

Hi, Rosa,

Here's your feedback – better late than never!

We had a great time whilst we in the lakes and I think the overall itinerary was a good one. We enjoyed all the trips you laid on for us as well!

Hotel Lenno and the Bianca Maria at Milan were really nice hotels. The Astoria at Stresa was fine but getting a bit dated. Needs a bit of a facelift I think.

In terms of places to eat we really enjoyed 'Il Cris' at Lenno. Very much where the locals go. We had lobster spaghetti there and it was amazing!

In Milan we also went to a burger restaurant near the hotel that was extremely well recommended on tripadvisor. Its called 'The Lab' (not to be confused with a nearby cocktail restaurant with almost the same name) and it was some of the best burgers we've ever had. And great beer as well.

I'd also recommend 'Miscusi' – only 200 yards from the hotel – which is a nice simple pasta restaurant. Its a small chain where you pick your pasta, pick your sauce and pick your extras. Very reasonably priced, the staff were great and it was busy.

Only comments I'd pass back is to watch out for the Africans at the Duomo square with their 'good luck' bracelets. They were pretty insistent and keep trying to con you out of a few euros. You have to be pretty firm and un-polite to make them go away. Duomo was fantastic at Milan though.

In terms of organisation, everything was perfect and worked like a dream. The transfers were great (and drove us both in nice black Mercedes limos that I don't think we were worthy of...!) and the drivers really friendly. We digested your notes on recommended eats and places to go and they were really useful.

When we go back to Italy again I'll be seeking you out again Rosa! Thanks for your help setting this up for us.

Chris and Cath