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## Discover Tuscany

November 3 - 12, 2009



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**10 Days • 13 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 5 Dinners**



## Discover Tuscany

**Highlights...** Rome • Assisi • Basilica of St. Francis • Montecatini Terme • Florence  
Tuscan Feast • San Gimignano • Winery Tour • Siena

**Per Person Rates: Double \$2,999; Single \$3,399; Triple \$2,969**

**Included in Price:**

Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges of \$380 (subject to increase until paid in full), Hotel Transfers, Round Trip Air from San Francisco Intl Airport

**Not included in price:**

Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$200 per person

**Day 1: Tuesday, November 03, 2009**

**Overnight Flight**

Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Italy. Rolling landscapes, savory wines, delicious food, and stunning architecture... this can only be Tuscany. On this special journey you will enjoy walking tours in Italy's most charming towns, visit magnificent historic monuments and sample mouth-watering cuisine and wines.

**Day 2: Wednesday, November 04, 2009**

**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: Thursday, November 05, 2009**

**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: Friday, November 06, 2009**

**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: Saturday, November 07, 2009**

**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: Sunday, November 08, 2009**

**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: Monday, November 09, 2009**

**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: Tuesday, November 10, 2009**

**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: Wednesday, November 11, 2009**

**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: Thursday, November 12, 2009**

**Rome - Tour Ends**

Your tour ends today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

**YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day	1	Overnight Flight
Day	2	Crowne Plaza St. Peter's, Rome
Day	3-8	Hotel Ercolini & Savi, Montecatini Terme or Hotel Minerva, Montecatini Terme
Day	9	Crowne Plaza St. Peter's, Rome
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.		

**"Value Stay":** tours provide all the primary experiences a standard Collette Tour offers. These vacations have fewer inclusions and meals, and may stay at 3-4 star hotels, or hotels not as centrally located.

**Please Note:**

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

To complete your vacation, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

\*The Pitti Palace and Academy Gallery are closed Mondays.

Days of features are interchangeable.

To truly experience the program and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes.

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**For more information contact**  
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## IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

### IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

**Cancellation Charges for this tour:** After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 20% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 40% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 25% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 50% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 40% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 75% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 50% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. For Oberammergau: Non-refundable deposit will be retained. A cancellation fee of 75% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If waivers have not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Purchase of Waiver and Insurance guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Waiver and insurance fee itself, made to Collette Vacations for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Waiver and Insurance does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's Traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

**Consumer Protection Plans:** Collette Travel Service holds membership in the following highly reputable industry organizations: the United States Tour



Operators Association and the American Society of Travel Agents. Each association operates a consumer protection plan to cover deposits made by travelers. Full details are available from the organizations or Collette Travel Service. Collette is pleased to give this additional protection to our clients. **Our California Sellers of Travel registration number is 2006766-20. Our State of Washington Unified Business Number is 601220855. Our Nevada Sellers of Travel registration number is 2003-0279.**

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Payment of the deposit to Collette constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions.

Photos shown are reflective of the area(s) visited, but may not be included in the actual tour itinerary.

First deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. \*Reservations are made on a first come, first serve basis.  
Reservations made after the seat reduction date of 5/3/2009 are based upon availability.  
Final payment due by 9/3/2009.

**Make checks payable to:** Mid County Travel  
**For Reservations Contact:** Mid County Travel (831) 476.2929  
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1570 Soquel Dr Ste 2  
Santa Cruz, CA 95065-1715



Please select one of the following gifts per person:  Travel Bag  Toiletry Bag  Plant a Tree  Go-Green Bag

Your Name:

Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Issuance: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency**

**Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to purchase cancellation waiver and insurance at \$200 per person:  Yes  No (Payment due with first deposit.)

Please note: If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations (see brochure for details)

Deposit Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Waiver/Insurance Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please advise your departure airport for this tour: \_\_\_\_\_

Air Seat Request  Aisle  Window (Collette Vacations cannot guarantee your preference)

If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times.

Room Accommodations:  Smoking  Non-Smoking (Collette Vacations cannot guarantee your preference)

\*Triple rooms are normally a standard double room with 2 beds. A cot or rollaway bed may be requested but not guaranteed due to size of room and fire codes.

Collette Vacations accepts American Express, Discover, MasterCard or Visa as payments toward your group reservation.

If paying by credit card, please complete the attached authorization form.

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Payment of a per person waiver insurance fee guarantees **full refund** on all payments (including deposit), **except the waiver fee itself**, made to Collette Vacations for tour service in case of cancellation for any reason prior to the day of departure. Air inclusive waiver insurance may be purchased only if you purchase your airline tickets from Collette Vacations.

Once on tour, if a passenger has to return home early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of the immediate family, (physician's statement required), payment of the waiver fee to Collette Vacations guarantees full refund for any unused land services after departure from the tour. Payment of the air inclusive waiver guarantees your return transportation, with no additional supplement, utilizing your original airline tickets. In the event you have purchased non-refundable airline tickets, the air waiver does not apply.

The waiver insurance fees are **fully refundable up** to 5/3/2009. Waiver insurance is non-transferable and valid for each applicant only. *Waiver Insurance must be purchased at time of first deposit.*

Collette Vacations can assume no responsibility for and cannot be held liable for any wrongful, negligent or unauthorized acts or omissions of any travel agent or travel agency other than that of Collette Vacations itself, and its own employees.

The waiver insurance fees do not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. The waiver covers cancellation of your trip and does not cover cancellation of the airline portion only.

The waiver insurance fees cover lost, damaged or delayed baggage as well as medical expenses, emergency medical attention and worldwide travelers' assistance. See your booking agent for details.



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If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to Mid County Travel. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

**CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

BOOKING NUMBER: 358204  
DEPARTURE DATE: November 3, 2009

TOUR: Discover Tuscany  
GROUP NAME: Mid County Travel

Name of Passenger:

Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Cardholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Cardholder Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Type:  American Express  Discover  MasterCard  Visa

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount to be charged: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept Collette Vacations cancellation policy, terms and conditions.

Participating credit card companies are now requiring a billing address and phone number for **FRAUD PREVENTION**. All information **MUST** be provided. Thank you for your cooperation!

If using your credit card for payment, please return this Authorization Form by mail to:

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### Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

*Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.*

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

## Montecatini Terme

### Pisa & Lucca Tour

**\$80 USD**

The famous Leaning Tower of Pisa is just one of many reasons to visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa. This day tour begins with a trip to this famous town. Pisa's Piazza del Duomo, also known as Piazza dei Miracoli ("Field of Miracles") has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here you'll find the Duomo, the world-famous Leaning Tower, the historic Baptistery and the Camposanto. A local guide will accompany your visit to the cathedral and baptistery. Enjoy free time to shop before heading to Lucca, an ancient city with Etruscan roots. Known for its Renaissance-era city walls, Lucca achieved prosperity through the silk trade. Enjoy a walking tour with a local expert and view the 14th century Cathedral of San Martino, Lucca's medieval streets, Piazza S. Michele in Foro and Piazza Napoleone. You will also get the opportunity to appreciate the amazingly intact 16th-century walls built to defend the town. Enjoy free time to discover your own treasures before returning to Montecatini.

Admission to the Cathedral and Baptistery of Pisa are included. Please note that it may not be possible to visit the inside of the Cathedral of San Martino in Lucca during scheduled Sunday masses. The order of visits may be interchanged due to local events. *Duration: Approximately 7 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

### Tuscan Cooking Class & Dinner in Montecatini

**\$75 USD**



Take advantage of this remarkable opportunity to step into Ristorante Pietre Cavate's kitchen and learn the secrets of traditional Tuscan cuisine. A brief tour acquaints you with the kitchen at this rural gem overlooking the panoramic countryside. Then don your souvenir apron in preparation for a hands-on cooking lesson. Discover the bounty of fresh, local ingredients and learn the techniques used in traditional Tuscan cooking that have been passed down for generations. Then sit down and enjoy the fruits of your labor with a leisurely four-course dinner that includes wine and dessert. You will also receive recipes for the dishes that were prepared so you can show your friends and family at home how to really cook Italian-style! *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 8 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

### Villa Pasquini Dinner & Entertainment

**\$65 USD**

Spend your free night in a gorgeous villa, which overlooks the beautiful spa town of Montecatini Terme at night, feasting on delicious Tuscan cuisine. You'll dine in high style, at Villa Pasquini, a country estate which was, until recently, the summer retreat of a Roman noble family. Live, traditional entertainment and wine are included in this magical outing. Now a family-owned boutique inn and restaurant, the villa is known for its thoughtful hospitality, elegance, and home-made olive oil. Stroll through its magnificent floral gardens and enjoy views of the rural hills and Montecatini Terme. Gratuities are included. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

## Rome

### Classical Rome

**\$65 USD**

Discover why Rome has been known through the ages as the “Eternal City” during this fascinating tour of its most famous antiquities. Spend your free afternoon with a local expert guide as you discover Rome’s great monuments and iconic testimonies to its former glory as the seat of an empire. During your guided panoramic tour, you’ll behold the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum and the Circus Maximus. Hear the distant echoes of 45,000 spectators cheering when you visit the Colosseum, the site of legendary gladiator contests, and marvel at the ingenuity and scale of this world-famous structure. Also, visit the majestic Trevi Fountain for your chance to toss a coin over your shoulder and hope that legend proves true and you will return to Rome someday! Price includes admission to the Colosseum and the use of head-phones throughout the tour. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Simply check the space provided for the options you would like to purchase and we will include it in your tour documents.

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(Please submit a separate form for each Passenger.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Option</b>	<b>Price Per Person</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Classical Rome</b>	<b>\$65.00 USD</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Villa Pasquini Dinner &amp; Entertainment</b>	<b>\$65.00 USD</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Tuscan Cooking Class &amp; Dinner in Montecatini</b>	<b>\$75.00 USD</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Pisa &amp; Lucca Tour</b>	<b>\$80.00 USD</b>

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