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# Tuscany

### SENSE OF LIFE INBETWEEN ITALIANS HILLS

Olive groves, cypress trees, beautiful landscapes and vineyards as far as the eye can see. Where are we talking about? Of course Tuscany. Because so much is clear, it's just not possible for a place to have more culture, coupled with enchanting landscapes! Promise! The tour through Tuscany makes any Italy-lover's heart beat faster. Small towns, local stories, Tuscan architecture, renowned artists and breathtaking natural scenery make this cycle tour past the picturesque hills an unforgettable holiday.

## Details about the round trip Tuscany at a glance

Enjoyment is at the forefront of this Italian cycle tour. Be it the sight of the dreamlike landscapes, or trying out local specialties. On the bike saddle you will experience pure Italian life. Do you dream of narrow streets, a good glass of wine and authentic Italian cuisine? In Florence, Pisa and Siena your dream becomes a reality. The tour also leaves plenty of time to explore the historic towns of northern Italy and become captivated by the Italian culture.

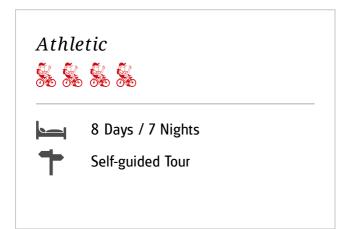
## Highlights of the cycle tour through Tuscany

- Leonardo da Vinci: With every pedal, you come closer to the home of Leonardo da Vinci. Once in Vinci, a visit to the museum in the castle is recommended. What to expect? Original collections and models by the artist.
- 'Piazza dei Miracoli': A special highlight of this cycle tour is the stopover in Pisa. Who hasn't heard of the famous leaning tower? In addition to this special attraction, the city has many more beauties in store!
- Wine area of Castellina: wine-lovers take note! The penultimate stage leads through the wine village of Castellina, where the world-famous Chianti Classico is grown. This charming wine village is also known as the 'capital of the Chianti region' because of its famous vines and olives.

## Useful information about the Italian tour

Over eight days you will cycle through the hilly landscape of Italy. Sport-lovers take note! If you love more demanding tours and are in good condition, then the Tuscany tour is perfect for you. A hilly landscape and several uphill sections await you.

- Get all information and many more tour tips for our cycle tours in Tuscany.
- We also offer this tour in the charm version.



### To the online version



# Itinerary

## Arrival in Montecatini Terme

In the hotel, you will first get detailed information on the tour and your bikes. Afterwards, we recommend taking a walk in the spa park or taking the historical rack railway train to Montecatini Alto.

Hotels (example):

DAY

1

Cat. A: Grand Hotel Croce di Malta

Cat. B: Hotel Manzoni



At the beginning of your tour, you will cycle through the vast plains of the valley Valdenievole, which is characterized by a lot of agriculture. You will continue through the first Tuscan villages, through olive groves to Vinci, the birthplace of Leonardo. We recommend visiting the museum in the castle since it is home to one of the largest and most original collections of machines and models of the inventor. Then, you will take quiet roads back to Montecatini Terme.

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Montecatini Terme – Pisa

approx. 40-90 km

On your way to Lucca, you will pass the small, medieval wine town of Monte Carlo, where one of the few white wines of Tuscany flourishes. (Alternatively, you can take the train to Lucca). A bike ride on the historic city walls offers magnificent views of churches and towers that rise above the countless roofs of the city. Afterwards, you will continue to Lake Massacciuccoli (also called Lake of Giacomo Puccini) with stunning views of the sea and Pisa with its Court of Miracles ("Piazza dei Miracoli" - Leaning Tower).

Hotels (example):

Cat. A: Hotel Repubblica Marinara

Cat. B: Hotel Soggiorno Athena

DAY 4

Pisa – Casciana Terme approx. 50 km

First, the bike path leads you along the river Arno. Many fertile fields line your way and you will continue your tour through the Pisan hills, on whose gentle slopes sweet wines, olives and juicy peaches grow. You will see small medieval villages located on the hilltops and soon you will have reached today's destination, the spa town Casciana Terme.

Hotels (example):

Cat. A: Albergo Roma

Cat. B: Albergo Stella

DAY

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### Casciana Terme – San Gimignano

approx. 55 km

Today, you will cycle on beautiful trails through vineyards and rolling hills to San Gimignano. On your way, you will see images of the original Tuscany as they have been painted many times. Just before you reach today's destination, the silhouettes of the famous medieval towers appear in front of you. Each aristocratic family once had their own tower here – and these towers still dominate the townscape.

Hotels (example):

Cat. A: Hotel San Michele

Cat. B: Hotel Le Colline



San Gimignano – Siena

approx. 50 km

The beautiful Tuscan landscape on today's stage makes you forget the small climbs on the route. Once you reach the small fortified village of Monteriggioni, you will feel as if you were in the Middle Ages. Today's highlight undoubtedly is the architectonic paradise of Siena.

Hotels (example):

Cat. A: Hotel Italia

Cat. B: Hotel Italia



Siena – Florence

approx. 50 km + bus transfer

The tour takes you into the midst of the wide Chianti region. Only here the world-renowned "Chianti Classico" wine, which is much respected among wine connoisseurs, is grown. The charming wine village of Castellina is on your way to Greve. Thanks to its famous wine and olive production, it is called the capital of the Chianti region. From here you will get back to Florence by bus.

Hotels (example):

Cat. A: Hotel Una Vittoria

Cat. B: Hotel Grifone

DAY

8

Departure or extension

Afterwards: individual departure, extension of your trip, or combination with the tours "Venice-Florence" and "Florence-Rome".

# Tour character

Tuscany has a wonderful but also hilly landscape. You will cycle on quiet minor roads and sometimes even on country lanes from one famous city to another. Close to bigger cities, traffic is unfortunately unavoidable.

## Prices and events

### Place of arrival: Montecatini Terme

	<b>Season 1</b> 01.04.2023 - 14.04.2023   30.09.2023 - 07.10.2023   Arrival Saturday	Season 2 15.04.2023 - 12.05.2023   09.09.2023 - 29.09.2023   Arrival Saturday	<b>Season 3</b> 13.05.2023 - 08.09.2023   Arrival Saturday		
Tuscany, 8 days, cat. B, IT-TORTO-08B					
Base price	999.00	1,049.00	1,079.00		
Surcharge single room	349.00	349.00	349.00		
Tuscany 8 days, cat. A, IT-TORTO-08A					
Base price	1,129.00	1,199.00	1,259.00		
Surcharge single room	349.00	349.00	349.00		

Category A: 3\*\*\* und 4\*\*\*\* Hotels, sometimes with a swimming pool

Category B: 3\*\*\* Hotels

# Additional nights

### Place of arrival: Montecatini Terme

Montecatini Terme	<b>Season 1</b> Apr 1, 2023 - Apr 14, 2023   Sep 30, 2023 - Oct 7, 2023   Arrival Saturday	<b>Season 2</b> Apr 15, 2023 - May 12, 2023   Sep 9, 2023 - Sep 29, 2023   Arrival Saturday	<b>Season 3</b> May 13, 2023 - Sep 8, 2023   Arrival Saturday
Double room p. P. cat. B	55.00	55.00	55.00
Surcharge single room	19.00	1900	19.00
Florence			
Double room p. P. cat. B	75.00	75.00	75.00

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Surcharge single room	65.00	65.00	65.00
Montecatini Terme			
Double room p. P. cat. A	75.00	75.00	75.00
Surcharge single room	25.00	25.00	25.00
Florence			
Double room p. P. cat. A	125.00	12500	125.00
Surcharge single room	89.00	89.00	89.00

# Our rental bikes

	Filter
21-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
21-gear gents incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
7-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
rental bike PLUS incl. rental bike insurance	159.00
Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	239.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

### Services

### Included:

- Accommodation in your selected category
- Breakfast buffet
- Welcome briefing (German, English)
- Luggage transfer between the hotels
- EUROBIKE developed route
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English, French - with route maps, route description, local attractions, important telephone numbers)
- 1 Bus transfer from Greve Florence incl. your bike
- EUROBIKE signposting
- GPS-data is available
- Service hotline

### Infos

#### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Montecatini Terme central train station
- Florence and Pisa airport
- Car park/garage costs approx. EUR 10 per day, car parks free of chrage next to the hotel
- Good train connections from Florence to Montecatini Terme

### Optional:

- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance
- Return transfer on saturday by minibus costs EUR
  45 per person incl. your bike, to be paid for at the time, reservation is necessary

#### Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found <u>here!</u>

## Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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