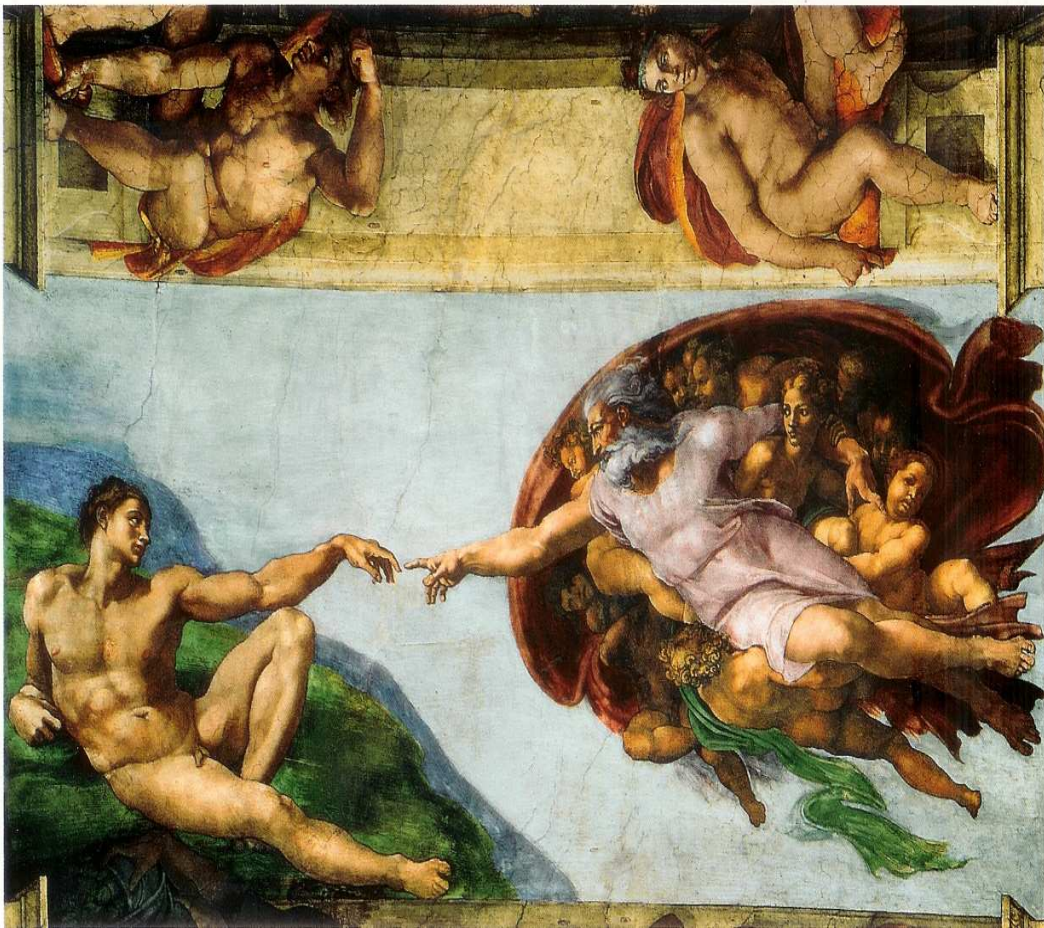


KAY AT LEISURE WORLD TRAVEL
LADIES TOUR
ITALY & THE GREEK
ISLANDS



DEPARTING 21 JUNE 2008

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After the outstanding success of my tours to Italy and Greece over the past six years, we are going back to do the same itinerary in 2008. There will be one slight change this year as we will begin the trip with the Mediterranean Dreams, Greek Islands tour and finish off with the Highlights of Italy. I have travelled to this region many times and can promise a wonderful experience for those who choose to accompany my daughter Sascha on this tour. I have planned this tour for women only, as I know there are a lot of ladies who, for whatever reason have not got a likeminded travelling companion.

This year we will be flying with the award winning Emirates Airlines into Athens via Dubai and it is here we will begin our first week living the 'Mediterranean Dream'.

Greece is one of the most visited European countries, and also one of the least known. At a geographical crossroads, the modern Greek state dates only from 1830, and combines elements of the Balkans, Middle East and the Mediterranean.

Of the thousands of Greek islands, large and small, only about one hundred are permanently inhabited. We visit Mykonos, Patmos, Rhodes, Crete and Santorini, where the stepped streets and whitewashed walls of the houses have to be seen to be believed. We also dock at the exciting port of Kusadasi in Turkey, where we have the opportunity to visit the remarkable ruins of Ephesus, not to mention the fantastic shopping opportunities! From the ancient sites to the relaxed atmosphere of the taverna's, Greece is delightful!

Then it's welcome to Rome - Italy, the excitement really starts here. We visit Venice, the Italian Lakes, Tuscany, Florence and Sorrento, all for two night stays and then back to the eternal city of Rome for a three night stay. A highlight of our holiday will surely be our three - night stay at Orvieto in the Umbria region of Italy. Orvieto is magnificent from any angle. Perched on a 300-metre plateau, it looks down from its cliff-edged balcony over a vineyard-spotted plain. Visitors flood into the town to admire the **Duomo**, among the greatest of all Italy's Romanesque- Gothic cathedrals.

This is a truly wonderful holiday – Why don't you join us?
Kay Richardson.



**ITINERARY
LADIES GROUP TO ITALY & GREECE
DEPARTING 21 JUNE 2008**

Saturday, 21 June 08 SYDNEY – ATHENS

We will meet at Sydney International Airport for our flight to Athens. This year we will fly with award winning Emirates Airline.

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Sunday, 22 June 08 ARRIVE ATHENS D

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ARRIVE ATHENS		1330
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We will be met at the airport and transferred to our hotel. This afternoon is free to relax after our long flight.

This evening we will meet our Tour Director at a welcome meeting. After the meeting we will go out to a local restaurant and enjoy a sumptuous Greek dinner.

Accommodation: Hotel Metropolitan

Monday, 23 June 08 CRUISING MYKONOS B, L, D

Today we board our cruise ship and set sail for the lovely island of Mykonos with its dazzling sugarcube houses and white-washed windmills. Shop in the narrow lanes of the town or sit alfresco at one of the welcoming tavernas. We have "A" grade cabins on our cruise ship for the next 4 nights

Tuesday, 24 June 08 CRUISING PATMOS B, L, D

This morning we dock at the Turkish port of Kusadasi. It is here that you have the opportunity to take an optional tour to the amazing ancient ruins of Ephesus. There is still time to do some shopping at the bazaar in the port. We then set sail for Patmos where St John wrote the book of Revelations in the celebrated Grotto of the Apocalypse. Enjoy a Greek evening and Dinner with entertainment.

Wednesday, 25 June 08 CRUISING RHODES B, L, D

We enjoy a full day on Rhodes, once a fortified headquarters of the Crusaders and home to the Colossus of Rhodes, which, legend says, stood over 100 feet high and straddled the harbour. There is so much to do in this magnificent port. There is time to explore the old city or stroll along the beautiful beaches – the choice is yours. Meet the captain at dinner tonight.

Thursday, 26 June 08 CRUISING SANTORINI B, L, D

Sail to Heraklion on the island of Crete, the site of the ruins of King Minos' Palace of Knossos. Later continue to the sheer cliffs of Santorini, the view as we approach the island is breath-taking. Experience the island's capital of Thira, with its cliff-top restaurants and cafes. The sunset here is amazing!

Friday, 27 June 08	ATHENS	B
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After breakfast we disembark and enjoy a fabulous day sightseeing in Athens, including a visit to the Acropolis to admire the Parthenon. Then see the temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch. We then transfer to the hotel and this evening we have the option to go to a wonderful Greek Taverna with entertainment.

Saturday, 28 June 08	ATHENS	B
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Today is ours free to explore this wonderful city. A day for shopping with lunch in the Plaka or maybe take a trip to Delphi – the choice is yours.

Sunday, 29 June 08	ATHENS - ROME	B, D
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This morning we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Rome. Welcome to Rome – the 'Eternal City'! You will be met on arrival at Rome's Leonardo da Vinci airport and transferred to your hotel. The afternoon is at leisure and this evening we will join our insight group for a pizza dinner and an 'Illumination Tour' of Rome.

Accommodation: Hotel Cristoforo Colombo

Monday, 30 June 08	ROME - VENICE	B, D
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Pass Etruscan hill towns, Chianti vineyards and olive groves on your way to Assisi where you will see the great Basilica of Saint Francis. Cross the Appenine Mountains and descend onto the vast Venetian plain. Dinner is included at our hotel tonight.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Marghera.

Tuesday, 01 July 08	VENICE SIGHTSEEING	B, D
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A private launch takes us along the Guidecca canal past monumental architecture to St. Marks Square. The palatial residences seem to float on the water, gondolas bob beneath the Bridge of Sighs – the city itself is a poem. We cruise by St George Island then see a master create a work of art in glass. Later perhaps consider combining a lagoon cruise with a delicious seafood lunch.

Wednesday, 02 July 08	VENICE – LUGANO – ITALIAN LAKES	B, D
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Stroll the narrow streets of Verona to see Juliet's balcony and the Roman Arena. Continue past the Italian fashion capital, Milan, before heading north to briefly enter Switzerland to visit mountain ringed Lugano. Then continue to your hotel for the next two nights.

Accommodation: Hotel Le Terrazze

Thursday, 03 July 08	ITALIAN LAKE EXCURSION	B, D
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A drive around the shores of Lake Maggiore brings beautiful mountains, tranquil islands and picturesque towns and villages together. Stop in the lakeside resort of Stresa for a chance to take an excursion to Isola Bella, one of the Borromean islands.

Friday, 04 July 08	ITALIAN LAKES - TUSCANY	B, D
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Marvel at the leaning tower of Pisa, which has sat in the Field of Miracles since 1350. Next to the tower, see also the white marble Cathedral, which dates from the 11th century.

Continue onto the Tuscan spa town of Montecatini.

Accommodation: Tuscany Inn

Saturday, 05 July 08	FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING	B, D
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Drive to Florence, which began life as an Etruscan village centuries before Christ and flourished during the Renaissance as a center of art and culture. View the city from Piazzale Michelangelo, before watching a demonstration of leatherwork. Spend the afternoon at leisure; see Giotto's Belltower and other highlights of the city. Return back to our hotel this evening for dinner.

Sunday, 06 July 08	TUSCANY - SORRENTO	B
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Drive through the patchwork of vines, olives and cypresses that typify the Chianti Hills. Continue south along the 'Highway of the Sun' past Naples, nestling in the shadow of fuming Mount Vesuvius. Finally the road twists it's way round the rugged coastline to cliff top Sorrento.

Accommodation: Hotel Grand Due Golfi.

Monday, 07 July 08	SORRENTO AT LEISURE	B, D
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Relax in this peaceful resort, known for it's many beautiful gardens. Maybe join an optional excursion to the Isle of Capri, which has welcomed famous visitors for over 2000 years?

Tuesday, 08 July 08	SORRENTO - ROME	B
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This morning, consider visiting the excavations at Pompeii where, in AD79, the city was covered after the volcanic eruption of Vesuvius. The incredible preservation of the site means visitors are able to visualize life in Roman times. Stop at the Commonwealth cemetery at Cassino, overlooked by the imposing abbey, before driving through vine-covered hills to return to your hotel in Rome for the next three nights.

Accommodation: Hotel Cristoforo Colombo

Wednesday, 09 July 08	ROME SIGHTSEEING	B
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Rome is one of the world's most historic cities. Join your local guide for a tour which begins with a visit to the Vatican City and the awe inspiring St Peters Basilica. There is time for an optional visit to the Sistine Chapel to see Michelangelo's amazing ceiling, which depicts the creation. Cross the river Tiber to see the Colosseum, built in 72AD and the scenes of many gladiatorial contests. The model for all subsequent stadiums, it still has the power to impress. See the ancient Forum before spending time relaxing and exploring.

Thursday, 10 July 08	ROME	B, D
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After breakfast this morning our tour with Insight ends and we have the day at leisure to explore this fabulous city. You can check out the shops or take the Trolley bus and hop on and off to see the sights in your own time. Tonight you will be taken to one of my favourite restaurants for dinner where will say "arrivederci to Roma".

Friday, 11 July 08	ROME - ORVIETO	B
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Today we drive out of Rome to the magical medieval town of Orvieto, our home for the next three nights. Our accommodation is just metres from the magnificent 14th century Cathedral for which Orvieto is famous. The façade on this church has to be, seen to be believed. We have the rest of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: Hotel Piccolomini

Saturday, 12 July 08	ORVIETO	B, L
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This morning is fun as we checkout the local markets. Saturday is market morning in the town and locals all come out to buy their fresh produce and wares. Late morning we are transferred to a local vineyard for a delicious lunch. A perfect setting, wonderful food and wine, what more could a girl ask for? There will be no need for dinner tonight.

Sunday, 13 July 08	ORVIETO	B
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Today is at leisure. We have our own time to explore this quaint town with examples of Orvietan ceramics – whose simple, medieval designs are some of the prettiest in the region. We will also have a chance to pack and get ready for departure tomorrow.

Monday, 14 July 08	ORVIETO – DUBAI	B
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After breakfast it is time to say goodbye to our magnificent hilltop village and Italy as we are transferred to Rome International Airport for our flight to Dubai.

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Tuesday, 15 July 08	DUBAI - SYDNEY	
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We will transfer to an airport hotel where we can rest before our flight to Sydney.

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Wednesday, 16 July 08	ARRIVE SYDNEY	
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Meals as indicated : B Breakfast L Lunch D Dinner

TOUR COST & INCLUSIONS

TOUR COST per person based on twin share \$8995.00
Single supplement is limited and available on application.

The tour cost is based on a minimum of 15 passengers travelling, on the exchange rate at 1/11/07 and is subject to change.
Any payment by credit card will incur an additional 3% surcharge.

Return airfare Sydney/Athens - Rome/Sydney with Emirates Airlines
Airfare Athens - Rome is with Olympic Airways.
Accommodation, sightseeing and meals as specified in the itinerary.
The tours in Italy & Greece are conducted by Insight Vacations with expert local guides.
You will be given a stylish ticket wallet and comprehensive pre-departure information.
All local hotel service charges, local taxes and portorage of one suitcase per person.
ACCOMMODATION: All accommodation is in First Class and Superior hotels with private facilities. Our cabins on the ship are "A" grade cabins.

NOT INCLUDED

Holiday Insurance	Approx	\$200.00
Port taxes and crew gratuities		176.00
Airline security and departure taxes at 01/11/07	Approx	500.00
Additional excursions and optional sightseeing tours.		
Items of a personal nature (e.g. drinks, phone, laundry)		



2007 Ladies group enjoying a drink at 'Shirley Valentines Bar' Mykonos.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- **Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of AUD \$1000 per person is required to reserve your place on this tour.
- **Final Payment:** Required to your travel agent no later than 70 days prior to departure
- **Price:** The advertised price is in Australian dollars and includes air, security & local taxes as per the itinerary. The price based on minimum passenger numbers and should these numbers not be reached the price may increase
- **Cancellations:**
 - More than 60 days prior to departure loss of deposit
 - Between 60 and 22 days prior to departure 27.5% of total Tour cost
 - Between 21 and 08 days prior to departure 33% of total Tour cost
 - Between 07 and 01 day prior to departure 55% of total Tour cost
 - Cancellation on day of departure 100% of total tour cost
- **Amendments:** A fee of \$100 may apply to any change made to your booking once confirmed
- **Refunds:** No refund is available if cancellations occur after the tour has commenced or in respect of any tours, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilised.
- **Itinerary Changes & Tour Cancellation:** Insight Vacations reserves the right to vary itineraries should circumstances dictate, as well as cancel or reschedule any tour departure in accordance with operating requirements, or circumstances beyond its control. The advertised tours require minimum numbers to depart. Should these not be met Insight Vacations reserves the right to alter or reschedule arrangements
- **Tour Membership** The Tour Director may, at his or her discretion, require any person to withdraw from any tour if he or she deems the person's acts or conduct offensive or a nuisance to other passengers, and we shall have no further liability.
- **Baggage Allowance & Portage:** Porterage of one suitcase per person is included in the tour price for arrival & departure from hotels in Europe. Due to limited coach capacity the sum of the length, width & depth of the case should not exceed 160cm (63 inches), and weight should not exceed 20kg (44 Lbs). Charges may be levied in the event these limits are exceeded & the promise to transport you may be invalidated.
- **What's Not Included:** Passports and applicable visa fees, laundry, phone calls, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, tips and gratuities to the Tour Director, coaches drivers and local city guides, excess baggage, optional excursions and travel insurance. Please note that travel insurance is highly recommended. Please see your Travel Agent for further details.
- **Documentation:** Approximately 2 weeks prior to departure from Australia, documentation will be received by your travel agent including International air tickets (if applicable), a tour itinerary, a full Hotel list, an Optional Excursion list, an Insight information handbook, Insight baggage labels, Insight travel bag & ticket wallet.

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