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PALLADIAN BEAUTY, SLOW  
TRAVEL AND THE ART OF  
LIVING BETWEEN VENICE AND  
PADUA

4-5 DAYS  
INSPIRATIONAL CULTURAL &  
SLOW TRAVEL ITINERARY

# BRENTA RIVIERA: VILLAS, WATER AND TIMELESS ELEGANCE

A JOURNEY ALONG THE HISTORIC BRENTA RIVIERA, WHERE NOBLE VILLAS, WATERWAYS AND QUIET LANDSCAPES TELL THE STORY OF VENETIAN ARISTOCRACY AND REFINED LIVING. DESIGNED FOR TRAVELERS WHO APPRECIATE ART, NATURE AND SLOW RHYTHMS, THIS ITINERARY UNFOLDS BETWEEN VENICE AND PADUA, REVEALING HIDDEN ITALY THROUGH ARCHITECTURE, CYCLING PATHS, RIVER NAVIGATION AND LOCAL TRADITIONS.

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## **MALCONTENTA – PALLADIAN HARMONY**

THE JOURNEY BEGINS AT MALCONTENTA, HOME TO THE EXTRAORDINARY VILLA FOSCARI, ONE OF THE MASTERPIECES OF ANDREA PALLADIO. SET ALONG THE BRENTA CANAL, THE VILLA REFLECTS PERFECT PROPORTIONS AND HARMONY BETWEEN ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPE.

## **NAVIGATION ALONG THE BRENTA**

FROM MALCONTENTA, THE JOURNEY FOLLOWS THE HISTORIC WATERWAY ONCE USED BY VENETIAN NOBLES TO REACH THEIR COUNTRYSIDE RESIDENCES. A BOAT EXPERIENCE ALONG THE BRENTA CANAL REVEALS A SEQUENCE OF ELEGANT VILLAS, GARDENS AND RURAL SCENERY — A PERSPECTIVE THAT RECALLS THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE VENETIAN REPUBLIC.

## **CYCLING THROUGH THE RIVIERA**

ALTERNATIVELY, THE LANDSCAPE CAN BE EXPLORED BY BICYCLE ALONG SCENIC PATHS THAT FOLLOW THE RIVER. CYCLING OFFERS A MORE INTIMATE CONNECTION WITH THE TERRITORY, PASSING SMALL VILLAGES, HISTORIC ESTATES AND CULTIVATED FIELDS SHAPED BY CENTURIES OF HUMAN PRESENCE.

## **MIRA – THE WORLD OF TIEPOLO**

THE RIVIERA DEL BRENTA IS CLOSELY LINKED TO THE ARTISTIC LEGACY OF GIAMBATTISTA TIEPOLO, WHOSE FRESCOES ADORN SEVERAL VILLAS IN THE AREA. HIS LUMINOUS, THEATRICAL STYLE REFLECTS THE ELEGANCE AND CULTURAL REFINEMENT OF VENETIAN ARISTOCRATIC LIFE.

## **NATURE AND BIRDWATCHING**

BEYOND ARCHITECTURE, THE BRENTA LANDSCAPE OFFERS QUIET NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS IDEAL FOR BIRDWATCHING. WETLANDS AND RIVERBANKS HOST A VARIETY OF SPECIES, CREATING MOMENTS OF STILLNESS AND CONNECTION WITH NATURE FAR FROM CROWDED DESTINATIONS.

## **BRENTA DOC – A LOCAL EXPRESSION OF TERROIR**

THE JOURNEY INCLUDES A WINE TASTING EXPERIENCE DEDICATED TO LOCAL PRODUCTIONS, OFTEN REFERRED TO AS BRENTA DOC, WHERE SMALL WINERIES REFLECT THE CHARACTER OF THE VENETO COUNTRYSIDE. THESE MOMENTS COMBINE FLAVOR, TRADITION AND CONVIVIALITY.

## **PADUA – A CULTURAL FINALE**

THE JOURNEY CONCLUDES IN PADUA, ONE OF NORTHERN ITALY'S MOST HISTORIC AND INTELLECTUAL CITIES. FROM ITS LIVELY SQUARES TO THE RENOWNED BASILICA OF SAINT ANTHONY, PADUA OFFERS A REFINED AND AUTHENTIC ENDING TO THIS SLOW EXPLORATION OF THE VENETIAN HINTERLAND.



### **BEST TIME TO VISIT**

APRIL–JUNE AND SEPTEMBER–OCTOBER, WHEN THE COUNTRYSIDE IS AT ITS MOST VIBRANT AND THE CLIMATE IS IDEAL FOR CYCLING AND OUTDOOR EXPLORATION.



### **IDEAL FOR**

- CULTURAL AND SLOW TRAVEL ENTHUSIASTS
- HIGH-END TRAVELERS SEEKING HIDDEN ITALY
- LOVERS OF ARCHITECTURE, CYCLING AND NATURE



