

Gourmet Tuscany

10 November – 15 November 2008

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Gourmet Tuscan trip led by Tony Sasa

Itinerary

Day 1:

- ~ arrival and check into hotel in Florence
- (suggestion: Cimarosa Harmony <http://www.cimarosaresidence.com/>)
- ~ drinks at Enoteca Ponte Vecchio followed by dinner at a local pizza & pasta place

Day 2:

- ~ visit Montalcino and Casanova di Neri <http://www.casanovadineri.com> or Biondi Santi <http://www.biondisanti.it> for wine tasting led by the winemaker/owner
- ~ lunch at a San Filippo winery <http://www.sanfilippomontalcino.com/>
- ~ walk about Montalcino town and visit Ciacci Giovanna winery.
- ~ dinner at La Laggenda dei Fraita <http://www.laleggendadeifrati.it/> with oenologist of Le Fonti, Paolo Caciorgna

Day 3:

- ~ visit a cheese maker Putzulu Salvatore
- ~ visit an olive oil mill San Leo and light lunch at San Leo
- ~ visit winery Le Fonti
- ~ dinner at a local favourite in Florence or Greve in Chianti

Day 4:

- ~ visit a balsamic vinegar producer in Modena <http://www.fiorini1919.com/>
- ~ light lunch at Fiorini estate
- ~ visit to Ferrari car factory
- ~ dinner at in Florence at Bottega del buon caffè with Leonardo Romanelli, one of Italy's top chef trainer and cook book author and with Daniel Thomases (ex-writer for Robert Parker) <http://www.erobertparker.com/info/dthomases.asp>

Day 5:

- ~ visit Piemonte
- ~ tasting of Moscato and Barbera at Boeri estate in Costigliole d'Asti
- ~ lunch at the winery
- ~ visit Asti, city of truffles to attend a truffle event
- ~ visit Schiavenza for a wine tasting
- ~ dinner at Schiavenza, with tasting of wine direct from barrels.
- ~ spend the night at the wine estate.

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You may extend your stay to visit the more traditional sites in Florence after Day 5.

Costs: Euro1700 per person (land costs, flight not included).

Accommodation: based on a 3 star hotel in Florence

Meals: includes breakfasts, lunch, dinner, cooking class and all wine tastings

Transfers: all ground transfers during the trip included

Size of group: Maximum of 12 persons

Pick up and drop off: We will pick you up at the Florence airport on Day 1. The trip ends in Florence on Day 6 morning. Arrangement to your next destination can be arranged (depending on whether you choose to stay on or not)

Tour leader: Tony Sasa of Sasa Wine Research, and also owner of Enoteca Ponte Vecchio wine shop in Florence. He will be with us throughout the 5 days.


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