

## BELLA ITALIA!

### ***8 Of the Most Beautiful Places in Italy Locals Are Keeping Secret & How to Get There***

LITTLETON, Colorado – September 20, 2017 – Outside of Italy’s spectacular cities, travelers can find some of the planet’s most beautiful scenery. From the pastel hues found along Italy’s dramatic, steep-cliffed coast to the lush green hilltops that envelop medieval, magical villages in the heart of the country, Globus is taking travelers outside of Rome, Florence, Sorrento and Venice to discover the places Italian locals go on holiday.

Here are eight (8) places throughout Italy that boast some of the world’s most spectacular views and the awe-inspiring tours that take you there, showcase the stories behind the scenes and offer an “undiscovered” glimpse of one of Europe’s most popular destinations.

**Monterosso (10-day [Northern Italy’s Highlights & Cinque Terre](#))**

Part of Italy’s “fabulous five” Cinque Terre villages, Monterosso offers travelers a beautiful beach, village – known for its lemon trees and anchovies – and incredible views for miles.

**Portofino (10-day [Northern Italy’s Highlights & Cinque Terre](#))**

A fishing village pulled from the pages of a fairytale picture book, Portofino’s small harbor with colorful buildings, rests on the shore of the Italian Riviera.

**Erice (NEW! 10-day [The Sicilian](#))**

A historic, walled-in medieval town located on top of Mount Eryx (about 2,500 feet above sea level), Erice is situated in the province of Trapani and offers sweeping views of the sea and valley below.

**Ragusa (NEW! 10-day [The Sicilian](#))**

A UNESCO World Heritage site, Ragusa is one of the most picturesque hilltop towns in Sicily (or anywhere). Its “modern” Baroque streets, piazzas and homes date back to 1693 (the year an earthquake razed the village).

**Volterra (10-day [Gems of Umbria & Tuscany](#))**

Enclosed by stone walls sits this mountaintop town in the land of wine. With historical sites that date back to the 7<sup>th</sup> century BC, Volterra invites travelers to take a step back in time on its medieval, cobblestoned streets.

**Spoletto (10-day [Gems of Umbria & Tuscany](#))**

Resting in the shadow of mountains and surrounded by olive groves and vineyards, this hill-town is stunning in every way. Its beauty and views will leave you breathless.

**Ostuni (NEW! 9-day [Hidden Treasures of Southern Italy](#))**

A sparkling white gem in a sea of greens (hills) and blues (Adriatic Sea), Ostuni – and its whitewashed houses – is one of the most stunning cities in Southern Italy.

**Lecce (NEW! 9-day [Hidden Treasures of Southern Italy](#))**

Described as the “Florence of the Baroque” and the “Rome of the South,” Lecce was also deemed the “most beautiful city in Italy” by 18<sup>th</sup>-century traveler Thomas Ashe.

Other off-the-beaten path cities, towns and villages that make Globus’ “most beautiful” list, include:

- Bassano
- Bolgheri
- Cellino San Marco
- La Spezia
- Manduria
- Montalcino
- Monteriggioni
- Narni
- Orvieto
- Perugia
- Rapallo
- Ravenna
- Trani
- San Gimignano
- Vinci

All of these destinations – and more – can be experienced on a Globus and/or Cosmos tour.

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