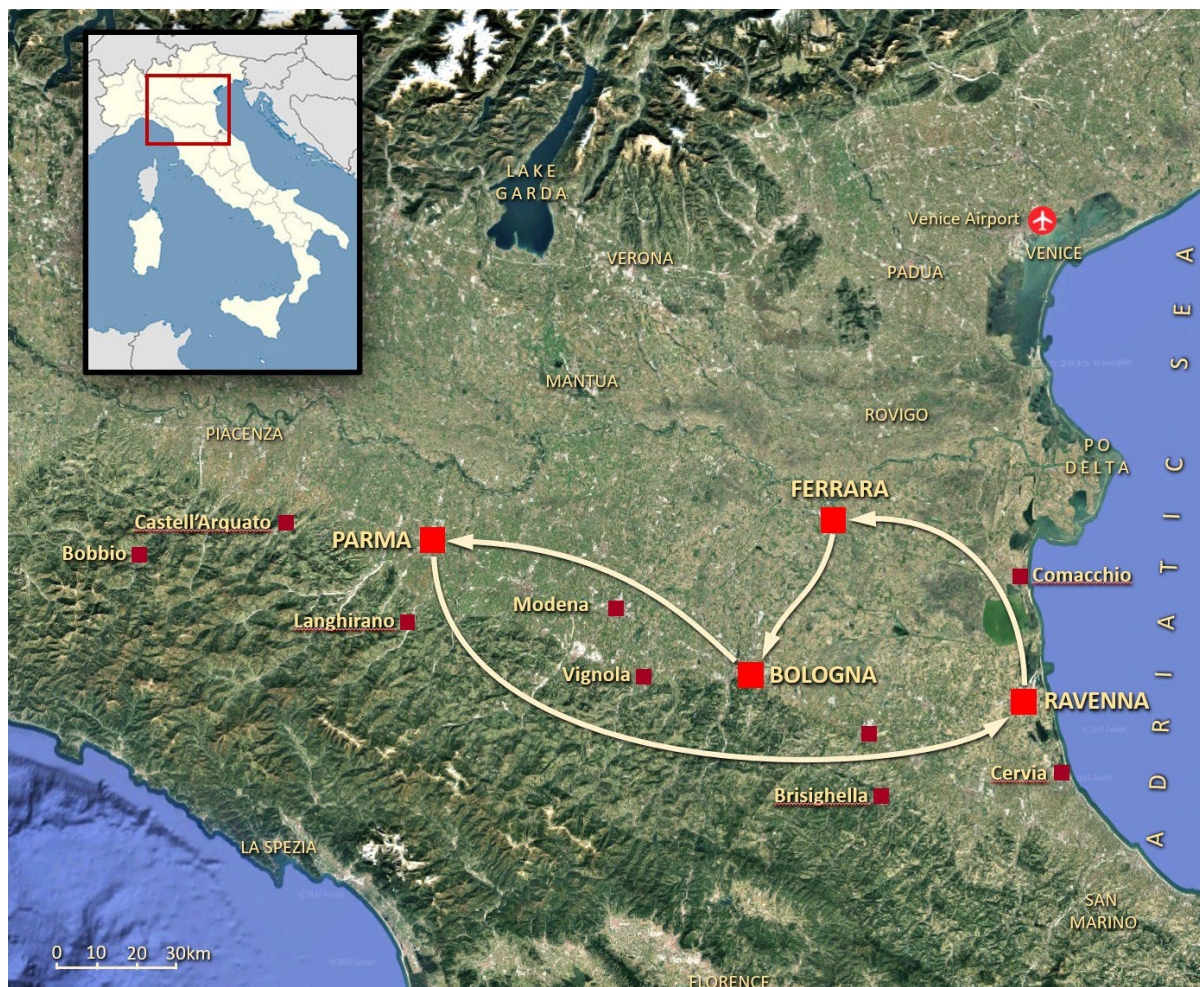




Emilia-Romagna 2026 – Tour Programme



Day 1 - Sun 11 October (Lunch, overnight in BOLOGNA)

We begin the tour with lunch followed by a walking tour of the Historic Centre of Bologna, famous for its covered walkways and the birthplace of Europe's oldest continuously operating university.

Day 2 - Mon 12 October (Lunch, overnight in BOLOGNA)

Today we go on excursion to explore Modena's stunning Historic Centre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famed for its magnificent Romanesque architecture. After lunch, we'll visit the impressive *Rocca di Vignola*, a striking medieval fortress with a rich history.

Day 3 - Tue 13 October (Lunch, overnight in BOLOGNA)

This morning we begin our discovery of the region's iconic flavors with a visit to a *Parmigiano-Reggiano* cheesemaking facility, followed by a tasting of *Aceto Balsamico di Modena* at a local vinegar works. After lunch, we'll stop at the stunning Abbey of Nonantola before returning to the hotel.

Day 4 - Wed 14 October (Lunch, overnight in PARMA)

We continue our exploration of the region's gastronomic treasures with a visit to a *prosciuttificio* to taste their renowned Parma ham. Following lunch, we head to Parma, our base for the next three nights.

Day 5 - Thu 15 October (Lunch, overnight in PARMA)

This morning, we'll discover Parma's magnificent Historic Centre with our expert guide, admiring its renowned Renaissance and Baroque architecture. After lunch we'll visit a truly extraordinary site, the huge and remarkable *Labirinto della Masone*, a modern labyrinth made entirely of bamboo conceived by the late Franco Maria Ricci as a "tribute to slowness".

Day 6 - Fri 16 October (Lunch, overnight in PARMA)

Today we journey east into the province of Piacenza to discover two medieval gems — the village of Castell'Arquato, a perfectly preserved medieval jewel crowning a vineyard-clad hill, and the enchanting village of Bobbio, with its legendary bridge and abbey which have inspired poets and filmmakers alike.

Day 7 - Sat 17 October (Lunch, overnight in RAVENNA)

We make our way towards Ravenna today, but not before stopping first at Dozza for a visit of what is considered to be one of the most beautiful medieval villages of Italy, and then Imola after, a medieval town originally founded by the ancient Romans which now also boasts of a famous Formula One racetrack.

Day 8 - Sun 18 October (Lunch, overnight in RAVENNA)

Today we dedicate our full attention to Ravenna, a city of extraordinary artistic legacy. As the final capital of the Western Roman Empire and later a Byzantine jewel, Ravenna boasts an unparalleled collection of Early Christian mosaics and architecture, arguably the finest in existence.

Day 9 - Mon 19 October (Lunch, overnight in RAVENNA)

This morning we'll visit the village of Brisighella, crowned by its medieval fortress, clock tower and sanctuary perched dramatically on limestone cliffs. Here we've arranged a special tasting of the town's prized extra-virgin olive oil, renowned for its unique flavor. After lunch, we explore the salt pans of Cervia, learning about centuries-old harvesting traditions, before returning to Ravenna.

Day 10 - Tue 20 October (Lunch overnight in FERRARA)

Today's excursion offers a change of pace with a visit to Comacchio, an ancient fishing village built on thirteen islands with an environment that strongly recalls Venice. A seafood lunch is offered today, after which we go on a boat ride up the Po River to reach Ferrara, where we spend the next two nights.

Day 11 - Wed 21 October (Lunch, overnight in FERRARA)

We spend this morning visiting the Historic Centre of Ferrara, a city which became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1995 for its strong Renaissance identity which influenced the planning many other cities in Italy and beyond. The afternoon is left at your leisure for some well-deserved rest and relaxation.

Day 12 - Wed 22 October (Lunch, overnight in BOLOGNA)

An excursion is scheduled today to visit the hilltop medieval village of Monteveglio and its famous Romanesque abbey, after which we head to a famous vineyard nearby for a very special lunch before transferring to Bologna for the next two nights.

Day 13 - Fri 23 October (Dinner, overnight in BOLOGNA)

We continue our exploration of Bologna today by visiting the surprising interiors of some buildings, amongst which a church which contains a most unexpected work of early renaissance art that is guaranteed to shock and leave you in awe. The afternoon is left at your leisure for some last-minute shopping before we meet up again for the final dinner of our tour.

Day 14 - Sat 24 October

Tour ends after breakfast this morning.

Notes

- Tour price is for land arrangements only; flights are not included.
- This tour begins and ends in Bologna. The nearest international airports are Milan Malpensa and Venice Marco Polo, both of which are less than 3 hours away by train. Please [contact us](#) if you need any special arrangements for transfers to and/or from the hotels, as well as for extending your trip in Bologna or elsewhere.
- Activities may need to be modified or rescheduled due to unexpected circumstances.
- Single supplement for this tour is S\$1170. For triple-sharing and other arrangements please [contact us](#).
- Travel insurance is required for all tour participants.
- Sightseeing and entrance to sights included as specified in the programme.
- Gratuities for group services and city taxes are absorbed.
- Although the programme is planned to be leisurely, comfortable walking shoes are strongly recommended as there will be substantial walking on both paved and unpaved ground.