



TUSCANY & UMBRIA TOUR

1st DAY

FLORENCE

Arrival at the hotel in Florence and free time for lunch. In the afternoon, guided tour of the city considered the birthplace of the Italian culture. Visit to the Cathedral Square with Giotto's Belltower and the Baptistry, Piazza della Signoria with Palazzo Vecchio and the Uffizi Gallery and finally Ponte Vecchio. Return to the hotel in the evening. Dinner and overnight stay.

2nd DAY

FLORENCE & PISA

Breakfast in the hotel. Departure for Pisa. Arrival and meet the guide to visit Campo dei Miracoli with the Pisa Tower, the Baptistry and the Cathedral, monuments built between XI and XIII century. Lunch in a restaurant. In the afternoon return to Florence. Free time for personal visits or shopping. Free time for dinner or optional dinner in a typical restaurant. Overnight stay in the hotel.



3rd DAY

SAN GIMIGNANO – SIENA – ASSISI

Breakfast in the hotel. Departure and stop in San Gimignano, a small town situated on top of a hill, famous for its numerous towers.

Proceed on to **Sienna**. Free time for lunch. Arrival in Siena with its typical town structure, with the

road radiating out over three steep hills delimited by the ancient perimetrical walls. Guided visit to the superb **Piazza del Campo**, where the paving emphasizes its unusual shell shape. Visits to the outside of Palazzo Pubblico, the Torre del Mangia, the monumental Fonte Gaia with nineteenth-century copies of the originals by Jacopo della Quercia, the gothic Cathedral with the Baptistry. Proceed on to **S. Maria degli Angeli**, small town at the foot of **Assisi**, where the famous **Porziuncola** is preserved in the Cathedral. Arrival in late evening, dinner and overnight.



4th DAY

ASSISI – PERUGIA

Breakfast in the hotel. Guided visit to **Assisi**, almost an entire original small medieval town, for ever famous for its magical charm and its spiritual atmosphere. Visit to **S. Francesco Cathedral**, divided in the Upper and Lower Cathedrals where there are frescoes by Cimabue, Giotto, Simone Martini and other important painters who made the history of Italian painting. Of great importance is also the cloister joining the two Cathedrals. Walk to **Piazza del Comune**, situated where once there was the Antico Foro Romano. Of great importance are **Palazzo dei Priori**, **Palazzo del Capitano del Popolo** with the Tower and next to it the Temple of Minerva from Augustan age. Free time for lunch. In the afternoon departure for **Perugia**, Umbrian city with a particular cosmopolitan atmosphere. Guided tour of the city, Piazza IV Novembre where, among the ancient buildings, there are Fontana Maggiore, the gothic Cathedral, Palazzo dei Priori, one of the most superb medieval palaces in Italy. Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay.



5th DAY

SPOLETO – TODI

Breakfast in the hotel. Departure for **Spoletto**. Short stop at the Springs of the **Clitunno**, a green corner with a tranquility and serenity praised from Virgilio's time to Carducci. Arrival in Spoleto where, with the escort, you will discover this small town, where one of the most important Italian cultural events takes place, the Festival of the two Worlds. Proceed on to **Todi**. Free time for lunch on the way. Arrival in Todi and escorted visit to the town of the famous religious poet Jacopone da Todi: **Piazza del Popolo** with **Palazzo dei Priori**, **Palazzo del Popolo**, Palazzo del Capitano and the Cathedral built at the top of a high flight of steps. In the end, outside the walls, visit to **S. Maria della Consolazione**, one of the most remarkable buildings of the Renaissance, attributed to Bramante. On the way back to the hotel, stop in Deruta for a short walk. Dinner and overnight.



6th DAY

ORVIETO – MONTEPULCIANO – PIENZA

Breakfast in the hotel. Departure for **Orvieto**, situated on top of an elliptical block of volcanic rock dominating the Valle del Paglia. Stop for an escorted visit to **Piazza della Repubblica** with the Council Town hall and the church of S. Andrea, the Cathedral, the ancient fortress and the nearby Well of S. Patrizio, dug to supply a water reservoir for the town in case of siege. Return to Florence. Free time for lunch on the way. Stop in **Montepulciano**. End of the tour.