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# TUSCANY, ITALY

NOVEMBER 1-9, 2016

FROM **\$2,999** AIR & LAND

9 DAYS, 7 NIGHTS INCLUDING HOTELS, MEALS, DAY TRIPS, COACH TRANSPORTATION  
FROM BROCKTON, MA AND AIRFARE FROM BOSTON

**Early-Bird  
Special!**

**\$3,099, \$2,999**

if reserved by April 29, 2016.

**Hurry, at this price  
the trip will sell  
out quickly.**



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. Join us as we explore the endless opportunities that Tuscany has to offer.

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The group booking code is: B002075

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(6) Pistoia • (1) Rome



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## TOUR FEATURES

- **ROUND TRIP COACH TRANSPORTATION** - Coach transportation from Brockton, MA to Boston\*
- **ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION** - Air transportation from Boston
- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** - Hotel accommodations for 7 nights (6 nights Pistoia, 1 night Rome)
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - 11 included meals consisting of 7 buffet breakfasts and 4 dinners. Wine and mineral water during farewell dinner in Pistoia
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** - Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: Full day guided tour of Florence including the Accademia/Statue of David, Half day guided tour of Pistoia, Full day excursion to the Chianti region and Wine tasting at Cantine di Greve. Optional tours available
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour upon arrival in Italy
- **DELUXE MOTORCOACHES** - Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

## OPTIONAL ROME EXTENSION TOUR FEATURES

- **FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS** - Hotel accommodations for 2 nights
- **SUPERB CUISINE** - 2 included meals consisting of 2 buffet breakfasts
- **SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM** - Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: Full day tour of Rome, including the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum
- **PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR** - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS** - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

**Day 1 Depart USA** Depart the US for Tuscany, Italy. Meals and refreshments served on board.

**Day 2 Florence – Pistoia** Upon arrival proceed to baggage claim. After clearing customs, you will be met by our tour director and transferred to your hotel in Pistoia. With its medieval streets and irregularly-shaped piazzas, prestigious palaces and small tower-houses, unexpected series of churches and cloisters, Pistoia is perfect for travelers who appreciate elegance and refined beauty. A welcome drink will be followed by dinner at the hotel. (D)

**Day 3 Pistoia – Florence – Pistoia** Today's tour will take you to Florence, a magical and magnificent city known for its art, history and culture. From the classic elegance of the Brunelleschi's Duomo and Baptistery to the magnificent Piazza della Signoria and the breathtaking city view from the famous Boboli Gardens, Florence inspires and delights at every turn. You will also visit the Accademia and see the Statue of David. Your walking tour will take you through streets and piazzas lined up with elegant Renaissance style buildings and gorgeous marble sculptures, fine leather and jewelry stores, and restaurants serving delicacies that have made the Tuscan cuisine famous worldwide. Tonight dinner will be at the hotel. (B,D)

**Day 4 Pistoia – Pisa and Lucca Optional Tour** Day at leisure. Today you will have the opportunity to take an optional tour of Pisa and Lucca. Gateway to the Tuscan hills, Pisa is a medieval city of architectural masterpieces, and in its heyday, one of Italy's most powerful maritime republics. Native son Galileo Galilei may be long gone, but students still come here to study at the prestigious university where he once taught. During your guided tour you will see Pisa's symbol - the Leaning Tower. Originally intended as a bell tower it's the most well-known of the buildings comprising the

Campo dei Miracoli, or Field of Miracles. Site of Galileo's gravitational experiments, the tower began to tilt even before it was finished and the angle has increased alarmingly. Elsewhere in the complex, you will visit the magnificent Cathedral, with its dark grey marble and white stone geometric patterns later imitated all over Tuscany, and the Baptistery, a perfect example of transition from the Romanesque to the Gothic style. Continue to the walled city of Lucca. Once a Roman town and birthplace of Italian composer Giacomo Puccini, Lucca is known as "the city of the hundred churches". Your guided tour will take you to the city center where well preserved Middle Age palazzos are complemented by Art Nouveau shops embellished by delicate facades. Enjoy a wine tasting at a local winery before returning to Pistoia. (B)

**Day 5 Pistoia – Siena & San Gimignano Optional Tour** Day at leisure. Today you will be able to take an optional tour of Siena & San Gimignano. You can spend an unforgettable day savoring the essence of Tuscany. A scenic drive through gentle rolling hills dotted with lush vineyards, green olive trees and sunflower fields, will take you to Siena, a medieval city made up of yellow-ochre buildings, terracotta rooftops and green shutters. Learn about the world's oldest bank, spectacular Duomo and Piazza del Campo, a shell shaped 12th Century square and site of the 600 year old bi-annual Palio horserace, before heading to San Gimignano. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, San Gimignano is nicknamed "the Medieval Manhattan". Of the original 72 towers that centuries ago graced its skyline, today only 13 remain. Time to roam the picturesque streets and squares, to browse the local shops and to try an award-winning gelato before heading back to Pistoia. (B)

**Day 6 Pistoia – Cinque Terre Optional Tour** Day at leisure. Today you will have the opportunity to take an optional tour to Cinque Terre (Five Lands), a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the best preserved natural and semi-natural parts of the Mediterranean. Hillside olive groves and vineyards perched along the coast are typical of this dramatic region where for over a thousand years people have lived cultivating the steep hillsides and fishing the blue waters. Your guided tour will explore the must-sees of the Cinque Terre from both land and sea, with a combination of easy walks, village visits, train rides and short boat trips between the villages. (B,D)

**Day 7 Pistoia – Chianti – Pistoia** Today's tour will be an exploration of the heart of the Chianti Classico, the oldest wine region in the world just South of Florence and North of Siena, amid a rolling carpet of lush green hills, sentinel cypress trees, ancient olive groves and sunflowers and poppy fields. After a visit of Castellina in Chianti, Radda in Chianti and Gaiole in Chianti, you will stop in Greve in Chianti for a wine tasting and visit of "Cantine di Greve". Located in an ancient wine cellar in Chianti's old town, Cantine di Greve has over 1000 labels from Tuscany alone with over 150 wines available for tasting as well as oils, "vinsanto" and salami. Here you will come to understand the complexities of the region, learn how the traditional Chianti Classico is made and how to distinguish the characteristics of the main grape variety, before returning to Pistoia for a farewell dinner and overnight at the hotel. (B,D)

**Day 8 Pistoia – Rome** Today you will enjoy a half day tour of Pistoia, including the main square and the Cathedral. After the tour, you will



be leaving Pistoia for Rome, the "Eternal City". The rest of the day is at leisure. Italy's renowned capital city is a constant among "top ten" lists of places to visit. Rome welcomes, embraces, and captivates travelers at every turn. Soak in the Italian culture as you stroll past Roman ruins, absorb the impressive architecture, and explore everything from Imperial temples to early-Christian churches, medieval bell towers, baroque basilicas and playful piazzas. (B)

**Day 9 Rome to USA or extend your stay with an optional Rome extension** Morning transfer to the airport for your return flight home. (B)

#### OPTIONAL ROME EXTENSION

**Day 9 Rome** This morning experience a very special privately guided tour of the priceless collection of art and treasures in the Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museum. Then proceed to the Piazza Venezia and Roman Forum, with a stop at the Colosseum – a testament to the greatness of Rome's past – for a guided tour. Continue your full day tour by viewing the Arch of Constantine, Circus Maximus, the Great Synagogue, Isola Tiberina and Castel Sant'Angelo. (B)

**Day 10 Rome** Full day at leisure. Rome is filled with monuments, fountains, antiquities and other sites worth exploring. Use this free day to stroll down the beautiful Via Condotti or the romantic Spanish Steps and to discover why Roman trattorias are famous for their fine cuisine. (B)

**Day 11 Rome to USA** Morning transfer to the airport for your return flight home. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (D) – Dinner

#### TOUR PRICE

\*Tour price is **\$2,999** per person, double occupancy including round trip coach transport from Brockton, MA to Boston with a minimum of 15 passengers.

For single occupancy, add \$399

Fuel surcharges are included in the price. Taxes and other fees are currently \$150 and are not included. Fuel surcharges and taxes are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change.

The price of \$2,999 is an early bird special if the program is reserved with a deposit by April 29, 2016. The price increases by \$100 per person (\$3,099) after this date.

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels and adjust itineraries at guide's discretion due to local conditions. On the optional extension to Rome, there is a 6 Euros per person, per night hotel tax that is charged locally at the hotel. This cannot be paid in advance.

#### OPTIONAL ROME EXTENSION:

Rome Extension: \$799 Double Occupancy or \$1,198 Single

#### HOTELS (OR SIMILAR)

Hotels	City
Hotel Villa Cappugi	Pistoia
Hotel Giulio Cesare	Rome

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

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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#: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes Please reserve me in a single room (limited availability)

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONALS:**

Pisa & Lucca: \$159 per person  Yes;  No How many: \_\_\_\_\_

Siena & San Gimignano: \$139 per person  Yes;  No How many: \_\_\_\_\_

Cinque Terre: \$129 per person  Yes;  No How many: \_\_\_\_\_

Rome extension: Double occupancy \$799 per person / Single Occupancy \$1,198  Yes;  No How many: \_\_\_\_\_

A minimum of 15 passengers are required for the optional tours and 20 passengers are required to operate the Rome extension. The Rome extension must be reserved and paid for at the time of registration.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED):**

I want Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance:  Yes  No

The policy price is based on the total cost of the tour, including taxes. Insurance premium for trips \$ 3,001 to \$3,500 per person is: \$277, for trips \$3,501 to \$4,000 per person is: \$317, for trips \$4,001 to \$4,500 per person is: \$357, for trips \$4,501 to \$5,000 per person is: \$407, for trips \$5,001 to \$5,500 per person is: \$448 (The premium is calculated on base program and any optional tours).

Central Holidays strongly recommends protecting your investment with our optional travel insurance. The premium must be paid with your initial deposit or within 15 days of your initial deposit/payment for your trip to qualify for the preexisting conditions policy. The policy (without preexisting conditions) can be purchased all the way to final payment but not afterwards.

For a disclosure of coverage, terms and conditions of our travel protection plan please visit: <http://www.centralholidays.com/files/Travel-Protection.pdf>

**PAYMENT METHOD & REQUIREMENTS:**

Deposit: \$500 per person at the time of registration, plus any optional tours or optional travel insurance. I am including payment for \_\_\_\_\_ people.

Reservations are on a first come first served basis. Please sign up early to secure your place.

Final payment is due: 90 days before departure

Checks: Make checks payable to Central Holidays West and send to: Metro South Chamber of Commerce - 60 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301

Credit Card:  Discover  Visa  MasterCard  Amex

Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Security code#: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name that appears on the card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be charged to my card (including optional tour/extension and insurance premium if applicable).

**CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Cancellations with more than 90 days prior to departure 10% of total cost per person (or a minimum of \$325 per person) is retained

Cancellations between 89 and 46 days prior to departure: 30% of total cost per person is retained

Cancellations between 45 and 31 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost per person is retained

Cancellations between 30 and 15 days prior to departure: 75% of total cost per person is retained

Cancellations 14 days or less prior to departure, or no show: 100% of the package price is retained

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

I have read the schedule of activities for the Metro South Chamber of Commerce - Tuscany, Italy program - November 1-9, 2016 and accept the terms and conditions outlined on our website [www.centralholidayswest.com/terms](http://www.centralholidayswest.com/terms)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_