



STANFORD INTERNATIONAL WEEKEND 2026



FAREWELL 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 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 € 72,00



HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

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



"DAZZLING VISTAS AND SUBLIME ARCHITECTURE

DUOMO TOUR & SKYWALK EXPERIENCE - **SOLD OUT**

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 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



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



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

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations made up to 1 month prior to the scheduled event date are eligible for a full (100%) refund. Cancellations made between 1 month and 2 weeks prior to the event will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued for cancellations made within the final 2 weeks leading up to the event.

