

# La Grande Toscana & Umbria

Rediscover Florence, San Gimignano, Siena, Montepulciano, Montalcino, Pisa, Cortona, Assisi, Perugia

**Escorted + Semi-Private**

**6 nights / 7 days**

**3 nights in Florence, 2 nights in Cortona, 1 night in Roma**

**Pre and Post extensions tours available**

## Itinerary

**Day 01: Monday**                      **Siena & San Gimignano**                      **[breakfast, lunch]**                      **[escorted]**

Today, enjoy a visit of Siena ( guided visit) & San Gimignano ( free time). After breakfast, meet your driver and your tour leader and drive to Florence. The drive itself is a magnificent path along the roads of Tuscany, where it is possible to enjoy the view of hills covered by vineyards, olives tree, small villages and original bell towers. The first stop is Siena, probably Italy's loveliest medieval city, for a walking tour with a local guide. Siena's heart is Il Campo or Campo's square, where the famous horse race Il Palio takes place two times each summer. The town offer magnificent masterpieces and incredible views. Enjoy a wine tasting with cheese and salami. Continue to Florence and en route stop in San Gimignano. The town is listed as a World Heritage site and fascinates for its medieval look. Its high towers create a unique skyline. Enjoy the village on your own. Arrival in Florence late afternoon. Free time for dinner. Overnight in Florence.

**Day 05: Tuesday**                      **Florence**                      **[breakfast]**                      **[escorted]**

In the morning, enjoy a walking tour of the city with guide with Accademia. Lorenzo de Medici transformed Florence into the cradle of the Renaissance by attracting the best artists, architects and writers of the time such as Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo and Botticelli to whom he commissioned various works. Visit Piazza della Signoria, Palazzo Vecchio, the Dome with Giotto's bell tower, Ponte Vecchio, Santa Croce. Spend the afternoon at leisure exploring Florence on your own, visiting the Uffizi or taking the opportunity to visit Chianti or Lucca. Overnight in Florence.

**Day 06: Wednesday**                      **Dinner in Chianti**                      **[breakfast, Dinner]**                      **[escorted]**

The day is free at leisure. There are many optional tours available: Pisa with its leaning tower, Montepulciano and Montalcino, Cortona, Assisi and Perugia and many other. In the late afternoon, transfer to Chianti area for a unique experience. Enjoy the view of the beautiful hills covered by vineyards and have a fantastic dinner in a farm house, accompanied with Chianti wine. Return late evening at hotel. Overnight in Florence.

**Day 04: Thursday**                      **Pisa**                      **[breakfast, dinner]**                      **[private]**

After breakfast, meet your expert driver guide and continue to Pisa. Here, meet you local guide and visit the city. Pisa is most famous for its Leaning Tower, but the old Maritime Republic offers incredible sights like Miracles' square, the beautiful Battistero and many other masterpieces. At the end of the excursion, proceed to Cortona, where you will spend the next 2 nights. Dinner will be served in a typical restaurant. Overnight in Cortona.

**Day 05: Friday**                      **Cortona**                      **[breakfast, lunch]**                      **[private]**

After breakfast, start your unforgettable cooking experience in Cortona with your local expert. Cortona is a small charming town in the Valdichiana, in southern Tuscany. The city, enclosed by stone walls dating back to Etruscan and Roman times, sits on the top of a hill about 600 meters above sea level. This dominant position over the valley offers a spectacular view from all over the town of the surrounding valley and even Lake Trasimeno. IN the morning, you will have the possibility to visit the fresh market to learn about the local ingredients, then you will have an exciting cooking class to learn the secrets of Tuscan cuisine. Then, you will eat what you have prepared with your own hands. The afternoon on is free. Overnight in Cortona.

**Day 06: Saturday**                      **Assisi & Perugia**                      **[breakfast, lunch, dinner]**                      **[private]**

Breakfast  
In the morning meet your driver guide and proceed to Assisi, where you will have free time to discover the town. Continue to Perugia. Your lunch will be served in a nice farm house in the countryside. Upon arrival in Perugia, meet your guide for a visit. At the end, continue to Rome. Your dinner will be served at hotel.

**Day 07: Sunday**                      **Departure**                      **[breakfast]**

Transfer to airport or railway station in Rome

## FEATURED PROPERTIES

### Florence

De La Ville, Pierre, Berchielli\*\*\*\*

### Cortona

Villa Marsili, San Michele\*\*\*\*

### Roma

Beverly Hills, Londra & Cargill \*\*\*\*

*Hotel may be substituted with similar category*

## What is included

- Bus As Per Itinerary
- Tour Escort / tour host
- Welcome Cocktail
- 3 Nights In Florence
- 2 nights in Cortona
- 1 night in Rome
- 2 Dinners, Wine Included
- 1 Dinner in Chianti with wine tasting
- Cooking class in Cortona + 1 lunch, wine included
- 1 wine tasting with cheese and salumi in Siena
- Wine And Olive Tasting In Chianti
- Walking Tour Of Florence With Accademia
- Visit of Siena And free time in San Gimignano
- Visit of Pisa
- Visit of Perugia and free time in Assisi.
- Luggage Handling At Hotel

## What is not included

- Arrival & Departure transfers
- Porterage at airport on arrival
- City Tax ( 4€ per person per night, to be paid locally. The amount may change according to local policy )
- Tips
- Beverages and meals not mentioned in the program
- Travel Insurance
- Optional Excursions

## \*Tour Host

These tours are operated with a tour escort.

Our commitment is to guarantee any departures even with 2 participants. In case of the number of people travelling will be less or equal to 6, the tour will be operated with a tour host.

The tour host will visit daily the guests and will assist them at check in in any single hotel.

The tour host will escort the guest to the restaurants when the dinner is included.

The tour host is available 24hrs by phone.

The passengers are provided at their arrival with a Travel Pocket with information, maps and an itinerary with details, tips and emergency toll free number.

## VOUCHERS & HOTEL CONFIRMATION

The vouchers are not provided.

The itinerary provided contains all the information about suppliers, contacts and reservation numbers.

The hotels' names will be provided 21 days before the arrival. In case of pre/post nights the hotel arranged will be the same used for the tours.

## GUARANTEED DEPARTURES 2014

Rates in € per person. Contact us for rates in your local currency.

|       |                   | GUARANTEED DEPARTURES |      |      |                    |            | ROME PRE/NIGHTS           |
|-------|-------------------|-----------------------|------|------|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| MONTH | DEPARTURES MONDAY | DBL                   | TPL  | DUS  | CHD 2/12 REDUCTION | INFANT 0/2 | RATE PER DOUBLE PER NIGHT |
| MAR   | 10                | 1823                  | 1778 | 2226 | 25%                | 150        | 88                        |
| APRIL | 21                | 1935                  | 1879 | 2439 | 25%                | 150        | 120                       |
| MAY   | 12,26             | 1990                  | 1954 | 2598 | 25%                | 150        | 120                       |
| JUN   | 2,9,30            | 1990                  | 1954 | 2598 | 25%                | 150        | 120                       |
| JUL   | 7,14              | 1840                  | 1803 | 2279 | 25%                | 150        | 80                        |
| AUG   | 25                | 1840                  | 1803 | 2279 | 25%                | 150        | 80                        |
| SEP   | 15,22             | 1990                  | 1954 | 2598 | 25%                | 150        | 120                       |
| OCT   | 13,27             | 1990                  | 1954 | 2598 | 25%                | 150        | 120                       |
| NOV   | 17,24             | 1851                  | 1803 | 2279 | 25%                | 150        | 88                        |

**Cancellation Policy:**

30/20 days before departure: 25%

20/10 days before departure: 50%

10/7 days before departure: 75%

8 days before: 100%

## DEPARTURES TRANSFERS

### From hotel to Railway Station in Rome

The service includes:

- transfer by car and portorage at hotel, max 2 adult + 1 chd

**€ 60 per service**

### From hotel to Airport in Rome

The service includes:

- transfer by car and portorage at hotel, max 2 adult + 1 chd

**€ 70 per pax**

## OPTIONAL TOURS

### FLORENCE

#### PRIVATE MASTERPIECES OF THE UFFIZI

A tour to explore most magnificent artwork, while skipping the line for easy entry to the gallery, you will have the opportunity to see and hear the stories and anectodes narrated by the experienced guides about artists that have changed the course of Art. You will see and learn about Michelangelo and it's misterious life, Raffaello, botticelli's famous "birth of Venus", the genius of Leonardo da Vinci and all about their techniques which have made the history of art.

Inclusions: guide, ticket and reservation fees

Duration: 2 hours

Notes: The museum is closed Mondays & 1st January, 1st May & 25th December. No large bags or backpacks allowed in the museum.

**€ 120 per pax, based on 2 pax travelling together**

#### PRIVATE SUNSET & MISTERY IN FLORENCE WITH TUSCAN DINNER

A fascinating stroll thru the narrow streets of Florence to learn stories and legends of most famous murder mysteries of the past, while enjoying the charme and beauty of Reinassance sights our guide will share secrets and tales behind them and the artists that are involved. The tour ends in authentic trattoria for a real Florentine dinner with Chianti wine.

Inclusions: guide, wine tasting, Dinner with wine

Duration: around 4 hours

**€ 150 per pax, based on 2 pax travelling together**

#### PRIVATE WINE EXPERIENCE IN CHIANTI

An afternoon small group to the heart of Tuscany and into the Chianti-shire, with a breath-taking background of lushing hills and countryside you will reach two historic wine estates where some of Tuscany's best wines are produced. enjoy a wine tasting at these beautiful villa estates that have been owned and run by noble families throughout the centuries and to this day. This tour also includes olive oil tastings produced onsite.

You will be visiting the cellars of both ancient wine estates and to follow a wine tasting of the estates' award-winning wines, plus a tasting of extra-virgin olive oil accompanied by traditional bread and cheese, where the Tuscan experience comes together.

Inclusions: guide, transport, wine tasting at two villa estates

Duration: about 4 hours

**€ 270 per pax, based on 2 pax travelling together**