

Ryder Cup Golf Tour – Rome

27 September to 3 October 2023

With 6 Nights in Luxury 5 Star Rome Hotel

(Price Euro 3,600 pp twin share – excluding cost of Ryder Cup Tickets)

Trendsetter Travel Golf Tours (TTGT) invites you to join our 6 night Rome Ryder Cup Golf Tour, shaping up to be the highlight of our 2023 golf touring programme and arguably the best Ryder Cup option currently or likely to be available in the market. We have moved early to secure excellent luxury 5-star accommodation in Rome and without the usual event premium pricing. Here is a brief summary of the highlights:

- Welcome drinks and dinner in Rome on 27 September 2023
- 6 nights in Rome at the 5 star luxury **Intercontinental Rome Ambasciatori Palace** in a Classic Room Category
- Private coach transfers to and from the Marco Simone Golf Course (venue for the Ryder Cup) on the 3 days of competition
- 2 games of golf at #1 ranked golf course in Rome, **Olgiate Golf Club** which includes coach transfers, shared motorised carts, drinks and prize money.
- Breakfast daily
- Farewell drinks and dinner on 2 Oct 2023



Our 6 night Rome 2023 Ryder Cup Tour is ***strictly limited to 6 rooms***

Ryder Cup Entry Tickets and Transfers

Following recent discussions with the European Tour/Ryder Cup ticket issuing authority, we have been advised it is not permitted for any tour operator to purchase tickets (whether general entry or into corporate hospitality) and then resell as part of a package. Rather guests to the Ryder Cup need to apply directly for their tickets. Thus our tour is structured to allow for the full Ryder Cup experience but it will be up to each participant to determine his/her preferred ticket category, and to purchase accordingly. An advantage of this approach is that you can potentially mix your choice of days, or even elect not to attend any of the days given the tournament will be televised.

We will of course provide advice and assist in this purchase – and have considerable experience as to what is required from our Ryder Cup tour in September 2018.

As occurred in 2018, we expect to secure a coach park permit to allow our coach to transfer/drop off close to the entry gates and then park for the day within 100 to 200 metres from the main gates. This should

enable a seamless attendance experience. Without a coach park permit, based upon the rules applying in 2018, there were two ways to transfer to the golf course:

- Train to a designated station and then catch a special coach to the golf course
- Drive, taxi or coach to a one of two designated car parks in the country and then catch a special coach to the golf course.

The potential for queues and delays was significant but was avoided by our 2018 tour group due to our coach parking at the golf course pursuant to a special coach pass.

The following table details the type of tickets available for purchase, the pricing (estimated in some cases) and the on sale date.

Ticket Category	Estimated Price (includes Italian IVA of circa 11%)	Availability/Details of Inclusions
General Entry	Public release around September 2022 with price per day circa Euro 250 to 260/day (Euro 280 to 292 including tax at 12.24%)	Multiple opportunities will exist to purchase – the first expected release will be in September 2022 by a ballot where you can purchase tickets for up to 4 persons.
Champions Pavilion (Samuel Ryder Club equivalent from 2018)	Euro 995 pp (Saturday) and Euro 1,095 pp (Friday and Sunday) including taxes price becomes Euro 1,119 pp and Euro 1,230 pp	Available for purchase from 15 December 2021 – only possible to book in groups of up to 4 guests. Lead in corporate hospitality – popular with our 2018 tour group – includes entry tickets, unlimited food and beverages, viewing platform of 17 th hole and unreserved seating. THIS IS OUR RECOMMENDED OPTION.
Captains Club	Euro 1,800 to Euro 1,900 per person per day	Now available for purchase – the next step up in hospitality with reserved private tables, prime views of golf over-looking 7 th hole. Flexible dining from chef's food stations. Includes entry tickets and unlimited food and drinks throughout the day.
Founders Lounge	Euro 2,800 to Euro 2,900 per person per day	Now Available for Purchase - includes a Premium Fine Dining restaurant with reserved seating for the entire day. Unrivalled course views overlooking the 16th and 17th holes. Varied premium dining options alongside an open Premium bar. Featuring appearances from past Ryder Cup players. Includes Viewing Balcony and entry tickets.

In reviewing the above, please note that the hospitality packages all include general entry, unlimited food and drinks, reserved viewing positions and plenty of TV screens covering the golf. Given the large numbers of general entry tickets issued (and the pressure to find viewing positions), the hospitality options provide significantly superior enjoyment. Based upon our experience in 2018, it is not practical to follow one group around due to the difficulty in securing ongoing viewing positions.

Full pricing, with included terms and conditions, can be found on the last 2 pages of this itinerary.

David and Adrienne are your tour hosts. We have golfed extensively throughout the world, and have organised and hosted a great number of successful golf cruises (and golf tours), many in Europe. Unlike most other golf tour operators, we deal directly with the relevant service providers and this enables us to provide competitively priced golf and hotel accommodation with no reduction in quality.

In addition to our golf cruises, Trendsetter Travel & Cruise Centre operates a retail travel agency on Sydney's lower North Shore (since 1992). We are able to book all of your travel requirements, and as members of the Virtuoso network can offer an excellent choice of hotels – with attractive free benefits – to perfectly complement this tour. We invite you to join us for yet another exciting luxury golf tour!



David Cooper



Adrienne Witteman

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Itinerary

Day 1 – Wednesday 27 September 2023 – Rome

Arrive independently in Rome and check into the **InterContinental Rome Ambasciatori Palace**, a well located 5 star luxury hotel with 160 rooms and suites. Built around 1900, the hotel is currently undergoing a major refurbishment and is scheduled to re-open in 2022. We will schedule welcome drinks and dinner – with an expected 7.30 pm meeting time.

You will have a **Classic Room** – circa 25sqm. The historic structure of the hotel means the various room categories are not of a common area.

Upgrade options may be available on request.

InterContinental Rome Ambasciatori Palace
Via Vittorio Veneto 62
00187 Roma
www.intercontinental.com/rome



Day 2 – Thursday 28 September 2023 – Rome (Golf - Game 1)

Golf – Game 1: Departing at 8.45 am we coach 30 to 40 minutes to **Olgiate Golf Club** www.olgiatagolfclub.com, the #1 rated golf course in both Rome and Tuscany, ranked #5 in Italy and also featuring in the top 100 European courses. We have a 10.30 am start off the 1st and 10th tees. (This course has a 27 hole layout and on our return in 5 days' time we will replay a different 18 hole combination).

This evening is at your leisure.



Day 3 – Friday 29 September 2023 – Rome – 1st Day of Ryder Cup

After an early breakfast, we have an early morning special coach departure to Marco Simone, the home course for the 2023 Ryder Cup. As is customary, today's competition features 4 x Foursomes games in the morning and 4 x Better Ball games in the afternoon (although they may be reversed). 4 players from each 12 man team stand aside for each of the morning and afternoon games.

This evening is at your leisure.

Day 4 – Saturday 30 September 2023 – Rome – 2nd Day of Ryder Cup

Today is a repeat of the 1st day of the Ryder Cup with another series of morning/afternoon foursomes and better ball matches.

This evening is at your leisure.

Day 5 – Sunday 1 October 2023 – Rome – 3rd & Final Day of Ryder Cup

Today, the Ryder Cup will be decided with 12 singles matches played between the best of the USA and Europe. Our special coach will depart at approximately 9.30 am with the 1st of the 12 singles matches expected to commence from 12 noon and the last tee off around 2.15 pm. We will look to meet at our coach for the return to Rome around one hour following the completion of the final singles match.

This evening is at your leisure.

Day 6 – Monday 2 October 2023 – Rome – Free Day

Enjoy a full day at leisure in Rome.

This evening, the tour will host drinks and a farewell dinner.

Day 7 – Tuesday 3 October 2023 – Rome (Golf – Game 2)

Golf – Game 2: This morning after breakfast, we check out (you should leave your luggage in storage) and coach back to **Olgiata Golf Club** to play a different 18 hole combination at the 27 hole layout. We have a 2 tee scheduled start from the 1st and 10th tees from 9.30 am. There will be time for a brief light lunch and drink before you are coached back to **Intercontinental Rome Ambasciatori Palace**. You can stay additional nights on request.

On arrival back in Rome, your tour officially ends.

The Finer Details ...

Tour Costing

Twin Share – Per Person	Euro 3,600 pp (Euro 7,200/pair/couple)
Single	Euro 5,700

The above costs are inclusive of the following:

- 6 nights of 5 star luxury Rome accommodation as detailed, including breakfast daily
- 2 games of golf at Oligato Golf Club
- Private Coach Transfers to 3 days of Ryder Cup games
- Welcome drinks and dinner
- Farewell drinks and dinner

Our tour does not include unless otherwise agreed:

- Flights to and from Australia
- Tickets to Ryder Cup
- Airport transfers in Rome
- Travel insurance
- Meals other than as stated
- Items of a personal nature

Payment Schedule & Details

Upon acceptance of your registration, a non-refundable deposit of **AUD 2,500 pp (AUD 5,000 per pair/couple)** is payable. The magnitude of the deposit reflects the significant non-refundable deposits TTGT has to pay to secure accommodation and services during the Ryder Cup period.

120 days prior to tour commencement balance of payment is due. At this time the full tour cost will be converted from the EUR pricing provided by each of our suppliers into AUD and the earlier **AUD 2,500 pp** deposit payment deducted to leave a final balance due. Trendsetter guarantees conversion at a rate better than any of the 4 major Australian trading banks.

Payments can be made via bank transfer to Trendsetter Travel, BSB 012 003, A/C # 8334 12763 OR by credit card, in which case fees of 1% VI/MC or 2% AX are applicable

Insurance

Comprehensive travel insurance coverage is essential when you travel and it is recommended that you have coverage from the time you make your deposit payment. Please do not forget to cover any pre-existing medical conditions that might possibly preclude you from joining the tour. TTGT can assist with quotations as necessary.

Covid-19 & Protection if your tour needs to cancel

If the tour needs to cancel due to Covid 19 related restrictions, TTGT will offer two solutions:

Rescheduling of the tour to another date (with or without the Ryder Cup) OR

If this is not possible/acceptable (to you) a refund on receipt of all refunds that we can obtain

While Trendsetter cannot guarantee a full refund from all suppliers, because we contract directly with those suppliers, rather than via a third party, we are better able to manage payment schedules, and in particular final payments and potential refunds. We negotiate to make those payments as late as possible to provide best protection for your funds.

Cancellation Provisions

If for whatever reason you need to cancel from the tour, we will refund 85% of your payments subject to a replacement guest being found for the tour to take your place.

Background on Trendsetter Travel

Trendsetter Travel is an independently owned and managed travel agency which has operated under the existing management since 1992. The two directors are Adrienne Witteman (Managing Director) and David Cooper (Director – Golf Tours), keen members of one of Sydney's leading golf clubs and both will take day to day responsibility for all aspects of your tour. The business has been profitable since it opened, and although severely impacted by Covid-19 like all travel businesses, remains financially strong. Trendsetter Travel has no debt and owns its own premises.

TTGT is a member of IAGTO (International Association of Golf Tour Operators), Virtuoso, AFTA and ATAS. Our luxury golf cruises and tours operation is a significant part of our general agency business and we have extensive expertise in our primary overseas markets of Spain, Portugal, Italy and France, the USA and New Zealand.

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