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Verona Opera and the Orient-Express

From £3,469 per person // 5 days



On this unforgettable holiday, combine a journey on the world-famous Venice Simplon-Orient-Express with a performance at the Arena di Verona's annual opera festival.

The Essentials

- Overnight journey from London to Verona aboard the unforgettable Venice Simplon-Orient-Express
- A full day to explore the sights in the UNESCO World Heritage listed city of Verona
- A night at the opera in the unique venue of the historic Arena di Verona
- A scenic rail journey back to London with a stop en route in Munich

Tailor make your holiday

- Decide when you would like to travel
- Adapt the route to suit your plans
- Upgrade your hotels
- Add extra nights, destinations and/or tours

What's included

- Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in a double cabin from London to Verona (or vice versa)
- 3 nights' handpicked hotel accommodation with breakfast
- Performance at the Arena di Verona (seated tier)
- First Class rail travel from Verona to London
- City maps and comprehensive directions to your hotels
- Clearly-presented wallets for your rail tickets, hotel vouchers and other documentation
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents

- Suggested Itinerary -



Day 1 - Depart London Aboard The Orient-express

Make your way to London Victoria station and board the distinctive brown and white liveried coaches of the British Pullman. You will be served a delicious lunch in the restaurant car as you travel through the countryside of Kent. Once you are in France, it's time to board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and enjoy a sumptuous dinner as you head south towards Paris. After dinner, head to the bar, complete with baby grand piano, where you can enjoy a nightcap before returning to your cabin for the night.



Day 2 - Arrive Verona

This morning you'll wake to the majestic scenery of the Alps and enjoy breakfast in your cabin, brought to you by your steward at your own convenience. The train twists and turns as it climbs up to the top of the Gotthard Pass, then down into Italy as you enjoy a 3-course lunch in the one of the opulent dining cars. All too soon, you will be pulling into Verona station where you disembark. On arrival, check in at the Grand Hotel des Arts (or similar) in time for dinner in the historic heart of the city.



Day 3 - Verona And The Opera

Verona boasts some beautiful examples of Roman and medieval architecture and is also a popular destination for visitors because of its connection with Shakespeare, who set two of his plays here. It's not known if Shakespeare actually ever set foot in Verona (or indeed Italy) but you can still visit the house and balcony where Juliet lived – and pined after Romeo. You have plenty of time to visit this and other attractions before your evening performance in the splendid Arena di Verona. You be seated on one of the rows of seats, rather than on the cold, stone steps so you can relax and enjoy the opera.



Day 4 - Verona To Munich

Leave your hotel this morning and make your way back to the station for a scenic rail journey which will take you across the Austrian border and through the Alps via the Brenner Pass to Munich. On arrival in Munich, check in for an overnight stay at the Courtyard Munich City Centre (or similar).



Day 5 - Munich To London

After breakfast in your hotel, return to Munich's main station and catch a high-speed ICE service to Brussels via Frankfurt. Once in Brussels, it's an easy change on to the Eurostar back to London.

Pricing

From £3,469 per person

These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy. If you travel during a peak period, particularly at short notice, then supplements may apply.