Journey into the heart of Italy's car culture in Modena, Turin, and Milan.

Italian Cars
featuring the Mille Miglia Rally
May 4-14, 2020

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Delve into the history and future of Italy’s iconic automobile companies. Visit the family museums of Ferrari and Lamborghini and tour a private collection of classic Maserati cars.

Enjoy three nights on the shores of beautiful Lake Garda, and witness the preparations and the start of the world-famous Mille Miglia vintage car race.
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Dear Yale Traveler

You’re invited on an enticing journey of speed, artistry and ingenuity to explore Italy’s love affair with the automobile including the exciting Mille Miglia rally. Beginning more than a century ago, the Italian passion for cars was born out of the first rev of an engine; the first tight corner taken in the driver’s seat of these magnificent machines. This program will immerse us in that fervent devotion as we visit the northern Italian cities of Turin, Milan, and Modena. Home to world-class automobile manufacturers and design houses, such as Ferrari, Maserati, Zagato, Pininfarina, Lamborghini, and Fiat, this surprisingly small region is a playground for car aficionados.

We hope you’ll join this group of auto aficionados and lovers of Italian art and engineering. Together with fellow Yalies, we’ll tour renowned museums such as the Museo Enzo Ferrari and the Museo dell’Automobile, home to Europe’s largest display of historic vehicles, from a 1896 Bernardi to a 1916 Ford T. We’ll visit legendary factories from the sleek, modern production process for Maserati to the small but extraordinary automobile manufacturer of Pagani’s exclusive Zonda line. In Maranello, home to Ferrari, we’ll view some of the world’s most elegant and powerful racing machines. The program will highlight the history of celebrated innovators, going behind the scenes at their studios and meeting with contemporary designers. The grand finale will be watching the Mille Miglia rally with its impressive array of vintage touring and racing cars.

Complementing our professional guides and expert local personalities, we’ll be led by Mary Ann Carolan ’89 PhD, professor of modern languages and literature and director of the Italian Studies program at Fairfield University. Her immense knowledge and teaching experience on Italian literature, film and culture will lend a critical lens to our understanding of this unique form of cultural artistry and heritage.

We look forward to welcoming you on this exclusive foray into the world of Italy’s classic cars. To hold your space, please call (203) 432-1952 or make a secure reservation online at yaleedtravel.org/italycars20.

With best wishes from Yale,

Lauren Summers
Senior Director, Alumni Lifelong Learning and Travel

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Highlights

Watch hundreds of vintage cars drive by as the legendary Mille Miglia rally kicks off in Brescia.

Visit the studios of two of the world’s most renowned luxury coachbuilders, Zagato and Pininfarina, and discuss past and future projects with their designers.

Encounter some of the most celebrated cars in history at the factories of Maserati, Ferrari, Lamborghini, and Pagani.
Mary Ann McDonald Carolan PhD ’89 (Italian) is Professor of Modern Languages & Literatures and founding Director of the Italian Studies program at Fairfield University. Prior to joining Fairfield in 1997, she taught at Wesleyan and Yale. In Spring 2019 Professor Carolan held the Tiro a Segno Visiting Professorship in Italian American Studies at New York University.

At Fairfield Professor Carolan teaches a wide variety of courses on Italian culture, literature and film with a particular focus on the intersections between Italy and the United States. Her course entitled "Made in Italy" examines Italian genius in food, design, and fashion, including the history of innovative automotive design at FIAT, Ferrari, Alfa Romeo, Maserati, Ducati, Piaggio and Vespa. It also explores how the mechanical advances of the automobile figured prominently in the theory and proclamations of the Futurists, a group of Italian intellectuals and artists who celebrated the dynamism, power, and speed of the modern age in the early twentieth century.
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WELCOME PHONE CALL:
Tuesday, April 24, 2020 4:00 pm Eastern (tentative)
Join the group at 4:00 pm Eastern for a pre-trip welcome call to learn more about what to expert and to ask questions.

U.S. TO ITALY
Day 1
Depart the U.S. for Bologna, Italy.

BOLOGNA TO MODENA
Day 2
Arrive in Bologna and transfer to Modena, a city famous for its balsamic vinegar—and its cars. Check in to the elegant Hotel Canalgrande, a 16th-century palace situated in the heart of the city. Gather for a welcome reception and dinner. (Reception, Dinner)

MODENA—MASERATI, PAGANI AND LAMBORGHINI
Day 4
Start the day with a visit to the small but mighty Pagani factory, where supercars like the Zonda and Huayra are crafted like works of art and carry price tags in the millions. Later, at the Lamborghini Factory and Museum, get an intimate look at the creative force behind Lamborghini at the family museum in Funo di Argelto. Learn about the life and genius of Ferruccio Lamborghini, and wander among his private collection of cars and tractors. Take an exclusive tour to see the Minura SV, the Diablo Roadster prototype, and the first and last Countachs ever made. (Breakfast)

MODENA - FERRARI
Day 5
Today immerse yourself in the thrill and elegance of Ferrari on visits to two different Ferrari museums. Follow a guide through the Museo Ferrari Maranello, and trace the evolution of the celebrated Prancing Horse. See the Fiorano test track, where new models of Ferrari racecars and roadsters are given their first test run. Then head to the Enzo Ferrari Museum, a stunning pavilion that incorporates Enzo Ferrari’s birthplace, his father’s workshop and exhibits of Ferrari models and engines. (Breakfast, Dinner)

TURIN – FIAT, MUSEO DELL’AUTOMOBILE
Day 6
Drive west to Turin, the home of Fiat since 1899. Visit its former factory, the Lingotto, and, after lunch on your own, ascend to the roof to see the test track famously built on top of the building. Spend the afternoon at the Museo dell’Automobile, where more than 150 classic Italian automobiles are on display.
display. On a guided tour, delve into the history of Italian car design and engineering and see early models like the 1896 Bernardi. Settle into the Grand Hotel Sitea, a historical landmark in Turin’s city center. (Breakfast)

TURIN – PININFARINA
Day 7
Take a morning tour of the Pininfarina design center and learn how Battista Pininfarina transformed the art of body design while building coaches for Alfa Romeo, Lancia, Bentley, and many more. Meander among some of the greats in their new exhibition space, including the Cisitalia, the Giulietta Spider, and the Sigma Grand Prix. Stop for lunch at a local restaurant before an afternoon at leisure. (Breakfast, Lunch)

MILAN TO LAKE GARDA
Day 8
Drive east to the avant-garde Zagato Studio just outside Milan and meet with their designers. A coach-making company since 1919, Zagato is known for aerodynamic models created in partnership with Bugatti, Aston Martin, and Rolls Royce. Continue to the shores of Lake Garda, the largest of the Italian lakes, nestled at the foot of the Alps. Your home for the next three nights is the lakefront Villa Rosa Hotel in Desenzano. (Breakfast, Lunch)

LAKE GARDA
Day 9
Enjoy a full day to explore Lake Garda as you wish. (Breakfast)

BRESCIA – MILLE MIGLIA RALLY
Day 10
Winding a thousand miles from Brescia to Rome and back, the Mille Miglia is one of the most famous road races in the world. From 1927 to 1957 it was a full-speed race, with drivers careening across the Italian countryside at breakneck speeds. Today, it is a time-speed-distance rally of classic and vintage cars built no later than 1957. Explore the evolution of the race and its legendary cars and drivers at the Mille Miglia Museum in Brescia. Then sit down to a thrilling final dinner in a prime location, watching hundreds of antique racing and touring cars roar past as the historic race to Rome kicks off. (Breakfast, Dinner)

VERONA TO U.S.
Day 11
After breakfast, transfer by coach to Verona airport for individual flights home. (Breakfast)

What is Included:
- Program of lectures and discussions with Yale study leader Mary Ann Carolan ’89 PhD
- All site visits, activities, entrance fees and guided tours as listed in the itinerary
- All meals and receptions as outlined in the itinerary
- Accommodation as outlined in the itinerary
- The services of a professional Tour Manager from pre-departure through the end of the trip
- The services of a local Italian guide throughout the trip
- Gratuities to hotel personnel, local guides, and drivers on included excursions and transfers
- Transfers and luggage handling when arrivals and departures coincide with itinerary travel dates
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- Emergency medical evacuation services

What is Not Included:
- Airfare from your home city to Italy and return
- Passport, visa and airport departure taxes
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- Travel and trip cancellation insurance
- Expenses of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone, hotel spa services, food and alcohol beyond meal inclusions, etc.
- Gratuities for non-group activities
- Activities described as optional in the itinerary
- Expenses resulting from delays due to bad weather, road conditions, sickness, government action, and flight delays

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Program Cost

The base cost for this program is: $7,595 (based on double occupancy)
Single Supplement: $1,260 (limited availability)
Deposit Amount: $1,000
Final payment deadline: February 4, 2020

Accommodations

PHI HOTEL CANALGRANDE – MODENA, ITALY
(4 nights)
A former monastery dating back to 1530, the four-star, Hotel Canalgrande exudes character and charm. Ideally located in the old town, the property provides guests convenient access to prominent landmarks. Rooms are traditional and small but comfortably and tastefully decorated. All guest rooms are equipped with complimentary WiFi, flat screen televisions, minibar, and in room safe. There is a restaurant featuring traditional Italian cuisine that overlooks the internal courtyard garden.

GRAND HOTEL SITEA – TURIN, ITALY
(2 nights)
In operation since 1925, the Grand Hotel Sitea is a luxurious hotel with historic charm in the heart of Turin. Guest rooms come with individually controlled air conditioning, satellite TV, complimentary high-speed and wireless Internet, hair dryers, and minibars. The elegant Carignano restaurant serves international cuisine as well as a Piedmont tasting menu.

VILLA ROSA HOTEL DESENZANO – DESENZANO DEL GARDA, ITALY
(3 night)
The four-star Villa Rosa Hotel Desenzano is located on the shores of Lake Garda, in the heart of the picturesque village of Desenzano. Guest rooms in this neoclassical-style villa are elegant and feature all modern comforts such as complimentary Wi-Fi and seated balconies. The restaurant offers regional cuisine and fine views across the lake. There is an outdoor terrace and a wellness center.

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**PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

$1,000 per person deposit upon application. Final payment is due by February 4, 2020. Final payment may be made by credit card, check or wire transfer. If final payment is not received by 60 days prior to departure, your space is subject to cancellation. If you are making a reservation within 90 days of the trip’s departure, full payment will be required upon confirmation. By registering for a Yale Educational Travel program, the participant agrees to the Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer and the Terms and Conditions herein and that the participant acknowledges that he/she has carefully read and fully understands and accepts the Terms and Conditions for this program, detailed here: https://www.academic-travel.com/yet-tcs/