



A Taste of Tuscany Sept 16-26, 2016

Day 1 Fri., Sept. 16

Depart U.S. for Pisa, Italy

Day 2 Sat., Sept. 17

12:00-1:00 arrival Pisa; stop at duomo, leaning tower, lunch at leisure

3:00 transport to La Viareggina B&B in Viareggio

Explore property, relax

6:30 welcome reception

7:30 dinner

Meal service: dinner upon arrival

Day 3 Sun., Sept. 18

8:00 breakfast at the B&B

9:30 depart for Lucca, guided tour, shopping, lunch at leisure

1:30 guided tour with Gabriella

3:00 return to Viareggio; beach, shopping

7:30 dinner

Meal service: breakfast, dinner

Day 4 Mon., Sept 19

8:00 breakfast at the B&B

9:00 Lucca countryside for truffle hunting

2:00 Chef Gianluca's estate for cooking lesson

7:00 dinner as prepared in class

9:00 return to Viareggio

Meal service: breakfast, dinner

Day 5 Tues., Sept 20

8:00 breakfast at the villa

9:00 depart for La Spezia

10:00 take the boat to the Cinque Terre, hike the trail, explore, lunch at leisure

6:00 return to Viareggio, dinner

Meal service: breakfast, dinner

Day 6 Wed., Sept. 21

8:00 breakfast at the B&B, pack for Villa Rosa

9:00 depart for Volterra, medieval, Roman and Etruscan history, culture

1:00 Podere San Lorenzo, lunch at the estate

4:00 depart for Fagiolari estate

6:00 arrive, get settled
7:30 dinner
Meal service: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 7 Thurs., Sept 22

8:00 breakfast at the villa
11:00 depart for Azienda Montefiorale winery for tour, tasting, light lunch
2:00 tour Tuscan leather producer, designer
3:00 Greve, visit co-op for Italian ingredients to take home
6:30 winery in Chianti; tour vineyard and cellar; wine tasting
7:30 dinner
Meal service: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 8, Fri., Sept 23

8:00 breakfast at the villa
10:30 go into Panzano, walk through charming town
11:00 wine-tasting with local celebrity Stefano, “il professore”
1:00 lunch overlooking Chianti valley
3:30 cooking lesson with Stefania
7:00 dinner as prepared in class
Meal service: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Day 9 Sat., Sept. 24

8:00 breakfast at the villa
9:00 depart for Siena, shopping, lunch at leisure
1:30 guided tour
6:00 return to Panzano, dinner
Meal service: breakfast, dinner

Day 10 Sun., Sept. 25

8:00 breakfast at the villa
9:00 depart for Florence; explore independently for the day: Ponte Vecchio, Uffizi
5:30 return to Fagiolari, farewell dinner
Meal service: breakfast, dinner

Day11 Mon., Sept. 26

10:00/TBD depart villa for Pisa airport
Afternoon/evening arrive U.S.