Optional Excursions & Travel Opportunities

Art Day in Florence
Highlights: Michelangelo’s “David”, the Duomo, the Doors of Paradise, Santa Croce (Florence’s Pantheon), the Ponte Vecchio with Prof. Elizabeth Lev and Prof. Christina Mifsud! The weekend includes a gelato break, a giant Tuscan dinner, and much more with a private guide exploring the birthplace of the Renaissance! (Cost approx. €50)

Italian Adventure – Puglia & Basilicata
Travel to the south of Italy to experience lands rich with history and wonderful food! Highlights: Tour of Lecce, known for its Baroque architecture and Roman amphitheater. Spelunk in the largest network of caves in inland Italy, visit Alberobello and the city’s trulli, or strange circular buildings with conical roofs and see the city of Matera and the sassi, the cave district- and spend the night in a cave hotel! (Cost approx. €350)

Eat, Pray, Love – Perugia & Assisi:
On this trip we will discover the wonders of the region of Umbria! “Baci” chocolates, pasta with truffles, roasted pork, local vegetables and wines. This excursion brings us closer to nature as we will gather our own truffles, prepare our own pasta, partake in a yoga experience with an Indian guru and tour the most famous Italian chocolate factory Perugina (Baci candy!) while they are making traditional chocolate Easter eggs! With our time in Assisi, true to the message of St. Francis, we hope you experience a renewed appreciation for the outdoors. Most importantly, we will come together to dine in a in a way that nourishes our happiness. (Cost approx. €300)

Tivoli & Lakeside Splendor of the Roman Hills during Easter Week
Wander through this magical Renaissance palace of Villa D’Este in glorious Tivoli before traveling to the Roman countryside in the volcanic hills of the Castelli Romani around Lake Albano. Highlights: Tour of the gardens and 1,000 fountains at Villa D’Este a traditional Roman lunch with the famous Castelli Romani wines next to the Pope’s summer residence (Cost approx. €50)