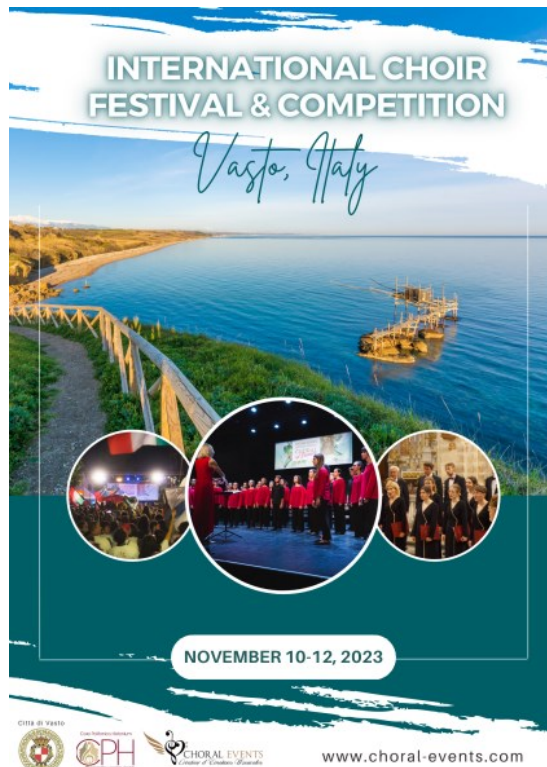


International Choir Festival & Competition in Vasto

From November 10 to 12, 2023

Italy



Vasto is located on the Adriatic Sea, about 80 km south of Pescara. It is a fascinating town with a rich heritage, consisting of an upper part with older buildings and a seaside part with its seaside resort, Marina di Vasto.

Vasto has a long history, which can be discovered by walking through the city streets. It was founded by the Greeks, but its most important remains date back to Roman times: thermal baths, mosaics, cisterns and even the remains of an amphitheatre.

In cooperation with the Histonium Polyphonic choir « B. Lupacchino dal Vasto » choir of Vasto, CHORAL EVENTS is organising an International Choir Competition in November 2023.

Participating choirs will be able to perform concerts in the municipalities of the Vasto area, if they so wish.

A large gala concert with award ceremony in VASTO will conclude this beautiful event. At the end of the competition, the choirs will be offered a few days of tourism in Rome.

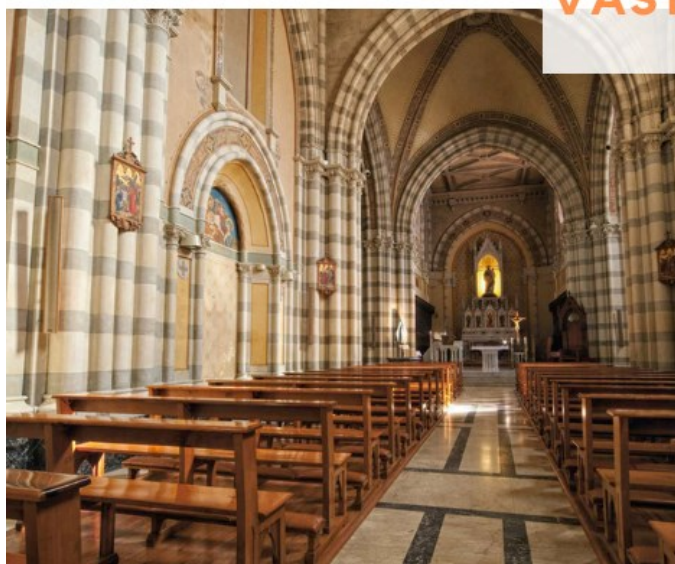
Thursday November 9, 2023 : Arrival

Arrival Roma or Bari or Pescara Airport
Transfer in private coach to Vasto
Check-in hotel & Welcoming time

269km / 3h



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Group dinner at the hotel & Welcoming time

Friday November 10, 2023 : Agnone or Termoli**Breakfast****Transfer for Agnone****Free time & visit of the Pontifical Bell Factory**

77km / 1h15



Agnone, a town of art, surrounded by a mountainous massif, is located in the province of Isernia near the border of the high Chietino. The town extends, in its oldest part, on a hill of pyroclastic rocks, while the modern village is located on the eastern side.

Optional lunch in a typical restaurant 26 €/person

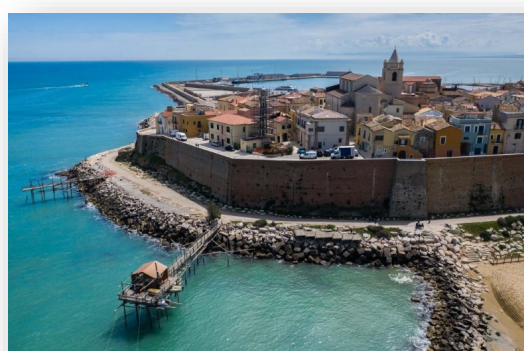
Or Visit of Termoli**Free time and lunch on own**

50km / 1h



Termoli is a popular tourist resort on the Adriatic coast which has long sandy beaches, historic fortifications and some incredible trabocchi.

The latter are very popular with Italian tourists during the summer months but, like the rest of the region, very little known to foreign tourists.

**Transfer back to the Hotel Perrozzi in Vasto****Stage Tests at the church del Carmine****Free time**

International Choir Festival in Vasto

Group dinner with the local choir

Concert in a town near Vasto

11 p.m Transfer back & night in Vasto

Saturday November 11, 2023 : Vasto (Competition)**Breakfast****Transfer to the Competition Venue****Competition at the church del Carmine****Lunch on own**

6km / 10 min



Vasto is located in the Abruzzi region on the Adriatic Sea. Its origins date back to the 9th century BC. Diomedes, king of Etolia, gave it the name Iston (from Mount Iston) which became Histonium at the end of the 1st century BC.

The historic centre of Vasto has preserved many remains from the Roman period, such as: the Porta Nuova, the best preserved of the city walls; the opus reticulatum walls, visible inside the Chiesa della Trinità.

International Choir Competition in Vasto

Cat A : Mixed choirs / Female choirs / Male choirs

Minimum 17 people

Youth & Adults

Cat B : Vocal Ensembles

Minimum 8 people - Maximum 16 people

Youth & Adults

Cat C : Children's Choirs S(S)A(A), girls and-or boys

Minimum 17 people

Children under 15 years of age**

Cat D : Sacred music

Minimum 17 people

Children, Youth and Adults

*The organisation reserves the right to modify or delete a category

**refer to specific requirements for children's choirs

**Transfer to**

International Choir Festival in Vasto

Group dinner with the local choir**Concert in a town near Vasto****11 p.m Transfer back & night in Vasto**

Sunday November 12, 2023 : Vasto (Competition)**Breakfast****Free time or Transfer to San Giovanni in Venere****Transfer back to the hotel***36km / 35 minutes***12.30 Typical lunch with all the participating choirs at the hotel Perrozzi****Transfer to Palazzo d'Avalos****16.00 Guided visit of Vasto***6km / 10 min*

Visit to the Benedictine Abbey of San Giovanni in Venere in Fossacesia, that from the promontory overlooking the Trabocchi coast with all its austere beauty. With the beautiful portal of the Moon, the crypt with frescoes and the pleasant cloister, it is an extraordinary example of artistic syncretism between Romanesque and Gothic art.

Bus trip on the tourist road 16 Adriatica, along the so-called Costa dei Trabocchi, 130 km more suggestive of Abruzzo. To determine the uniqueness are overflowing, ancient wooden structures used for fishing, suspended in a dream between the blue sky and the blue sea.

International Choir & Competition in Vasto

19.00 Closing Ceremony and Awards**20.00 concert with the participating choirs****22.00 Group Dinners with the choirs****Night at the hotel**

Breakfast

$269\text{km} / 3\text{h}$



Check-in, free time and lunch on own

Roman Forum : it takes a little imagination to represent you from the remnants of today what could be this vast Roman forum. It consisted of temples dedicated to the deified emperors, basilicas and shops. Public gathering place, debates and trade, the forum at the time of the Republic was the people before the rostrum (called the mouthparts) and the Senate in the building called Curia.

Do not miss the House of Livia and Augustus reopened in 2007 and whose frescoes were restored



Dinner at the restaurant and night at the hotel

Tuesday November 14, 2023 : Roma

Breakfast

Free time and lunch on own

Public transports (tickets included)



Suggested visits :



The Basilica Saint Pierre of Rome, is located in the Vatican, in the West of the city. It is the main church of Catholicism, his spiritual and also the largest centre. Note that it is not the Cathedral of Rome since this is St. John Lateran that provides this function. Its architecture, its beauty and richness make it one of the essential steps of a stay in Rome. Note that due to the enhanced security controls, access can take time, with sometimes a long queue in the Sun. Access to the Basilica Saint Pierre is free, to the paying dome. **Free entrance.**

On the right bank of the Tiber and close to the Vatican, **the Château Saint Ange** owes its name to the St. Michel Archangel who appeared to Pope Gregory I during a procession.

The Archangel have holstered his sword, thus signifying the end of the plague then rampant in the city. Since then, the statue at its Summit commemorates the event. This huge tumulus was built in 135 by the emperor Hadrian to become his mausoleum. It was then topped with a statue of the Emperor and a Quadriga. It will serve as a mausoleum to the emperors until Septimius Severus in 211. It will eventually have an important military role. Château Saint Ange became a bastion of the one wall. In the Middle-Ages it becomes the fortress protecting the Vatican in addition to



Trevi Fountain : Built at the request of Pope Benedict XIV, it is the work of Nicolas Salvi who completes it in 1762. The fountain came to replace the mouth of the Roman aqueduct which still brings water from a source, the Acqua Virgine. A young girl named Trevi, would have revealed the location of the source to Roman soldiers to save her virginity, story told on the bas-reliefs of the fountain. This monumental fountain, tucked away in a Palace, takes the form of a temple or a triumphal arch.

Dinner in a restaurant and night at the hotel in Roma

Wednesday November 15, 2023 : Rome

Breakfast
Check-out
Transfer to the airport
End of the adventure with Choral Events

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*This program is a travel proposal. It may change depending on the location, the concerts and the arrival and departure times.
Changes will be submitted to the participating group.*

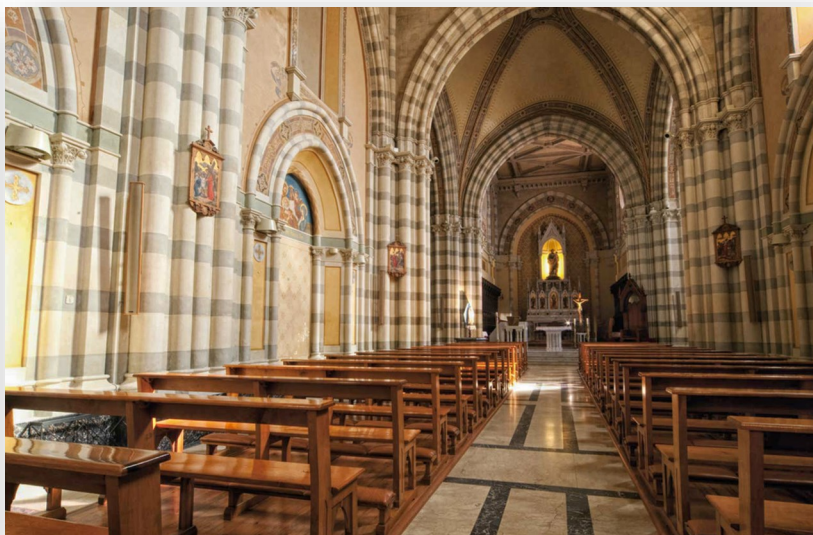


Competition venues : Church del Carmine & Cathedral of Vasto

Competition at the at the church of Maria Santissima del Carmine



Closing Ceremony and Awards at the San Giuseppe Cathedral of Vasto



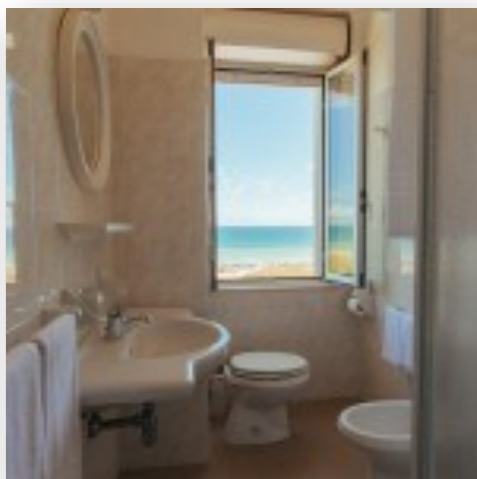
The accommodation : VASTO

Hotel Perrozzi 3* (Vasto Marina) in air-conditioned standard room

(single, double, triple, quadruple)

Lift, Telephone, TV and WIFI, direct access to the sea, Swimming pool, Bar-lounge, Restaurant, private balcony

Hotel privatized for Choral Events during the period



Piscina



Wi-Fi



Ristorante



Parcheggio



Lounge Bar



Bar

The accommodation : Roma

Hotel MADISON 3* in Rome in standard air-conditioned rooms (single, double, twin, triple or family)

130 rooms, lift, telephone, TV and WIFI.

Hotel ideally located near Termini station.



Nb of nights	Nb of Participants minimum	Price per person in twin or double room	Price per person in single room
Vasto 3* 4 nights	40	380 € <i>(340€ in triple room)</i>	480 €
Option Rome 2 nights	40	+ 320€	+ 430 €

Our prices include :

- Accommodation: 4 nights in a 3* hotel based on half-double room (double or twin) in Vasto and 2 nights in a 3* hotel in Rome or equivalent.
- **Half board:** All breakfasts and all dinners + 1 typical lunch at Hotel Perozzi
- Visits according to the program+ Vasto guided tour
- Organisation of 2 concerts + Competition Ceremony
- 1 staff member throughout the stay (english speaker)
- Public transport in Rome + airport shuttle
- Medical repatriation insurance for participants.
- **1 free half-twin package for every 40 paying participants**

Individual & Optional (but highly recommended) :

- **Insurances Package :** *cancellation/luggage/sickness or injury/early return/death/return/interruption of stay/accident*
- **+ Health Protection insurance :** *cancellation if positive for and epidemic or pandemic up to 30 days before departure / cancellation if Covid19 contact case within 14 days before departure / medical fees and isolation fees in France if positive to Covid*

Price of the full package insurance : 7% of the amount of the trip

Our prices does not include :

- The flight from the city of departure to Rome and back
- **Bus transportation during the stay : 4000 € (all inclusive - Roma Airport)**
- Meals not included in the programme and wine with meals
- Extra visits and entries
- Drinks and personal expenses
- 2023 Membership fees : 50€ for the choir
- Registration fees for the competition : 200€ for the choir

Prices established on 10.02.2023 according to the rates and taxes known to date subject to availability. Quote valid until June 30, 2023.



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