



# TAVOLA TOURS

*Culinary & Cultural Adventures to Italy*

## TAVOLA TOURS | Florence, Pisa and Siena

### Destination: FLORENCE, ITALY

Begins: November 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 | Return to USA on November 11<sup>th</sup> 2021

### The Birthplace of the Renaissance Tour!

\$1,645.00 per person LAND ONLY | Breakfast Daily, includes 1 Lunch 1 Tasting



- City Group Tour
- Academia Gallery
- Michelangelo's David
- Ponte Vecchio
- Uffizi Courtyard
- Siena and San Gimignano
- "Gates of Paradise"
- Leaning Tower of Pisa
- And Much More!

### Explore Florence, Pisa, Siena & San Gimignano

Delight your senses on this special culinary and cultural extension. Florence is a beautiful walkable town with plenty of great shopping, museums, restaurants, and gelaterias. **As for history and culture it is tops!** And as a bonus you'll have a day trip to Pisa and Lucca.





### DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

October 27 – 30, 2021

#### Day 1: Transfer to Florence



Breakfast at the hotel in Bologna and then we will transfer by bus to Florence. Check in at your hotel located in the city center. Then, at 1:15pm, we will meet our guide for a walking tour in which you will be introduced to the facts and secrets of two thousand years of Florentine history: from the city's **Roman origins** to a **15th century palace**, including **the Ponte Vecchio**, the famous **Uffizi courtyard**, and the wonders of the architecture of Brunelleschi's Dome which overlooks the Baptistery golden '**Gates of Paradise**'.

Rest of the day at leisure.

#### Day 2: Birthplace of the Renaissance | Florence City Tour



Relax and have breakfast at the hotel. At 11am, we meet our guide in front of the main entrance of the Accademia Gallery, where we will learn why the **Michelangelo's David is the most recognizable** symbol of Florence. How did the genius of **Michelangelo** meet the challenge of extracting the pathos of a being and fixing it forever in time in the **Pietà**, or the famous **Prisoners** who still seem to struggle free from their marble blocks? We will explore these questions and more. Get the chance to have a close encounter with timeless works of art and get the inside story of the life and times of **Michelangelo the artist**. After the guided tour, you will have free time to wander around on your own to have lunch (not included) and explore. At 3:15pm, enjoy a small group guided tour of the world-renowned Uffizi Gallery; our knowledgeable guide will explain the works of the greatest artists from the Middle Ages. You will view original world-famous techniques and tools, which will help us understand why Florence was the birthplace of the Renaissance. This tour will give you a thorough introduction to the great city of Florence. The tour ends in the Uffizi Gallery, where you will have an opportunity to linger with the works of the great masters, wander around on your own and enjoy the rest of the evening at your leisure.

#### Day 3: Siena, San Gimignano, Pisa | Lunch and Wine Tasting



Close your eyes and find yourself in the magical light of Piazza del Campo, Siena; reopen to enjoy the atmosphere of San Gimignano and find yourself admiring the charm of the challenge between the Tower of Pisa and the force of gravity. This and much more is the tour of Siena and Pisa that offers you a day totally dedicated to beauty. A medieval city and **UNESCO** heritage site, the elegant city of **Siena** welcomes you among the **Tuscan landscapes** that embrace the area. Already thriving in the Etruscan times, Siena boasts very ancient origins.



## ITALY: FLORENCE EXTENSION | TOUR ITINERARY

### Day 3: SIENA, SAN GIMIGNANO, PISA with LUNCH and WINE TASTING (continued)

As a strategic center for trade during the **Middle Ages**, the streets show the signs of its rivalry with Florence. The local guides will take you to **the Duomo**, the **Baptistry of San Giovanni** and the **Torre del Mangia**, with its history halfway between reality and legend.

Traveling through the **land of Chianti** without tasting its flavors is like skipping one of **Tuscany's** best treasures. The tour will also take you to discover the regional specialties and a wine journey under the banner of local excellence. Sitting at the table tasting excellent wine and savoring local products is a great way to get acquainted with the lovely **San Gimignano**. Between saffron fields and typical indigenous vineyards, the city offers postcard views. After a walk in the historic center, you will cross the panoramic roads of the **Chianti** towards **Pisa**. The famous white marble and **Leaning Tower** awaits you and it will be the fantastic conclusion to this beautiful day dedicated to **Tuscany**.

### Day 4: Departure to Airport

After breakfast depart to Bologna airport to catch your flight back to the USA.





## TAVOLA TOURS EXTENSION RESERVATION FORM – NOVEMBER 2021

Reserve your place with a **\$1,000.00** deposit, \$250 non refundable after 14 days.  
Reservations are processed on a first come, first serve basis. Secure your place today!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** Name must be exactly the same as it appears on Valid Passport; 1 Form per Person.

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Home Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Companion Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Room Type: Single\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Double: \_\_\_\_\_ Triple: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\$215 additional fee for a single room.

Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Return Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### YOUR PAYMENT DETAILS

Deposit or Full Payment (List Amount): \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE (NOT INCLUDED):

We strongly recommend that you purchase Travel Insurance from a reputable company to protect your travel investment. We DO NOT offer it and it is NOT included in the price of this trip.

NOTE: Pre-existing medical condition clause is usually included from most companies if insurance is purchased within 14 days of deposit. Travel insurance is usually non-refundable. Please check your coverage carefully.

### TOUR RESERVATION POLICIES

- \$1,000.00 Deposit required to secure space. Tour Balance is due 45 days prior to travel date.
- We prefer payment by check. Credit Card payment is possible; however, a 3.75% credit card fee applies.
- \$250.00 Administration fee is charged if tour reservation is cancelled 2 weeks after initial deposit.
- Itinerary could be altered only if deemed necessary beyond control of travel agency & local tour operator.
- Full deposit, administration fee & full tour cost become NON REFUNDABLE 45 days or less from travel date.

### REQUIRED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:** USA citizens need VALID PASSPORT with expiration date 6 months or more from US departure date.

**NON-USA:** Citizens may require a VISA. Please check with your own country's Consulate General or their Website.

### PAYMENT DETAILS

- Please make your payment out to I-CHEF, LLC PO Box 273, Chatham, NJ 07928.
- Please write TAVOLA TOURS on the Memo line of your check.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_