Day 1 April 8/Wednesday **Depart Pollock property at 8:30 a.m**. on Main Event Transportation to Oakland International Airport. Check in time is11:30 a.m. for 1:30 p.m. flight. Two meals and one bag are included on flight. Flying time is 11 hours, 30 minutes, a direct flight in Rome/Fiumicino airport.

Day 2 April 9/Thursday **Land in Rome** at 10:00 a.m., pre-unch time.

Go through immigration, board Passports shuttle to downtown Rome, by the Vatican, across from the Castle St. Angelo. Check into hotel, walk the neighborhood and walk to St. Peter’s Basilica piazza to see where we will be on Sunday and to see the awe inspiring cathedral. Explore the food venues for dinner. Get cleaned up and to bed early to avoid jet lag!

Day 3 April 10/Friday **Bell tower adventure of St. Peter’s Basilica, followed by** adventure on foot, cross the Tiber River, Tiberina, Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Jewish quarters, Pantheon, Roman Forum, Castle St. Angelo, one or all! Vote on desire to go on Rome by Night Bike Tour.

Day 4 April 11/Saturday **Shop the Mercato Trionfale**, biggest open air 4 block market, free time with buddy, amazing lunch, meet up for journaling and nap time at hotel before night adventures and family dinner!

Day 5 April 12/Sunday **Explore** **Rome,** walk to the Piazza San Pietro for the Papal Mass and outdoor Easter Sunday service with Pope Francis coming in on a chariot, sitting with nuns and priests from all over the world in colorful habits. Dine with the Romans after the service.

Day 6 April 13/Monday **Depart Rome for Praiano** via the A-train, purchase tickets at tobacco stand, take train to the Central Train Station (Stazione Termini), change trains and take train to Sorrento. Pick up Sita public bus to to Praiano on the Amalfi Coast for 3 nights. Explore the edge of the world from Praiano and watch the tour buses try to navigate the tight squeezes of the Amalfi coast. Dine at the Hotel Margherita where we will be staying.

Day 7 April 14/Tuesday **Depart Praiano for the day** for Capri. Per the hotel,

“This is the explanation of the Capri tour:

To visit the island that Tiberius, the second Roman emperor, made famous, we recommend going by one of the private and traditional boats of the area, “Romeo and Giulietta.” You may book the boat in advance from us. The tour begins at 8:30 when we will take you in our van to the beach at Marina di Praia. We will also pick you up at the same beach when you return. The tour will pass near the island group of Li Galli, you will also see the White Grotto, the Faraglioni, the Green Grotto and finally the Blue Grotto. At the last grotto, you may also enter it in a small boat (14 euro). From here, your private boat will take you to be beginning of the island tour, disembarking at the Marina Grande. There is a funicular (small tramway) that leads to the central piazza about 200 meters from the port. We highly recommend taking this tram since the street has many sharp turns and the funicular is very comfortable and takes less than five minutes. From the central square of Capri you can take the scenic path to the Gardens of Augustus. Augustus, of course, was the first emperor of Rome and is credited with exploring Capri. We also suggest taking a bus to Anacapri, where you should visit the Villa San Michele. The time on Capri is about 3 hours. On the return trip, there will be a stop at a beautiful beach for swimming. The return to Praiano will be about 18:00. The cost for this tour is 85 euro per person.”

Day 8 April 15/Weds. **Take hotel shuttle or local Sita bus to Positano** for the morning, have lunch at this hillside village, head back to town of Praiano to explore and hang out in the Piazza with locals before returning to Hotel Margherita for our “Amalfi coast farewell dinner”.

Day 9 April 16/Thurs. **Depart Praiano for Salerno to end up in Matera** via local bus or hotel shuttle where we then pick up train(s) to Matera. Walk from train station to the old Sassi region where no vehicles are permitted and check into our “Cave Hotel”. The Sassi in Matera has been named the *Number One UNESCO World Heritage site for 2019*. Walk the ancient cobble stone streets and watch the locals oogle at us and attempt to engage us in conversation.

Day 10 April 17/Friday **Depart the** Sassi via local tour van for a tour of the Murgia, across the ravine and the cave dwellings. Visit the restored historical cave family dwelling. Dine in our first cave restaurant.

Day 10 April 18/Saturday **Explore the Sassi** early morning, take local transportation or touring van to the fortified village of Tricarico to visit Mrs. Pollock’s family and experience a “locals only” little town. Visit ancient cathedrals and catacombs.

Day 11 April 19/Sunday **Depart the Sassi**, via two different trains and return to Rome, where we will check in to the same hotel in our same neighborhood and shop and visit your favorite spot in Rome. Dine wonderfully, celebrate our last night in Rome, throw coins into the Trevi fountain for a “return to Rome juju”. Pack and prepare for Monday’s departure to travel back home.

Day 12 April 19/Monday **Depart the hotel at 8 a.m**., to check in by 9 a.m. for 11:05 a.m. departure. Land in Oslo, Norway at 2:15 p.m., go through immigration, go to different gate in preparation for 2nd flight, boarding at 4:00 p.m. for 5:35 p.m. flight to Oakland. Arrive at 7 p.m. in Oakland, pick up Monterey Airbus for return drive back (unless individual families want to pick up loved ones). Flight time is 16 hours, 55 minutes including stop in Oslo.