# **TUSCANY2024**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26



## DAILY ITINERARY

\*\*Subject to change\*\*



Italy's Tuscany will forever earn a place in your heart with its unique landscape, cities of art, charming hilltowns, thousand-year-old history, wonderful food, and -of course- its world class wines.



GoEuro Adventures first ever trip was to Tuscany in 2015 and we've been coming back ever since. This magical region of Italy offers travelers so much to explore and experience. This wine-focused adventure includes visits to a wide variety of wineries within the world famous Chianti region where you will sample many tastings and enjoy the local culinary specialties.

Our adventure will also take us to the historic Tuscan hilltowns of Siena

and San Gimignano where getting lost in the maze of medieval alleys rewards you with discoveries around every corner. We will also visit Italy's Cinque Terre— five small hilltowns perched along the Mediterranean coast all connected by a small railway. Our home base for our daily adventures will be a



luxury villa, where we will have our own private chef prepare authentic Italian dinners each night for a week.



Our adventure begins with two days in Tuscany's capital city of Florence. The cradle of the

Renaissance and the world capital of art in the 15th century, it boasts one of the oldest historic centers and some of the most famous

museums in the world, as well as one of the most iconic and distinctive landscapes as far as the eye can see. Everything in Florence is spectacular: from the shops to the streets that lead to the hills overlooking the most touristy areas, from the most authentic and popular neighborhoods, just outside the



historic center, to the monuments that exhibit its soul.

Below you will find a tentative outline of our daily itinerary for this always memorable adventure:

#### **DAY ONE** - MEET AT DULLES AIRPORT FOR OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO FLORENCE





- Prosecco "buon viaggio" toast at airport
- Overnight flight to Florence

### **DAY TWO** - A.M. ARRIVAL IN FLORENCE, FULL DAY SIGHTSEEING







- Skip the Line tour of the Duomo (Climb the dome if you wish)
- Lunch together at authentic Florentine restaurant
- Walk across the Ponte Vecchio bridge
- Enjoy panoramic views from Piazzale Michelangelo
- Visit the Uffizi Museum, home of countless Renaissance masterpieces
- Check in at city center hotel for 2-night stay

## **DAY THREE** - SEE MICHELANGELO'S DAVID, FLORENCE SECRET FOOD TOUR







- Skip the Line tour of the Accademia and Michelangelo's David
- Three hour Florence Secret Food Tour (Always a highlight).
- Time on your own for shopping in Florence's famous leather market

## DAY FOUR - TASTING & LUNCH AT CHIANTI WINERY, CHECK IN AT VILLA







- Tour of Chianti winery, including leisurely tasting and lunch
- Stop at second winery for tasting
- Arrive at our luxury Tuscan villa, our home base for the week
- Welcome dinner at villa prepared by our private chef

## **DAY FIVE** - VISIT AUTHENTIC TUSCAN HILLTOWN, WINE TASTING PRESENTATION







- This day is all about experiencing authentic Tuscany as we visit at least 2 nearby
  Medieval hill towns, Gaiole in Chianti and Radda in Chianti
- Time on your own in both towns for lunch, shopping, exploring
- As we will be in the heart of Chianti wine region, we will stop at a couple wineries for tastings

#### DAY SIX - DAY TRIP TO SIENA & SAN GIMIGNANO







- Visit Renaissance city of Siena, known for its architecture and large piazza,
  Il Campo
- Homemade pasta lunch at Le Torre restaurant
- Step back into Medieval times with a visit to San Gimignano, known for its many towers and well preserved buildings
- Enjoy the World's Best Gelato at Gelateria Dondoli

#### **DAY SEVEN** - RELAXING DAY AT AGRITURISMO FARM







- Experience authentic Tuscany on an Agriturismo farm
- Relax among the ,acres of land, full of many different farm animals
- Enjoy farm to table lunch and local wines
- Winery stop on the way back to the villa

#### DAY EIGHT - EXPERIENCE ICONIC WINES OF FAMED HILLTOWN MONTEPULCIANO







- Experience the amazing hearty red wines that have made
  Montepulciano famous in the industry
- Time to explore the Medieval city and enjoy lunch
- Visit at least 2 wineries

## DAY NINE - VISIT TO THE CINQUE TERRE, FAMOUS TOWN OF PISA







- Day trip to the Mediterranean coast
- Visit Italy's famous Cinque Terre— Five picturesque villages perched along the sea all linked by a small railway (Or hike between a couple of the towns as they are also connected by a walking trail)
- Stop in Pisa to experience the iconic Leaning Tower

#### DAY TEN - DAY SPENT AT VILLA OR ADDITIONAL DAY IN FLORENCE







- Choose from any number of activities at villa—cooking class, horseback riding, massage, etc.
- Or ... Spend another day exploring Florence (Bus will provide transportation)
- Or .. Spend the afternoon at a local winery
- Or ... highly recommended- Soak in the culture relaxing at the villa!
- Special final night dinner in evening

#### DAY ELEVEN - RETURN TO THE USA





• Evening arrival at Dulles Airport

## **OUR HOME BASE FOR THE WEEK** - Stay at a luxury Tuscan villa







Villa Albizi

As with all Olney Adventures vacations, a main feature of our travel is a week-long stay in a luxury villa which becomes our base for our various day trips throughout the week. Villas have many common areas where our travelers can socialize—which has the added effect of bringing the group closer together. You also have more of an opportunity to experience authentic Tuscan

culture. We will have our own private chef and staff for the week who will serve breakfast and dinner each day. All bedrooms at the villa are en suite.

### **YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE COST:** \$4,950.00 per person

Space limited to 16 travelers



What's Included: Pretty much everything ... R/T flight to Florence from Washington, all ground transportation (private bus), admissions & wine tastings, breakfast & dinner (wine provided) each day, 3-4 lunches at wineries and agriturismo farm, 2 night hotel in Florence, Secret Food Tour, and week-long stay at luxury villa.

**What's NOT:** Lunch some days will be on your own. Aside from the generous amount of wine provided with dinner, travelers need to supply their own alcoholic beverages enjoyed while socializing at the villa.

#### TO RESERVE SPACE:

1.) A deposit of \$1,500 is required in order to reserve your spot. Please mail a check to GoEuro Adventures owner & trip leader Joe McCall at 112 Woodridge Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Checks should be made payable to HOME AWAY TRAVEL. Please be sure to include your full name, phone number, and email address with your check.

OR YOU CAN GIVE YOUR CHECK DIRECTLY TO JEFF TUMARKIN, OUR TRIP COORDINATOR

2.) Complete the brief SPACE RESERVATION FORM (link below) and click submit.

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