



ITALY - SPOTLIGHT ON TUSCANY
with Optional 3-Night Rome Pre-Tour Extension
MAY 9-17, 2023
\$3,899
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**9 DAYS, 8 NIGHTS INCLUDING HOTEL,
SELECT MEALS, DAY TRIPS & AIRFARE
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ITALY DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

MAY 9 • DAY 1 // Overnight Flight

Rolling landscapes, savory wines, delicious food and stunning architecture – find all of this and more in Tuscany. Unpack once on this journey among Italy's most charming towns.

MAY 10 • DAY 2 // Montecatini Terme

Your tour opens in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, nestled in the heart of the rolling hills of Tuscany. This evening, get to know your fellow travelers during a welcome dinner where regional foods and Italian wines kick off your adventure. (D)

MAY 11 • DAY 3 // Lucca - Borgo a Mozzano

Enjoy a guided tour of Lucca, Tuscany's best-kept secret. Discover Renaissance walls, Romanesque churches, and medieval streets flanked by towers. Explore on your own before setting off for Borgo a Mozzano. See the Ponte del Diavolo (Devil's Bridge) and the nearby remains of the Gothic Line – the Germans' last defense during WWII. Visit the Museum of Liberation and see authentic fortifications and bunkers. Make your way to a Tuscan winery and learn about the art of winemaking as you taste local varieties. (B)

MAY 12 • DAY 4 // Florence

A cultural tour in Florence showcases the beautiful "Cradle of the Renaissance." Start with a visit to the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's sculpture of David. Join a local Florentine guide on foot and make your way through the city. At the Piazza del Duomo, see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the gilded bronze doors of the Baptistery dedicated to St. John. Take the remainder of your time in Florence to explore this unparalleled city as you choose. (B)

MAY 13 • DAY 5 // Montecatini Terme

Today, it's your choice! Learn more about Montecatini's history during a guided walking tour and visit to the historic Tettuccio Spa, known for the health benefits in its mineral waters -OR- journey to Siena and embark on a walking tour through its narrow Gothic streets, getting to know the local lifestyle in a contrada (neighborhood) whose community is centered around the colorful Palio horse race. (B)



ITALY DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

MAY 14 • DAY 6 // Pisa

Explore historic sites in the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa, including the Piazza dei Miracoli, or “Field of Miracles” (UNESCO). Keep your camera handy at the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa. Visit the Baptistry, the largest in Italy. This evening, travel to the quiet countryside to learn the secrets of traditional Tuscan cuisine. Partake in a cooking class, using local ingredients and culinary techniques that have been passed down for generations. Enjoy your freshly-prepared meal for dinner. (B, D)



MAY 15 • DAY 7 // Montecatini Terme

The day is yours to relax and experience the local flavor. Take this opportunity to shop at the local boutiques and dine at one of the many fine local restaurants. Or, perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to Cinque Terre with its rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards; explore this string of fishing villages nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean. (B)



MAY 16 • DAY 8 // San Gimignano

At a nearby cheese farm, learn how the famous pecorino cheese is made before sampling it for yourself. Soak in breathtaking views as you travel to the hilltop village of San Gimignano, one of Tuscany’s most picturesque places. Explore this enchanting medieval town, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking vineyards. Enjoy free time and perhaps indulge in some gelato. Later, attend a Tuscan feast of traditional cuisine and wines set in the countryside. (B, D)



MAY 17 • DAY 9 // Montecatini Terme

Your journey comes to a close today. Depart with many fond memories of Tuscany. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Day Trip to Cinque Terre • \$120 per person

Spend a glorious day exploring the unique Cinque Terre. You'll discover a magical land nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean that is nearly inaccessible. Travel by rail and boat,* past terraced vineyards and stunning panoramas on your way to a string of colorful fishing villages that sit along the area's breathtaking, rugged coastline. Savor the charms of this special place with a local guide who will help you explore some of the delightful towns of the area. Hear tales of the region's past and present as you come to know why the Cinque Terre National Park has been named a UNESCO World Heritage site. This is the perfect way to spend your day – feeling like you have stepped into a postcard. Your day comes to a close tasting the flavors of the area at a local shop as you sip wine made in the region and try some local treats. *Boat trip is seasonal. When a boat is not available, travel will be by rail only. Duration: Approximately 8 hours. Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

5 Days, 3-Nights Rome Pre-Tour Extension • \$999 per person

Day 1: Overnight Flight

You are on your way to the eternal city of Rome.

Day 2: Rome, Italy

Tour Begins Get settled into Rome for your 3-night stay. Take time to get acquainted with the area on your own. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies. (D)

Day 3: Rome (Optional Excursion)

Start your morning with a ride on La Metro – Rome's underground system. First stop – a locally guided tour of Classical Rome. During an in-depth visit to the Colosseum, your guide recounts its rich history. Then wander along the Roman Forum and the Via Sacra, traversed by the likes of Julius Caesar and Marc Anthony. The remainder of the day is yours. Perhaps you will join an optional dinner in a popular restaurant, where you'll indulge in a hearty meal accompanied by wine and local entertainment. (B)

Day 4: Rome (Optional Excursion)

Make the most of a free day in Italy's capital city. Perhaps you will join an optional tour* in the morning to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, taking in world-renowned wonders such as the Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo's mural of the Last Judgment. In the afternoon, consider strolling through the Borghese Gardens for views of the city's skyline or meander through Rome's bohemian Trastevere district. (B)

Day 5: Rome

Your Roman sojourn comes to a close today. Say Arrivederci Roma as you transfer to Montecatini Terme to begin your tour of Tuscany. (B)



COST

\$3,899 double occupancy (+\$450 single occupancy)

In addition to the tours and meals included in the itinerary, the cost includes round trip airfare from Hartsfield International Airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges and hotel transfers as well as accommodations at the Grand Hotel Francia and Quirinale, Montecatini.

Cancellation Waiver and Insurance • \$399 per person

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TO REGISTER

Space is limited for this exciting opportunity, and spots are going fast. To register, contact Tiffany Holmes at tholmes@gachamber.com or Nancy Leslie at nleslie@gachamber.com.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of November 03, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by March 10, 2023. Deposits are refundable until November 10, 2022.

