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# STANFORD INTERNATIONAL WEEKEND 2026

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# A DAY IN LUCCA AND PISA

Spend a memorable day exploring Lucca and Pisa, two of Tuscany's jewels. Depart your meeting point by private Mercedes minivan and travel to Lucca. Still off the beaten tourist track, the town boasts a relaxed atmosphere and is rich in artistic and architectural treasures. Set off on a private guided tour to discover the town's most remarkable sight. Led by your dedicated local guide you will be able to admire Piazza Anfiteatro, built over the ancient Roman theater, the Torre Guinigi (exteriors), the Duomo di San Martino (interiors), the picturesque "antique dealers' street", and Lucca's most extraordinary feature: its massive, perfectly preserved, 40-meter high city walls, today a pedestrian park! Enjoy a delicious typical lunch in Lucca's best trattoria and then travel on to Pisa, renowned throughout the world for its unique, unrivaled landmarks. Explore Pisa's singular sights led by the knowledge and insider's view of our best local guide. Discover the superb, unforgettable, Piazza dei Miracoli (the Miracle Square), crowned by the stunning leaning tower, and uncover the history and treasures which lie inside the stupendous Duomo and Baptistry.

**DURATION** Full day, suggested start time 9.30am

## **INCLUSIONS**

- Private transfer with Mercedes V Class
- Private English-speaking guides in Lucca and Pisa
- Pisa Cathedral and Baptistry tickets
- Lucca Cathedral tickets
- Torre Guinigi tickets
- Lunch in a typical trattoria
- Reservation and tickets for the Leaning Tower in Pisa

**COST PER PERSON** € 437,00



DISCOVER THE GRANDEUR OF SIENA'S HISTORIC PALACES AND  
THE TREASURES PRESERVED IN THE ARCHIVIO DI STATO

# SIENA'S PALACES & STATE ARCHIVES TOUR

Why not uncover Siena's treasures in a more exclusive and cultural way... a fascinating private journey through the city's elegant palaces and the priceless collections of its State Archives.

With your private English-speaking guide, stroll through Siena's cobblestone streets and piazzas, discovering the history and legends that shaped the city's glorious past. Step inside remarkable palaces and continue to Palazzo Piccolomini, home to the State Archives.

Here, enjoy a guided visit of the Museo delle Biccherne, featuring painted wooden tablets that uniquely blend civic history with Renaissance and medieval art. As a rare privilege, gain exclusive access to the Director's private studio overlooking Piazza del Campo, where you'll admire manuscripts from the 14th and 16th centuries, usually hidden from the public.

Conclude this cultural journey with a tasting of Siena's most traditional pastries—ricciarelli, panforte, and cavallucci.

Not just a tour, but an immersion into the very heart of Siena's art, history, and civic pride.

**DURATION:** 4 hours, suggested start time 9.00am

## INCLUSIONS

- Private transfer with Mercedes V Class from the hotel
- Private English-speaking guide
- Guided visit of the Museo delle Biccherne at the State Archives
- Exclusive access to the Director's Studio overlooking Piazza del Campo
- Special presentation of rare 14th–16th century manuscripts
- Tasting of traditional Sienese pastries (ricciarelli, panforte, cavallucci)

COST PER PERSON € 293,00



EXPLORE HIDDEN CORNERS OF THE CHIANTI HILLS

# CHIANTI SAFARI & VINEYARD PICNIC

Experience Tuscany in a unique and adventurous way... a thrilling ride through the vineyards and hidden corners of the Chianti region.

Meet your private English-speaking driver at your hotel and head to the rolling Chianti hills, dotted with olive groves, stone farmhouses, and Romanesque churches. At the meeting point, hop into your off-road vehicle and set off along winding country roads, stopping at panoramic viewpoints for memorable photos. Enjoy a picnic in a vineyard with fresh Tuscan recipes paired with estate wines, and explore the grounds to learn about the local wine-making tradition.

Our Chianti Safari is more than a tour t's an unforgettable Tuscan adventure!

**DURATION:** 6 hours, suggested start time 9.00am

## INCLUSIONS

- Private Mercedes vehicle with English-speaking driver from/to hotel
- Private off-road vehicle with English-speaking driver for the tour
- Guided visit and tasting at a Chianti vineyard
- Picnic in the vineyard with typical Tuscan recipes and estate wines
- Stops at panoramic viewpoints for photos

COST PER PERSON € 389,00



FROM MOUNTAIN MARBLE TO GOLDEN BEACHES: A TUSCAN ADVENTURE

# TUSCAN RIVIERA AND MARBLE QUARRIES

Discover Tuscany from the dazzling marble quarries of Carrara to the sun-kissed beaches of Forte dei Marmi.

Meet your private English-speaking driver and head towards the Apuan Alps.

Classic Experience – Carrara Marble Quarries (Fantascritti)

Enjoy a thrilling Jeep tour through the Carrara marble quarries, exploring hidden paths and breathtaking views. Savor an aperitivo featuring local delicacies, then continue on to Forte dei Marmi for lunch at a chic beach club, followed by leisure time on the golden sands.

**DURATION** Full day suggested start time: 9:30 AM

## INCLUSIONS

- Private English-speaking driver with Mercedes V-Class (full day)
- Classic experience: quarry Jeep tour and aperitivo
- Lunch at a beach club in Forte dei Marmi
- Afternoon leisure time at the beach

COST PER PERSON € 455,00



A FULL DAY OF HISTORY AND ART IN TWO ENCHANTING TOWNS

## SIENA AND SAN GIMIGNANO

Enjoy the very best of what Tuscany has to offer during a memorable day which spent exploring two small towns filled with art and centuries-old historic reminiscences. Meet your private dedicated English-speaking driver and travel to Siena, one of the most enchanting medieval cities in Italy. Set off on a memorable walking visit of the town led by your private guide. Unveil its secrets, learn all about its eventful history and traditions and admire the characteristic architecture! Learn about the town's rich history and how it was founded by the Romans, discover the major landmarks among which Piazza del Campo, where twice a year dashing horses compete in the heart rendering Palio race. Hear your guide recount fascinating legends as you wander down medieval streets, and visit the magnificent Duomo, Siena's awe-inspiring Cathedral. Depart Siena and enjoy the journey through the verdant Tuscan countryside: silvery olive groves, gently rolling hills dotted with golden farmhouses and quaint parish churches. Stop for lunch in a pleasant typical trattoria and sample the best of the local fare. After lunch visit another gem of Tuscany, delightful San Gimignano, for a leisurely stroll and a browse in the charming shops. Renowned as "the city of beautiful towers" it is certainly one of Tuscany's most iconic and well-preserved ancient towns in the whole of Italy and has been used as a background in many movies. Roam the quaint cobblestone streets, see the graceful tall towers and browse the pretty shops lined by bottles of Vernaccia di San Gimignano, premium saffron, dainty hand-woven linens and precious hand-made Santa Fina pottery.

**DURATION** 8 hours, suggested start time 9.00am

**INCLUSIONS:**

- Private transfer with Mercedes V Class from the hotel
- Private English-speaking guide for tour of Siena
- Entrance fees to the Siena Duomo
- Lunch in a typical trattoria
- Time at leisure in San Gimignano

**COST PER PERSON** € 316,00



A DYNAMIC AND ENTERTAINING COUNTRYSIDE EXPERIENCE

# TUSCANY BY BIKE

Spend an unforgettable day outdoors biking through the Chianti hills! Feel the breeze, breathe in the countryside scents, and enjoy superb views as you visit a fascinating winery and savor the best of Tuscan cuisine.

Our signature Tuscany By Bike Tour leads you along quiet country roads, through vineyards and olive groves, allowing you to admire breathtaking landscapes and discover the local heritage in an unusual and engaging way.

Meet your private, dedicated English-speaking driver at your hotel and travel to the agreed meeting point in the Chianti hills. Your professional tour escort — a friendly, knowledgeable English-speaking expert — and shiny, state-of-the-art bikes will be waiting for you. Helmets on, water bottle at hand, and off you go with a smile, following your escort along a scenic route through the Chianti countryside!

Take in the best of the Tuscan landscape as you pedal along silent country roads, stopping at the most beautiful viewpoints to capture the scenery. The truly idyllic landscape unfolds into endless stretches of silvery olive groves and vineyards, dotted with honey-colored stone farmhouses and graceful Romanesque parish churches.

Along the way, stop at a charming country property to learn about the local gastronomic heritage and enjoy a memorable tasting of typical products. Then cycle on to reach a fascinating estate featuring a winery and country restaurant. Meet the expert winery staff and explore the property: visit the grounds and cellars, and learn about the techniques and aging processes that lead to great wines.

Crown your day with a delicious Tuscan light lunch, featuring traditional local recipes paired with the estate's best wines (no worries, your private driver will take you back to town!).

## DURATION

6 hours, suggested start time 9.00am

## INCLUSIONS

- Private Mercedes vehicle with English-speaking driver, from/to meeting point, at your disposal for 6 hours throughout the day (for transfers back and support if needed)
- State-of-the-art mountain or hybrid bicycles and helmets
- Water bottle
- Scenic guided bike tour led by a professional English-speaking escort
- Typical Tuscan light lunch and tasting of local products with wine pairing at a winery restaurant

## NOTES

- Suitable clothing and footwear are required
- The tour is suitable for everyone, from experienced cyclists to beginners; easier or more challenging routes can be arranged upon request

COST PER PERSON € 374,00



ART, POWER AND HISTORY

# THE MEDICI FAMILY

Dive into the history and heritage of Florence by discovering the lives, palaces, and stories of its most remarkable family, the Medici. Meet your dedicated private English-speaking guide and set off on a memorable walking tour of Florence's splendid historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, following in the haunting footsteps of the Medici.

Once bankers, then grand rulers and among the world's most extraordinary art patrons, the Medici left a visible and indelible mark throughout the city. Follow your guide through cobblestone-paved streets and elegant squares to see where—and learn how—the family lived, prospered, and filled Florence with beauty.

Stop to visit Palazzo Medici Riccardi, a stern-looking 15th-century palace boasting remarkable interiors and a beautiful courtyard. Explore the palace to discover the stunning frescoes in the Chapel of the Magi and admire the portraits of Medici family members.

Continue on to the fascinating Basilica of San Lorenzo. Visit the Old Sacristy, designed by the great architect Filippo Brunelleschi, and the world-famous New Sacristy, created by Michelangelo. Characterized by the magnificent tombs of Giuliano de' Medici (adorned with the allegorical sculptures of Day and Night) and Lorenzo de' Medici (with Dawn and Dusk), the New Sacristy stands as a striking example of artistic vision.

Proceed to the Chapel of the Princes, a dazzling space conceived as the Medici family mausoleum, richly embellished with hard stones, mother-of-pearl, lapis lazuli, and coral.

Conclude your experience in lovely Piazza della Signoria, the civic heart of Florence, with a memorable visit to the grand Palazzo Vecchio, now the city hall and once the seat of Medici power.

**DURATION** 4 hours, suggested start time 9:00 AM or 2:30 PM

## INCLUSIONS

- Licensed English-speaking guide at your disposal for 4 hours
- Visits to three historical palaces in Florence
- Guided walking tour of the historic city center

**COST PER PERSON** € 129,00



PRIVATE INTRODUCTION TO THE CITY OF FLORENCE

# BOAT TOUR OF ARNO RIVER

The Renaissance city seen from a new perspective. Before sunset, guests enjoy a leisurely cruise down the river Arno. Pass by the Uffizi Galleries, admire the Ponte Vecchio from the water and find out more about the mysterious Vasari Corridor. On the tour we will also discover the story of the Ponte Santa Trinita and the stunning Palazzo Corsini. The commentary is informative and includes colorful local stories. Your private boat is conducted by a "renaiolo", a traditional Florentine rower. You will meet a private guide on the heart of Florence that will accompany you to the dock, on the way, a walking tour around the center is also included so you can feel more acquaintance to the city before your boat ride. This experience lasts about 2 hours, and to make this experience even more special, we will celebrate this amazing moment with a delicious wine toast on the boat.

**DURATION:** 2 Hours starting time 6.00pm

**INCLUSIONS:**

- English-speaking licensed guide
- Private Florentine Gondola style boat ride on the Arno River
- Walking tour of the city center
- Toast with wine on board and snack

**COST PER PERSON** € 154,00



"DAZZLING VISTAS AND SUBLIME ARCHITECTURE

# DUOMO TOUR & SKYWALK EXPERIENCE

An unforgettable tour of Florence's awe-inspiring Cathedral, symbol of Florence's spirituality, including a marvelous "skywalk" up to the Northern Terrace. Meet your dedicated English-speaking guide, a knowledgeable and charismatic expert, and set off to discover the breathtaking Duomo of Florence, officially named Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore. Designed by Arnolfo di Cambio, the Duomo is the third largest church in the world (after St. Peter's in Rome and St. Paul's in London) and was the largest church in Europe when it was completed in the 15th century. The numerous different styles that you'll encounter in the building bear witness to changing tastes over the long period of time that elapsed between its foundation and its completion. Discover masterpieces such as Paolo Uccello's clock, Vasari's frescoes and Bandinelli's marble choir. Then, begin your ascent to Florence heaven: the staircase climb, through narrow and open-air corridors that have been closed to the public for centuries, will be rewarded by an incomparable view of the city from the Duomo's Northern terrace, on the cathedral rooftop. A skywalk that will feel like floating between the city landscape, with its ancient roofs and towers, and the imposing Dome standing just a few meters above your head. Enjoy the privilege of viewing the north terrace, not usually accessible to the general public, led by your dedicated guide. This stunning 32-metre-high (105 ft) panoramic spot right in the middle of town offers amazing vistas of the city below and also allows you to learn all about the stunning architecture and engineer work behind the massive self-standing cathedral dome. Follow your guide around the terrace and discover how it was built, and still firmly dominates Florence skyline after 600 years! With his astonishingly innovative approach in vaulting the dome space without any scaffolding, Brunelleschi changed the rules of architecture forever, by inventing the way to defy gravity and reach eternity. Finally, if you feel like going further up after your terrace experience, you can reach the top of Brunelleschi's Cupola (the Dome) and enjoy the opportunity to reach the 91-metre-high (300 ft) panoramic viewpoint.

**DURATION:** 3 hours, starting time 12.45pm or 3.00pm

**INCLUSIONS:**

- English-speaking specialized guide for 3 hours
- Guided tour of the Cathedral and the Baptistry
- Viewing of the Duomo's Northern terrace
- Entrance fees to Brunelleschi's Dome
- Duomo complex ticket (valid 72 hours)

**COST PER PERSON** € 130,00



THE BEST OF TUSCANY'S VINEYARDS, CELLARS AND FLAVORS

## CHIANTI WINE TRAIL

Picture a unique landscape of gentle green hills covered with vineyards and olive groves, dotted with small stone villages and silent parish churches. The Chianti hills have inspired travelers, photographers, and writers for centuries. No Italian vacation is complete without discovering Chianti, and our signature Tuscany Wine Trail offers a true insider's perspective.

During this full-day experience, you will explore quintessential Chianti villages, strolling through charming streets and soaking in the local character, history, and architecture. You will then visit a beautiful local winery in the heart of the Chianti Classico area. Enjoy a private guided tour of the vineyards and cellars, where you will learn about the production methods and aging techniques behind world-class Chianti wines.

Conclude the visit with a guided tasting of the estate's finest blends, appreciating their ruby-red color, floral aromas, and harmonious, dry flavors that define Chianti. Crown your experience with a delicious Tuscan light lunch at the winery, prepared with the freshest local ingredients.

Discover the unique charm, flavors, and traditions that make Chianti one of Tuscany's most treasured regions.

DURATION 7 hours – starting at 9:30 AM

### INCLUSIONS

- Private transfer with Mercedes V-Class from/to your hotel
- Private guided winery visit with wine tasting
- Typical Tuscan light lunch at the winery
- Visit to charming Chianti villages

COST PER PERSON € 244,00



THE PERFECT TUSCAN RECIPE FROM A PROFESSIONAL CHEF

## COOKING IN FLORENCE

The Pasta Masterclass and Gelato Tasting is led by professional local chefs and offers a fun, hands-on immersion into the heart of Italian culinary tradition.

Your experience takes place in a welcoming and fully equipped cooking space in Florence, where you will step into an authentic Italian kitchen atmosphere. Roll up your sleeves and learn how to prepare three different types of fresh pasta from scratch, using simple, genuine ingredients that Italian families have cherished for generations.

Under the guidance of your chef, you will learn how to knead, shape, and cut the dough, and how to pair each pasta with seasonal, traditional sauces inspired by local recipes. Throughout the class, the chef will share practical tips, techniques, and stories that connect the dishes to Tuscan culture and everyday Italian life.

Once the cooking is complete, sit down and enjoy the meal you have prepared together, accompanied by unlimited Tuscan wine (soft drinks available). To conclude the experience on a sweet note, savor a homemade Italian fruit gelato or artisanal sorbet, prepared following traditional methods.

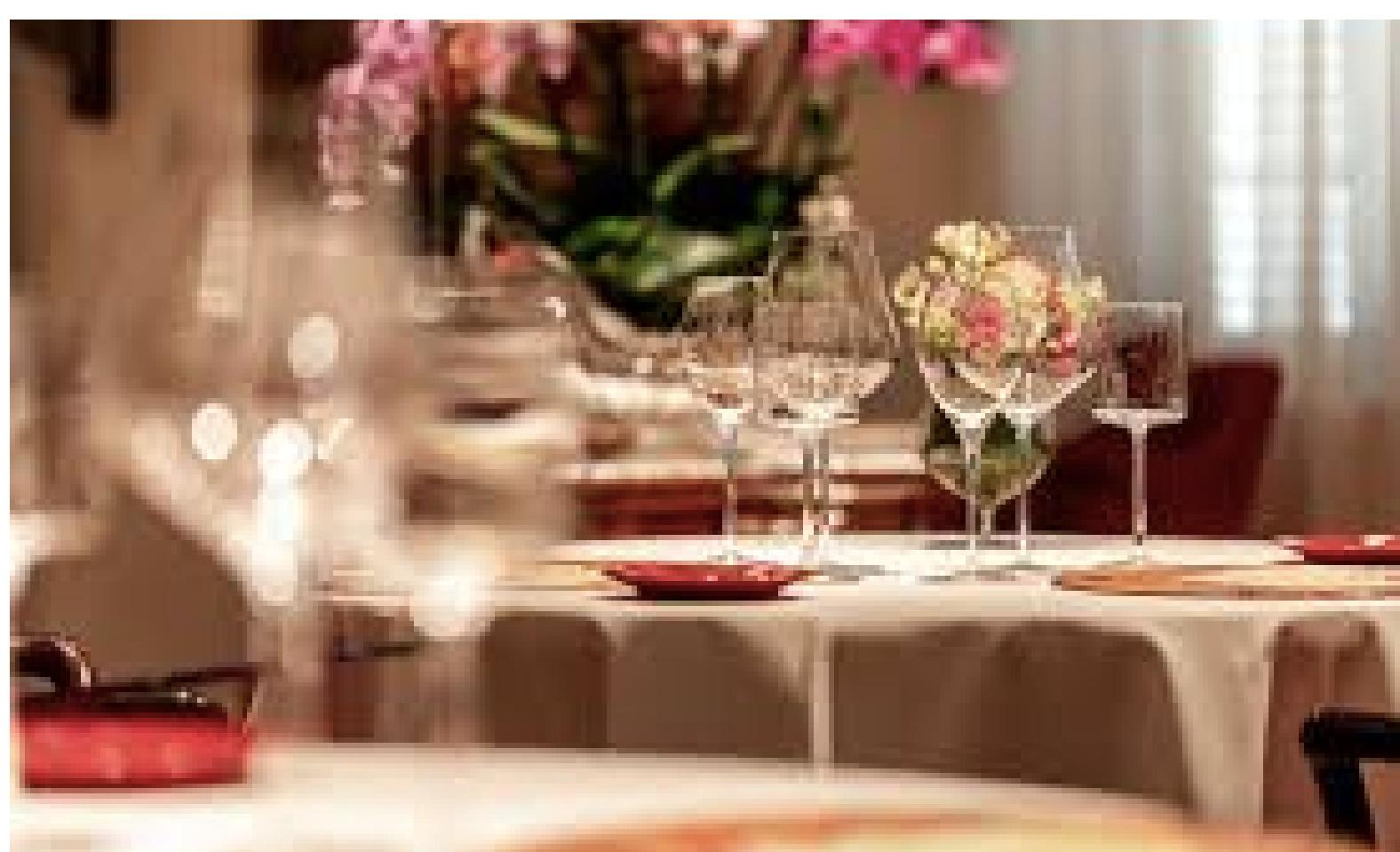
This experience is perfect for food lovers looking for an engaging, authentic, and convivial way to connect with Italy through its most iconic dish.

**DURATION** 3 hours – from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

### INCLUSIONS

- Hands-on preparation of 3 fresh pasta shapes with professional local chefs
- Tasting of artisanal fruit gelato or sorbet
- Use of apron and cooking utensils
- Full meal with unlimited wine (soft drinks for children)
- Graduation certificate of participation
- Digital recipe booklet
- Practical tips for recreating the recipes at home

**COST PER PERSON** € 145,00



# DINNER AT ENOTECA PINCHIORRI

Enoteca Pinchiorri is one of Florence's most iconic gastronomic landmarks and a true temple of Italian fine dining. Awarded three Michelin stars, it represents the pinnacle of culinary excellence, where haute cuisine, impeccable service, and an extraordinary wine heritage come together in perfect harmony.

Housed in a refined Renaissance palace just steps from the Arno River, Enoteca Pinchiorri offers an intimate and sophisticated atmosphere, defined by timeless elegance and attention to every detail. The cuisine is a refined interpretation of Italian and Tuscan traditions, elevated through creativity, precision, and the use of the finest seasonal ingredients.

The restaurant is world-renowned for its legendary wine cellar, considered one of the greatest on the planet, featuring an unparalleled selection of rare labels, historic vintages, and prestigious estates from Italy and abroad. Guided by expert sommeliers, each wine pairing is curated to enhance the flavors and emotions of the dining experience.

Dining at Enoteca Pinchiorri is not simply a meal, but a once-in-a-lifetime sensory journey, where taste, culture, and artistry meet—an unforgettable experience for true connoisseurs of fine food and wine.



# BRUNCH AT PALAZZO PORTINARI

Set within the refined atmosphere of Salotto Portinari Bistrot Restaurant, this brunch experience offers a sophisticated yet relaxed setting in one of Florence's most historic palaces.

Your group will be accommodated with five tables seating ten guests each, arranged within the stunning tapestry and frescoed galleries, which will be reserved for your event. Please note that the space is not exclusive, ensuring a lively and authentic ambiance.

The brunch is served sharing-style at the table and features a curated selection of:

- Freshly baked goods
- Seasonal sliced fruit
- Pinzimonio with fresh vegetables
- Selection of cured meats and cheeses
- Yogurt, artisanal jams, and honey

Beverages include:

- Freshly squeezed juices
- Water and soft drinks
- Coffee and hot beverages available upon request

Each guest may choose one hot dish from the following options:

- Pancakes with strawberries and bananas
- Omelette with tomato and mozzarella
- Poached eggs with spinach and Parmesan foam

Any additional food or beverage requests will be charged on consumption.

From 11:00 AM, it is possible to include Prosecco and Bloody Mary cocktails, adding a celebratory touch to the experience.

COST PER PERSON € 60,00

