



DAY 1

Liberty Sarnico day tour

A day tour to discover in-depth Basso Sebino's territory surrounding Lake Iseo. Here are the typical villages of Sarnico and Paratico, two small tourist centres strategically connected by a bridge. Sarnico is one of the recently acclaimed 'most beautiful Italian villages', with its precious Liberty Villas by the lake. Here, the elegant and asymmetrical Art-Nouveau architecture merges with nature, as real and stylish landscape artworks using dynamic lines, plant and flower shapes. Sarnico is also where the famous Riva Shipyard took place, constructing classy yachts and boats, renowned at national and international level.

- Sarnico is an original fishing and craft village overlooking Lake Iseo. It is characteristic for its Contrada, the historic centre which includes medieval tower-houses and ancient buildings in lakeside territorial context.
- Visit the village, the Church of S. Paolo built on castle ruins, with frescoes from the XV Century, the Baroque Church of S. Martino de Tours, the small square and the Clock Tower dating back the 12th century. Visit the Bellini Art Gallery placed in the former convent Palazzo Gervasoni containing 150 works of art dating back the XV-XVII Century.
- Have a stroll along the lake promenade and admire the Villas and Art Nouveau architecture along the way: Villa Passeri, an ancient spinning mill decorated with floral motifs. Further on, Villa Faccononi or Villino Liberty: a liberty-style building featuring dynamic, circular and square shapes, rectangular and angular terraces, immersed in a park and interspersed with trees and columns, surrounded by an impressive wrought iron gate.



- Eno-gastronomic lunch, the excellence of Iseo territory to taste in a top quality Italian restaurant. Besides, an alternative culinary option to choose: international Thai cuisine, a unique opportunity on the table not to miss! Discover the flavors of Thai food, a selected menu created by a chef originally coming from Thailand!
- Crossing the bridge, on the opposite bank, visit Paratico, a medieval town with lively shops, bars and restaurants. Access to the Tassodi Park including American cypresses and the Erbe Danzanti Park with a botanical garden and the 'Viale dei Volti' (literally 'Avenue of Faces') featuring modern and artistic stone sculptures.
- Walking up the hill, see the Castle's medieval ruins, where famous writer and intellectual Dante Alighieri lived in 1311 and the Lantieri Tower dating back the XIV Century, historically owned by the Lantieris.
- From the Lantieri Tower in Cavour Street, just near the 'Royal Street' leading from Iseo to Oglio river, stop at the Caffè Bohem Bistrot, an antique Art-Nouveau Confetti Shop next to the historic Paratico Railway Station dating back the XIX Century.
- Returning to Sarnico, admire the original and bright Art-Nouveau style of the Kindergarten and the Mausoleum, recalling Maya architecture. Besides, see Villa Surre, a linear but free-style and nature inspired building with a turret and a balcony.
- Later, stop at Cadè, Fontani and Nettuno Lidos. On the way, visit Stella Maris church which is popular for the Sarnico summer boat festival, a traditional boat procession on the lake. Finally, get to nearby Predore village, where internationally renowned Pietro Riva Shipyard produce first class boats and luxury yachts.

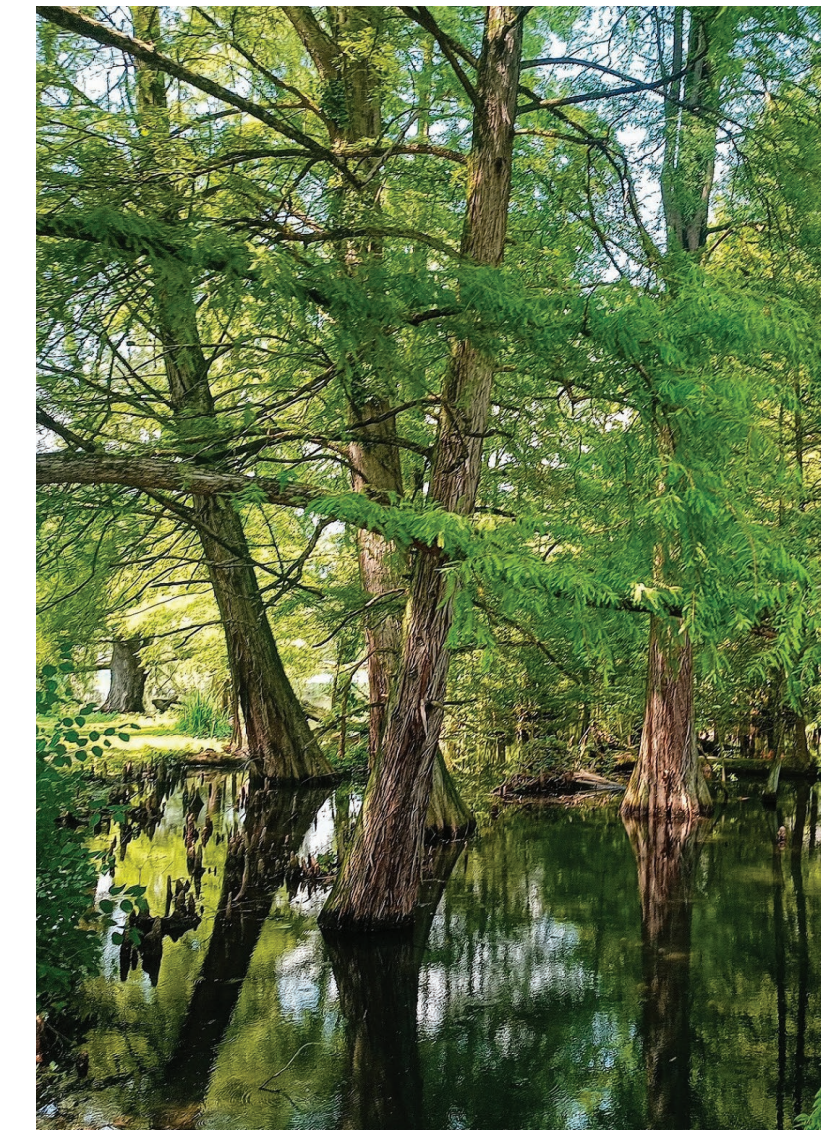


DAY 2

Clusane Slow day tour

A day tour to taste Franciacorta D.O.C and D.O.P food and wine excellence in the context of Lake Iseo ecosystem, offering a top quality selection and variety of regional dishes. Clusane is a small fishing village representing the best of local culinary identity with characteristic restaurants and trattorias situated at the harbour and along the lake shore. Special eno-gastronomy recipes to try from whitefish, lake trout, char fish to traditional tench with polenta. Not to forget, the internationally renowned white, rosè, red, still and sparkling Franciacorta wine! In Clusane, km. zero producers aim to promote local cuisine, proposing organic ingredients and creative recipes on a daily basis.

- In the morning, departure by the traditional Iseo boat 'naèt' to Clusane, a small fishing village. Walk along the lake promenade, away from mass-tourism and experience authentic Basso Sebino's atmosphere, a unique blend of tradition and modernism.
- A wide range of food to choose among lake fish, meat and many other fresh ingredients! Eno-gastronomic lunch in a typical family-run lakeside Trattoria to taste the best local and original recipes like D.O.P tench with polenta, absolutely not to miss! ...And in July, enjoy the traditional Tench Festival!
- Excursion through the countryside to visit a wine Estate and cellar for tasting the best selections of Franciacorta D.O.C. wine. In September, enjoy the Franciacorta Wine Festival, celebrating the excellence of km. zero eno-gastronomy every year!
- Further visit to the small historic centre of Clusane, the Carmagnola Castle, the XVII Century mills and the medieval houses.



DAY 3

Iseo open-air Museum day tour

A day tour in Iseo, a modern lakeside town where lively open-air events, festivals and the main street-market take place. Iseo is a urban centre including a marshy lake environment, the Torbiere Nature Reserve, an Open-Air Museum with humid and endemic microclimate, aiming to protect local flora and fauna biodiversity. In Iseo, the urban-nature contrast blends in harmony, respecting natural and architectural features under eco-sustainable perspectives.



- In the morning, departure by the traditional boat 'naèt' to Iseo. 'The pleasure of hospitality': this is how Iseo is introduced, a contemporary and bustling laketown so different from the quieter nearby villages. Iseo welcome tourists and residents to discover its surrounding area, a wonderful mix of nature and urbanism.
- Visit the medieval village with the XII Century Oldofredi Castle surrounded by alleys with bars, restaurants and shops. The town centre and the lake promenade are busy areas where the popular street-market takes place to buy local food and wine, home accessories, textile articles, clothing and much more.
- After walking to the Sassabanek Sporting Lido, lunch in a top farmhouse for a special and selected cuisine: a creation of unique recipes, the best traditional food experiences from Franciacorta and Lake Iseo to enjoy.
- Visit to the Torbiere Nature Reserve, a protected park immersed in exclusive humid micro-climate, including marsh lands with peaty soil and clay deposits, plains, reed beds and cultivated fields, home to a wealth of bird and water life. Nearby Lamette is another lacustrine area, a natural habitat for endemic flora and fauna.
- Admire panoramic views inside the Torbiera Nature Reserve from the Tower situated at the main Iseo Visitor Entrance. Here it is possible to follow three different routes, up to a total of 9 km.
- Coming from the Central route, cross the marshy area 'Lame delle Torbiere' for biowatching. At your own discretion, head North to San Pietro in Lamosa Monastery or head South to exit at the 'Torbiere-Franciacorta Shopping Center' if you would like to go for shopping.
- In the early evening, return to Iseo centre following one of the Torbiere routes, as you prefer.



DAY 4

Monte Isola green day tour

A day tour in sustainable Monte Isola, a verdant island including a total of twelve scattered coastal and hinterland villages. Land of olive trees, orchards, almond and chestnut trees, here all island traditions have been handed down for generations: fishermen, wooden-boat constructors, fishing net makers, the so-called 'green gold' olive oil producers but also km. zero organic products coming from the lake and the island's hinterland. Surrounded by San Paolo and Loreto islands, Monte Isola is a place to experience natural beauty. Walk from the lakeside to the Sanctuary of Madonna della Ceriola on the top of the hill to admire a wonderful panorama!



- In the morning, departure by naèt and arrival in Monte Isola to discover the natural beauty of this island. Admire the surrounding landscape and the nearby Islands of San Paolo and Loreto.
- Lunch in a lakeside restaurant for tasting the best recipes of the island.
- Later in the afternoon, head to the Sanctuary of Madonna della Ceriola to appreciate a stunning panorama. Return by naèt.



Lake Iseo natural jewel: the pleasure of hospitality

In the Lombardy Region, sustainable niche tourism in search of relaxation at Lake Iseo, a place of peculiar geomorphology, standing out from the rest! Night and day, exclusive natural sceneries become more and more visible as if carved in different picturesque settings, immersed in oasis of peace, ethereal atmosphere and beauty.

This is Lake Iseo, a natural jewel set in a unique environment, highlighting lake beaches and unusual peatlands surrounded by rocks of different heights rising above water surface. Discover authentic Lake Iseo, away from hectic city life, supporting eco-sustainable principles! A warm welcome to appreciate Lombardy culture, tradition, food and wine. That's all Lake Iseo hospitality!

Facing the water, the original fishing villages feature beautiful endemic flora and fauna due to a lacustrine ecosystem. These small towns are increasingly popular tourism destinations at national and international level, offering beautiful natural panorama and pleasant atmosphere year-around. In Lombardy, Lake Iseo is a traditional tourism destination where fishing, sand mining, craftsmanship and textile manufacturing were the main work activities. Beyond this, Lake Iseo is at the cutting-edge of new entertainment proposals: festivals including culture, music, art, food and wine events! In addition, trendy outdoor sports and leisure activities such as mountain biking, trekking, canoeing, kayaking, sailing and others more are available throughout the year. Some of Lake Iseo villages have been promoted as 'the most beautiful italian villages': here are Sarnico, Lovere and Monte Isola! All of these are places to discover in great detail! Lake Iseo deserves an in-depth knowledge of its territory, according to the principles of 'slow tourism'. It is also a renowned location for its eno-gastronomy, where 'Slow food' is one of the sustainable principles which is particularly relevant at national and international level. This is possible thanks to lacustrine microclimate and landscape variety including mountains, hills, cultivated fields with vineyards and olive trees. In this area you can find some of the best km. zero products in the world, like local olive oil and Franciacorta wine! Besides, Lake Iseo cuisine offers a variety of top quality fresh ingredients and unique regional recipes including lake fish, Monte Isola cured meat, polenta and many others more. Not far from Bergamo, find an emerging niche destination with original, creative and exclusive visiting proposals, to guarantee sustainable tourism and many happy returns! Visit this natural jewel to explore at a 'slow' pace!

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