

Honeymoon in Italy Times Two

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Vista Palazzo Lago di Como

Lake Como

Imagine it. You're coursing through the crystalline waters of Lake Como in a vintage mahogany speedboat. It's a Riva, the Cadillac of wooden-hulled speedboats, the ones that epitomized the heyday, glamorous times of the 1950s and 1960's in Italy – and beyond. Like a fetching duo from a James Bond film escaping a villain's grasp, you power toward shore, as terraced, mustard and saffron-hued, villages and imposing villas, as fancy as wedding cakes, become a blur. She's wearing a scarf, and it flutters in the wind like a kite's tail. You're both sipping champagne, though it's hard to drink at such velocity. When you dock, the wind's music lingers as a whisper in your ears, and as you walk toward your hotel, [Vista Palazzo Lago di Como](#), the euphoria fuels your steps. "What shall we do tomorrow?" you ask her. "Let's drive the Ferrari," she answers, saying what you hoped she would, knowing the hotel can arrange it, just as they did today's outing on the lake.

Hotel Vista Palazzo, lording above Como's Piazza Cavour has 18 seductive rooms, some with balconies overlooking the lake. An amalgam of splendid Italian design, the intimate, romantic refuge brims with regal details, from marble terrazzo floors to Dedar fabrics and Castiglioni lamps. On the rooftop, a bar and restaurant serve contemporary Italian specialities. In your suite, your bathtub, by a window, has water views. On your nightstand, housekeeping has left you chocolates and a journal to record your days. It's easy to imagine just staying within this sanctum forever. But, this family-owned hotel knows how to tempt you outside. Using their local connections, they offer guests a realm of once-in-a-lifetime experiences (like driving a Ferrari with the assistance of a personal coach, exploring the lake's largesse in an opulent Riva, gallery hopping with a local artist or wine tasting in a nearby castle). You wish you could stay for a year to try everything. Too bad the honeymoon can't last that long. But, no worries. You've already booked to return—for your anniversary.

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