



# Northern Italy

EXCLUSIVELY FOR YIVO

OCTOBER 12 – OCTOBER 25, 2026

**\$10,430**

per person,  
double occupancy\*

**\$2,360**

single supplement

\*see page 5 for details

Few of us are familiar with the history of Italian Jews. Even less of the Ashkenazi influence in northern Italy. But that is YIVO's wheelhouse, so come with us while we explore the fascinating, troubled, and glorious history of Italian Jews in the northern tier. Dr. Elissa Bemporad, with noted historian Dr. Samuel Kassow, will lead us on an extraordinary tour.

*The tour will be chaired by Irene Pletka,  
vice-chair of the YIVO Board of Directors.*

To learn more, please contact  
Florence Behrens, Study Tour Coordinator:  
[yivostudytours@yivo.org](mailto:yivostudytours@yivo.org)



**YIVO INSTITUTE** FOR JEWISH RESEARCH

## ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

### **Day 1 / Monday, October 12 / Arrival in Turin**

- Arrival at Turin Airport (transfers from Milan can be arranged at extra cost)
- Transfer from Turin Airport to the hotel
- Welcome Reception and Dinner
- Grand Hotel Sitea

### **Day 2 / Tuesday, October 13 / Turin**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning walk in the former Ghetto to the JCC
- Visit the JCC, including the Museum of Jewish Collections from Piedmont; the Emanuele Artom Library; and the two synagogues of the community
- Lunch
- Afternoon visit to Primo Levi's grave at the Jewish cemetery and a walk in the historic part of Turin, home to the Mole Antonelliana, the Royal Palace and Library
- Return to the hotel in the late afternoon
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel Sitea

### **Day 3 / Wednesday, October 14 / Turin – Saluzzo – Turin**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning excursion to Small Ghetto and Synagogue in Saluzzo
- Return to Turin
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel Sitea

### **Day 4 / Thursday, October 15 / Turin – Casale Monferrato – Genoa**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Departure from the hotel
- Visit the Baroque Synagogue and Museum in Casale Monferrato
- Lunch served in Casale Monferrato
- Arrive in Genoa in the late afternoon
- Check-in at the hotel
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Genova Melia Hotel

### **Day 5 / Friday, October 16 / Genoa – Nervi – Florence**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Departure from the hotel
- Visit the Spianata di Castelletto viewpoint
- Tour in the Ghetto and the Synagogues
- Transfer to Nervi
- Visit the Sholem Aleichem memorial in Nervi
- Lunch in Nervi

- Afternoon transfer to Florence
- Check-in at the villa near Florence
- Shabbat Dinner at the villa
- Villa Olmi

### **Day 6 / Saturday, October 17 / Florence**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning transfer to Florence's historic town center
- Walking tour including La Murate, San Ambrosio Market, Via Delle Oche, Piazza della Repubblica, Piazza della Signoria
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Villa Olmi

### **Day 7 / Sunday, October 18 / Florence**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning transfer to Florence's historic town center
- Visit the Great Synagogue and Jewish Museum
- Continue on foot to Piazza del Duomo
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Villa Olmi

### **Day 8 / Monday, October 19 / Florence – Fossoli – Modena – Parma**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Depart Florence and drive to the Emilia-Romagna region
- Fossoli Concentration Camp
- Visit an "Aceto Balsamico" producer near Modena
- Lunch in Modena
- Walking tour in Modena, including the Ghetto and Synagogue
- Check-in at the hotel in Parma
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel De La Ville

### **Day 9 / Tuesday, October 20 / Parma – Mantua – Parma**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Examine rare early Yiddish and Hebrew manuscripts and books at the Biblioteca Palatina
- Continue to Mantua
- Free time for Lunch in Mantua
- Return to Parma in the afternoon
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Grand Hotel De La Ville

### **Day 10 / Wednesday, October 21 / Parma – Ferrara – Mestre**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Depart Parma for Ferrara
- Visit the grave of Giorgio Bassani at the Ferrara Jewish Cemetery
- Lunch in Ferrara
- Walk in the former Ferrara Ghetto
- Visit the National Museum of Judaism and the Shoah
- Check in at the villa in the late afternoon
- Dinner at the villa
- Villa Barbarich

### Day 11 / Thursday, October 22 / Mestre – Padua – Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning at leisure
- Transfer to Padua
- Visit the grave of Rabbi Meir Katzenellenbogen at Padua's Historic Cemetery
- Visit Padua's Jewish Museum and Synagogue
- Transfer to Venice
- Continue to the hotel by boat
- Check-in at the hotel
- Remainder of the day at leisure
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

### Day 12 / Friday, October 23 / Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning tour in the Venice Ghetto, including the Historic Synagogues
- Visit the Jewish Cemetery on the Lido (pending opening and the weather)
- Return to the hotel in the afternoon
- Shabbat Dinner
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

### Day 13 / Saturday, October 24 / Venice

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning walking tour to Rialto Bridge and San Marco Square
- Afternoon at leisure
- Farewell Dinner
- Radisson Collection Palazzo Nani

### Day 14 / Sunday, October 25 / Venice – Home Flights

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Boat transfer to the airport

*\* Itinerary is subject to change.*

*\* Dietary restrictions will be accommodated if possible.*

**\*\* Please see visa information on page 6.**

## RATES

**\$10,430** per person\*, double occupancy – includes a **\$1,000** per person tax-deductible gift to YIVO†  
**\$2,360** single supplement

\* Based on a minimum of 15 participants.

† Upon receipt of the final payment, YIVO will provide a letter indicating your tax-deductible contribution.

### The price is based upon the following included services:

- All private services throughout the tour
- All transfers on arrival and departure day (October 14 and October 25)
- Full time Tour Director (Dariusz Kuzniar) alongside local guides
- Whisper system with microphones and headsets is provided throughout the tour
- Deluxe hotel accommodation throughout
- Daily breakfast buffet at the hotels
- 5 lunches
- 5 dinners
- All entrance fees as per the program
- Luggage handling at all hotels, includes one piece of luggage per person
- Transfers in Venice by boat
- Tips to drivers, guides and Tour Director
- All taxes and fees

### Not included services:

- Flights to and from Europe
- Individual arrival transfers from Milan or arrival and departure transfers on days other than the announced arrival and departure dates
- Pre- or post-tour hotels or other arrangements
- Meals and services not mentioned
- Extra luggage (\$75 per extra bag)
- Travel insurance – strongly recommended!
- Any personal expenses

### Payment:

A deposit of \$1,000 per person and a completed registration form are required by March 30 to sign up for the tour. Upon receipt of the reservation, YIVO will issue an invoice for the balance. The balance is payable in equal installments; the first installment (50%) is due no later than April 27, and the second and final installment no later than July 27. Upon receipt of the final payment, YIVO will provide a letter indicating your tax-deductible contribution.

### Pre- and Post-Tour Services:

Participants requiring individual travel arrangements in conjunction with this tour must inform the Tour Operator as early as possible. All payments for pre- or post-tour services requested by participants should be made directly to Momentum Tours & Travel. If paying by credit card, a 3.8% fee will be added to the total invoice amount. If the final payment is not received on time, the Tour Operator, Momentum Tours, reserves the right to cancel reservations and apply cancellation fees. In the event of currency fluctuation of 3% or more, the Tour Operator reserves the right to adjust the rates until final payment is received.

**Cancellation and Refund:**

For all cancellations, we will refund payment less the following cancellation fees:

<u>Prior to the departure</u>	<u>Cancellation fee</u>
Up to April 15, 2026	\$1,000 per person
Up to July 9, 2026	30% of the cost per person
Up to August 13, 2026	50% of the cost per person
August 14, 2026 and after	Full Payment

**Meals:**

Breakfasts are served buffet-style at the hotels. Other meals are served at restaurants or at the hotels and are based upon set menus reflecting local traditions. However, alternatives are provided for travelers requiring special meals, such as vegetarian or fish options. Lunches will vary according to the time and the place. Alcoholic beverages are not included.



**Airport Transfers:**

Momentum Tours & Travel offers complimentary transfers on the listed arrival and departure dates. These are October 12 in Turin and October 25 in Venice. Individual transfers from Milan Malpensa Airport can be arranged at an extra cost. Pre-stay arrangements in Turin are available upon request. Payment for pre-tour services must be paid directly to Momentum Tours & Travel by the individual travelers.

**Travel Insurance:**

We strongly recommend that each traveler purchase a Travel Protection Plan (also known as Travel Insurance). Information about travel protection will be forwarded upon request and included in the confirmation information after registration for a tour. Most travel insurance covers pre-existing conditions only if the insurance is purchased within 14 days of the tour registration/deposit.

**Passport and Visa:**

Each participant must possess a valid passport, valid for at least 6 months after the tour’s completion. If a visa is required, it is each traveler’s responsibility to obtain the visa. Travelers from the USA and Canada do not require a visa for this tour. Momentum Tours cannot be held responsible for any missing visas, if needed. Europe is expected to introduce an entry registration (ETIAS) in 2026. It is an online registration that takes minutes to complete. The cost is expected to be around \$20. We will update this information once the registration goes into effect.

**Disclaimer:**

Momentum Tours & Travel, Inc. (hereafter referred to as the “Tour Operator”) and its representatives act solely as independent contractors for various suppliers of services in connection with its tours. These services may include accommodation, transportation, meals, and other related arrangements. The Tour Operator does not assume any liability for injury, inconvenience, expense, damage or loss of property, death, cancellation, change in itinerary, accident, irregularity, or delay resulting from the negligence, default, or actions of any hotel, carrier, motor coach company, restaurant, company, or individual providing such services, or from acts of God. The Tour Operator shall not be held responsible for delays or damages caused by illness, theft, labor disputes, mechanical breakdown, quarantine, government actions or restrictions, war, terrorism, weather, or any other circumstances beyond its control. Additional expenses, omissions, rerouting, or delays arising from such circumstances are the sole responsibility of the passenger. Passenger contracts issued by airlines, railways, or other carriers are

the sole agreements between those companies and the traveler. All baggage remains at the traveler's risk throughout the tour, and the Tour Operator is not responsible for loss, theft, or damage to luggage. The Tour Operator reserves the right to withdraw any part of a tour or make changes as deemed necessary for the safety, comfort, or convenience of the participants. Should substitutions be required, accommodation of equal quality will be provided whenever possible. The Tour Operator assumes no financial liability for resulting losses, expenses, or inconvenience. No refunds or credits will be issued for unused portions of transportation, tours, rooms, or meals. A full refund of tour costs will be provided only if the Tour Operator cancels a tour before the published departure date. Unless otherwise noted, all prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Prices are based on exchange rates and tariffs in effect at the time of printing and are subject to change without notice. The Tour Operator is not responsible for typographical or inadvertent errors.

