

"LIFE IS SHORT, AND THE WORLD IS WIDE."

ANONYMOUS



Monteriggioni, Italy

Tuscan Villages

7 DAYS

Welcome to Tuscan Villages, a journey boasting Tuscany's most amazing towns, villages, iconic landscapes and traditions that have profoundly influenced world culture, art, gastronomy and history through a lifestyle that blends passion with simplicity. Across 7 days, be treated to Tuscan gastronomic experiences, enjoy the thrill of a truffle hunt, marvel at its beautiful winding roads and fortified hilltop towns; meander the cobbled streets of secluded villages; and discover unforgettable tastings in Italy's most renowned wine regions.



Ormina Highlights & Inclusions

- > The complete Tuscan experience: Siena, Lucca and must-see hamlets and villages, a rural retreat stay and Tuscan gastronomic activities including truffle hunting, cooking class at a local's home, winery lunch in Chianti and a cheese farm visit and tasting.
- > 6 nights in exquisite 4-star hotels.
- > 6 breakfasts (B), 2 lunches (L).
- > Private driver and tour escort.
- > Guided sightseeing in Siena and Lucca.
- > Tuscan cooking class at a local's home.
- > Wine tasting in Tuscany's renowned Chianti region.
- > Truffle hunting experience.
- > Cheese farm visit, tasting and lunch.
- > Alabaster stone crafting workshop in Volterra.
- > Visit villages that rank amongst the best in Italy including Volterra, Pienza and Monteriggioni.
- > Entrance to Siena Cathedral and Piccolomini Library.
- > Deluxe VIP transport.
- > Arrival transfer on the first day.
- > Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.

TOUR FOCUS



Food
& Wine



Towns &
Villages



Natural
Beauty



DAY 1 Florence

Welcome to Florence, the heart of Tuscany and the perfect starting point for your Tuscan experience. If not partaking in our pre-tour Florence city break, we suggest a visit to Florence Cathedral, Accademia or Uffizi Galleries or simply stroll the streets and take advantage of Florence's famous leather markets.

OVERNIGHT: Hotel L'Orologio Florence 4-star or similar

DAY 2 Florence – Siena – Monteriggioni – Chianti (B)

Depart for the Tuscan countryside. On arrival in Siena, enjoy a privately guided walking tour of the historic centre, declared a World Heritage Site for its preserved gothic appearance dating from the 12th to 15th century. The tour includes an explanation of Siena's Contrade or family districts that have existed since the Middle Ages, as well as visits to Siena Cathedral and Piazza del Campo, that hosts the twice yearly Palio horse race. Afterward, enjoy time to explore Siena before departing for the unique medieval walled town of Monteriggioni. This evening you may relax and enjoy your Tuscan retreat in Chianti.

STAY 3 NIGHTS: Palazzo Leopoldo 4-star or similar



Cheese & truffle tasting



San Gimignano, Tuscany



Lucca, Italy

DAY 3 Chianti (B, L)

Enjoy the entire day exploring the Chianti region, commencing with a hands-on cooking class in the home of a local, followed by lunch with local wine. In the afternoon, visit a Chianti winery for a tour and tasting.



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Experience a hands-on Tuscan cooking class and learn the region's authentic culinary secrets and traditions in the home of a Tuscan family.

DAY 4 Chianti – Pienza – Chianti (B, L)

Today venture into the amazing Val d'Orcia, a region of Tuscany characterised by gentle cultivated hills, gullies and picturesque villages that is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its cultural landscape. Participate in the thrill of a truffle hunt on a farm, followed by truffle and cheese tasting and delicious lunch. Afterward, discover the beautiful hilltop town of Pienza.



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Experience the thrill of the truffle hunt, followed by truffle and cheese tasting at a local farm in the UNESCO World Heritage listed region surrounding Pienza.

DAY 5 Chianti – San Gimignano – Volterra – Lucca (B)

Visit the multi-towered town of San Gimignano featuring a 12th century Romanesque church with famous frescoes and Piazza del Duomo that houses the Museo Civico and Palazzo del Popolo. Enjoy time with your tour escort to explore the village at your leisure including perhaps, climbing the stairs of one of the towers for a fantastic view. Afterward, visit the ancient village of Volterra, an important Etruscan city, featuring beautiful winding cobbled streets and artisan craftsmanship. The visit includes a brief alabaster stone workshop to learn the secrets of carving the local stone. The walled mountaintop town's history dates to before the 7th century BC and contains structures from the Etruscan, Roman and Medieval periods. The evening is yours to explore enchanting Lucca, famous for its historic centre, medieval towers and best-preserved ramparts in Italy.

STAY 2 NIGHTS: Alla Corte degli Angeli 4-star or similar

DAY 6 Lucca (B)

Enjoy a half day walking tour with a local guide. Afterward, you have leisure time to continue to explore the town's maze of streets, people watch in its famous Piazzas or wander along its ancient walls.

DAY 7 Lucca (B)

If you are not extending your stay with us in Tuscany, your tour ends on hotel check-out.



Feature
Hotel



PALAZZO LEOPOLDO RADDA IN CHIANTI

STAY 3 NIGHTS

- > Located in the charming village of Radda in Chianti, the Palazzo served as the former home of a noble family and reflects the charm of the region.
- > Ideally located within walking distance to Radda in Chianti stores and restaurants and nearby to renowned Chianti vineyards.

Departures and Pricing

2024			2025		
STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*	STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*
Florence	Lucca	Twin Share per person	Florence	Lucca	Twin Share per person
20-May-24	26-May-24	\$6,290	19-May-25	25-May-25	\$6,590
17-Jun-24	23-Jun-24	\$6,290	16-Jun-25	22-Jun-25	\$6,590
22-Jul-24	28-Jul-24	\$6,290	21-Jul-25	27-Jul-25	\$6,590
16-Sep-24	22-Sep-24	\$6,290	15-Sep-25	21-Sep-25	\$6,590
14-Oct-24	20-Oct-24	\$5,490	13-Oct-25	19-Oct-25	\$5,790
Single Supplement		\$3,000	Single Supplement		\$3,000

* All prices are listed in AUD. Prices in other currencies are available on our website.

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REVIEW
★★★★★



TUSCAN VILLAGES

Extend your stay

OUR MOST POPULAR TOUR EXTENSIONS

PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

Florence City Break (4 Days)

- > Guided walking tour of the historic centre, and cooking demonstration in a local's home.

Priced from \$2,915 pp. Explore more on page 66, tailored to exclude the San Gimignano and Chianti excursion.

A Piedmont: Food, Wine & Truffles

Small Group Journey (7 Days)

- > Extend pre-tour into the unexplored Piedmont region, famed for its award-winning Barolo and Barbaresco wines and the world's best truffles. A foodie's paradise.
- > Activities include truffle hunting with dogs, wine tasting with a master sommelier, degustation dinner with wine pairing and guided tours of Turin and Alba.

Priced from \$5,590 pp. Explore more on page 35.

POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

Emilia-Romagna Regional Discovery (6 Days)

- > Continue your gastronomy adventure into Emilia-Romagna to visit producers of Italy's most important foods such as prosciutto, Modena balsamic vinegar and Parmesan cheese. Also visit Antica Corte Pallavicina for a Michelin star lunch.
- > The region also boasts the medieval towns of Bologna and Ravenna that played significant roles in Italy's history.

Priced from \$5,245 pp. Explore more on page 67.

Cinque Terre Regional Discovery (5 Days)

- > Continue to Italy's coastal Riviera paradise including Cinque Terre.
- > Discover the Cinque Terre by land and sea and the charming Riviera towns of Santa Margherita, Portofino and Genoa.

Priced from \$4,916 pp. Explore more on page 65.