

TUSCANY



Join us for a unique trip to Tuscany to enjoy experiences that only natives can provide! During the 7-day tour we are based in Florence, and will explore the fine Renaissance city, as well as the surrounding areas, including day trips into Chianti and to the seaside.

We will spend time in Florence's historic center enjoying the heart of the Renaissance: the Art, Literature, Science, Music and more that Florence through insightful tours of museums and other hidden treasures that most tours do not offer. To truly appreciate Florence we will see its growth through the centuries, from a Roman village, to a medieval town, to the Renaissance capital of Europe.

We witness all of this by taking leisurely walking tours, sneaking into a couple of churches, and other monuments, tasting gelato and vino along the way! The beauty of Tuscany is also its surrounding areas. During our tour we will visit highlights such as Chianti, hillside villages and a trip to the seaside.

Each of these day excursions will offer culinary delights: wines, extra virgin olive oil, cured meats, aged Pecorino cheese accompanied by breath-taking views of the rolling hills and seaside. There will also be the opportunity to participate in a cooking class at a Tuscan Farm. Throughout the week there will be free time so you may explore, discover, shop, or just relax at an outdoor caffè.



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(The itinerary is subject to change, with or without notification. The final version will be provided before departure.)

DAY 1: BENVENUTO in TOSCANA! *We begin our tour with an afternoon walking tour to get familiar with the city. We will end the tour at a downtown osteria for our first dinner. (dinner)*

DAY 2: VIEWS OF THE CITY! *Florence must be viewed from the hills surrounding it, so our first full day will be spent traveling from one hillside spot to the next. Each will offer a unique experience, including churches, convents, private villas and more. The day concludes at a local organic farm where we will learn about olive oil production and dine on the local produce on the terrace overlooking the fields. (breakfast, lunch, dinner)*

DAY 3: DIVE INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE MEDICI COLLECTIONS *We will learn about the history of Florence by visiting the living and working quarters of the Medici family. The morning will begin with a visit to the Palazzo Vecchio and the day will end with a visit to the beautiful church of San Lorenzo and the market. You will have the afternoon and evening on your own today, you will also have free time to shop, visit more places, or just to relax. (breakfast)*

DAY 4: LET'S DO CHIANTI! *Our private driver will pick us up at 9:00 for a day of castles, villages, open-air markets and wine tasting! We will wind our way through the beautiful countryside and to the villages in Chianti, stopping for wine tasting along the way. (breakfast, lunch)*

DAY 5: MORE FLORENCE! *Today will be dedicated to visiting Florentine monuments and fabulous fresh food market. In the morning we will visit the beautifully renovated Duomo Museum. Lunch will be on your own and afternoon free time will be available. We will end the afternoon with a visit to one of Florence's most beautiful churches. (Breakfast, lunch)*

DAY 6: SEASIDE: *We will make a day trip to see the stunning coast. The day will include small fishing villages, a boat ride and more. You will have free time when we are in one of the Cinque Terre villages. We will be back to Florence in time to have dinner on the roof-top terrace of our hotel (breakfast, dinner).*

Day 7: ARRIVEDERCI: *All good things must come to an end... Breakfast and arrivederci!*

Cost: Euro 4250/person (single supplement is Euro 1000)

Included in cost:

- 7-day privately-guided tour of Tuscany, including Florence, Chianti and coastal village
- 6 nights in luxury, boutique hotel located in the historic district of Florence
- Private visits to unique experiences off the beaten path of typical tourist
- Entry fees for all activities included in itinerary
- Private tours and tastings of local products, such as olive oil and wine
- All breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners of meals (beverages included: bottled water, soft drinks, coffee and 2 glasses of wine with included lunches and dinners)
- Private transportation to and from Florence airport

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Optional add-on experiences:

- Additional days at beginning or end of tour
- Upgrade of hotel room to jr. suite or suite

Note: airfare is not included

Prices indicated are for groups of minimum 8 people, maximum 14. Prices for smaller or larger groups will vary. All prices are indicated in Euro. Payments will be made in US dollars (prices will be converted when final payment is due).

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