



SHASA SERVICE Incoming Tour Operator
VIAGGI E VACANZE NEL MONDO
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BIRD WATCHING IN THE FERRARESE "PARCO DEL DELTA DEL PO"

PROGRAMME C BIRD WATCHING ON THE DELTA (8 days – 7 nights)

1st DAY Afternoon arrival at the Po delta, check in to Agriturismo/Village/Hotel/Hostel. Dinner and overnight stay.

2nd DAY Breakfast in the hotel and departure for whole-day excursion to the "Delta del Po Veneto". The route will cover a fascinating area between the various off-shoots of the Po that flow northwards and will pass through some superb countryside along the Po banks. A visit to the "Museo delle Bonifica di Cà Vendramin" then, on to the delta by means of roads that criss-cross the ancient land reclamation schemes and finish at the coast. The itinerary includes various wildlife protected areas, the riverbanks of the Po itself, pine forests and woods. There are many excellent locations to stop for a spot of bird watching. Free time to lunch then return during the evening for dinner and overnight stay.



3rd DAY Whole-day excursion to visit the Ferrarese Delta del Po. The trip begins with a visit to the "Dune Fossili di Massenzatica" then on to Mesola Castle to see the "Centro d'Educazione Ambientale". The seafood lunch will be in a traditional restaurant followed by an afternoon visit to the "Bosco di Santa Giustina" the "Oasi di Torre Abà" and the "Gran Bosco della Mesola". Return for dinner and overnight stay.

4th DAY Continuation of visits. A whole-day excursion devoted to a visit to the "Sacca di Goro" that features numerous bird watching hides. Leaving from the "Valle Dindona" for "Gorino Veneto" and then across the Bailey bridge on the Ferrarese shores to visit the "Valli di Gorino" and a boat trip on the delta before landing on the "Isola dell'Amore". The island offers spectacular views and is inhabited by many species of birdlife that live and reproduce here, where the river meets the sea. Free time for lunch Return journey in early evening for dinner and overnight stay.

5th DAY After breakfast, departure for a visit to the "Taglio della Falce" followed by the wetlands of Canneviè, Porticino and Bertuzzi. There will be stops along the way for bird watching. Lunch in an "Agriturismo" followed by a visit to Pomposa then on to Comacchio to see this wonderful town and its ancient "Manifattura dei Marinati". Evening transfer to hotel or "Agriturismo" for dinner and overnight stay.

6th DAY Whole-day visit to areas of outstanding natural beauty in the Province of Ravenna. The outing begins by visiting the "Valle Mandriole" then on to the natural beauty spots of "Punta Alberete" and the "Millenaria Pineta di Ravenna". Both these sites are very well known for being both well equipped and for the numerous species of resident birdlife. Free time for lunch (possible packed lunch from the hotel). In the afternoon, the itinerary takes us through the San Vitale pine forest to the south of Ravenna to arrive at the salt flats. Return to hotel for dinner and overnight stay.



7th DAY Departure after breakfast for Comacchio to visit the wetlands Eco-Museum by boat (only at certain periods of the year). Otherwise,



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walks among the ancient farmhouses, cane thickets, riverbanks and dunes where some of the more interesting bird species live and nest. In spring and autumn the area is alive with migrating birds. Some of the ancient farmhouses and eel-fishing stations are well worth seeing. This is followed by a trip along the banks of the Agosta to visit the natural reserve of Boscoforte. Free time for lunch then afternoon departure for Argenta to visit the wetlands of Valle Santa, Campotto and the wooded areas around Pieve di San Giorgio. These areas are particularly rich in both resident and migratory birdlife. Evening transfer to Ferrara or thereabouts. Dinner and overnight stay in hotel or "Agriturismo".

8th DAY Breakfast in hotel followed by a visit to the "Museo delle Scienze" and sightseeing around the city. Lunch in a traditional Ferrarese restaurant then return to hotel.

Price per person in Euros from 455.00 (minimum 2 persons)

Prices include

- 7 nights (half board)
- 3 lunches in traditional restaurants
- Boat trip to the "Eco-Museum delle Valli"
- Entrance to the Argenta wetlands
- Entrance to Ostellato

Prices do not include

- Guides, transport, entrance fees, tips, drinks with meals, extras, other items not expressly indicated or optionals.

SUPPLEMENTS FOR GUIDE AT YOUR DISPOSAL

| INDIVIDUALS RATES (from 1 to 3 people) | | |
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| Full day (max 8 hours) | 1 st person (per guide/day) | Euro 100,-- |
| Full day (max 8 hours) | Each person extra | Euro 25,-- |
| Half day (max 4 hours) | 1 st person (per guide/day) | Euro 70,-- |
| Half day (max 4 hours) | Each person extra | Euro 15,-- |
| GROUPS RATES (more than 3 people) | | |
| Full day (max 8 hours) | per guide/day | Euro 160,-- |
| Half day (max 4 hours) | per guide/day | Euro 110,-- |



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NOTES

All shown program prices are based on two paying guests and, apart from items specifically mentioned in each programme, are inclusive of: VAT, taxes and service charges.

All the programmes consist of modules and are therefore very flexible. They can be tailored to meet varied requirements and as such can be used as a basis for arranging individually packaged tours of the Po Delta area.

The basic package includes: "Agriturismo" farming holidays with every comfort or a stay at a Hostel/Village (all with double en suite rooms, TV etc.). We can also arrange hotel accommodation for all categories either in the very heart of the Po delta area or in and around Ferrara.

With this in mind, we can easily tailor our holidays to meet your specific needs provided there is sufficient demand. We can also provide your group with your own bird watching expert.

The programmes are designed to provide a general overview of the area but, as some of the transfers and bird watching opportunities call for an average stop of three hours, on request we can cancel certain outings and concentrate more on others.

As boat excursions to the wetlands Eco-Museum are only available at certain times of the year, excursions are made on foot in the off-season periods (for birdwatchers we recommend this option at all times of the year).

The trips to the "Isola d'Amore" and to Goro and Gorino are made using small motorboats that are available on request. Considering however the high cost of hiring these boats, we reserve the right to quote based on the number of passengers. The cost therefore will be proportionate to the number of participants. As an alternative, we suggest walks or bicycle rides along this section of the Po delta.



All services are subjects to reconfirm.

Group rates available on request

Prices for "4 wheel drive" car on request

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