

Hotels in the Mediterranean

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Here is a selection of what we can offer:

ROME



Take your time to visit the **Colosseum**, the great amphitheatre, eternal symbol of Roman civilisation. In the surrounding area, you can admire the imposing Arch of Constantine, the last of the triumphal monuments of the classical age. You also might see the imposing **Capitol**, the smallest but most famous of Rome's seven hills and the location of the Senatorial Palace, headquarters of the Municipality of Rome. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the **Trevi Fountain**, a masterpiece of baroque Rome where visitors traditionally toss a coin in order to ensure their return to the Eternal City. You can also visit the Pantheon dedicated to "all the gods". Continue on to the **Piazza Navona**, considered to be Rome's most beautiful square. You can continue your visit with a tour of **Saint Peter's Basilica**.

STAR HOTEL MICHAELANGELO**** - HOTEL 47****

VENICE



Visit the most famous square in the world - **Saint Mark's Square** and discover magnificent art treasures such as in the Doge's Palace. Visit the Armoury with its collection of over 2000 arms of great historical interest and cross the famous **Bridge of Sighs** that joins the prestigious and rich palace to the dark and damp cells of the prisons. Continue towards the **Basilica**, which has always been the city's main church, the place in which the Doges were consecrated, and the centre of Venice's religious and public life. You will be enchanted by the splendid contrast between Byzantine and Western architecture, the rich marble decorations and the precious mosaics that have made the basilica famous throughout the world as the "Golden Church". Have a look at Saint Mark's **Campanile**, and the Clock Tower.

HOTEL OLIMPIA*** - HOTEL BONVECCHIATI****

SAVONA/GENOA



Not far from Savona along the Western Riviera, with its Mediterranean maquis and beautiful sea views, you will find Genoa, Liguria's capital and ancient Maritime Republic. You will be able to admire "the most beautiful street in Europe" as Rubens defined it: Via Garibaldi. On **Via Garibaldi**, a real open-air museum, you will have the chance to visit the three most precious gems that house the city's artistic masterpieces: Palazzo Bianco, with paintings by Caravaggio and Rubens, Palazzo Rosso, with its splendid interiors and paintings by Veronese and Guercino, and finally Palazzo Doria Tursi, with its magnificently furnished public rooms and the Paganini Museum. Don't forget to visit **Portofino**. This ancient coastal village is situated in a deep inlet, protecting it from winds. Strolling along the narrow streets of this charming village, you can admire the tall narrow houses with their pastel coloured facades.

NH PLAZA**** - SAVONA MARE****

Starhotel Michelangelo, Rome



Hotel Olimpia, Venice



Hotel Bonvecchiati, Venice



Hotels in Northern Europe

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AMSTERDAM



Amsterdam is the true capital of the Netherlands, and a magnificent city of art, culture and entertainment, with a population of one million inhabitants. The original city center, which developed around the port, is literally surrounded by water. It has the sea on one side and the docks, Amstel river and canals on the other. Amsterdam was built on 90 islands and is connected by 500 bridges. Its foundation dates back to 1275, when it was a shelter for Christians and an important commercial center. The city is particularly compact, with most museums, monuments, shopping streets, markets and other tourist attractions in close proximity. **The historical center** is charming, and in the so-called "hard" quarter the bars and restaurants offer food, beer and live music, 365 days a year. The cultural center of the city includes the **Rijksmuseum**, which exhibits work of the Dutch masters, the **Vincent Van Gogh Museum**, and the modern art **Stedelijk Museum**.

NH CENTRAL STATION* - VICTORIA HOTEL******

COPENHAGEN



The capital of Denmark, Copenhagen is the country's biggest city with some five million inhabitants, taking its suburban population into account. Along with Denmark's combative Viking past, the country for many centuries underwent periods of great turbulence and military activity. Copenhagen, (formerly called Havn, meaning port) became the cultural capital of the country and in the first half of the 17th Century several elegant buildings were built. The **Amalienborg Palace** in Copenhagen has been home to the Danish Royal Family since the late 18th Century and today includes a museum, which chronicles the Family's history through the centuries. When the Danish queen is in residence, changing of the Guard takes place at the palace at noon. In ancient times the Royal Family lived at **Christianborg**, a charming castle full of history and artistic masterpieces. The castle, on Slotsholm Island, hosts the Folketing, the Danish parliament. Probably the city's most famous sight is the waterfront statue of the **Little Mermaid**, a tribute to the city's most famous son, Hans Christian Andersen. Another renowned sightseeing destination is the **Tivoli Gardens** amusement park, which is more than 150 years old. The city has many restaurants and bars, particularly in the Nyhavn and Stroget areas, in which to try out some of the local specialities.

ADMIRAL HOTEL** - THE SQUARE******



NH Plaza, Genoa



Victoria Hotel, Amsterdam



Admiral Hotel, Copenhagen