

From the clip to the cloth – Biella, Italy May 2019

The congress is for everyone who is interested in coloured sheep, whether it's genetics, wool, handcrafting or marketing – this congress covers it all. The congress itself will take place from the 20th to the 22nd of May 2019 in Biella, Italy at the Santuario di Oropa (congress venue). The congress venue is 15 km away from Biella city center.

On Sunday, the 19th of May 2019 a welcome reception will take place. Dinner will be offered for 25€ per person.

On Monday, the 20th of May 2019 the congress itself will start. In the morning, we will be welcomed by local officials and then there will be presentations with a coffee break in the morning and one in the afternoon. Lunch will be served in a local restaurant. Before the evening dinner the congress attendees will be able to present their products and posters in the exhibition room.

On Tuesday morning, the 21st of May 2019 there will be more presentations and a coffee break. After lunch, we will be taken by coach to visit Biella The Wool Company and the village of Miagliano. In the evening, a three-course dinner at Oropa is served.

On Wednesday, the 22nd of May 2019, we will go by coach on a field trip visiting several wool processing facilities in Biella. There will be lunch provide at the field visit as well as a three-course dinner in the evening.

The congress is a unique chance to see the whole processing chain of wool from scouring to the finished product since Biella is the only place where everything can be done in one place

If you wish to register for the congress, please fill out the registration form and send it back to us, as well as transfer the money in Euro (€) via PayPal or bank transaction. You'll receive an invoice and a confirmation as soon as the money is received. The deadline for registration is 31/12/2018.

After the congress itself, there will be the Post Congress Tour: "A Taste of North West Italy". Please see the attachment. Regarding the Post Congress Tour, you need to book directly at the travel agency. Since there are only 50 places available we advise you to book fast. The deadline for booking is 31/11/2018.

Your room must be booked directly at the Santuario di Oropa (congress venue) via <http://www.santuariodioropa.it/db/en/hospitality/rooms>

The following rooms have an en-suit toilet, private bathroom and shower:

Junior Suite
Junior Suit Superior
Comfort Room

Description of the rooms:

Junior Suite & Junior Suit Superior: Located in the pavilion towers on either side of the main entrance these rooms boast a panoramic view of the town of Biella and its valleys. All the rooms are spacious and elegantly furnished access is via a communal lounge area which has been furnished with antiques. TV and telephone in all of the rooms.

Comfort Room:

These rooms offer quality and value for money. Single, double or triple rooms are available and all have antique furnishings.

Other possible options are:

Hostel: These are the most economical rooms, ideal for groups, youngsters and students but also for those who would like to have an experience similar to that in a monastery. Simply furnished, but comfortable, all rooms have

a private washbasin while the shower and toilets are communal. There is also the use of a small kitchen.

The Santuario di Oropa needs your day of arrival and day of departure as well as your name, address and credit card number for the booking.

The hotel itself doesn't offer breakfast.

Breakfast can be booked via the congress registration form.

The breakfast will be offered at the restaurant where we will be having lunch and dinner.

The breakfast offered is a continental breakfast and it will cost 7,00€ per person per breakfast.

The congress venue hosts several other coffee and breakfast places where you can have breakfast for yourself.

FROM: JANUARY 1ST TO JUNE 30TH - SEPTEMBER 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST

– **HOSTEL** (*bathrooms/showers in common, in the corridor*)

SINGLE / DUS	€ 23,00/€ 33,00
DOUBLE	€ 40,00
TRIPLE	€ 52,00
QUADRUPLE	€ 62,00

ΣΣ. **COMFORT** (*private toilette, TV*)

SINGLE / DUS	€ 37,00/€ 47,00
DOUBLE	€ 57,00
TRIPLE (max 3 rooms)	€ 67,00
APT. X 3	€ 75,00
APT. X 4	€ 90,00

– **JUNIOR SUITE** (*private toilette, TV, telephone, ancient furniture*)

SINGLE / DUS	€ 54,00/€ 64,00
DOUBLE	€ 76,00
TRIPLE	€ 93,00/€ 100,00

Superior

– **JUNIOR SUITE** (*private toilette, TV, telephone, ancient furniture*)

DUS	€ 80,00
DOUBLE	€ 106,00

□ **SUITE** (*private toilette, TV, telephone, ancient furniture*)

SUITE (2 rooms)	€ 128,00
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10% reduction over 4 nights accomodation - RATES PER ROOM PER NIGHT, TAX NET, SLEEPING ACCOMODATION - MEALS NOT INCLUDED -

USEFUL INFORMATION

Minimum number of participants: 50

Duration: 7 days / 6 nights

Type of itinerary: cultural - food and wine tour

Target: adults

When: 23rd – 29th May 2019

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE:

- GT bus journey departing from Oropa on 23rd May and arriving in Milan on 29th May
- 3 and 4 star hotel accommodation in a double room
- Full board treatment
- Guided tour of the city of Biella
- Guided tour of the Ricetto of Candelo
- Guided tour of a winery and wine tasting in the Biella area
- Visit to “Les Tisserands” company
- Visit to the “fontina” firm and its warehouse
- Visit to the Valgrisa Store and local breeder
- Guided tour of the city of Turin with tasting of Bicerin/Vermouth and Giandujotti
- Cruise on Maggiore Lake with visit to the palace and gardens of Isola Madre
- Guided tour of the cities of Alba, La Morra and Barolo
- Entrance and visit to the “Banca del Vino”
- Visit at distillery with tasting
- Visit to cellar with wine tast

A “taste” of North West Italy



23rd May – BIELLA: 09h30 departure from Oropa to Biella. Meeting with our assistance and beginning of our guided tour of the historical centre of the city, called “**Borgo del Piazza**”, reached by means of a small cable railway. It is certainly one of the most characteristic neighbourhoods of the city, made of alleys and ancient buildings, which amazes many visitors for its beauty and for the spectacular view of the city. Walking under the silent arcades of Piazza you reach Piazza Cisterna and some of the great historical residences of Biella such as Palazzo La Marmora, Palazzo Gromo Losa

and Palazzo Ferrero. With a short walk down the “coste”, narrow cobbled streets typical of the village, you get to Biella Piano, where the most important monuments are represented by the Cathedral of Santo Stefano, the Baptistery and the Church of TT. Trinità. Lunch in a restaurant. In the afternoon bus transfer to Candelo for a guided tour of Ricetto, one of the most beautiful villages in Italy. Desired by the people of Candelo, it was built in the Middle Age to preserve mainly wines and grains, the “**Ricetto of Candelo**” is one of the most well-preserved examples of this type of structure; it enjoys a panoramic view of the entire area of Biella’s Pre Alps and towards the Baraggione, also called the “Biellesse Savannah”. During the visit to this complex, consisting of about two hundred buildings called “cellule” and crossed by roads called “rue”, you can lose yourself in a unique and unforgettable atmosphere of this place, also known as the “Medieval Pompei of Biella”. Visit to a winery: guided tour of its cellars and wine tasting. Transfer to the hotel, accommodation in reserved rooms. Dinner and overnight stay.

24th may – AOSTA AND VALGRISENCHÉ: breakfast in hotel. Departure for the trip to the Valle d’Aosta. Arrival in **Valgrisanche** for a visit to the “Les Tisserands” atelier, a well-known Valdostan cooperative that protects, promotes and develops loom weaving: in addition to the real workshop, where you can find looms used for normal production, you can visit the permanent exhibition regarding the activity of the cooperative and the historical origins of weaving in the territory of Valgrisanche. Following, a visit to a firm which produces “fontina” and its impressive warehouse dug into rocks. Lunch in a restaurant. In the afternoon, free time for a walk in the centre of **Aosta**, called the “Rome of the Alps”, thanks to its rich past of which there are still significant proof: the Arch of August, the Porta Pretoria, the theatre and the walls. The city also preserves interesting vestiges of the Middle Ages, in particular the collegiate church of Sant’Orso, probably the most important monumental complex in the city. Visit to the **Valgrisa Store**, in the hearth

of Aosta: this is the first “prêt – a – porter” brand in the Western Alps that has created a clothing line inspired by the most authentic and traditional Aosta Valley clothing, created thanks to the processing of wool, hemp and cotton. Visit to a **local breeder**. Return to Biella. Dinner and overnight stay.



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- Simulated truffle research
- Our escorts
- Baggage and medical insurance
- 24H emergency number
- Fondo Garanzia AIAV "Il Salvagente"

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE:

- Transfer to departure airports on 29th May
- Cancellation policy € 50,00
- Drinks at meals
- Optional excursion "Biella by Night" (price on request)
- Anything not indicated in "included in the price"

INDIVIDUAL PARTECIPATION FEE:

€ 1.490,00

(Minimum number of participants: 50)

SINGLE ROOM ON REQUEST

CONFIRMATION METHODS:

25% deposit to confirm the reservation

Balance by 23rd April 2019

RESERVATIONS WITHIN 31ST OCTOBER

Prices subject to confirmation in the case of less than 50 participants.

All guided tours are in ENGLISH.

The order of visits may change due to technical reasons.

Please communicate any kind of alimentary intolerance or allergy when booking

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED: copy of ID card or passport



25th May – TURIN: breakfast at the hotel and departure by bus to **Turin**, for an interesting guided tour on foot to discover more than 2000 years of the city's history, from the Roman era to the Baroque splendour, up to the recent

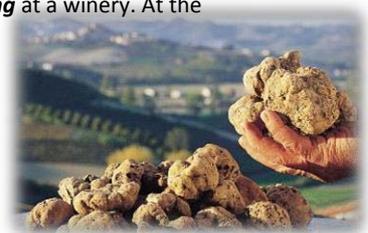
developments of the automobile industry and success as set of unforgettable international films, the most important of which being "The Italian Job". Stop in historical café to taste the "**bicerin**", the famous drink based on chocolate, cream and coffee, or "**vermouth**", another eno-gastronomic jewel exported all over the world. Lunch at the "Ristorante del Circolo dei Lettori", in the elegant "Granieri della Roccia" palace, to taste the traditional Piedmontese dishes. Free time. In the afternoon, you can discover the Baroque jewels and UNESCO Heritage Palaces, with attention to the great connection between Turin and chocolate, with a stop in the atelier of the Master of Taste, Guido Castagna, to taste the famous "**giandujotti**". Return to Biella. Dinner and overnight stay.

26th May – MAGGIORE LAKE: after breakfast, journey by bus to **Stresa**. Upon arrival boarding on private boat and beginning of journey to the "**Isola Madre**", with its English botanical gardens and its palace with antique furniture. Guided tour of the palace and gardens. Transfer to the "**Isola dei Pescatori**" and lunch in a restaurant. In the afternoon, sailing in the Borromeo Gulf to discover the beautiful pink granite quarries and the coasts of Verbania. At the end of the tour, return to the hotel in Biella. Dinner and optional excursion "**Biella by night**". Overnight stay.

27th May – THE LANGHE: after breakfast, departure for the Langhe. The morning begins with a guided tour of the historical centre of **Alba**, the city of one hundred towers and the "capital" of the Langhe, while truffles and wines. Lunch in a restaurant. In the afternoon, through a panoramic route on the UNESCO hills, passing by **La Morra** and its panoramic terrace, visit to the "**Banca del Vino**", a complex created by Slow Food to protect and promote all Italian wine excellences, with special consideration for the Piedmontese reality. Visit to a distillery where grappa is still produced using ancient steam stills. Final tasting of grappas with different ageing, fresher and younger products such as vermouth and aperitifs. Accommodation in hotel, dinner and overnight.

28th May – THE LANGHE: breakfast in hotel. **Search for truffles** with the "trifulao" and his faithful dog (simulated). You learn what truffle is and what the different species are, how to find it and research techniques used. Seeking for truffles involves the active intervention of guests. Lunch in a restaurant. The itinerary continues with a panoramic view of the **Barolo** area by bus: across the sinuous hills of the lower Langa and following the scenic road from which you can admire picturesque landscapes, including castles and vineyards of the precious Barolo wine, the "king of Wines", with a stop in the quaint village of Barolo, a small town known internationally to produce Barolo. **Wine tasting** at a winery. At the end, transfer to the area of Milan. Accommodation in hotel, dinner and overnight stay.

29th May: Breakfast in hotel. End of the services and transfer to the departure airports (cost extra) based on your operation flights.



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Registration for the 9th World Congress of Coloured Sheep in Biella, Italy

Name, Lastname

Address

Country

Email address

Services	Description of the service	Price of the service
Welcome dinner on Sunday, the 19 th of May 2019	On Sunday evening, you will be provided a variety of food options, water and wine and meet the other attendance in a nice atmosphere	25 € <input type="checkbox"/>
All inclusive congress attendance	two days of congress including two coffee breaks and lunch each day, third day field visit ¹ and lunch, every evening a three-course dinner	480€ <input type="checkbox"/>
Only congress	two days of congress including two coffee breaks and lunch each day	180€ <input type="checkbox"/>
Only third day field visit	Coach trip to factories and lunch	75€ <input type="checkbox"/>
Breakfast	Continental breakfast (Three breakfasts at 7,00€ each per person)	21€ <input type="checkbox"/>
The total amount MUST be paid in Euro!		

Payments can be made via PayPal to nathompson@libero.it (please add 16 euros for transfer charges per payment) or to the following bank account Biella the wool company IBAN IT62P0326822300052863481750 BIC SELBIT2BXXX at Banca Sella Piazza Gaudenzio Sella 1, Biella

Payment via PayPal	16€ per payment <input type="checkbox"/>
Payment via bank account	No additional fee <input type="checkbox"/>

If you wish an airport transfer from Milano Malpensa or Milano Linate arrangements can be made.

A mini van for nine people from Malpensa to Oropa costs 200 euros (Linate to Oropa 250 euros) so we advise people to group together and share the costs.

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¹ The field visit includes a lunch and the visit to several factories by coach.