

## AUGUST HOLIDAYS IN LIGURIA : 13 / 15 August 2008

**1<sup>st</sup> day:** late in the morning arrival in Genoa and visit of Aquarium, the unique and spectacular construction, the only one in Europe for tank dimensions, which, in the maximum respect of the biological equilibrium, reproduces the Mediterranean and Oceanic habitat. Its 50 tanks host more than 1000 species of fish. Four of them have oceanic dimensions. Self-service lunch (upon request in a restaurant). During the afternoon, sightseeing of the city and free time for shopping. Transfer to hotel, dinner and overnight stay.

**2<sup>nd</sup> day:** after breakfast, departure to Sestri Levante, well-known and characteristic town on the seaside, famous for its Fairytale Bay (Baia delle Favole – called after the writer Hans Christian Andersen) and its Silence Bay (Baia del Silenzio) which gazes upon Tigullio's Gulf. Free time to sunbath, swim among the marvellous frame of the peninsula. Free lunch. At about 6.30 pm, departure to Cavi di Lavagna for dinner. After dinner, departure to Lavagna, to attend the traditional "Torta dei Fieschi". The event is one of the most ancient, spectacular and evocative events in the Italian folklore. It consists in a grand Medieval costume procession, which cross ancient streets of the city. The procession with more than 100 costume figures ends in Piazza Vittorio Veneto, at the bottom of Torta dei Fieschi, reconstruction of an ancient army building, nowadays incorporated in the urban structure of Via Roma. Here, after the reading of wedding proclamation, a cutting-the-cake ceremony takes place. The fifteen-quintal cake is baked by pastry masters of Lavagna, from a secret receipt, which has its roots in the Eastern Liguria folklore, between the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. At this point, the cake is distributed among the public, through a funny game of pairing. Every partakers buy one or more tickets. Every tickets is printed on light blue paper for man and pink paper for woman, and bears a fantasy name. Every player need to find, among the great crowd, his/her own twin soul, either a female or a male, holding the same ticket, but different colour. Only with both tickets, it will be possible to collect a piece of the delicious Lavagna cake. At the end of the event, return to Genoa for overnight stay.

**3<sup>rd</sup> day:** breakfast in hotel, departure to Rapallo. Boarding on a ferry to reach Portofino, a picturesque fisherman village, located in the enchanting bay of the homonymous cape. Portofino is a well-known climate and bathing resort, one of the most famous among international tourism. Sightseeing of the pretty resort and return with ferry late in the morning. Continuation to Cavi di Lavagna for lunch. In the afternoon, return journey will start. End of services.

### PRICE INCLUDES:

Accommodation in a 4\* Hotel in Genoa  
 Full board accommodation in double room, drinks included ( ¼ wine and ½ water per person per meal)  
 Ticket to Aquarium of Genoa (free visit)  
 Tour guide in Genoa for 2 hours  
 Ferry excursion Rapallo/Portofino up/down  
 Self-service lunch in Genoa  
 14th August dinner and 15th August lunch in Cavi di Lavagna  
 Travel

insurance

**PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDES:** G.T. bus for the all trip, tips, extras, museums' and parks' entrance, what is not included in "price includes"

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