

TUSCANY + ITALIAN RIVIERA



Join us for a unique 9-day trip to Tuscany and the Ligurian coast to enjoy experiences that only natives can provide! We will spend the first five nights in Florence, and will explore the fine Renaissance city, as well as the surrounding areas, including day trips into Chianti. We will then make our way to the coast to spend the last three nights at a seaside village.

While in Florence, the heart of the Renaissance, we will enjoy art, literature, science, music, food and wine through insightful tours of museums and other hidden treasures that most tours do not offer. 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 nearby highlights such as Chianti and other hillside villages. Each of these day excursions will offer culinary delights: wines, extra virgin olive oil, cured meats, aged Pecorino cheese accompanied by breath-taking views.

Once we have conquered Tuscany by land, we will head to the coast. During our three days on the coast, we will enjoy hikes through the Cinque Terre villages, a private boat ride along the coast and more! Throughout the week there will be free time so you may explore, discover, shop, or just relax at an outdoor cafe.



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

May 26: *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)*

May 27: *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)*

May 28: *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)*

May 29: *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)*

May 30: *MORE FLORENCE!* *Today will be dedicated to visiting Florentine monuments and a 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. (Breakfast, lunch, dinner)*

May 31: *TO THE SEASIDE:* *We will make our way to the coastal area. Along the way, we will stop for visits to quaint villages and enjoy lunch. (breakfast, lunch, dinner).*

June 1: *A DAY AT SEA:* *today will be dedicated to enjoying the coast from the sea. We will have a private boat excursion, during the day, we will snorkel, we will feast on delicious, fresh seafood, and we will admire the scenic coast line. (breakfast, lunch)*

June 2: *LET'S TAKE A HIKE:* *with a local guide, we will set out on a moderate hike along the coast, stop for lunch and finish our day in posh Portofino. (breakfast, lunch, dinner)*

June 3: *ARRIVEDERCI:* *All good things must come to an end... Breakfast and arrivederci!*

Dates: May 26 - June 3, 2025

Cost: Euro 6950/person (single supplement is Euro 1300)

Included in cost:

- 9-day privately-guided tour of Tuscany, including Florence, Chianti and coastal villages

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- 8 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
- Private boat excursion
- Private hiking guide
- All breakfasts, 6 lunches and 4 dinners of meals (beverages included: bottled water, soft drinks, coffee and 2 glasses of wine with included lunches and dinners)
- Private transportation from Florence airport to hotel and to Genoa airport from Camogli hotel

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).

Optional add-on experiences:

- Additional days at beginning or end of tour
- Upgrade of hotel room to jr. suite or suite
- Cooking class in countryside villa
- Additional excursions/activities planned during free time

Note: airfare is not included

Recommended route for flights:
 Fly into Florence, Italy airport (FLR)
 Return flight from Genoa, Italy (GOA)