Flavors of Tuscany

A 9-Day Infusion of Wine, Cuisine & Culture
SEPTMBER 18, 2015 – SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

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Sample a Chianti Classico, sourced from the earth under your feet. Squeeze a fresh tomato. Stir a fragrant pot. Foray to Tuscany’s breathtaking cultural capitals and small, cypress-studded hill towns—always returning to your Tuscan home and the convivial atmosphere of a small-group journey. At the end of nine days, you will be a skilled practitioner of Tuscany’s cultural lingo, with perfect command of three words that matter most: la dolce vita.

Dear Alumni and Friends,

With Tuscan wine and cuisine as our inspiration, and a gorgeously rustic wine estate as our home base, I invite you to join us to embrace the culture and beauty of Tuscany.

An intimate, small-group atmosphere and authentically Tuscan experiences distinguish this 9-day program, each one more magical than the next. Stroll vineyards, make your own ricotta, sample olive oils and wine varietals, and fully enjoy the Tuscan way of life surrounded by great people and fabulous cuisine.

Availability is limited to just 16 guests. Our rates for University of Chicago guests on this departure represent a significant savings (up to $1,000 per couple) over that of non-affiliated guests, so be certain to reserve your spot today and to share this brochure with friends who may be interested in traveling with you! You may reserve online at http://uchicago.orbridge.com, by phone at (866) 639-0079, or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Warm regards,

Kate Heilman
Associate Director, Travel and Education
Alumni Relations & Annual Giving

Please note: The information contained in this document is current as of 9/18/2014
Program Highlights:

* On exclusive small-group excursions, **cook with a Michelin-rated chef** and at the elbows of four “Tuscan Mammas,” making ricotta and conjuring prized dishes.

* Visit historic gems: **the oldest winery in Italy**; Etruscan ruins in Cortona; a mill where olive oils are pressed the old way; and a monastery that hosted St. Francis.

* Visit **hill towns** with histories as mesmerizing as their panoramic views; meander **Siena’s morning market**; and savor **Florence**, seeing **Michaelangelo’s David** at the Accademia.

* **Relax**: Included are full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director, all gratuities, all excursion transportation and entry fees, 7 nights deluxe accommodation, and meals including 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 7 dinners served with regional wine.

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Day-by-Day Itinerary*:

Itinerary is subject to change. Some activities are dependent on weather and seasonal conditions.

**Day 1–2: En Route from U.S. / Arrive Florence / Podere Ciona**
Settle into your quarters at Podere Ciona, a lovely estate surrounded by vineyards in the Chianti countryside. With Siena in the distance, explore the garden that surrounds the house, and take in the breathtaking view of olive trees, vineyards, and forests that dot the landscape. Get acquainted with your travel companions at a welcome dinner served with the estate's vintages, as well as Franca and Franco Gatteschi, the delightful owners of the property.
Overnight: Podere Ciona (D)

**Day 3: Radda / Castellina / Gaiole**
Today visit the beautiful hill towns of Radda, Castellina, and Gaiole, and discover why Gaiole was ranked number one as “Europe’s Most Idyllic Places to Live” in Forbes magazine. Tonight, enjoy dinner and sip regional wines at a favorite neighborhood restaurant.
Overnight: Podere Ciona (B,D)

Day 4: Arezzo
Tuscany’s rolling hills—with their patchwork of vineyards, olive groves, and forests—are redolent with culinary treasure. Discover how cheeses typical of this area are characterized by the kind of milk, addition of herbs, and particular processes resulting in different textures and flavors. Dine at a local villa for lunch before heading to Castiglion’s historic city center. A light buffet back at the property concludes the day.
Overnight: Podere Ciona (B,L,D)

Day 5: Siena
A UNESCO heritage site, Siena has a remarkably well-preserved medieval cityscape. See Siena’s celebrated Duomo, with its striking striped columns and walls, panels of the ornate mosaic floor, and recently excavated 13th-century frescoes; and admire the Sanctuary of Santa Caterina, as you learn about the city’s colorful history from your guide. Take some time to shop, grab something delicious for lunch on your own, and watch passers-by in the Il Campo. This evening, we will have wood-fired pizza and antipasti for a perfect finish to the day.
Overnight: Podere Ciona (B,D)

Day 6: San Martino / Cortona
After breakfast, take a short drive to San Martino to visit the enchanting Il Falconiere, a Relais & Chateaux property. In their beautiful kitchen, learn traditional Tuscan recipes under the tutelage of owner Silvia and Il Falconiere master chef, Riccardo. Make ricotta, as well as pasta and sugo fresco di pomodoro (fresh tomato sauce) for a delicious feast along with the award-winning wines and sparkling wine of the estate.

After a sumptuous lunch, head to Le Celle, a monastery on the slopes of Monte Sant’ Edigio frequented by Saint Francis of Assisi. Enjoy a walk around the buildings with your guide. A bit farther up the hill awaits the 13th-century Church of Santa Margherita.

Explore the walled city of Cortona alongside your knowledgeable guide before visiting an old olive mill that still presses using the traditional methods, topped off by an olive oil tasting with the owner. Visit Etruscan tombs that were recently excavated nearby. Dinner this evening is at a favorite Cortona restaurant.
Overnight: Podere Ciona (B,L,D)

Day 7: Brolio
Today visit Castello di Brolio, Italy’s oldest winery, in the midst of boundless vineyards. Taste the region’s varietals and tour the castle grounds. After lunch, enjoy time to relax at Podere Ciona before a four-course cooking class with those who know best, the Tuscan Mammans Mimma, Lele, Franca, and Elissa are the women behind Tutti a Tavola, an intimate cooking school in Tuscany. As the Mammans say, “Breaking bread at the table is the best way to get to know someone.”
Overnight: Podere Ciona (B,L,D)

Day 8: Florence
Renowned Renaissance art and architecture await in Florence. On your walking tour, admire the sculptures that surround the Piazza Della Signoria, the heart of Florence’s historic and political square. Step inside the Palazzo Vecchio, the town hall; and stop by the Ponte Vecchio, the oldest and most famous bridge in Florence. See the Duomo, Brunelleschi’s cathedral, and the baptistry renowned for its three bronze doors and relief sculptures. Near to where many believe Dante Alighieri lived, sip a glass of wine and enjoy a delicious lunch with the locals before admiring the scarves and leather in San Lorenzo market. And finally, end your tour with an appointment at the Accademia to view Michelangelo’s David. Tonight, share your experiences and raise a glass with your travel companions one last time at a farewell dinner.
Overnight: Hotel L’Orologio (B,L,D)
Day 9: Depart Florence
This morning, take your complimentary transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

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What’s Included:

- A relaxing six nights accommodations at an 18th-century estate in the Chianti Classico wine-growing region, perched amidst the rolling hills of Tuscany, as well as one night at the elegant Hotel L’Orologio in Florence
- Seven breakfasts, four lunches, and seven dinners served with wine
- Full services of an expert Orbridge Travel Director and local Italian winemakers, chefs, and other expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation, luggage handling, and airport transfers for guests on suggested flights
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, and porters

Your Guide(s):

Insider, Interpreter, Epicure, Host

As you explore the region’s culinary and cultural flavors, an Orbridge Travel Director will infuse your journey with an epicure’s appreciation of food and wine, a local’s knowledge and pride of place, and a travel aficionado’s ability to gather the beauty of all senses to your discoveries. Whether at a wine tasting, visiting with locals, sightseeing, or raising a glass with you over an exquisitely crafted meal, the contribution of your Travel Director is essential to the intimate and educational qualities that distinguish this program. Catch their enthusiasm and explore the flavors of this wonderful region with added confidence, understanding, and appreciation. Cheers!

University of Chicago Host - Anthony Hirschel

Anthony Hirschel has served as the Dana Feitler Director of the Smart Museum of Art at the University of Chicago since 2005. Trained as an historian of the art of the late Middle Ages and early Renaissance, first at the University of Michigan (B.A. in History and Art History, 1979) and then at Yale (M.A. in Art History, 1981; M.Phil in Art History, 1982), he has been active in art museum administration for more than 25 years. Much of that time has been spent in some of the nation’s most ambitious academic art museums, first at Yale (1987-91) and then as the director of the art museums at the University of Virginia (1991-97) and Emory University (1997-2001). Mr. Hirschel has also taught at Yale, Randolph-Macon Women’s College in Lynchburg, Virginia and the University of Chicago Law School. Among other professional affiliations, Hirschel is a member (and former Board member) of the Association of Art Museum Directors and is a Board member of the American Federation of Arts.
Program Accommodations:

Your Home in Italy: Podere Ciona

Become part of la famiglia as you settle in for your first six nights at an authentic Tuscan wine estate. Sip a glass of Chianti on a sun-dappled terrace, stroll the grounds, and stroll vineyards draped with Sangiovese, Merlot, and Alicante Bouschet grapes.

Property Amenities: Wireless internet and satellite TV in common areas, laundry service (at extra cost), and private bath with shower, hair dryer, and bathroom sundries (shampoo, conditioner, and soap).

Casa Piccola: Small and simple, this room accommodates two with a double bed and en suite bathroom.

Villa: Upstairs in an 18th-century farmhouse and offering views of the Tuscan hills, these spacious double bedrooms feature full bathrooms with shower; and share a delightful living area with fireplace, kitchen, dining room, and terrace.

Appartamento: These unique quarters are down the road from the Villa and attached to the property’s main house. The Appartamento’s charming character belies its origins as an antique barn, now beautifully appointed for two.

Casetta: Also downhill from the Villa, this cottage for two is a romantic hideaway with gracious amenities, en suite bathroom; and an unforgettable view of Tuscan hills and Siena in the distance.

Villa Piccola: Next to the main Villa, these rustic and elegant accommodations offer a peaceful retreat with arched picture windows, large living room, double bedroom, fully equipped kitchen, and covered terrace.

Hotel L’Orologio (or similar)

For the last night of your program, relax in the beautifully situated Hotel L’Orologio at the Piazza Santa Maria Novella in
Florence’s historic center. This elegant, timepiece-themed hotel is a few minutes walk to the train station and the Duomo, and within 20-minute walking distance to the Accademia and the Uffizi.

Room Amenities: Flat screen TV, phone, free wireless internet access, iPod docking station, tea and coffee making facilities, safe, en suite bathroom with hair dryer, sundries, and robes.

Activity Level:

Moderate

Activities are generally not very strenuous, however, guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance. On the estate, unpaved roads and pathways separate its various structures and walking is required to get from one to the other. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle, and sometimes it is not possible for your motor coach to drop you off at the entrances of hotels and sites. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for the disabled may be limited. Also, dexterity to use kitchen tools and participate in lessons is not necessary but adds to the enjoyment of this program.

What They’re Saying:

“I have traveled extensively in Europe and lived in Europe for 1 and 1/2 years as a young adult. I always try to learn the local language and I have always avoided tours. Orbridge has changed my view. With our guide, it was like good friends touring Tuscany, except that one friend was far more knowledgeable than the others. What Orbridge did was give us the vacation of a lifetime for which I will always be grateful.”
— James C., Baltimore, MD

“Our Travel Director was an exceptional individual, not only a tour guide but a real connoisseur of the region and its beauties. She was not only knowledgeable, both for art and history of the region; but friendly, humorous and adaptable to the needs of this particular group. She was indeed one of the best flavors of this tour.”
— Anna M., Lebanon, NH

“I feel like I was immersed in Southern Italy, from vineyards, to wineries, to castles, to local history and archeology, to cheese making, to pasta making, to local foods. It was a fine trip.”
— Joe C., Columbus, IN

“We had a marvelous experience on the ‘Flavors of Tuscany’ trip. We were thoroughly impressed with the itinerary that Orbridge put together—certainly not a boilerplate tour. We want to give special commendation to our tour guide. He could not have been more pleasant, accommodating and professional.”
— Gregory and JaLynn P., Potomac, MD

“This is the best vacation I have ever had. I think the best part was all the wonderful people. Our Travel Director, driver, property hostess, and so many others. People make all the difference! Thank you so much!”
Optional Extension:

**ADD DAYS 9-12 IN ROME**

Rome is the “Eternal City,” where thousands of years of art and history are flourished with modern style and culture. See the city’s gifts to the world: some of the finest art and architecture that has survived the last two thousand years.

**Itinerary:**

**Day 9: Depart Florence / Arrive Rome**
After breakfast, enjoy a scenic drive through Italy's idyllic landscape to Rome. Check in to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure.
*Overnight: Hotel Capo d’Africa (B)*

**Day 10: Rome / Guided Sightseeing**
Today, experience the city alongside a well-versed local guide, your own personal liaison to Rome’s past and future. Begin with Palatine Hill, the pulsing heart of the Roman Empire, where Romulus founded the city of Rome and where all the emperors lived. Then, visit the Roman Forum, the location where the Senate met, and Antonio pronounced his famous speech. Finally, stop for an inside visit at the Flavian Amphitheatre, also known as the Colosseum, seating almost 80,000 spectators. For its inauguration in the year 80 AD, the Emperor Titus organized 100 days of celebrations with “venationes” (combats between beasts and men), and gladiator’s games.

After lunch on your own, venture out on a walking tour through the heart of Rome, including visits to the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish steps, the Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and Campo dei Fiori, which is famous for its food and vegetable market, and where Vannozza Caetani, the famous mistress of Pope Alexander the VI, lived.
*Overnight: Hotel Capo d’Africa (B)*

**Day 11: Rome / Vatican**
Enjoy a leisurely morning before making your own way to the Vatican. Skip the line and meander through the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel at your own pace.
*Overnight: Hotel Capo d’Africa (B)*
Day 12: Depart Rome
After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

Please note that extensions are not escorted by an Orbridge Travel Director. Included sightseeing is accompanied by a local guide. Group space may not be available within 90 days of departure.

Accommodations:

Hotel Capo d’Africa (or similar)
Under the shadow of the Colosseum and in the heart of Imperial Rome, Hotel Capo d’Africa’s early 20th-century building with contemporary design and warm atmosphere provides a perfect home base for exploration in this ancient city. Enjoy a drink in the Centrum Bar or a meal at La Terrazza, the hotel’s rooftop terrace.
Room amenities: Air conditioning, TV, internet access (at additional cost), phone, safe, mini bar, and en suite bathroom with hair dryer.

What's Included:

- Private transfer from Florence to Rome
- Three nights accommodations at Hotel Capo d’Africa (or similar), with breakfast each morning
- Full day city sightseeing with a local guide to see Palatine Hill, the Roman Forum, the Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, the Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and Campo dei Fiori
- Tickets to enter ahead of the line at the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel to explore at your own pace
- Transfer from hotel to airport with luggage handling, as well as gratuities to guide and drivers (transfer from hotel to Vatican is not included)
Reservation Form

**Flavors of Tuscany**

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2015 — SEPTEMBER 26, 2015**

**EXTENSION: SEPTEMBER 26, 2015 — SEPTEMBER 29, 2015**

1. **Option 1:** Reserve online now at [http://uchicago.orbridge](http://uchicago.orbridge), or call (866) 639-0079.

2. **Option 2:** Secure your reservation with a deposit charged to the credit card below, or with the enclosed check payable to: Orbridge LLC.

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(#) ________ guests joining program ($850/person) +

(#) ________ guests joining extension ($500/person if applicable) = Total deposit: $ __________

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Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Send or fax reservation form and deposit to:

Orbridge
P.O. Box 10339, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
Fax: (206) 452-5655

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*Rate is per person based on double occupancy, in U.S. dollars. Single reservations are $6,595; availability limited. Airfare is not included in program rate. **Extension rates are per person, based on double occupancy, in U.S. dollars. Single extension rate is $1,895. Single availability is limited. Airfare is not included in extension rate.*
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