



Highlights of Tuscany

Explore Tuscany's rolling countryside, dotted with olive groves and medieval towns; discover Pisa's famous Leaning Tower and the art treasures of Florence. Our Women's Group Travel tours aren't just for single women – they're for anyone who wants to travel solo, experience a new destination in good company, do something that's "just for you" and don't want to travel with your partner or friend.



8 days/7 nights

ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrive Pisa

Make your own way to Pisa where you can meet us for the scheduled group transfers to your hotel. Meet your travelling companions over a drink and dinner this evening. (D)

(B) Breakfast

(L) Lunch

(D) Dinner

Day 2: Pisa

Pisa is home to one of Italy's most recognizable sights, the Leaning Tower. Residing in the Field of Miracles, this 180ft campanile took 176 years to build and began to lean shortly after construction. We include a visit to the Field of Miracles this morning. Discover more of Pisa this afternoon in the company of your fellow travellers – your Tour Manager will be on hand to suggest interesting places to visit. (B)

Day 3: Siena

We'll visit Siena today, one of the most perfectly preserved medieval cities in Europe. Its enchanting narrow streets lined with palaces and mansions lead to the spectacular Piazza del Campo, which is the setting each year for the Palio horse race. (B,D)

Day 4: Tuscan Farmhouse Experience

Today we include a visit to the beautiful Fattoria Il Poggio farmhouse, where wine and olive oil is produced. We'll take a tour of the vineyards and sample four different wines, and head to the mill to learn about their wonderful extra virgin olive oil. Afterwards, we'll sit down to enjoy a delicious lunch of Tuscan specialities prepared using fresh, local ingredients. (B,L)

Day 5: Montecatini Terme

Enjoy a day at leisure in Montecatini Terme. Or, if you want to explore further, why not join our **optional excursion** to San Gimignano and Volterra. San Gimignano is one of the prettiest hilltop towns in Tuscany, with beautiful palaces and churches, ornate frescoes and a fine baptistery within its ancient walls. It's also known as the 'town of beautiful towers' because of the impressive towers built here as status symbols by feuding families in medieval times. We'll then move on to the walled medieval town of Volterra. We will visit the Etruscan Museum, which houses a large collection of historic artefacts, and see a craftsman at work hand-carving alabaster. This evening, depending on your travel date, there may be an opportunity to attend the Montecatini Opera Festival. (B,D)

Day 6: Florence

Florence is known as Italy's 'art city'. It is home to works by great masters including Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci. Built beside the River Arno, explore the city's compact historic centre on your included excursion. Stroll across



the Ponte Vecchio, climb the steps of the magnificent Duomo and admire glorious architecture among the Renaissance streets and piazzas. Il Porcellino, the statue of a boar located in Mercato Nuovo, is surrounded by superstition – if you throw a coin into the grating at its feet and rub its shiny nose, legend has it that you will return to the city. (B)

Day 7: Montecatini Terme

Lucca is a traditional historic town surrounded by impressive walls. Explore the town on an optional excursion today. Take a walk along the ancient ramparts and admire the beautiful botanical gardens, the Basilica of San Frediano and fascinating architecture including a tree-topped tower. Alternatively, take time to explore your resort, enjoy the bustling town and the local café culture. This evening we'll come together for a farewell get-together. (B,D)

Day 8: Pisa - departure

Your tour comes to an end today. Scheduled group transfers are available to the airport please ask us for details. (B)

Details

Group size: maximum 20

Trip Code:

20-1051043

INCLUDED

- Just You tour manager as your host
- English speaking specialist local guides
- 7 nights of 4-star accommodation
- Meals - 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 4 dinners including a welcome drink and a farewell get-together
- Transportation by private, deluxe motorcoach, with professional driver per the itinerary
- Sightseeing and admissions as outlined in Pisa, Siena and Florence
- Farmhouse lunch and wine-tasting
- Documents package

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to/from Pisa
- Optional experiences - San Gimignano and Volterra; the fortified city of Lucca; night at the Montecatini Opera Festival (subject to timetable)
- Tips and gratuities to guides and driver
- Travel Insurance – STRONGLY RECOMMENDED
- Items of a personal nature
- Visa and/or passport fees, as required by individual participants

TOUR NOTES

For more information on this tour, or to book, please contact [Natalie Rozière Hébert \(natalie@gctravel.ca / 204.989.9343\)](mailto:natalie@gctravel.ca) for more information.

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