



OVERSEAS TOUR 05/17 – IGE/EISENBAHN ROMANTIK - “BELLA ITALIA”

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER TO WEDNESDAY 04 OCTOBER 2017

Circular 1.

IGE had hoped to run a tour into France but after weeks (months?) of trying to organize such a tour IGE gave up and turned instead to Italy. A tour has been agreed but there is limited steam operation. This is caused by the small FS locos and the fact they are limited in speed on main lines as they are not fitted with modern signaling safety systems.

The tour:

Friday 22 September. Make your way to Nürnberg: LCGB hopes organize accommodation at our usual hotel close to the main station.

Saturday 23 September. E10 139: Nürnberg – Kufstein - Brennero; **E444:** Brennero – Trento. Overnight.

Sunday 24 September. 740 2-8-0, 940 2-8-2T: Trento – Val Sugana – Bassano del Grappa; **740 2-8-0** Bassano del Grappa – Vicenza – Verona. Overnight.

Monday 25 September. 740 2-8-0 Top/Tail 685 2-6-2: Verona – Legnano – Rovigo; **685 2-6-2:** Rovigo – Ferrara – Ravenna – Rimini; **E646** Rimini – Pescara. Overnight.

Tuesday 26 September. E464: Pescara into the mountains to Sulmona; **D445 & D345** Sulmona – Carpinone – Roccaraso. Overnight.

Wednesday 27 September. D445, D345: Roccaraso – Sulmona – L’Aquila – Terni; **E656** Terni – Roma. Overnight.

Thursday 28 September. 625 2-6-0: Roma – Albano Laziale – Roma Vatican. Overnight Roma.

Friday 29 September. Free time in Roma. Overnight.

Saturday 30 September. E656 Roma – Grosseto; **685 2-6-2, 640 2-6-0** Grosseto – Monte Antico – Siena – Firenze Overnight.

Sunday 01 October. 685 2-6-2: Firenze – Lucca; **740, 741 2-8-0s** Lucca – Aulla – La Spezia. Overnight.

Monday 02 October. E428 La Spezia – Genova – Tortona – Pavia; **685 2-6-2** Pavia – Cremona – Mantova – Verona. Overnight.

Tuesday 03 October. E444 Verona – Brennero; **E10 139** Brennero – Innsbruck – Mittenwald – München - Nürnberg

Wednesday 04 October. Return home.

As can be seen there is a mixture of steam, diesel and electric haulage. Many of the routes are highly scenic. Note that the outward journey is via Kufstein and the return via Mittenwald.

Costs. Not yet finalized.

Members intending to participate are invited send a preliminary advice so that some idea can be obtained of the likely interest. No commitment at this stage until the costs are known. This advice can be by letter or email to

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