



TOUR ITINERARY

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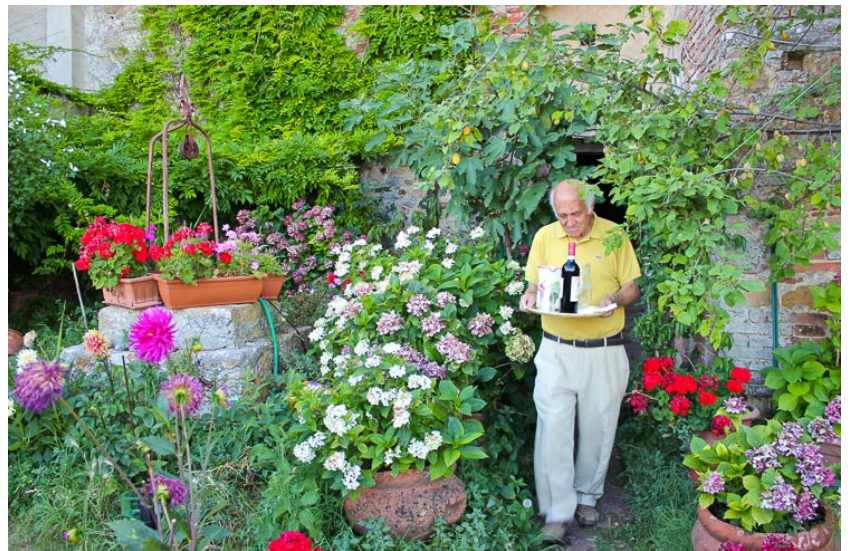
Europe / Italy / Tuscany

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
- Enjoy a private tasting lunch at a renowned Chianti Classico winery
- Pedal through UNESCO-recognized landscapes of wheat fields where scenes from Gladiator were famously filmed
- Explore the medieval city of Siena with its bustling shopping and restaurant scene.



ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

Arrival Details

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

Departure Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Rome or Florence, Italy
- 📍 **Drop-Off Location:**
Chiusi Chianciano Train Station
- 🕒 **Drop-Off Time:**
10:30 am

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

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1

La Dolce Vita

Meet our transfer in Florence (dressed for cycling) as we head to the tiny village of Radda to meet the guides and get fitted on our bikes. Pedal from here through the heart of the Chianti Classico region as we make our way to the most prestigious winery for lunch at their chic osteria (paired with a selection of their wines). After lunch continue along our favorite road, a ribbon of pavement that winds through the vineyards with views of the distant towers of Siena. Our destination is a 5-star castle hotel that will be our home for the next three nights. Settle in here and enjoy our first Tuscan dinner onsite.

Meals: Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Radda, Brolio, Castelnuovo

Accomplished: 22 miles / 36 km, elevation gain: 1,505 feet / 459 meters

Accommodations: [Castel Monastero](#)

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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 to a private tasting lunch at a family-run Chianti winery. This evening we'll get a true welcome to this region with a special dinner at our friend Serena's house, featuring great home-cooked dishes and warm hospitality.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Castelnuovo, Brolio, Castagnoli

Accomplished: 26 miles / 43 km, elevation gain: 2,198 feet / 670 meters

Longer Option: 37 miles / 60 km, elevation gain: 3,090 feet / 942 meters

Accommodations: [Castel Monastero](#)

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The Crete Senesi

Riding south today the landscape changes dramatically as we enter the low hills known as the Crete Senesi. Pedal through the thermal resort town of Rapolano on our way to the walled town of Asciano for a coffee on the main square. From here the scenery comes to life as we ride along the open ridges of one of the most-photographed roads in the world. This is where the iconic Strade Bianche race passes each spring and we'll have a great view from the terrace of a local castle at lunch. After lunch complete the loop back to the hotel and head into Siena this evening to shop, explore and try the local dining scene. Your guides are happy to make recommendations or reservations for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Rapolano, Asciano, Arbia

Accomplished: 35 miles / 57 km, elevation gain: 2,486 feet / 758 meters

Shorter Option: 21 miles / 35 km, elevation gain: 1,581 feet / 482 meters

Accommodations: [Castel Monastero](#)

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Montalcino: Castles, Brunello, and Home-Cooking

Say goodbye to our castle hotel this morning as we trade Chianti for Brunello and one incredible castle for another. Our route will take us across the heart of the Crete to our friend Donatella's tiny restaurant in the sleep village of San Giovanni. This town is one of the few in all of Italy that has both black and white truffles and we'll indulge at a truffle-themed lunch here. Spend the afternoon completing the ride or take a transfer to relax by the pool of our next five-star castle hotel. This evening we'll head into Montalcino for a cooking class and dinner in the 15th-century home of our friend Lina.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: San Giovanni d'Asso, Torrenieri, Montalcino

Accomplished: 26 miles / 42 km, elevation gain: 1,558 feet / 475 meters

Longer Option: 39 miles / 63 km, elevation gain: 2,903 feet / 885 meters

Accommodations: [Castello di Velona](#)

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Pienza Loop

Today's loop ride begins with a climb to Castiglione d'Orcia through an endless sea of olive trees. Celebrate your arrival with a coffee in the shady main piazza and enjoy a scenic downhill into the Val d'Orcia. The natural beauty of this area has attracted filmmakers for iconic titles like Gladiator and the English Patient and earned it UNESCO World Heritage status. Our destination is the Renaissance town of Pienza where Pope Pius II transformed his hometown according to the humanist principles of the time. Savor lunch with a view from a hidden ristorante here. This evening, treat yourself to some rest and relaxation at the hotel before regrouping for a final dinner.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Castiglione d'Orcia, Pienza, San Quirico

Accomplished: 26 miles / 43 km, elevation gain: 2,857 feet / 871 meters

Longer Option: 42 miles / 69 km, elevation gain: 4,153 feet / 1,266 meters

Accommodations: [Castello di Velona](#)

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Chiusi

Sleep in and enjoy a relaxed breakfast on the castle's incredible terrace. Transfer to the Chiusi Chianciano train station as you head on to your next destination.

Meals: Breakfast

Destinations: Chiusi
