



TOUR ITINERARY



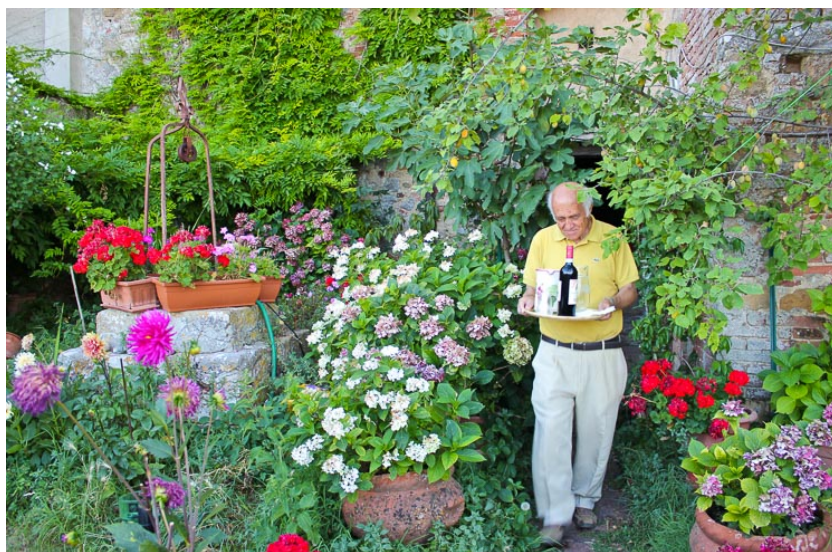
Europe / Italy / Tuscany

Classic Tuscany Bike Tour

Essential Italy: What Locals Love Beyond Siena and Florence

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn the family recipes that have been handed down over generations as you cook with our friend Lina in her 15th-century home
- Spend 3 nights at the luxurious Borgo San Felice, a hotel in the midst of the Chianti vineyards that was once a small village
- Pedal through UNESCO-recognized landscapes of wheat fields where scenes from *Gladiator* were famously filmed
- Meet Paolo and his mother at their olive mill for a home-cooked lunch and olive oil tasting featuring products grown on the farm



ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

Arrival Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Rome or Florence, Italy
- 📍 **Pick-Up Location:**
Westin Excelsior in Florence
- 🕒 **Pick-Up Time:**
9:00 am

Departure Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Rome or Florence, Italy
- 📍 **Drop-Off Location:**
Chiusi Chianciano train station
- 🕒 **Drop-Off Time:**
12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

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Tour By Day

DAY
1

La Dolce Vita

Transfer from Florence into the hills of Chianti to get fitted on the bikes and set off along the vine-clad ridgelines through Panzano and up to Radda on a route that highlights the best of the region. Descend to the valley floor before a gradual climb to lunch in an osteria nestled at the foot of the historic Brolio Castle. After lunch, transfer or cycle the final 4 kms to our first hotel, the luxurious Borgo San Felice. Settle in and relax here before heading to our first dinner at our friend Max's hidden bistro.

Meals: Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Panzano, Lucarelli, Brolio

Accomplished: 20 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 1,561 feet / 476 meters

Longer Option: 26 miles / 42 km, elevation gain: 2,141 feet / 653 meters

Accommodations: [Borgo San Felice](#)

DAY
2

A Casa in Chianti

Set off on another loop ride today through this cycling paradise. We'll take a series of lesser-known roads near the outskirts of Siena that lead us to our friend Serena's house. Serena has a huge garden and a passion for local cuisine that she'll share with us over a home-made lunch in her home. After lunch opt to transfer or bike back to the hotel. Enjoy a relaxed afternoon at the pool or spa before regrouping for dinner paired with wines from the estate.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Pianella, Montaperti, San Pier

Accomplished: 25 miles / 40 km, elevation gain: 1,929 feet / 588 meters

Longer Option: 33 miles / 53 km, elevation gain: 3,057 feet / 932 meters

Accommodations: [Borgo San Felice](#)

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Chianti Classico: The Tuscan Heartland

Olive and cypress trees surround us as we ride deep into the hills of Chianti. We'll see plenty of fortified hamlets and castles—relics of Florence and Siena's 300-year struggle for regional dominance and ownership over the birthplace of Chianti Classico wines found in ancient cellars around the area. Pedal past countless estates as we weave our way through forests and vineyards for lunch at a local winery. This evening, head into Siena to meet Dario, a bestselling author and local insider who will give us a behind-the-scenes look at the way the city works. Explore the local restaurant scene for dinner. Our guides are happy to make recommendations or reservations.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Castelnuovo, Gaiole, Castagnoli

Accomplished: 30 miles / 48 km, elevation gain: 2,342 feet / 714 meters

Longer Option: 35 miles / 57 km, elevation gain: 2,781 feet / 848 meters

Accommodations: [Borgo San Felice](#)

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4

Across the Crete Senesi: Monks and Masterpieces

Say goodbye to San Felice as we ride through the mystical morning light that bathes the Chianti vineyards. Pedal out into the open fields of the Crete Senesi, a totally different landscape with long vistas and cypress-lined lanes. Meet our friend Donatella for lunch at her cozy osteria, famed for its truffle dishes. Then opt for an earlier van transfer or continue cycling all the way to our final hotel, a 5-star castle with thermal baths and a great spa. Tonight we'll head to our friend Lina's house for a chance to spend the evening living like a local in the town of Montalcino.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Asciano, San Giovanni d'Asso, Montalcino

Accomplished: 27 miles / 44 km, elevation gain: 2,145 feet / 656 meters

Longer Option: 45 miles / 73 km, elevation gain: 3,972 feet / 1,211 meters

Accommodations: [Castello di Velona](#)

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Hilltown Loop

Today's loop ride begins with big downhill and long climb to Castiglione d'Orcia, where we'll enter the fable Orcia Valley. Medieval towns, hot springs and fields of poppies ling the route as we climb up to the perfect village of Pienza for a chance to explore the cobbled streets and sip a coffee. Then continue to our friend Paolo's olive mill for lunch cooked by his mother and a tasting of organic olive oil. After lunch opt to complete the full loop ride or take a quick shuttle back to the hotel. This evening, treat yourself to some rest and relaxation at the hotel before a farewell dinner featuring Brunello wines grown here on the estate.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Castiglione d'Orcia, Pienza, Castelmuzi

Accomplished: 26 miles / 42 km, elevation gain: 3,027 feet / 923 meters

Longer Option: 49 miles / 79 km, elevation gain: 4,746 feet / 1,447 meters

Accommodations: [Castello di Velona](#)

DAY
6

Ride to Florence

On our last day enjoy a relaxed morning at the hotel before we transfer you to the Chiusi train station as you head on to your next destination.

Meals: Breakfast

Destinations: Chiusi
