

# THE VERY BEST OF TUSCANY

September 19-27, 2019



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## ITINERARY

### Thursday, September 19

Depart the US for Florence, Italy.

### Friday, September 20

Arrival in Florence and transfer to the Hotel St. Regis, the finest in Florence with magnificent views over the Arno River.

Welcome dinner at the hotel.

### Saturday, September 21

Our day will be spent in Florence to visit the Duomo, the Pitti Palace, the Corridoio and much more.

After lunch we will offer free time for shopping or additional museum visits.

Evening free.



*Arno River, Florence*

### Sunday, September 22

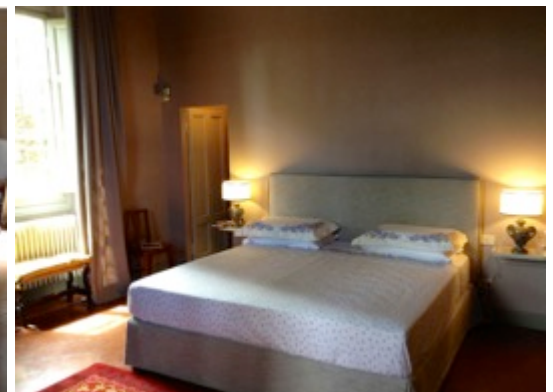
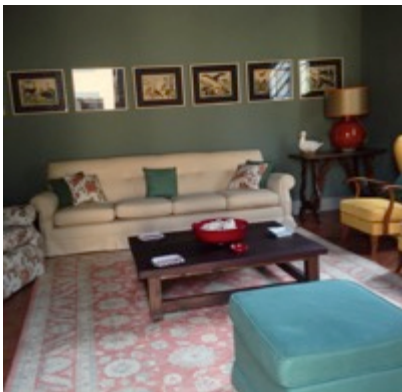
Morning departure to Villa Gamberaia, nestled in the hills above Florence. The formal gardens are perhaps the loveliest in Tuscany with its serene topiary and reflecting pools, and in the distance, the Duomo.

After lunch we will continue to our Villa Benedetta in Greve, Tuscany. Following a welcome drink you'll be escorted to your lovely rooms.

In the evening we will enjoy a wine tasting and welcome dinner.



*Villa Benedetta*



### Monday, September 23

After breakfast we will depart for the charming medieval towns of Montalcino and Pienza and continue through the lovely countryside to Cetona for lunch at La Frateria di Padre Eligio, located in the convent of Saint Francis of Assisi. Now beautifully restored, it offers magnificent gardens, a farm and a gourmet restaurant.

Afternoon return to our villa. Light dinner at the villa.

### Tuesday, September 24

This morning we will depart for the walled Renaissance town of Lucca. We will walk through the Old Town, which is filled with Renaissance and Gothic Palaces, starting from Piazza San Michele to Via Roma to Piazza dell'Anfiteatro situated inside the Roman Amphitheater.

After a great lunch we have free time to walk around the ramparts and visit some of the museums.

In the evening we will enjoy a delicious dinner in another private villa.



*Tuscan Road*



*Towers of San Gimignano*

### Wednesday, September 25

In the morning we will drive to Nozzole, a winery owned by the Folonari family where Giovanni Folonari will guide us through his spectacular cellars and offer a wine tasting. We will return to our villa for a cooking class followed by lunch.

In the afternoon we will depart for the medieval city of Siena, located in the heart of the wine country. Its narrow gothic streets are lined with imposing palaces. We will visit the Piazza del Campo, the Cathedral and some interesting Galleries.

We will dine at restaurant Da Guido, which offers fine Tuscan specialties accompanied by Chianti wines.

### Thursday, September 26

No trip to Tuscany will be complete without a visit to San Gimignano. This town, with its many medieval towers stands on a hilltop in the rolling Tuscan countryside. We will visit the Piazza del Duomo, the cathedral, palaces and the seven towers of nobility. Lunch will be served in one of the charming restaurants of this town.

This evening our chef at the villa will prepare a spectacular Tuscan farewell dinner accompanied by the best local wines.

### Friday, September 27

Transfer to Florence airport for our return flight to the US.

Total cost per person \$6,900 (*based on ten participants*) – single supplement \$1,800.

*Itinerary is subject to change.*

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### RESERVATIONS

- To reserve space, please send us the completed and signed reservation form together with a 25% deposit.

### FINAL PAYMENT

- Due no later than 120 days prior to departure.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

- For cancellations received 120 days or more prior to departure, a full refund less a handling fee of \$500 per person will be made.
- For cancellations received fewer than 120 days prior to departure, the cancellation fees per person are as follows:
  - 119-90 days prior to departure--50% of the total cost
  - 89 days or fewer prior to departure--100% of the total cost
- All cancellations must be received in writing.
- No refunds will be made as a result of airline delays, labor or civil strife, acts of God, acts of war or other events over which we have no control. No partial refunds can be made.

### INSURANCE

- We offer trip cancellation insurance at extra cost, which we strongly recommend.

### WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Transfers, sightseeing's and excursions as outlined in the itinerary
- Accommodations in Florence and at Villa Benedetta as selected
- Meals with wine and coffee as outlined in the itinerary
- Cooking class and wine tastings as outlined in the itinerary

### WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED

- Air transportation, baggage/accident cancellation insurance, items of a personal nature

## RESERVATION FORM

**Kindly print and complete this form and send it with your deposit to:**

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# OF RESERVATIONS REQUIRED \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ACCOMMODATIONS  Double  Twin  Single

Enclosed is my check (25% of total price) in the amount of U.S. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
payable to: **The Annemarie Victory Organization**

I have read and understand the *Terms and Conditions* as set forth in this brochure, and I understand that the balance of payments will be due 120 days prior to departure.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_