



THE MIAMI-DADE SISTER CITIES PROGRAM
MISSION TO THE PROVINCE OF ASTI, ITALY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH THRU THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH 2006

OFFICIAL AGENDA
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Friday, September 8th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

- 1:30 p.m. Arrive Miami International Airport Concourse F
Check in for Alitalia Flight No. 637 (AZ637).**

- 4:35 p.m. Depart Miami International Airport for Milan-Malpensa
International Airport, Milan, Italy.**



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Saturday, September 9th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

8:15 a.m. Arrive Milan-Malpensa International Airport.

9:30 a.m. Depart Airport by bus to Asti.

11:30 a.m. Arrive Asti.
Check into Hotel Lis
Via Fr. Rosselli 10
Asti 14100, Italy
Tel: 011-39-01415-95051

Afternoon on your own

6:30 p.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby
Walk to Barolo Restaurant.

7:00 p.m. Arrive Barolo Restaurant
Dinner on your own.

9:00 p.m. Walk back to hotel.



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Sunday, September 10th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

- 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.** Continental Breakfast – included with room.
- 9:45 a.m.** Meet in Hotel Lobby
Walk to Piazza Alfieri to VIP Seating Area.
- 10:00 a.m.** Vivian Rodriguez meets with organizers of Festival della Sagre – Asti Provincial Administration Building.
- 10:00 a.m.** View Spilata della Sagre (Farmers' Parade)
Typical farmers' costumes representing
Asti's 48 villages in celebration of harvest.
- 11:45 a.m.** Walk to Piazza del Palio.
Village stands exhibiting typical foods of Asti's 42 villages.
- 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.** Arrive at Piazza del Palio
Lunch served at Piazza del Palio
Guests of Pro Loco Village di Mongardino booth.
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.** Visit Village stands throughout the Piazza.
Sample foods on your own.

Evening on your own



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Monday, September 11th, 2006

DRESS: BUSINESS ATTIRE

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast included with room.

**8:45 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby
Walk to Torroneria Barbero –
Nougat/Chocolate Artisan Candy factory.**

**9:00 a.m. Arrive at Torroneria Barbero.
Tour old fashioned factory – oldest in Asti.**

**9:00 a.m. Dr. Eduardo Padron has tentative meeting with officials of the
Universita degli Studi di Torino. Location to be determined.**

**10:00 a.m. Dr. Ana Cruz meets with representatives of Punto Universitario
di Asti School of Business near Torroneria Barbero.**

10:45 a.m. Walk to Amministrazione Provinciale – Provincial Building.

11:00 a.m. Arrive at Amministrazione Provinciale

- **Meet President Roberto Marmo and Cabinet of Provincial Administration for official welcome.**
- **Meet with Mayor of Asti: Vittorio Voglino**
- **Meet with representatives of Camera di Commercio di Asti (Chamber of Commerce) President: Mario Sacco.**
- **Meet with representatives of Unione Industriale di Asti (Economic Development Agency) President: Franco De Gennaro.**

12:30 p.m. Welcome Luncheon hosted by La Provincia di Asti.

2:30 p.m. Walk back to Hotel.

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Monday, September 11th, 2006 (Continued)

DRESS: BUSINESS ATTIRE

- 3:00 p.m. Depart hotel by bus to Arazzeria Scassa (Artisan Tapestry Factory).**
- 3:30 p.m. Arrive at Arazzeria Scassa - Tour facility.**
- 4:30 p.m. Depart by bus for tour of Collegiata di Sant Secondo.**
- 4:45 p.m. Arrive at Collegiata di Sant Secondo**
Tour of church and visit to crypt of Sant Anastasio
Visit relics of Sant Anastasio.
- 5:15 p.m. Depart by bus to La Cattedrale di Asti. (Asti's Cathedral).**
- 5:30 p.m. Arrive at La Cattedrale di Asti**
Oldest gothic church in Piemonte (Piedmont)
Meet with Bishop Francesco Ravinale, Bishop of Asti
Tour of Cathedral.
- 6:00. p.m. Bus transfer to Hotel Lis.**
- 6:15 p.m. Arrive at Hotel Lis.**
- 7:00 p.m. Depart by bus to Cocconato.**
- 7:20 p.m. Arrive at Cocconato**
Visit Cantine Bava
Dinner/Reception.
- 9:30 p.m. Return by bus to Hotel Lis.**



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Tuesday, September 12th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

- 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast – included with room.**
- 10:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby
Transfer by bus to Caseificio di Roccaverano.**
- 10:30 a.m. Arrival at Caseificio di Roccaverano
(Artisan Cheese Factory)
Refreshments and sampling.**
- 2:00 p.m. Bus transfer to Canelli.**
- 2:15 p.m. Arrive at Canelli
Visit Cattedrali Sotteranee
(Underground cathedrals for sampling).**
- 3:30 p.m. Bus transfer to Valenza.**
- 4:15 p.m. Arrival and tour of Valenza
City of goldsmiths
Tour City.**
- 6:15 p.m. Return by bus to Hotel Lis.**
- 6:30 p.m. Arrive Hotel Lis.**
- 7:00 p.m. Bus transfer to Ristorante Gener Neuv.**
- 7:20 p.m. Arrive Ristorante Gener Neuv for dinner hosted by
La Provincia di Asti
In celebration of La Douja d'Or (Wine Festival).**
- 9:30 p.m. Return by bus to Hotel Lis.**



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Wednesday, September 13th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

- 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast – included with room.**
- 8:00 a.m. Depart hotel by bus to Torino.**
- 9:00 a.m. Arrive Torino.**
- 10:00 a.m. Visit Centro Storico. (Historic district).**
- 11:00 a.m. Arrive at Il Duomo di Torino (Turin's Cathedral)
Meet with His Excellency Cardinal Severino Poletto,
Archbishop of Torino (former Bishop of Asti)
Tour Cathedral.**
- 11:45 a.m. Transfer to Basilica di Superga area.**
- 12:00 p.m. Arrival at Basilica di Superga
Lunch on your own.**
- 3:00 p.m. Depart by bus to Asti.**
- 4:00 p.m. Arrive at Hotel Lis.**

DRESS: BUSINESS ATTIRE

- 6:00 p.m. Depart by Bus to Castello di Costigliole.**
- 7:00 p.m. Arrive at Castello di Costigliole for reception and farewell dinner.**
- 9:00 p.m. Shelly Fano meets representatives of the Italian Culinary Institute
after dinner at the Castello di Costigliole.**
- 9:30 p.m. Depart by bus to Hotel Lis.**
- 10:30 p.m. Arrive at Hotel Lis.**



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Thursday, September 14th, 2006

DRESS: CASUAL ATTIRE

6:00-10:00 a.m. Hotel Checkout.

Individual mission participants depart to various destinations. Transportation to Milan available for those requiring the service.

Alitalia Flight No.636 (AZ 636) departs for Miami at 10:00 a.m. Passengers need to be at the airport with sufficient time to allow for check in—at least 2 hours before departure—It may require longer according to local security requirements. Participants need to check individual departure dates.

END OF MISSION