

WESLEY COLLEGE ART STUDY TOUR TO ITALY, 2000
PROPOSED ITINERARY

DAY	TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS	O/NIGHT
1 THUR MARCH 30	Depart Melbourne	Transit
2 FRI 31/3	Arrive Rome	Rome
3 SAT APRIL 1	Rome / Tivoli (Half Day trip)	Rome
4 SUN 2/4	Pompeii (Day trip)	Rome
5 MON 3/4	Rome	Rome
6 TUE 4/4	Rome	Rome
7 WED 5/4	Rome - Siena (via Sant' Antimo)	Siena
8 THUR 6/4	Siena / San Gimignano (Half Day trip)	Siena
9 FRI 7/4	Siena - Florence (via Castellina)	Florence
10 SAT 8/4	Florence	Florence
11 SUN 9/4	Florence	Florence
12 MON 10/4	Florence	Florence
13 TUE 11/4	Florence - Assisi (via Pienza and Montepulciano)	Assisi
14 WED 12/4	Assisi	Assisi
15 THUR 13/4	Assisi - Urbino (via Gubbio)	Urbino
16 FRI 14/4	Urbino - Bologna (via Ravenna)	Bologna
17 SAT 15/4	Bologna	Bologna
18 SUN 16/4	Bologna	Bologna
19 MON 17/4	Bologna - Venice (via Padua)	Venice
20 TUE 18/4	Venice	Venice
21 WED 19/4	Venice	Venice
22 THUR 20/4	Venice - Bologna (via Vicenza)	Bologna
23 FRI 21/4	Bologna	Bologna
24 SAT 22/4	Bologna	Bologna
25 SUN 23/4	Bologna	Bologna
26 MON 24/4	Bologna - Viterbo	Viterbo
27 TUE 25/4	Viterbo - Tarquinia (Day trip)	Viterbo
28 WED 26/4	Viterbo - Rome / Depart Rome	Transit
29 THUR 27/4	Transit	Transit
FRI 28/4	Arrive Melbourne	

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The tour will commence in Rome, where the students will be introduced to the art and architecture of Roman Antiquity with visits to the Pantheon, the Colosseum, the Capitoline Museums and the Forum. A half day tour to Tivoli is also planned to view Hadrian's Villa and the Villa d'Este. A tour to the Ancient city of Pompeii will occupy the fourth day and present students with a glimpse of everyday life during the Roman Empire. Days 5 and 6 will be spent exploring Baroque Rome, and will include visits to the Vatican and the Museo Borghese. On Day 7 the tour will travel north through Tuscany as far as Siena. En route we will stop at the beautiful abbey church of Sant'Antimo, one of the finest Romanesque buildings in the region. Siena is an ideal place to gain an understanding of life in a Medieval city, and its Cathedral is a marvellous example of Gothic architecture. Siena will also provide students with an introduction to the other worldly charms of Sienese painting and its great master, Duccio.

On Day 8, the students will visit the picturesque hill town of San Gimignano, with its distinctive towers and the fortified Medieval hill town of Volterra, with its strong Etruscan heritage and well preserved Roman amphitheatre. At San Gimignano there will be extended time for sketching and photography.

The following morning will see the tour move further north to Florence, travelling through the famous wine making region of Chianti. The students will spend the next three days in Florence surveying the art and architecture of the Early Renaissance. Special attention will be paid to the architectural work of Brunelleschi, the sculpture of Donatello and Michelangelo, and the painting of Masaccio and Fra Angelico. On Day 13, the tour will leave Florence and travel south to view two gems of Renaissance idealism - the town centre of Pienza, and the church of Madonna di San Biagio at Montepulciano. Then we will travel east into Umbria until reaching the delightful hill town of Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis. The morning of Day 14 will include a visit to the Basilica di San Francesco, to study the fresco cycle by Giotto. After lunch, we will climb above the town to St. Francis' forest hermitage, where the students can catch their breath and reflect on the beauty of this magical place.

The next stage of the journey will take us north into the Umbrian hills as we wind our way into the region of the Marches and our next destination, Urbino. En route we will visit the tough Medieval town of Gubbio, and then pass through some stunningly beautiful valleys as we approach the splendid hill town that was home to one of the most enlightened courts of the Renaissance. The following day the students will travel east to the coastal resort town of Pesaro, then the tour will move north into the Emilia-Romagna region. After a break at Ravenna, where we will view the impressive Byzantine mosaics in San Vitale, we will head inland again towards the major centre of Bologna. At Bologna we will be met by students from the local "Liceo Artistico", with whom we will stay for the next three nights. During our time in Bologna the students will attend some classes at the school, but will have ample free time to experience life in a thriving Italian city.

On Day 19 we will leave Bologna and travel north towards the mighty Po River and the Veneto region. Our first stop will be at Padua, where we will inspect the Arena Chapel and its wonderful cycle of frescos by Giotto, but our major objective will be Venice. During our sojourn in this unique city the students will become acquainted with its fascinating history, and be introduced to the characteristic art and architecture of the Venetian Renaissance. The tour will also include a boat trip to the historic islands of Murano, Burano, and Torcello. Opportunities will of course be provided for students to record their impressions of this most inspiring of cities!

On Day 22 we will depart Venice for Vicenza, stopping to view several of the Villas designed by the influential 17th Century architect, Palladio. In Vicenza we will also visit his wonderful Teatro Olimpico. From here the tour will return to Bologna for Easter, and three further nights in the homes of the local students and their families. The final stage of the journey will take us south towards Rome, but en route we will stop at the historic town of Viterbo, where we will spend our last two nights in Italy. Whilst in this region of Lazio, we will visit two of the most distinctive examples of the Italian Renaissance garden, and spend a day exploring the Etruscan heritage of the area, with visits to the towns of Tuscania and Tarquinia. On Day 28 there will be time for a final visit to Rome to complete the all important last minute shopping and sightseeing. Later that evening we fly out of Italy and back to reality!

DAY	TRAVEL DETAILS	DEP.	ARR.	DIST	ACTIVITIES	COST	EXTRA COSTS	ACCOMMODATION
FRI 31	SINGAPORE SQ228 MELBOURNE → SINGAPORE SINGAPORE →	4.05 PM	9.45		TRANSIT			TRANSIT
SAT 1	→ ROME SQ 340	11.00 3.00 7.00	6.55		TRANSFER TO HOTEL WALK TO COLOSSEUM + FORUM BUS TOUR OF CITY REST AT HOTEL EVENING WALK TO TREVI FOUNTAIN/PIAZZA DI SPAGNA	10,000	EVENING MEAL	ROME HOTEL MARISA 98 VIA MARSALA 06 491413
SUN 2	ROME → TIVOLI (A24) TIVOLI → ROME	9.00 2.00	10.30 3.30	40 40	TRAVEL TO TIVOLI VISIT VILLA D'ESTE RETURN TO ROME	8,000		ROME
MON 3	ROME → POMPEII (A1) POMPEII → ROME	7.30 4.30	11.00 8.00	240 240	TRAVEL TO POMPEII VISIT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE ART TIME RETURN TO ROME DINNER IN PIAZZA NAVONA	12,000	EVENING MEAL	ROME
TUE 4	ROME	8.30 4.30			VISIT TO ST. PETER'S + VATICAN MUSEUMS → VISIT TO BORGHESI GALLERY DINNER IN BORGHESI AREA (8.00)	15,000 10,000		ROME
WED 5	ROME → ORVIETO (A1) ORVIETO → ACQUAFREDDA → SANT'ANTIMO (T1, T4, 2) S. ANTIMO → MONTALCINO → SIENA (3)	8.30 12.00 2.30 4.30	10.30 2.30 6.00	100 100 60	TRAVEL TO SIENA VIA ORVIETO + MONTALCINO VISIT ORVIETO CATHEDRAL VISIT ABBEY OF SANT'ANTIMO ART TIME EXPLORE SIENA		EVENING MEAL	SIENA HOTEL MODERNO VIA B. PERUZZI, 19 0577/281453
THUR 6	SIENA → SAN GIMIGNANO SAN GIMIGNANO → P. DI CELLA → VOLTERRA → COLLE DI VARE D'ESIA → SIENA	9.00 12.30 4.00	2.00 5.15 6.00 8.30 10.30	40 30 70 140	MORNING IN SIENA VISIT PALAZZO PUBBLICO TRAVEL TO SAN GIMIGNANO EXPLORE SAN GIMIGNANO WALK TO PUEVE DI CELLOLE. ART TIME RETURN TO SIENA VIA VOLTERRA + COLLE DI VARE D'ESIA	3,000	TOWER VISITS EVENING MEAL	SIENA

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FRI 7	SIENA → CASTELLO DI BROLIO (A08) C. DI BROLIO → MELETO → RADDA → GREVE → FLORENCE	9.00 12.00	1.00	25 10 25 30	VISIT TO SIENA CATHEDRAL OPTIONAL VISIT TO BAPTISTRY + MUSEO DEL DUEMO TRAVEL TO FLORENCE VIA CHIANTI COUNTRY VISIT CASTELLO DI BROLIO CONTINUE JOURNEY VIA MELETO CASTLE, RADDA + GREVE ARRIVE FLORENCE	8,000 * 3,000 *	*OPTIONAL GALLERY VISITS EVENING MEAL	FLORENCE HOTEL AMBASCIATORI, VIA ALAMANNI, 3 055/287421
SAT 8	FLORENCE	9.00 4.00	4.30		VISIT DUOMO, BAPTISTRY + MUSEO DEL DUEMO OR SANMICHALE, FREE TIME FOR SHOPPING OR SIGHTSEEING OPTIONAL VISIT TO MEDICI-RICCARDI PALACE LATE AFTERNOON VISIT TO UFFIZI GALLERY ARRANGED DINNER (8.30) "IL CANTASTORIE"	8,000 10,000 6,000 * 12,000	*OPTIONAL GALLERY VISITS SHOPPING	FLORENCE
SUN 9	FLORENCE	8.30 3.00			VISIT ACCADEMIA (9.00), SAN MARCO (12.00) VISIT SAN LORENZO + MEDICI CHAPLS, + SANTA CROCE WALK TO SAN MINATO AL MONTE. ART TIME FREE EVENING	12,000 8,000 10,000 * 5,000 *	*OPTIONAL GALLERY VISITS EVENING MEAL	FLORENCE
MON 10	FLORENCE	9.30 3.00			VISIT SANTA MARIA NOVELLA C. DI OGNISSANTI + BRANCACCI CHAPEL VISIT TO BOBOLI GARDENS. ART TIME FREE EVENING	5,000 4,000	*OPTIONAL GALLERY VISITS EVENING MEAL	FLORENCE
TUE 11	FLORENCE → ABBEY OF MONTE OLIVETO (1, 4, 51) → PIENZA (VIA CANTUARI PASSO) → MONTEPULCIANO (146) → CHIUSI ASSISI (756, 75)	9.00 2.30 5.00 6.15	3.30 5.45	120 30 12 95	TRAVEL TO ASSISI VIA BUONCONVENTO, PIENZA, MONTEPULCIANO + LAKE TRASIMENO VISIT ABBEY OF MONTE OLIVETO. ART TIME VISIT PIENZA, PALAZZO PICCOLOMINI (8.00) ARRIVE ASSISI. ARRANGED DINNER "IL MENESTRINO"	5,000		ASSISI HOTEL ABACUS, VIA BERLINGUER S. MARIA DELL'ANGELI 075/8043940
WED 12	ASSISI ASSISI → EREMO → ASSISI	9.00 2.00 6.00	4.00 7.15		VISIT SAN FRANCESCO EXPLORE ASSISI - VISIT ROCCA, SANTA CHIARA WALK TO EREMO DELLE CARCERI ON MOUNT SUBASIO. ART TIME ARRANGED DINNER (8.00) "IL FRANTOIO"	3,000	CONCERT?	ASSISI
THUR 13	ASSISI → GUBBIO (75, 298) GUBBIO → URBINO (VIA ACQUAFREDDA) (298, 3)	10.00 3.00	11.15 4.30	50 70	TRAVEL TO URBINO VIA GUBBIO EXPLORE GUBBIO TAKE FUNICULAR TO BASILICA DI SANT'Ubaldo ARRIVE URBINO		SCENIC RAILWAY EVENING MEAL	URBINO HOTEL LA MERIDIANA VIA CALBIANCONI, 154/A 0722/32 0169

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FRI 14	URBINO → PESARO (A13) → RIMINI (A14) → RAVENNA (A15) → BOLOGNA (A14)	8.30 12.00 1.10 5.00	. 2.30 6.30	35 35 51 76	VISIT PALAZZO DUCALE TRAVEL TO BOLOGNA VIA S. MARINO + RAVENNA VISIT SAN APOLLINARE IN CLASSE + SAN VITALE IN RAVENNA ARRIVE BOLOGNA - MEET STUDENTS OF ARTISTICO STATALE	8,000 5,000 5,000		BOLOGNA (HOMESTAY)
SAT 15	BOLOGNA	9.00			WALKING TOUR OF BOLOGNA CENTRO GALLERY VISITS LUNCH AT OSTERIA WITH HOSTS VISIT TO SAN LUCCA FREE EVENING			BOLOGNA
SUN 16	BOLOGNA				OWN ARRANGEMENTS WITH HOMESTAY FAMILIES			BOLOGNA
MON 17	BOLOGNA → PADUA (A13) PADUA → VENICE (70)	8.00 11.30	10.00 12.30	116 40	TRAVEL TO VENICE VIA PADUA VISIT ARENA CHAPEL IN PADUA ARRIVE VENICE. VISIT SAN MARCO, PALAZZO DUCALE. EXPLORE SAN MARCO + CASTELLO DISTRICTS. NIGHT TOUR OF GRAND CANAL?	19,000 14,000	GONDOLA RIDE EVENING MEAL	VENICE HOTEL STELLA ALPINA CANNAREGGIO, 99/D CALLE PAULI 041/715179
TUE 18	VENICE → MURANO → BURANO → TORCELO	8.30 3.00			BOAT TRIP TO ISLANDS OF MURANO, BURANO + TORCELO LUNCH IN CAMPO S. MARGHERITA EXPLORE SAN PAOLO DISTRICT. VISIT SCUOLA DI SAN ROCCO + S. MARIA DEI FRARI OPTIONAL EVENING CONCERT	8,000 2,000	EVENING MEAL CONCERT?	VENICE
WED 19	VENICE	8.30 2.30			VISIT ACCADEMIA GALLERY (9.30) EXPLORE THE QUADRETTA DISTRICT. VISIT SAN GIORGIO MAGGIORE + N. RENZI FREE AFTERNOON FOR EXPLORE SKETCHING OR (OPTIONAL VISIT TO PEGGY GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM)	12,000 10,000*	*OPTIONAL GALLERY VISITS EVENING MEAL	VENICE
THUR 20	VENICE → STRA (11) STRA → VICENZA (11, ETO, A4) VICENZA → BOLOGNA (A4, A13)	8.30 10.30 4.30	9.30 11.45 7.00	25 40 100	TRAVEL TO PADUA VIA BRENTA CANAL VISIT VILLA PISANI AT STRA CONTINUE TO VICENZA. VISIT TEVERO OLYMPICO LUNCH IN VICENZA DRIVE TO MONTE BERICO. WALK TO VILLA VALMARANA + VILLA ROTONDA TRAVEL TO BOLOGNA	5,000 8,000 5,000		BOLOGNA (HOMESTAY)

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FRI 21	BOLOGNA	9.00			VISITS TO ARTIST'S STUDIO + FOUNDRY FREE AFTERNOON			BOLOGNA (HOMESTAY)
SAT 22	BOLOGNA				OWN ARRANGEMENTS WITH HOMESTAY FAMILIES		SHOPPING?	BOLOGNA (HOMESTAY)
SUN 23	BOLOGNA				OWN ARRANGEMENTS WITH HOMESTAY FAMILIES (EASTER SUNDAY)			BOLOGNA (HOMESTAY)
MON 24	BOLOGNA → ORTE (A1) → VITERBO (204) VITERBO → BOMARZO	8.30 2.30	1.00	12/12 35 35/44	TRAVEL TO VITERBO ARRIVE VITERBO. VISIT SACRO BOSCO AT BOMARZO + CIVITA DI BAVINOREGIO. ART TIME RETURN TO VITERBO	12,000	EVENING MEAL	VITERBO HOTEL BALLETTI PALACE, VIA F. MOLINI 8 0761/344777
TUE 25	VITERBO → BAGNAIA VITERBO → TARQUINIA TARQUINIA → VITERBO	10.00 12.00 6.00	1.30 7.30	5 45 45	VISIT TO VILLA LANTE AT BAGNAIA TRAVEL TO TARQUINIA. VISIT ETRUSCAN TOMBS + ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM RETURN TO VITERBO	4,000 8,000 8,000	EVENING MEAL	VITERBO
WED 26	VITERBO → ROME	8.30 11.00 3.30	10.00	85	TRAVEL TO ROME FREE TIME FOR SHOPPING ETC. WALKING TOUR OF CENTRAL ROME PANTHEON, BERNINI + CARAVAGGIO SITES FREE EVENING / PACK UP		SHOPPING EVENING MEAL	ROME
THUR 27	TRANSFER TO AIRPORT ROME → 331	9.00 12.15			DEPART ROME FOR MELBOURNE VIA SINGAPORE			TRANSIT
FRI 28	→ SINGAPORE SINGAPORE → MELBOURNE 217	9.55	6.50 6.55am		TRANSIT			