

TUSCANY EXPERIENCE

presented by Kish Travel and
the Huntingdon County Chamber of Commerce

November 1 - 8, 2012

\$2499.00 per person

Leave everyday life behind and escape to Tuscany! Known for its beautiful landscapes, its rich artistic legacy and vast influence on high culture, Tuscany is widely regarded as the true birthplace of the Italian Renaissance, and has been home to some of the most influential people in the history of art and science. Visitors to Tuscany come for many reasons. Many come in search of fine art, others to explore the extraordinary countryside. You will also get to experience the timeless Italian city of Rome. Rome is an epic metropolis which harbours the grandeur of a lost empire. Its architectural wonders are beyond compare and feature striking palaces, millenium-old churches and basilicas, grand romantic ruins, opulent monuments, ornate statues and graceful fountains. Rome also has an immensely rich historical heritage and cosmopolitan atmosphere, making it one of the world's most visited, famous, influential and beautiful capitals. Join us as we explore the endless opportunities that these destinations have to offer.

Tour Highlights

- Round-trip motorcoach transportation from Central PA*
- 8-day tour of Tuscany
- Daily breakfast + four dinners
- First class hotel accomodations
- Tours of Pisa, Florence, and Rome
- Admissions to The Accademia and The Vatican Museum

**Based on a minimum of 30 passengers,
double occupancy*



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information, contact your local
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INCLUDED FEATURES:

- Round-trip bus transportation from Huntingdon, PA to New York (JFK).
- Round-trip air transportation from New York (JFK).
- ABC Destinations handles your baggage outside of the airport for your arrival and departure. (Based on one bag per person).
- An experienced professional manager will assist you on the vacation, upon arrival in Italy.
- First class hotel accommodations at the centrally located Grand Hotel Vittoria (five nights) and Grand Hotel Beverly Hills (one night) or similar including hotel tax and service charges.
- Daily breakfasts and four dinners.
- One wine tasting.
- Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach and experienced drivers escort you for all transfers, tours and guided excursions.
- Panoramic tour of Pisa.
- Full-day guided tour of Florence.
- Admissions to The Accademia and The Vatican Museum.
- Full-day guided tour of Rome.
- Hosted by Yvonne Martin, Exec. Director Huntingdon County Chamber of Commerce

PRICE:

Tour price is \$2,499 per person, double occupancy (includes \$420 per person fuel surcharges). For single occupancy, add \$325. Air taxes are included at \$105 per person. Fuel surcharges and air taxes are valid at the time of printing and are subject to change. Rate is based on a minimum of 30 passengers, double occupancy.

Optional tours are available at an additional cost.

THE HOTELS:

The Grand Hotel Vittoria is an elegant and well-established First Class hotel situated in an early 20th century Liberty style building. The hotel enjoys an excellent location in a residential area, ten minutes walk from the very heart of Montecatini. Facilities include a beauty center with aromatherapy and massage as well as a swimming pool. The rooms feature all modern comforts with bath or shower, television, minibar, hairdryer, telephone and safe. The Grand Hotel Vittoria's Restaurant, La Sala dei Cristalli, serves refined traditional Tuscan cuisine.

The Grand Hotel Beverly Hills stands out among luxury first class hotels in Rome due to its strategic location and its classical furnishings, providing a refined, elegant atmosphere with cozy common areas and numerous available spaces and services for its clientele. At the Grand Hotel Beverly Hills you will find restaurants, dining rooms, meeting rooms and the "Puccini Bar", where you can taste vintage wines, aperitifs and cocktails in a tranquil and demure atmosphere. Room facilities and services include hair dryer, mini-bar, Wi-Fi internet, in-room safe, TV, room service and Laundry.



ITINERARY

Day 1 - Depart the USA:

Transfer by motorcoach from Huntingdon, PA to New York (JFK). Depart New York (JFK) for Italy.

Day 2 - Florence/Montecatini:

Morning arrival into Florence airport, where we are met by our driver and enjoy a short panoramic tour of Pisa and a short stop to see Piazza dei Miracoli and take a picture at the world-famous Leaning Tower before being transferred to Montecatini for your overnight stay. Dinner and overnight at the hotel this evening. (Dinner)

Day 3 - Montecatini/Florence/Montecatini:

After breakfast, we journey to Florence. Stroll down cobblestone lanes, through majestic squares and across ancient bridges, pausing along the way to visit and learn about Palazzo Vecchio, Piazza della Signoria, the cathedral and Giotto's bell tower and the Accademia (entrance fees included). Florence offers the largest number of historical buildings and works of art in Italy, as well as several world-class museums. You might like to do a little leather, gold or clothing shopping near Ponte Vecchio. Welcome Dinner and overnight at the hotel. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 4 - Montecatini/Cinque Terre (Optional Tour) \$125 per person/Montecatini:

Enjoy the day at leisure or take an optional tour to Cinque Terre: Early in the morning depart for La Spezia along the Mediterranean Sea. Take the train to the Cinque Terre, "The 5 lands", which are 5 medieval fishing ports, that developed isolated throughout the ages and remained architecturally intact, as they could only be reached by sea. They represent one of the best preserved natural areas of the Mediterranean, recognized by UNESCO as "Mankind's World Heritage", and today they are a National Park and Protected Marine Area with the aim of protecting not only environmental safety but also a great cultural heritage. This evening enjoy the tasting of some local wines before dinner. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 5 - Montecatini/Tuscan Cooking Class (Optional Tour) \$135 per person/Montecatini:

Today is a day of leisure. After breakfast, relax at the hotel and enjoy a spa treatment, or take the cable car up to Montecatini Alto. Montecatini Alto is the original Montecatini settlement, lying just a few hundred meters above the 'new' town. Montecatini alto (high) is a characteristic medieval village, abounding in historical events, culture, illustrious personages and is one of the most ancient inhabited centers in the Valdinievole. The views from here are splendid, and the delightful Piazza Giusti is home to some good bars and restaurants. Sit for awhile, have a cappuccino and enjoy the day. You may also partake in an optional three hour "Tuscan Cooking Class" where you will learn the basics of traditional Tuscan cooking as well as savoring the foods you have just prepared. This evening dinner is on your own, overnight at the hotel. (Breakfast)

Day 6 - Montecatini/Siena & San Gimignano (Optional Tour) \$125 per person/Montecatini:

After breakfast, the day is free to explore the town on your own. The Tuscany region of Italy offers breathtaking landscapes and a lifestyle where you can relax, relate and enjoy. You may also take an optional tour to picturesque Siena & San Gimignano. Departing to Siena, where after meeting our local guide, we have the possibility to visit this wonderful city. Siena is the city of the blessed virgins and "The Balzana", black and white, decisive, just as its heraldic symbol. Passionate and contemplative; always climbing and descending. Clear and at the same time obscure; it has steep and narrow streets; the red of the Piazza Del Campo, can appear blindingly and sudden. In the alleys, in the museums and oratories of The Contrada, the spiritual songs of The Palio evoke very ancient rituals and modern allegories, while during the evening the shuffling soles on the deserted pavement is in contrast with the peacefulness of the green valleys providentially enclosed within the wall, which ancient administrators had erected hundreds of years before it became common practice. Stop for a visit and a wine tasting at a local farm. After lunch on your own, depart to San Gimignano. The towering silhouette of San Gimignano rising up from the hills of the Upper Elsa Valley, faces the land of Volterra, and is positioned right on one of the most important stretches of the medieval Via Francigena, which is famous all over the world. A similar renown can also be claimed by its Vernaccia wine, which was recently awarded the DOGC...the highest acknowledgement of Italian oenology. Return in the evening to your hotel, where you will enjoy a festive dinner. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Day 7 - Montecatini/Rome:

This morning, we will embark on our journey to Rome, taking with us a basket breakfast provided by the hotel. Arrival in Rome and meet at the Vatican with our private guide. Start the full day guided visit of the Eternal City with the Vatican and St. Peter's Basilica. Guided visit of Vatican Museums (admission and vox included) where we will admire the Hall of the Greek Cross, the Candelabra Gallery, the Tapestry Gallery, the Maps Gallery, the Raphael Room and above all the Sistine Chapel. At the end of the tour, guided visit of St. Peter's Basilica to see "Pieta" by Michelangelo. Lunch on our own. After lunch, our tour continues with a walking guided tour of the Roman Squares. On to the Pantheon and Trevi Fountain (do not forget to throw a coin into the fountain in order to return to Rome). Experience all Rome has to offer and enjoy dinner on your own. Return in the evening to your hotel in Rome. (Breakfast)

Day 8 - Rome/USA:

After breakfast, transfer to Rome airport for your return flight home, taking with you the memories of the best of Italy. "Arrivederci" a nostalgic goodbye with a promise to return. Transfer by motorcoach from New York (JFK) to Huntingdon, PA. (Breakfast)

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels and adjust itineraries due to local conditions.

Huntingdon County Chamber of Commerce & Kish Travel — Tuscany Experience November 1-8, 2012

PLEASE PRINT— NAMES MUST BE LISTED AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR PASSPORT

Passenger 1: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
 First Name Middle Name Last Name

Passport #: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date issued: _____ Expiration date: _____

Passenger 2: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
 First Name Middle Name Last Name

Passport #: _____ Country of Issue: _____ Date issued: _____ Expiration date: _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____ Home Ph # _____ Business/Cell Ph# _____

Please reserve me in a single room at a \$325 supplement (limited availability)

I am rooming with: _____ I am traveling with: _____

Land Only Option (Deduct \$650 per person.) **Note:** Transfers not included. Notes: _____

Optional Tours: Cinque Terre - **\$125** per person, Cooking Class - **\$135** per person, Siena & San Gimignano - **\$125** per person

PAYMENT METHOD

Credit Card: Amex Discover Visa MasterCard Check # _____

Credit Card # _____ Security code # _____ Exp. date: _____

Name that appears on the card: _____ Signature: _____

I authorize \$ _____ to be charged to my card (this equals the deposit plus insurance premium if applicable).

Deposit: \$500 per person to reserve your space of which \$325 per person is non-refundable. Reservations are based on a first come first served basis. Final payment is due 90 days before departure.

I want Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance Yes No. The policy price is based on the total cost of the tour, including taxes. Insurance premium per person: \$139 for tour costs from \$2,001 to \$2,500 / \$159 for tour costs from \$2,501 to \$3,000 / \$215 for tour costs from \$3,001 to \$3,500 / \$239 for tour costs from \$3,501 to \$4,000 / \$275 for tour costs from \$4,001 to \$5,000. If no selection is made, insurance will be added to your booking and can be removed if advised to us in writing prior to final payment.

Make Checks payable to: ABC Destinations and send to: Kish Travel, 9471 William Penn Highway, PO Box 59, Huntingdon, PA 16652. For additional information please contact Mike Whalen at Kish Travel by telephone (814) 643-5240, fax (814) 641-7408 or email: mike.whalen@kishtravel.com

I have read the schedule of activities for Huntingdon County Chamber of Commerce & Kish Travel Tuscany Experience program on November 1-8, 2012 and accept the general terms and conditions as outlined on our website.

Cancellation Policy:

Until 61 days prior to departure: 10% of total cost per person (or a minimum of \$325 per person)

From 60 days until 46 days prior to departure: 30% of total cost per person

From 45 days until 31 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost per person

From 30 days until 15 days prior to departure: 75% of total cost per person

From 14 days until day of departure, or no show: 100%

Note: A person becoming a single as a result in the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement.

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