

TUSCAN WANDERING

CHIANTI, THE AREZZO PROVINCE & VAL D'ORCIA (10 NIGHTS)

ITINERARY

Fly to Pisa and pick up your hire car from the airport.
The drive to La Canonica di Cortine takes 1 hour, 25 minutes.

NIGHTS 1 – 4: LA CANONICA DI CORTINE

- **Your Taste of Tuscany Experience:**
Enjoy a complimentary wine tour and tasting at the boutique winery of Fattoria Le Fonti.

NIGHTS 5 – 7: LA MADONNINA

To break up the journey from Chianti, which takes an hour, 40 minutes, we suggest a stop-off in Radda in Chianti, Castello di Brolio or San Gusmé.

- **Your Taste of Tuscany Experience:**
Enjoy a complimentary cookery lesson to master the art of perfect pasta with Maria.

NIGHTS 8 – 10: LA LOCANDA DEL LOGGIATO

The drive to La Locanda del Loggiato in the Val d'Orcia takes a maximum of one hour, 45 minutes. Visit Montepulciano or Pienza en route – although both deserve more than a flying visit.

- **Your Taste of Tuscany Experience:**
Receive your complimentary day pass to relaxation with free entry to the thermal baths at the nearby Hotel Posta Marcucci.

DAY 11: RETURN TO PISA AIRPORT

The drive takes 2 hours, 30 minutes.

YOUR ACCOMMODATION

1. Torre Vecchia at La Canonica di Cortine (Chianti)
2. La Madonna (Arezzo)
3. La Locanda del Loggiato (Val d'Orcia)



NOT TO BE MISSED AS YOU WANDER

CHIANTI



PANZANO IN CHIANTI

The venue for the annual *Vino al Vino* Wine Festival in September, this historic town is also where you'll find the famous butcher's shop and restaurants of Dario Cecchini, a larger-than-life legend in culinary circles.



SAN GIMIGNANO

With its 16 towers, San Gimignano is one of Tuscany's most impressive cityscapes and its historic centre, including the Duomo, Collegiata di Santa Maria Assunta and Musei Civici, is a World Heritage Site.



SIENA

Twice a year, the grand main square hosts Siena's Palio, the highly competitive horse race, but at all other times visit for the elaborate Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta – an awe-inspiring Romanesque-Gothic masterpiece.



FLORENCE

A day trip is never enough to absorb the magnificent art and architecture both inside and outside the city's museums and galleries. Boutiques, fine dining and landscaped gardens only make Florence more memorable.

THE AREZZO PROVINCE



CORTONA

Made famous by *Under the Tuscan Sun*, this hilltop town is elegantly upmarket with the boutiques and artisan shops to prove it. An atmospheric spot to sip excellent reds from nearby Montepulciano and Montalcino.



AREZZO

Featured in the film *Life is Beautiful*, Arezzo charts centuries of history with its impressive Duomo, churches, fortress and Roman amphitheatre. It also hosts the lively Joust of the Saracen in June and September.



ANGHIARI

Officially one of the 'most beautiful villages in Italy', historic Anghiari is also a member of the 'Slow City' movement, committed to a life lived more fully, more leisurely and with the emphasis on tradition.



LAKE TRASIMENO

Lying just over the Umbria border, Lake Trasimeno has a number of medieval towns gathered around its shores and plenty of attractions to fill a day from wine tasting to walking and cycling in the surrounding countryside.

THE VAL D'ORCIA



BAGNO VIGNONI AND THE VIA FRANCIGENA

This pretty village, a stop-off for pilgrims on the Via Francigena, is the starting point for some spectacular walks – and when you come back, enjoy a hearty lunch in the square, looking out over its famous thermal baths.



BAGNI SAN FILIPPO

Take a walk into the woods for thermal baths as nature intended, including the dramatic Balena Bianca, a towering build-up of natural mineral deposits. With a picnic, you can stay all day under the trees.



PIENZA

Cheese tasting is the order of the day in hilltop Pienza, a Renaissance ideal of the perfect town that's known for its pecorino, as well as its grand palaces, churches and the breathtaking views from its ancient walls.



MONTALCINO & MONTEPULCIANO

If you love wine, these two grand dames of viticulture deserve your attention. Decide who's doing the driving and sip away to your heart's content – or take two days to see them both so you can take it in turns to do the tasting!