Join the Purdue Wine Grape Action Team and fellow wine professionals for an exciting expedition to Italy and an opportunity to explore and experience viticulture and enology, culinary arts and ancient history.

**Program Information**
*Italy For Wine Professionals 2008* is an international extension program offered by Purdue University primarily to the winegrowers and vintners of Indiana. The enrollment is limited to 30 participants. Deadline for enrollment is December 1st, 2007. Cost for the trip is approximately $4,000 per student, including airfare, accommodations and transfers.

**Travelling Staff**
- Dr. Bruce Bordelon, Associate Professor of Viticulture
- Dr. Christian Butzke, Associate Professor of Enology
- Ms. Jill Blume, Enology Specialist

**Exploring the Wines and Culture of Northern Italy**

The Team will travel to Italy for 9 days - leaving from Chicago on Saturday, May 10 and returning from Rome on Sunday, May 18, 2008. Arriving in Milan, we will travel south towards Rome aboard a chartered bus with a designated driver and tour guide.

While travelling through the world’s largest wine-producing country, we will visit vineyards and wineries notably in the Piedmont (Asti, Barolo, Barbaresco) and Tuscany (Chianti, Montepulciano, Montalcino), representative of Italian diversity in artisan wine production. Along the way, we will also visit a major winemaking equipment manufacturer.

Exposure to Italian art and culture will be provided through lectures and visits to historic sites in proximity, most prominently the Italian capital Rome and Vatican City.

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