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Rolling hills of Tuscan vineyards; ancient arcades of Bologna; and picturesque cliff-side villages of Lake Como. No matter the setting, Northern Italy poses an idyllic scene. And these intimate escapes bring you even closer into the region's spectacular beauty.

1. Relais Villa Vittoria, Laglio

If you know Laglio only as home to <u>George Clooney's</u> lakefront haunt, here's another excuse to get acquainted with this little slice of paradise. Fronting the shores of Lake Como, <u>Relais Villa Vittoria</u> is a 19th century former silk factory turned 11-room hideaway that checks every fairytale wish list. Old world elegance and farmhouse chic meet for an utterly romantic vibe from the parlor of soft leather couches and gilded furnishings to the light-flooded rooms with whitewashed, wood-beamed ceilings and eye-popping lake or hillside vistas. Spend your days sipping Prosecco on the sprawling terrace, taking a dip in the glass-rimmed infinity pool, or ferry hopping nearby towns like Bellagio, Cernobbio, or Varenna. Also a must: candlelit dinner at the villa's window-walled La Barrique restaurant.



Relais Villa Vittoria by Stephanie Orma

