



Irresistible Italy

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FEATURING ROME AND THE BEST OF TUSCANY!





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When we think of Italy many things come to mind, such as food, wine, history, art and friendly people. This tour focuses on those very things that make this country so special.

The areas you will visit on this customizable tour are amongst the most beautiful in Italy, featuring rolling hills, olive groves, vineyards, castles, villas, rich history, and charming hill-top towns. You will experience the best of Rome and Tuscany, with the option of choosing between unique activities throughout.

You will have the opportunity to visit such places as the Vatican Museums, Siena's medieval historic

center, and the Renaissance jewel of Florence. To make your experience more authentic, the hotels selected capture the essence of both regions, one with its central location within Rome and the other a restored burg in the heart of the Chianti region.

Experience Italy on this one-week program through a few guided tours as well as free time to enjoy the sites on your own or the possibility of signing up for your own pre-selected adventure. Of course, you will also have the option of extending your trip at the end to visit such places as Venice, Lake Como, or the Amalfi Coast.



Your Journey at a Glance

A: Rome (arrival, visits and overnight)

Days 1 & 2

B: Siena (day visit)

Day 3

C: Chianti, Tuscany (overnight)

Day 3, 4, 5, & 6

D: Florence (day visit and departure)

Day 5 & 7



Your Hotels

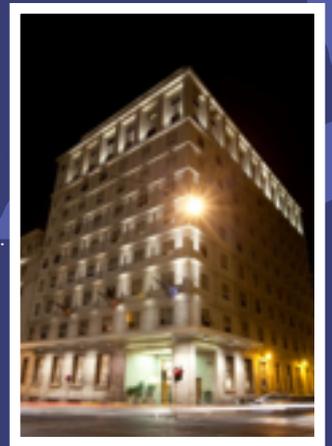
Rome

2 nights: Hotel Mediterraneo
www.romehotelmediterraneo.it
Via Cavour, 15, 00184, Roma, Italia
Tel: +39) 06 4884051

The Hotel Mediterraneo is the tallest building in the center of Rome, 50 meters high with 10 floors and 251 rooms. Built in the 1930's, its style reflects the Art Deco and monumental taste of those times. Marble busts of Roman emperors and mosaics depicting the story of Ulysses decorate the

hall. The interior decoration is dominated by wood and marble. Inspired by the name Mediterraneo, the sea theme that can be enjoyed throughout the hotel. The Hotel Mediterraneo is a 4 ½ star hotel in the heart of Rome and sits on top of the Esquiline Hill, the highest of Rome's Seven Hills, offering magnificent views of Rome. Its central location allows you to reach the main ancient monuments with a short walk, including the Trevi Fountain, the Colosseum, the Forum, the Opera House, the Roman National Museum Romano, the

basilica of Saint Mary Major and Via Veneto. Termini Train Station, the bus terminal and the



subway are a few minutes away making it very convenient to move smoothly around the city.

Tuscany

4 nights: Borgo San Fedele, Chianti Region
www.borgosanfedele.com
Località San Fedele 53017, Radda in Chianti (SI), Italia
Tel: +39 0577 735668

The Borgo of San Fedele is an architectural site formed by a Romanic church (mentioned since 1203 in the "Iodo di



Poggibonsi" which defined the territories of the Republics of Siena and Florence), a sixteenth century chapel, a parsonage and a detached rural building. The Ministry

of Fine Arts has recognized Borgo San Fedele as an architectural site of great historic and environmental interest. Today it is classified as a

Historic Residence. The frescoed chapel still remains and is now used for breakfasts, coffee breaks, buffets and dinners. The property lies on 8,5 acres of land and the main entrance is lined with centuries old cypress trees. San Fedele lies in the district of Radda in Chianti at 7 km from the traditional village which, together with the districts of Castellina and Gaiole, formed in the Middle-ages the ancient "Lega del Chianti". The green and rolling hills of the area are famous for their Chianti wine, one of the world's most known and appreciated reds. It is a short and scenic drive to medieval towns such as Siena and San Gimignano and only about 45 minutes away from Florence.

Your Included Meals

Breakfast Daily (6 breakfasts)
Lunch at a Winery on Day 4 (1 lunch)
Dinner on Day 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (5 dinners)



Your Itinerary



Day 0: SATURDAY, May 5 (Overnight Flight)

- Overnight Flight from USA (times will vary)

Day 1: SUNDAY, May 6 (Arrival in Rome)

- Arrivals from overnight flight from US
 - Meet at Mediterraneo Hotel
 - Options for transfer from airport to hotel (more details will be available with travel documents)
 1. Train from airport to Termini Train Station (hotel 1 block away)
 2. Bus from airport to Termini Train Station (hotel 1 block away)
 3. Taxi from airport directly to hotel
 4. Private transfer from airport directly to hotel
 - Afternoon at leisure or Travel. Your Way! OPTIONS available:
 1. Self-guided visit to Castel Sant'Angelo
 2. Self-guided visit to the Villa Borghese Sculpture Gallery with reserved admission
 3. Guided visit to the Colosseum and Roman Forum with reserved admission
 4. Other self-exploration options will also be provided with travel documents
 - In the evening, meet fellow travelers at a welcome reception at the hotel
 - Welcome dinner at local restaurant, featuring local Roman dishes and local wines!
- Overnight Rome, Italy

Day 2: MONDAY, May 7 (A Day in Rome)

- Breakfast at hotel at leisure
 - Panoramic bus tour of Rome with local guide, featuring Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, The Tiber River, and other ancient areas of Rome
 - Walking tour with local guide to feature the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps with specialty food tastings along the way!
 - Afternoon at leisure to explore Rome on your own or Travel. Your Way! OPTIONS available:
 1. Self-guided visit to Vatican Museums with reserved admission
 2. Guided tour of one of the Catacombs
 3. Self-guided visit to the Colosseum, Roman Forum or Palatine Hill with pre-paid admission
 4. Other self-exploration options will also be provided with travel documents
 - Dinner at leisure this evening, but recommendations will be provided and reservations will be arranged for those interested.
- Overnight Rome, Italy



Day 3: TUESDAY, May 8 (Siena and Tuscany)

- Breakfast at hotel at leisure
 - Morning departure for Tuscany
 - Before arriving at your hotel for the next 4 nights, visit the medieval city of Siena
 - Walking tour of Siena with local guide showcasing the best sites, including a visit inside the Cathedral or Duomo of Siena
 - Free time for lunch and to explore the many hidden streets of Siena and its unique boutiques
 - Arrive at the Borgo San Fedele in the heart of Tuscany, your home for the next 4 nights!
 - Sunset welcome reception overlooking the rolling hills
 - Typical Tuscan dinner served at the hotel's restaurant this evening
- Overnight Tuscany, Italy

Day 4: WEDNESDAY, May 9 (A Day in Tuscany)

- This morning at dawn, you will have the opportunity to sign up for a **Travel. Your Way!** OPTION to see Tuscany from way up above on a hot air balloon ride
 - Breakfast at hotel at leisure
 - Morning at leisure to take in your surroundings, go for a nice country walk, or get acquainted with the historic property and its owners
 - Mini historic tour of Borgo to be provided by owners at 10:00 AM for those interested in attending
 - Late morning visit to nearby Chianti winery to include wine tasting and delicious Tuscan lunch
 - Upon returning to the winery after lunch, enjoy an afternoon at leisure at Borgo San Fedele or the following **Travel. Your Way!** OPTIONS will be available:
 1. Horseback riding
 2. Mountain biking with electric bikes
 3. Visit to local artisans and nearby small towns in the Chianti region, such as Radda
 4. Cooking class with a local chef showcasing Tuscan favorites
 5. Guided nature hike along the Chianti countryside
 - Dinner this evening will be at the Borgo, to include their locally produced wine
- Overnight Tuscany, Italy

Day 5: THURSDAY, May 10 (Daytrip to Florence)

- Breakfast at hotel at leisure
 - Spend the day in Florence exploring all this Renaissance city has to offer
 - Morning guided walking tour of Florence to include Piazza del Duomo, Piazza della Repubblica and the Ponte Vecchio, as well as other out of the beaten path areas of the city
 - Afternoon at leisure to enjoy lunch on your own, do a little shopping, or visit other historic monuments and museums. You may also wish to choose one of the **Travel. Your Way!** OPTIONS:
 1. Self-guided visit to the Uffizi Gallery Museum with pre-reserved admission
 2. Self-guided visit to the Accademia Museum, featuring Michelangelo's David sculpture with pre-reserved admission
 3. Self-guided visit to one of the Pitti Palaces Museum Exhibits or Boboli Gardens with pre-purchased admission
 4. Other self-exploration options will also be provided with travel documents
 - Return to Borgo San Fedele in the late afternoon
 - Another typical Tuscan dinner will be served at the Borgo this evening
- Overnight Tuscany, Italy



Day 6: FRIDAY, May 11 (Tuscany Your Way)

- This morning at dawn, you will have the opportunity to sign up for a **Travel. Your Way!** OPTION to see Tuscany from way up above on a hot air balloon ride
- Breakfast at hotel at leisure
- Today the choice is yours to experience Tuscany your way. You may choose to spend your day at leisure at the Borgo or you may choose to sign up for one of our **Travel. Your Way!** OPTIONS for a full day or half-day of activities:

FULL DAY OPTIONS

1. Day trip to the medieval city of towers, San Gimignano with time for shopping and lunch, followed by a visit to a local balsamic vinegar factory and a traditional cheese factory to learn about these local products and how they are made (of course a tasting is included!)
2. A guided day tour in Chianti to visit the most charming towns and corners of the region behind the wheel of an Antique Car of choice (old Porsches, Alfa Romeos and Fiats), including a stop at a local vineyard.

HALF-DAY OPTIONS

1. Horseback riding
2. Mountain biking with electric bikes
3. Visit to nearby thermal baths where various relaxing spa treatments are also available
4. Cooking class with a local chef showcasing Tuscan favorites
5. Guided nature hike along the Chianti countryside

- Farewell dinner this evening will be served at the Borgo

Overnight Tuscany, Italy



Day 7: SATURDAY, May 12 (Departure Day)

- Breakfast at hotel, time permitting (or boxed breakfast may be provided on request)
- Departure transfer from Borgo to Florence Airport for those with departure flights or Florence Train Station for those continuing their journey through Italy (times will vary based on flight times/train times)
- Optional one-way transfers will also be available to Rome (information will be provided in travel documents), as well as a post-night if required

Optional Travel. Your Way!

PRE- or POST-Extensions are available to the following cities. Programs will be customized to fit your specific requirements on request.

Please email info@daiquiriusa.com for more details.

- Amalfi Coast
- Venice
- Lake Como
- Lake Maggiore
- Rome
- Florence
- Other locations also available on request

Prices (per person)
Double room \$ 2 499
Single supplement \$ 779





Additional Information

Signature Journeys

These organized tours have been designed to visit popular tourist destinations while showcasing hidden gems in the areas visited. Hotels are of superior quality (4-star standards or above) and are either centrally located or in scenic or historic locations. The itineraries have been carefully studied to incorporate cultural and historical tours of important sites and allow for ample time to explore areas on own. The option of customizing the travel experience is also available by signing up for several choices throughout the tour with our **Travel. Your Way!** Optional excursions.

Flights

Flights should be purchased by each individual traveler according to the scheduled program. Once flights have been booked, the traveler should provide all arrival and departure information to Daiquiri Tours.

Transfers

Arrival transfers in Rome are not included in the package price. Information will be provided to the traveler with the various options available upon arrival. Private transfers can also be arranged and prepaid in advance. Additional information on pricing will also be provided with travel documents.

The departure transfer has been included from the hotel in Tuscany to the Florence airport or Florence train station. Flight information must be provided in advance to confirm the transfer.

Pre / Post

Pre- and post-extensions are available to the locations listed above in page 5. If you would like to extend your trip in Italy, please email Daiquiri Tours so they may customize your extension.

Options

Daiquiri Tours prides itself in providing various options that the traveler can choose from during his/her trip. These

options have not been included in the package price and pricing and detailed information will be available with travel documents. Travelers are welcome to sign up for any of these optional **Travel. Your Way!** Options, but may also choose to explore or relax on their own. Reservations and payment can be made prior to departure or while on tour, though availability may be limited.

Inclusions

The following has been included in your itinerary:

- Hotel accommodations as listed, in standard rooms
- Breakfast daily and other meals as listed in the itinerary, including house wine and water with meals
- Services of a local tour manager
- Local guides for guided tours
- Activities as listed in your itinerary
- Transportation for all listed activities
- Departure transfer to Florence Airport or Florence Train Station
- The use of Whisper headsets for all walking tours
- Gratuities for restaurant staff and porters

Not included in your itinerary:

- **Travel. Your Way!** Options
- Gratuities for your tour manager, local guide and driver
- Arrival transfer in Rome
- Meals not listed in itinerary
- Flights and associated baggage fees
- Transportation during free time
- Mini-bars at hotels

Booking

If interested in booking this program, please email Daiquiri Tours at info@daiquiriusa.com for more information. This departure is limited to 24 travelers to provide a better tour experience for all.



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