

Venice Carnival

The Carnival in Venice is said to have originated from an important battle victory for the republic in the year 1162. To celebrate this victory, dances and reunions started to take place in Piazza San Marco. Of course, due to the multicultural character of Venice, magicians and others joined the fun, most likely dressed in costume. Eventually the parties faded, as did the Venetian empire. Fortunately, however, *Carnevale* was revived in 1979 and now is known as one of the most intriguing festivals in the world.



PACKAGE INCLUDES

- ◆ 3 or 4 nights in select hotels
- ◆ Daily breakfast buffet
- ◆ Deluxe Costume w/ Fitting
- ◆ Cocktail / Lunch Reception
- ◆ Entertainment
- ◆ Gondola in Costume Parade
- ◆ Costume Walk in San Marco



ACCOMMODATIONS & PARTIES

Our Carnival package provides for your choice of accommodations in Venice with choice of hotels, parties, and historical costume.

The dates for our Carnival package are February 16th through the 18th with Friday, February 17th as the primary date for our exclusive program - **Essence of Carnival**.

This special day of Carnival starts with your afternoon arrival in costume to a private palazzo on the Grand Canal for a Cocktail Reception and Venetian Menu Lunch; live Entertainment is provided during your time in the palazzo; afterwards you depart in Gondola for San Marco where you will arrive in style to display for all the paparazzi during your Costume Walk; later you can continue your experience with a Venetian *aperitivo*!

Other parties may also be attended on the days prior to or after the 17th in order to complete your Carnival experience.

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