

An aerial photograph of a vast rice plantation at sunset. The landscape is a patchwork of green rice fields, some of which are flooded and reflect the warm orange and yellow light of the setting sun. In the distance, a range of mountains is visible under a hazy sky. A winding road or path cuts through the fields. In the foreground, there are some trees and a small structure near a body of water.

DAY TRIP

RICE PLANTATION VISIT, LUNCH WITH RISOTTO COOKING SHOW

Italy is indeed one of the major producers of rice in Europe, and it plays a significant role in supplying rice to both domestic and international markets. The Po River Valley, located in the northern part of Italy, is particularly renowned for its extensive rice fields and high-quality rice production. The cities of Vercelli, Novara, and Pavia, situated in this region, are considered the heart of Italian rice cultivation where the well-known risotto was born.

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

All transfers and experiences as detailed in the itinerary
All English speaking guides, experts and entrance fees

ITINERARY

10:30 - Departure - 45 minutes

Private transfer to the Rice Plantation

Private transfer with an English-speaking driver - Mercedes E or V Class

WELCOME TO THE LARGEST RICE FIELDS IN ITALY

Vercelli, Novara, and Pavia are three cities in the northern region of Italy, known for their rich agricultural history, including the cultivation of rice. The Po River Valley, where these cities are located, is a particularly fertile region that has been crucial to the development of rice cultivation in Italy.

11:30

Rice and Risotto day to remember

In Casalbeltrame a historic farmhouse, with the ancient stable now transformed into a "teaching room" where you can talk about the varieties, characteristics and most historical aspects of rice and its cultivation. The visit continues in the production areas of the company (dryer, silos, packaging and shipping, flour preparation mill) and a walk along the rice paddies to see the rice in the field (May is the sowing period).

For lunch at the nearby Trattoria (a few dozen meters from the company) they have created a thematic menu based on white and black rice and the related flours, so that you can taste the product. Combined with a risotto cooking show in the dining room, so that participants can see the preparation and, if they wish, interact.

14:30 - Departure - 45 minutes

Private transfer back to Hotel

Private transfer with an English-speaking driver

PRICE

Starting from € 1.150 for 2 people

FOR BOOKING:

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