

ITALIAN JOB IN AN MG

21st - 30th September 2007

We have pleasure in announcing a special event which will give a taste of everything Italian, starting in Turin, proceeding through some Alpine Passes, around the shores of Lakes Como and Garda, in the towns of Brescia and Verona, and finally the usual relaxation and tours based in Gabicce Mare on the Adriatic Sea. The programme was originally designed for those members owning an MGF/TF but after so many requests from the owners of other models, we have decided to open it to all MGs. However on the Sunday and Monday we should draw your attention to the distances involved, both at speed and in the mountains, as there is a risk of overheating for older cars. This means we recommend that the event is more suited to post war MGs from MGAs to the MGTFs, but it is for individual owners to decide on the suitability of their own particular MG.

In some respects, this event is different from all our previous ones:

- a) Maximum 40 cars from abroad.
- **b)** Admission to the Fiat Lingotto and the Franciacorta circuits is included in the cost of the event but with a minimum of 20 cars.
- c) Also this time we have selected hotels for you, keeping in mind the best cost/value combination, to stay all in the same hotel every night, until we reach Gabicce Mare. There we also suggest ***Hotel/s but, if you have a preference or wish a **** Hotel, just let us know
- d) All hotels are half-board, except in Turin, where it is bed & breakfast only, as per programme, to leave you free to choose the kind of lunch you wish, except for the last weekend. We followed the advice given by all those previous participants who said that our lunches are too abundant and take too long, which means less time for visiting interesting places or relaxing.
- e) The main difference refers to the independence all participants have. We suggest a time to start in the morning and a time to arrive at the destination, and also supply a recommended route. But you can also take another way: what counts is that you arrive at the destination in time. Please keep in mind that there should not be more than 3 or 4 cars travelling together, to avoid traffic jams, and the participant can stop whenever he wishes.
- f) In view of the length of the event, 10 nights in hotels, we allow participants to make it shorter by choosing which days they want to follow the itinerary. They could also decide to be in the first weekend or the second one or both, or any other combination. We will calculate the relevant amount accordingly.

The first day will be dedicated to Turin, in honour of the Italian Job" film. We will start from the famous track on the roof of the FIAT Lingotto factory, built in the early '20s,. All cars which were assembled in the factory below, were tested there before being delivered to dealers. The track is available for not less than 20 cars. The old factory complex was then converted into a multifunctional centre by the internationally famous architect Renzo Piano, but still respecting the historic buildings. A painting gallery donated by the Agnelli family is also on site and can be visited (optional). Cars can then be taken to town and parked in a central square from where the beautiful and historic town, can be visited. A guide is available if we you ask for it in the Entry Form at no extra cost.

The ****"Le Merideien-Lingotto Hotel" <u>www.lemeridien-lingotto.it</u> in Turin, is a special one we thought you should experience. Meals are not included. Recommended restaurants will be indicated.

Sunday 23rd we finally start our long trip to Bormio via Varese, into Switzerland (you need to purchase a yearly road permit €28 at the border) Lake Lugano, back into Italy, Menaggio on Lake Como, in Valtellina along the Adda river, Sondrio and finally to Bormio, www.cristallohotelresidence.it.

Monday 24th Bormio, Stelvio Pass, 2758 m., Merano, visit to Wine Producer plant, Palade Pass, 1512 m., Mezzo Lombardo, Molveno, Riva del Garda on Lake Garda, Salò with parking and drinks in main square, arrive in hotel near Brescia, www.medisongroup.it, dinner at "Palazzo Gambara" www.casarocca.it.

Tuesday 25th Brescia, park and visit of its treasures (please request a guide, at no extra cost, on the Entry Form, if you so wish), old Roman excavations and others. Then we enter the "Franciacorta circuit" for 1hr (minimum 20 cars), www.circuitodifranciacorta.it. Participants can eat at the circuit in the restaurant or at either of the two snack bars (not included). Then visit to a wine producer for free tasting. Then we finally head to Verona where we eat and sleep in the same hotel, www.montresorgroup.com.

Wednesday 26th Verona, parking in central square and town visit (a guide can be available, at no extra cost, if participants request it in the Entry Form). Visit to "Nicolis Museum" in Villafranca di Verona www.museonicolis.com (not included) on the way to Gabicce Mare. After registration and checking-in in Gabicce Mare, after dinner there will be a welcome drink.

Thursday 27th Gabicce Mare, visit to local weekly market & free day. After dinner in hotel, buses will take us to a local wine producer, for free wine tasting.

Friday 28th Drive into Ferrara for visit of this special town (please request a guide, at no extra cost, on the Entry Form). After dinner in hotel, a social evening in the street, with music and free tasting of local products.

Saturday 29th Drive to nice towns like Castelfidardo and Fabriano, with snack lunch. The goodbye dinner is in a typical restaurant and transport will be by bus.

Sunday 30th Drive into Gubbio, in Umbria region. Lunch with prize giving and goodbye in a typical restaurant. Dinner in restaurant for those leaving next day.

Monday 1st October Most go back home but some stay a few days more, to recover before a long drive back.

The number of foreign cars is limited to 40 cars.

If you need more information please ask at:

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Those who have not participated on previous occasions will be pleasantly surprised as we will all spend a great holiday amongst friends. Never forget the motto of the Italian MGCC: "MG is…to live freely, together!". We look forward to seeing you there.

Fabio Filippello President