

The Wine Counselor® Invites You to Italy!



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TRAVEL

Florence - Siena - San Gimignano - Cinque Terre - Alba

October 16-26, 2023 ~ \$5,895/person*

What is Included

- Round trip airfare from Detroit to Italy
- 9 nights in beautiful 4* hotels
- 6 dinners (including a Welcome Dinner in Florence), 7 lunches and daily breakfast
- Walking tours of Florence, Siena and Alba
- Tastings of the great wines of Italy
- Pesto making class in Liguria
- Truffle hunting in Alba
- Italian tour leader (fluent in English)
- Luxury motor coach



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DAYS 1 & 2, October 16 & 17: United States & Florence

Depart USA on overnight flight to Florence. Meals served onboard. Upon arrival at Florence airport we'll be met by our tour leader and transferred to Florence. After checking into our hotel, we'll enjoy the rest of the day at leisure before a walking food tour of Florence culminating with the famous "Bistecca alla Fiorentina." Overnight the Hotel Grand Baglioni. (D)

DAY 3, October 18: Florence After breakfast, we'll enjoy a half day guided tour of the "Renaissance City" and the remainder of the day at leisure to explore Florence. Overnight in Florence. (B)

DAY 4, October 19: Tuscany - Chianti Private transfer to Castello di Vicchiomaggio for a guided visit of the estate, a tasting of three wines and lunch. After lunch proceed to Castello di Querceto for a guided visit of the estate, wine tasting of three wines and snack. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Certosa di Pontignano. (B|L|D)

DAY 5, October 20: Pienza - Montalcino - Siena Private transfer to lovely Pienza, an UNESCO World Heritage Site, famous for the production of delicious "Pecorino cheese," with its breathtaking view over the splendid Tuscan countryside and its many-colored food shops. Transfer to Fattoria de Barbi for a guided visit of the estate, the cheese production, and 4 course lunch matched with 4 wines. After, we visit the lovely town on Montalcino for a tour of the Oro di Montalcino Wine Museum. Depart to Siena, an UNESCO World Heritage Site, and a two-hour guided walking tour of this lovely medieval town. Dinner on your own in Siena, and overnight stay at Hotel Certosa di Pontignano. (B|L)

DAY 6, October 21: Tuscany - San Gimignano & Bolgheri Private transfer to the "Town of Fine Towers," San Gimignano. San Gimignano, an UNESCO World Heritage Site, is famous for its fascinating medieval architecture and towers. On to the Bolgheri region of Tuscany where we will enjoy a three-course lunch at Osteria Enoteca San Guido. Lunch will include the world renowned Guidal-

berto, Ornellaia, Le Volte and Sassicaia wines. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Certosa di Pontignano. (B|L|D)

DAY 7, October 22: Cinque Terre & Liguria Today we leave Tuscany and travel to Liguria. En route, we stop in Cinque Terre and learn how to make the incomparable Ligurian pesto. After lunch we will take a leisurely stroll down to the enchanting town of Manarola before continuing to Sestri Levante, a lovely town on the Italian Riviera. Dinner on our own and overnight at the Grand Hotel dei Castelli. (B|L)

DAY 8, October 23: The Piedmont - Alba

Depart for Alba in the Piedmont. Alba is the capital of the UNESCO heritage area of Langhe and is famous for its white truffles. We'll have a walking tour of this historic town and time for lunch on our own. After lunch we'll delight in a tasting of eight wines (including the famous Barolo) at the Paolo Manzone winery. Dinner and overnight at the extraordinary Albergo Dell'Agencia Hotel, home of the University of Gastronomic Sciences and the Wine Bank. (B|D)

DAY 9, October 24: Alba & Barbaresco

Today we visit Tartuflanghe to hunt truffles and enjoy a three-course lunch based on truffle specialties. It's off to the Montaribaldi vineyard in the lovely little town of Barbaresco to try the same name wine and other typical wines of the area (Barolo, Nebbiolo and Dolcetto). Dinner and overnight at the Albergo Dell'Agencia. (B|L|D)

DAY 10, October 25: Asti & Induno Olona

Depart to Induno Olona with a stop at the Castello di Razzano on the way. We will have a guided tour of the "Wine Museum" and cellars, and lunch with a tasting of eight wines including the famous Spumante. Dinner and overnight at the [Hotel Capolago](#) Varese. (B|L|D)

DAY 11, October 26: Departure Day

Today it's "Arrivederci!" to Italy. We depart after an unforgettable wine and culinary tour of Tuscany and the Piedmont. Grazie, Consigliere del Vino! (B)

* double occupancy. Single supplement \$1,150