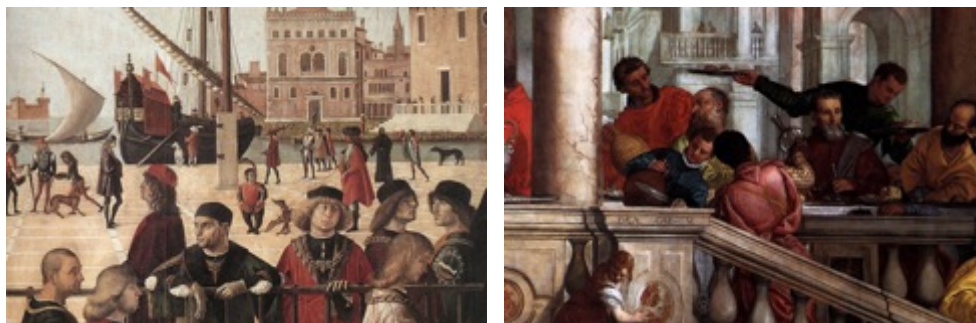


WALKS FOR FAMILIES WITH KIDS IN VENICE

ARTE VENEZIANA

DURATION: 2.5 hours

PRICE: €235 per group excl. tickets



This guided family visit to the Accademia Gallery in the company of an art historian will introduce your family to the world of Venetian art. Renaissance paintings, sometimes known as "15th century photographs," can be used as evidence of how little Venice has changed in 500 years, allowing your family to visually understand the history of this fascinating city.

Using interactive learning techniques to engage the entire family, we will explore highlights of the collection, which includes works by Veronese, Titian, Tintoretto, Giorgione, and Tiepolo, while weaving a narrative on the history and character of Venice and Venetian art. Historic feasts, procession, costume, and architecture are just some of the topics that may be explored with your family. Our time in the museum is also meant to help both children and adults hone their skills of observation and deduction when exploring art, skills that can surely be transferred to future vacations and museum visits.

In order to plan the best possible experience for your children, it would be helpful for us know some background. Have they traveled to other countries in the past? If so, where? Have they studied any subjects in school that would relate to the walk? Are they interested in art, music, even food! The more you can tell us, the better.

Due to the very interactive nature of this program and given the educational environment our docent aim to evoke, we adhere to a very strict maximum of 6 participants. Groups larger than 6 will need to book two separate walks that can run concurrently, but with different docents.

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LION HUNT

DURATION: 3 hours

PRICE: €270 per group



This orientation to Venice uses lions—the symbol of Venice—to trace a route in and around the Rialto and San Marco area. A good dose of fun keeps families interested and entertained. We begin with a visit to San Marco where we start to count the lions (kids compete to see who finds most lions on the walk). En route to the Rialto bridge and colorful fish market, we will learn more about the fascinating city and search for emblems on the various buildings.

While weaving a discussion about the history of the city we may have the opportunity to cross the canal with a traghetto ride, which is how the locals travel. We'll also discuss the international nature of the city with a possible visit to Marco Polo's house or the Fondaco dei Tedeschi, the former warehouse and lodging for the German merchant population that is now home to the post office!

As an orientation to the city and its history, the exact walk varies from docent to docent, as each will incorporate their hidden treasures to enhance your experience. Either way, your children will come away with an excitement for and knowledge of Venice.

Please note that this walk works best in the morning, Tuesday through Saturday, when the Rialto market is open.

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TINTORETTO'S VENICE

DURATION: 3 hours

PRICE: €270 per group excl. tickets



Venice's Family Program has several walks designed to help families learn about the glory of Venice in a fun and interesting way. The focus of this walk is the life and paintings of Tintoretto, from his great masterpieces in San Rocco (best enjoyed with portable mirrors!) to his old neighborhood and parish church.

On the way, we will explore the back streets of the quiet Canareggio neighborhood, including the historic Jewish ghetto district, the "House of Camels" and the church of Madonna dell'Orto ("Mary of the Vegetable Garden") where you will learn about its unusual name and even more unusual contents (here the kids hunt for the missing painting, i.e. the Bellini altarpiece stolen from the church about 10 years ago when someone sliced the canvas out of its frame in broad daylight!) The empty frame still hangs on the same wall of the chapel as it always has, and always stimulates animated discussion.

Though prepaid for the walk, you are responsible for admission to the Scuola di San Rocco (7 euros) and Madonna dell'Orto (2.50 euros).