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Amerigo Vespucci World Tour

America Campaign 2026

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USPA NEWS - The Atlantic as the new route. Genoa as the heart of the departure. Italy as the flag of the world.
After the triumphant 2023–2025 World Tour, which established the Navy's Training Ship Amerigo Vespucci as one of the most admired and visited ambassadors of Italy across the globe, the ship is once again ready to sail the oceans. The year 2026 marks the beginning of a new adventure: the North America Campaign, a journey that blends training, diplomacy, culture, and maritime tradition.

The Departure Ceremony took place on Saturday, May 9th at 10:30 AM, in the evocative setting of Genoa's Porto Antico, in the presence of the Minister of Defense Guido Crosetto, civil and military authorities, and thousands of citizens gathered to salute the most beautiful ship in the world.
Among the accredited professionals documenting this historic moment, we from Foto ReD Photographic Agency and ReD Magazine were also present, with photographers and journalists Roberto Magni and Daniela Comi, direct witnesses to the emotion, solemnity, and energy that accompanied the city's final farewell to the Vespucci.

A journey that connects oceans, cultures, and generations
The 2026 North America Campaign is not just a maritime itinerary: it is a cultural and diplomatic project that will bring the Vespucci to meet Italian communities, international institutions, naval academies, and millions of visitors.
On board, the Naval Academy cadets will experience months of intensive training, alternating between celestial navigation, sailing maneuvers, drills, and daily life at sea—according to the most authentic traditions of the Italian Navy.

Main stages of the 2026 North America Campaign
1. Genoa – Departure Ceremony
May 9, 2026 – Italy
The Porto Antico transformed into a grand maritime stage. The flag-raising, the salute of the authorities, the sound of the ship's horn, the slow release of the moorings—every gesture marked the beginning of a new chapter in the Vespucci's history.
We at Foto ReD and ReD Magazine documented every moment: the emotional crowd, the cadets in formation, Minister Crosetto, the crew in uniform, and the ship slowly moving away amid applause.
2. Cádiz – Gateway to the Atlantic
Spain – mid-May 2026
A symbolic and technical first stop. From here, the Vespucci leaves the Mediterranean and heads into the open ocean.
3. Atlantic Crossing
late May – early June 2026
One of the most fascinating phases:
• sailing under wind power,
• astronomy lessons,
• watch rotations,
• life dictated by the rhythm of the sea.
4. New York – Triumphal Arrival
United States – June 2026
The Vespucci sails past the Statue of Liberty. Institutional events, public visits, and celebrations of Italian excellence are scheduled.

5. Boston – Tradition and Academia
United States – June 2026
Meetings with military academies, universities, and nautical schools.
6. Halifax – Breath of the North Atlantic
Canada – July 2026

A stop dedicated to international cooperation and the memory of historic ocean routes.
7. Québec City – Italy Meets Francophone Culture
Canada – July 2026
One of the most scenic stops, beneath the silhouette of Château Frontenac.
8. Montréal – Innovation and Diplomacy
Canada – July 2026
Conferences, institutional meetings, and cultural events.
9. Chicago – The Great Lakes Surprise
United States – August 2026
A historic moment: the Vespucci reaches the Great Lakes by sailing up the St. Lawrence River.

10. Toronto – The Multicultural Capital
Canada – August 2026
The Italian community welcomes the ship with events and celebrations.
11. Washington D.C. – Diplomacy and Institutions
United States – September 2026
High-level meetings with members of Congress and the U.S. Navy.
12. Norfolk – Heart of the U.S. Navy
United States – September 2026
Joint exercises and professional exchanges.

13. Miami – The Southern Embrace
United States – October 2026
Cultural events, public visits, and activities with schools and universities.
14. Return to Europe
late October – November 2026
The ship leaves the American coast and begins the homeward voyage.
15. Return to Italy – Trieste or La Spezia
November 2026
The return will be a national celebration, as always when the Vespucci comes home.

Our perspective: Foto ReD and ReD Magazine
The 2026 North America Campaign will also be narrated through our photographic and journalistic work. Our presence at the departure in Genoa marks the beginning of a narrative journey that will follow the Vespucci throughout its voyage, with reports, insights, and visual documentation.
Conclusion
The Amerigo Vespucci World Tour – North America Campaign 2026 is a bridge between continents, a message of peace, a tribute to Italy's maritime heritage, and an investment in the future.
And we, at Foto ReD Photographic Agency and ReD Magazine, are proud to have witnessed and documented the first, emotional moment of this new adventure.

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