

AC Cugini

15th Annual Play Soccer in Italy



June 8-June 18, 2015

About AC Cugini

Based in Northern Virginia outside Washington, DC, AC Cugini was founded in 2000 as an official Italian scuola calcio (*soccer academy*). Cugini has the rare distinction of being the only soccer academy in North America sanctioned by the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI Servizi) and the Italian Soccer Federation (FIGC) and affiliated with professional Italian clubs - Brescia Calcio and club RES Roma Calcio Femminile. Cugini offers year-round training in the United States and Italy, tryout opportunities with professional Italian clubs, and coach education and licensing in Italy.

About Play Soccer in Italy



In 2001, AC Cugini developed an international athletic and educational program, *Play Soccer in Italy*, to further expose American youth to Italian player

development; allow participants the opportunity to add international playing and training experience to their soccer background; offer the most talented players access to talent scouts from professional Italian clubs, and have American families experience the countless wonders of the Italian culture. This highly successful program was an important element of the special recognition that AC Cugini received in 2004 from the Italian National Olympic Committee.

The *2015 Play Soccer in Italy* is open to AC Cugini boys and girls ages 10-13. (*Note: Girls may play down in age if playing against a boys teams, so 14 year old girls will also be considered*). We will also consider players from outside Cugini upon request.

The program includes 7 nights at the beach in Montesilvano on the Italian Adriatic in central Italy; 4 tournament matches; and 2 nights in Rome, with the possibility of a training session with instructors from the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI). All players will be reviewed by talent scouts from various professional Italian mens' and women's' clubs.

As AC Cugini does not chaperone children, each player must be accompanied by their parent or another adult chaperone designated by their parent during the entire trip. Cugini President Fabio Diletti will supervise all players during tournament play or training. Additional family and friends are always welcome to register for the program.

Play Soccer in Italy

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Tour Directors

AC Cugini President Fabio Diletti, a native Italian, is the tour director, along with his wife, Lisa, who is also fluent in Italian. Fabio, who will coach the tournament teams, was born and raised in Ascoli Piceno, in the Marche region of central Italy. A professional trainer and talent scout, Fabio played soccer as a goalkeeper for professional club Ascoli Calcio. A long-time resident of the Washington, DC area, Lisa is a graduate of Georgetown University and a marketing and communications professional who also serves as Cugini's Executive Director. All of Lisa's grandparents were born in Rome and she has spent many years traveling throughout Italy and Europe. Fabio and Lisa met in Italy in 1986 in Bellagio on Lake Como. Two of their children live in Firenze (Florence), including their son Cristian, who coordinates AC Cugini's International Programs from Italy.



Program Highlights

- Tournament play on the Italian Adriatic at the Accademia del Calcio, in Città Sant'Angelo, including 4 matches
- 7 nights at the Italian Adriatic beach resort in Montesilvano
- 2 nights in Rome
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner in Montesilvano; Breakfast in Rome
- Bilingual tour guides

Italian talent scouts will observe all players during tournament and friendly matches.



Program Fees

\$1,925 Per Person*

- 9 nights accommodations at 3 or 4-star hotels
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner daily in Montesilvano
- Breakfast in Rome
- Group airport/hotel transfers; group transport to tournament matches
- Entrance to private beach including chairs, umbrella
- Tournament fees and tournament uniform; coaching / training fees

**Airfare NOT included.*

Play Soccer in Italy Itinerary*

June 8–June 18, 2015

Day 1: Mon, 6/08

- Overnight flight to Italy

Day 2: Tues, 6/09 ~ Montesilvano

- Morning arrival - Rome Fiumicino airport
- Transfer to Montesilvano hotel (3-hour ride)
- Afternoon/evening free

Day 3: Wed, 6/10 ~ Montesilvano

- Tournament match (Times TBD in June)
- Evening free

Day 4: Thurs, 6/11 ~ Montesilvano

- Tournament match (Times TBD in June)
- Evening free

Day 5: Fri, 6/12 ~ Montesilvano

- Tournament match (Times TBD in June)
- Evening free

Day 6: Sat, 6/13 ~ Montesilvano

- Tournament match (Times TBD in June)
- Evening free

Day 7: Sun, 6/14 ~ Montesilvano

- Tournament finals and awards ceremony
- Afternoon/Evening free

Day 8: Mon, 6/15 ~ Montesilvano

- Free day

Day 9: Tues, 6/16 ~ Rome

- 9:00am transfer to Rome (3-hour ride)
- Free day to tour Rome

Day 10: Wed, 6/17 ~ Rome

- Free day
- Possible training with CONI trainers

Day 11: Sun 6/18 ~ Return to USA

- Return flight to USA

**Itinerary is subject to changes.*



Hotels



The tour includes accommodations at 3- and 4-star hotels, as rated by the Italian government. All hotel rooms have private bath, air conditioning, color TV, hairdryer, and minibar.

Room service, minibar charges, and anything else charged to the room (*movies, drinks, laundry service, etc.*) are extra and must be paid directly to the hotel upon check out. The hotel in Montesilvano is on the beach and includes entrance to private beach plus umbrella and chairs.

Meals

Montesilvano - The rates include breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily at the hotel in Montesilvano. Dinner and lunch are 3-course meals with multiple menu choices of 3 first courses, 3 second courses, dessert/fruit. There is also a vegetable and salad buffet. Mineral water is included in the meals. Sodas and alcohol are extra and must be paid directly to the hotel.

Roma - Only breakfast is included at the hotel in Rome, which allows families time to dine at their leisure as they tour the Eternal city on their own.



Tournament Location & Facility



Accademia del Calcio Poggio degli Ulivi

Located below the medieval hill town of Città Sant'Angelo, the Accademia del Calcio has been the site of numerous tournaments in which AC Cugini has participated over the years. The facility is equipped with 3 synthetic turf fields with FIGC-approved lighting, grandstand for 1,000 spectators, changing rooms for athletes, restaurant, refreshment stand, and a bar.

Poggio degli Ulivi has been the site of many tournaments and events at the international, national, and regional level with prestigious professional teams participating, such as Roma, Lazio, Juventus, Inter, Bari, Empoli, Fiorentina, Pescara and Chieti.

Online Resources

[Accademia del Calcio Video](#)

[Previous Tournament Video](#)

[Comune di Citta Sant'Angelo](#)



About Montesilvano



The charming beach resort of Montesilvano is located immediately north of Pescara, on the Italian Adriatic sea in the Abruzzo region of central Italy (3 hours northeast of Rome). The name Montesilvano is derived from the Latin and means woody hill. Montesilvano, is divided into Montesilvano Marina (a lively seaside resort) and Montesilvano Colle (the original medieval comune and citadel). The town has a Mediterranean climate and is surrounded by verdant landscapes covering a vast area filled with exotic vegetation. The coastline ~ 3 miles of clean, white, fine sand beaches, edging up to the crystal azure

water ~ makes it the perfect place to escape and relax. Montesilvano offers the visitor a variety of sporting possibilities ~ from sailing, hand gliding, and water slides to tennis, outdoor roller-skating, and bicycling. and a varied night life with discos, restaurants, and bars, as well as boutiques for shopping and a maritime museum.

Visiting the surrounding area

Families will have plenty of time to explore the area around Montesilvano on their own if they wish. The port town of Pescara is only a few minutes away. Optional group tours to Ascoli Piceno (*the hometown of Cugini President Fabio Diletti*), a beautiful medieval city one hour from Montesilvano, and to a local vineyard - with a wine tasting for the adults - will also be arranged if there is sufficient group interest.



Online Resources

Montesilvano, the Pescara province, and the Abruzzo region

- [Montesilvano](#)
- [Citta Sant'Angelo Borgo](#)
- [Tourism Information for the Province of Pescara](#)
- [Province of Pescara Video](#)



About Rome



Rome (*Roma*) is the capital of Italy as well the capital of the Lazio region. It is Italy's largest and most populous city, with more than 2.7 million residents, and a metropolitan area of almost 4 million inhabitants. Situated on the River Tiber, between the Apennine Mountains and the Tyrrhenian Sea, the “Eternal City” was once the administrative center of the mighty Roman Empire, governing a vast region that stretched all the way from Britain to Mesopotamia.

Rome stands on top of more than two and a half thousand years of history; it was once the largest city in the world and the center of Western civilization. Today, Rome is a modern, cosmopolitan city, and the third most-visited tourist destination in the European Union. Due to its influence in politics, media, the arts and culture, Rome has been described as a global city.

Art and Culture

One of the symbols of Rome is the Colosseum (70–80 AD), the largest amphitheater ever built in the Roman Empire. Originally capable of seating 60,000 spectators, it was used for gladiatorial combat. The list of the very important monuments of ancient Rome includes the Roman Forum, the Domus Aurea, the Pantheon, Trajan's Column, Trajan's Market, the Catacombs, the Circus Maximus, the Baths of Caracalla, Castel Sant' Angelo, the Mausoleum of Augustus, the Ara Pacis, the Arch of Constantine, the Pyramid of Cestius, and the Bocca della Verità. The most important museums and galleries of Rome include the National Museum of Rome, the Museum of Roman Civilization, the Villa Giulia National Etruscan Museum, the Capitoline Museums, the Borghese Gallery, the Museum of Castel Sant' Angelo, and the National Gallery of Modern Art.

Online Resources

Roma and the Lazio region



- www.abcroma.com
- www.enjoyrome.com
- www.aboutroma.com
- www.italyheaven.co.uk
- www.turislazio.it



Additional Resources

Below are links to informative websites related to travel to Italy or general overseas travel. The Italian Government Tourist Office website is a great place to start. Remember to renew all passports about to expire!



Italy Related Websites

- Italian Government Tourist Office: www.italiantourism.com
- Italian Train System: www.trenitalia.com
- Italia Magazine online: www.italia-magazine.com
- Italian Embassy in USA: www.ambwashingtondc.esteri.it
- Play Soccer in Italy: Cugini Photo Gallery



General Travel Information

- U.S. Passport Information: <http://travel.state.gov>
- Travel Cancellation Insurance: www.insuremytrip.com
- Airline Fees for Baggage: www.kayak.com
- Airfares: www.kayak.com
- Currency Rates: www.oanda.com

Soccer Related Sites

- AC Cugini Scuola Calcio: www.cuginisoccer.com
- Ascoli Calcio: www.ascolipicchio.com
- Brescia Calcio: www.puntibresciacentrosud.altervista.org
- RES Roma Calcio Femminile: www.romafemminile.it
- AS Roma: www.asroma.it
- SS Lazio: www.sslazio.it
- Italian Soccer Federation: www.figc.it



Play Soccer in Italy 2015 ~ Program Registration

Complete registration form below & Participant Acknowledgment & Release on next page & submit both forms with payment to Cugini Soccer, P.O. Box 165, Great Falls, VA 22066.

Family Name _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell phone _____

Email Addresses _____

Emergency Contact in U.S. & Telephone # _____

List names of all travelers in your group EXACTLY as they appear in passport:

Adult 1 Name _____

Adult 2 Name _____

Child 1 Name _____ Date of birth _____

Child 2 Name _____ Date of birth _____

Child 3 Name _____ Date of birth _____

Special Needs, Dietary Restrictions: _____

Hotel Information: Please list number of rooms needed and circle bed configuration.

Number of Double rooms needed: _____ (2 people sharing room) **Circle one:** 2 twin-size beds OR 1 queen/king bed

Number of Triple rooms needed: _____ (3 people sharing room) **Circle one:** 3 twin beds OR 1 queen bed & 1 twin bed

** There is a \$250 supplement for any single rooms requested; please mark accordingly above and add to fees.*

Rates:

• \$1925 x number of people (____) in family traveling = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

(Make check payable to Cugini Soccer)



Questions?

Contact Lisa Cherubini

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Participant Acknowledgment & Release

By signing this document, our participant(s) acknowledge receiving, reading, and agreeing to the *Terms and Conditions* set forth in this brochure covering the package operated by Cugini Soccer Services International (CSSI), including the refund policy.

I acknowledge that I have been advised to take out trip interruption /cancellation insurance.

I recognize that my tour begins when I am met by the CSSI Directors at the airport in Italy. The tour officially ends upon leaving the CSSI Directors at the airport in Rome. For anyone planning on staying after the group departs, their tour officially ends once they leave the CSSI guided group. The Terms & Conditions apply during their time only with the CSSI group.

I hereby give my approval to my participation and my family's participation in any and all the activities of AC Cugini's *Play Soccer in Italy 2015* tour, including, but not limited to, practices and activities, games, playoffs, tournaments, and any other activity associated with the CSSI trip.

If I (*or my child or other family member*) become ill or injured, CSSI Directors or their designee may take any and all action they deem necessary or appropriate with respect to my health or my child's or other family member's health, safety or well being. This includes, but is not limited to, medical treatment.

I understand that there are risks involved in playing sports and traveling to a foreign country. I agree to assume all risk and responsibility if anything is to happen to me or to my child or other family member while on AC Cugini's *Play Soccer in Italy* tour. This includes time spent both with the CSSI group and time spent on my own away from the group.

I ASSUME ALL RISKS AND HAZARDS INCIDENTAL TO THE CONDUCT OF THE ACTIVITIES AND TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM ACTIVITIES DURING THE ENTIRE TRIP. I further hereby release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless CSSI, or its managers, directors, officers, sponsors, supervisors, and staff, against any and all claims, suits, demands, or action arising out of or related to any injury received by me (or my child or other family members) during the tour including, without limitation, transportation, lodging, meals, sightseeing and/or participation in sporting events.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I UNDERSTAND THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY.

NAME (*please print*): _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Terms & Conditions

TOUR PRICES: The prices cited in this brochure include land package only and are quoted in U.S. dollars. Prices are guaranteed against any fluctuation in the rate of exchange if fully paid by March 1, 2015. After this period, Cugini Soccer Services International (*hereinafter referred to as CSSI*) reserves the right to adjust the rates accordingly. Also CSSI reserves the right to pass on any increases received from airlines, hotels, ground transportation companies, government taxes, or any other similar services. **A \$250 supplement will apply to all single room requests.**

AIRFARE: Not included.

RESERVATIONS/PAYMENTS: Reservations will be confirmed only after receipt of deposit. **The first deposit** of \$600 is due on January 15, 2015. **The second deposit** of \$600 per person is due by March 1, 2015. **The balance and final payment** is due by May 1, 2015. If deposits are not received on time, CSSI reserves the right to cancel the booking. **Bookings received on/after May 1, 2015** are subject to availability and must be paid in full at time of reservation. Reservations made within 30 days of departure date are subject to an additional \$100 booking fee, plus any costs to ensure timely document delivery.

ACCOMMODATIONS: All accommodations have private bath or shower and air conditioning. Rooms are assigned upon arrival based on current availability and may vary in size, amenities, and location. CSSI reserves the right to change hotels.

MEALS: Only meals as indicated in brochure are included.

SIGHTSEEING: Participants are free to tour all cities listed in the brochure on their own. During holidays, some sights, such as museums, may be closed to the public.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION: Provided by private, air-conditioned motor coach as specified in the tour brochure. Only includes ground transportation arranged for the entire group.

TOUR DOCUMENTS: Airline tickets (*if applicable*), are sent out 2 weeks prior to the departure date, provided payment in full has been received. Reservations made within 30 days of the departure date are subject to additional costs incurred for timely document delivery.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS/PASSPORTS: A valid passport is required for U.S. citizens traveling on CSSI tours. Each traveler is expected to have their own passport and all visas required to travel. Non-U.S. citizens should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their tour as CSSI is not responsible for providing participants with this information or documentation. Please check to make sure expiration dates will suffice.

INSURANCE: Health, accident, luggage and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is not included but is strongly recommended. Tour participants may arrange for trip insurance through their personal travel agents or by visiting www.insuremytrip.com to evaluate available insurance policies.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY: All cancellations must be in writing. The client is entitled to a refund for any other deposits paid, less a \$200 per person handling fee, for cancellations received by **March 1, 2015. If written cancellation is received between March 2, 2015 and April 1, 2015, the following cancellation fees apply:** 80% of the total deposits paid. **If written cancellation is received between April 2, 2015 and May 1, 2015, the following cancellation fees apply:** 90% of the total deposits paid. **If written cancellation is received May 2, 2015, or later, the following cancellation fees apply:** 100% of the total deposits paid. The above referenced fees do not include cancellation fees for airline deposits paid or any cancellation fees applied by the air carriers once tickets are issued. **No exceptions will be made, so we strongly suggest that passengers secure appropriate CANCELLATION INSURANCE**

RESERVATION CHANGES: Due to the expenses incurred in making changes, a \$100 fee will be charged for each change made to bookings up to 15 days prior to departure. No changes may be made less than 15 days prior to departure.

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare to and from Italy. Transportation between home city and airport or portage at USA gateways; certain meals as indicated in the brochure, airport taxes, custom fees, immigration fees, agricultural fees, and any other charges/fees imposed at airports, passport and visa fees; also, phone calls, laundry service, car rentals, items of a personal nature, private sight-seeing services, or any items or services charged to hotel rooms.

AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY: The carriers concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on board their conveyances. The airline passenger tickets, if applicable, once issued, shall be the sole contract between the airline and passenger/buyer of these tickets.

RESPONSIBILITY: This program is arranged by CSSI and CSSI has made the travel arrangements as an intermediary for the transportation carrier and other suppliers of services connected with the packages, all of which are independent contractors. CSSI in no way owns or operates the vehicles or facilities or services to be used with the packages, and assumes no responsibility for the negligent acts and/or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents or representatives. All bookings are accepted subject to the conditions imposed by these independent contractors, and CSSI will make no refund in the event of their delay, cancellation, overbooking, strike, or force majeure.