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This 9-day tour includes air from Buffalo, 8 night hotel accommodations, 12 Meals: 8 breakfast and 5 dinners, Tour Highlights – Rome, Assisi, Basilica of St. Francis, Montecatini Terme, Florence, Tuscan Feast, San Gimignano, Winery Tour, and Siena.

For more information:

- Contact your local chamber
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- Call 1-800-242-4244

Only \$2899 per person
based on double occupancy

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DAY 1: THURSDAY, MARCH 18 - OVERNIGHT FLIGHT

Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Italy.

DAY 2: FRIDAY, MARCH 19 - ARRIVE ROME, ITALY - TOUR BEGINS

Your tour begins in Rome. This evening, get acquainted with your fellow travelers during a festive welcome dinner at a local restaurant where regional foods, traditional opera music and fine Italian wines kick off your Tuscan adventure. Today dinner will be included.

DAY 3: SATURDAY, MARCH 20 - ROME - ASSISI - MONTECATINI TERME

LANGUAGE DISCOVERY: Today, your Tour Manager will help you discover the origin and history of the language(s) you will experience on your tour along with key words and phrases that will help you communicate with the locals. Travel north from Rome to the medieval walled city of Assisi, the birthplace of the patron saint of Italy, St. Francis. A local expert guides you on a tour of the magnificent Basilica of St. Francis and the historic old city. Continue on through beautiful Tuscany, ending in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, your home for the next six nights. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.



DAY 4: SUNDAY, MARCH 21 - FLORENCE

A cultural tour in the “Cradle of the Italian Renaissance” showcases the beautiful city of Florence. A local Florentine guide highlights many of the city’s priceless treasures, including the Academy Gallery* which houses Michelangelo’s monumental statue of David. At the Piazza del Duomo, which is the center of religious life in medieval Florence, you will see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore. You will also view the Church of Santa Croce and the burial places of Michelangelo, Galileo and Machiavelli. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore this unparalleled city. A delightful experience awaits you this evening when you attend a Tuscan feast featuring traditional cuisine, savory wines and your favorite **Italian melodies**. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

DAY 5: MONDAY, MARCH 22 - SAN GIMIGNANO

Discover the hilltop village of San Gimignano, one of the most picturesque places in Tuscany. Explore this enchanting medieval town, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking the vineyards of Tuscany. Enjoy free time for lunch and perhaps some famous Italian gelato before hitting some of the town’s great shops. Your day continues with a special visit to a Tuscan winery for the opportunity to sample a selection of the local wines that have made Tuscany so well-known. During your visit, learn about the art of winemaking and the process of making Italian olive oil. Today breakfast will be included.

DAY 6: TUESDAY, MARCH 23- MONTECATINI TERME

Enjoy a day of leisure to relax and experience the local flavor. Take this opportunity to shop at the local boutiques and dine at one of the many fine local restaurants. Or perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to Pisa and Lucca. The ancient maritime Republic of Pisa is where you will find the Piazza dei Miracoli, the Cathedral or “Duomo”, its historic Baptistery and the world-famous Leaning Tower of Pisa! Together they make up your Italian piazza. Your option continues with a journey to historic Lucca, one of the most charming old towns in Tuscany, to explore its gothic palaces, quaint shops, and bustling streets. Today breakfast will be included.



DAY 7: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 - SIENA

Begin the day learning the traditional Italian techniques of leather making during a visit to the family-owned Pierotucci Leather Shop. Continue your journey through Tuscany’s low-lying hills and olive groves to Siena, one of Italy’s most beautiful cities. Embark on a lovely walking tour through Siena’s narrow, Gothic streets and behold stunning palaces, mansions and the historic Piazza del Campo. Enjoy free time to soak up Siena’s captivating ambiance and perhaps have lunch in one of the city’s cafes. Or, you may climb to the top of the Torre Del Mangia for a breathtaking view of Siena and the Tuscan countryside. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

DAY 8: THURSDAY, MARCH 25 - FLORENCE

Today you return to Florence and enjoy a guided tour of the amazing Pitti Palace. See master works by artists such as Raphael, Rubens and Caravaggio in this impressive collection, and also tour the staterooms of this former royal palace. The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to independently explore the many treasures of this great city. Return to Montecatini for an evening at leisure. Today breakfast will be included.

DAY 9: FRIDAY, MARCH 26 - MONTECATINI - ROME

Depart Montecatini this morning for the cosmopolitan capital of Italy, Rome! Upon arrival you will have an opportunity to enjoy an optional tour of Classical Rome featuring the Colosseum, Arch of Constantine, Roman Forum and Piazza Venezia. This evening, join your fellow travelers and friends for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip to the unforgettable and ever-beautiful region of Tuscany. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

DAY 10: SATURDAY, MARCH 27 - ROME - TOUR ENDS

Your tour ends today. Today breakfast will be included.