



GWO wine Tours: Authentic Tuscany

5th May 2022 – 8th May 2022

Experience the finest Tuscan wines, immersed in the medieval history of the beautiful Etruscan countryside. Stay in the beautifully renovated cottages within the medieval village that is now Tenuta Il Palazzo, with views across the vines and the olive groves to the Tuscan countryside. Meet Isabella, Lorenzo and Primo, the owners of this historic family-run winery and experience the history and architecture of Arezzo.

Tour the winery, watch the traditional production process and taste the exquisite resulting wines, wander Arezzo's cobbled streets soaking up the art, history and traditions of one of Tuscany's most authentic but less-visited medieval towns. Take a tour of Arezzo's famous frescoes, some of the earliest and finest renaissance masterpieces, and visit a local artisan shoemaker where you will see how expert craftsmen put Arezzo on the shoemaking map of the world.

Itinerary

Day 1 | 05 May. Depart UK, Arrive Tenuta Il Palazzo and Wine Tasting

06.00 Meet at British Airways Check in Area – Terminal 5 London Heathrow

08.20 Flight departs LHR

11.35 Flight arrives in Pisa

Private transfers will take us directly to Tenuta Il Palazzo winery

Your Lodging: Agriturismo La Tenuta Il Palazzo, Arezzo, Tuscany

Board basis: Bed & Breakfast

Duration: 3 nights

Welcome to Tuscany!



Tenuta Il Palazzo is set in a tiny, mediaeval hamlet in the beautiful Tuscan hills above Arezzo. Relax in secluded, comfortable apartments surrounded by olive groves and vineyards. Dating back to the 7th Century BC, its buildings are steeped in history. The apartments have now been wonderfully restored whilst retaining their original character. Accommodation consists of one and two-room apartments with a double bedroom, bathroom and kitchen area. All rooms have fridges and hobs, WiFi and flat-screen TVs with digital channels and balconies or patios. The pretty gardens are home to an outdoor pool which overlooks the countryside. La Tenuta is located in the rolling Tuscan hills but only a 10-minute drive from the medieval town of Arezzo.

Arrive at Tenuta Il Palazzo and settle in. In the afternoon we will enjoy an exclusive tour of the winery and vineyards and experience traditional production first hand before tasting some of Il Palazzo's exquisite wines for ourselves.

Evening at leisure.



Day 2 | 06 May: Shoe Factory tour

Italy is a country that is synonymous with leather shoemaking, an industry that started after the 2nd world war and blossomed in the '80s. Whilst global forces mean that most shoemaking is now done in low-cost countries, Italy retains a few shoemaking companies that focus solely on high-end, artisanal handmade shoes and today we will have the option to visit one of these. Watch the craftsmen and women at work and order a pair of your very own handmade shoes if you want to!

The rest of the day can be spent relaxing by the pool or perhaps sipping Prosecco in one of Arezzo's beautiful Piazzas.

Day 3 | 07 May: Arezzo Frescoe tour



The Piero della Francesca's frescoes with the "Legend of the True Cross" in the Church San Francesco in Arezzo are an incredible Renaissance Art masterpiece at the top of the "must-see" list in Arezzo.

Today we will take a half-day guided tour of Arezzo and the Piero della Francesca's frescoes (2 - 3 hours). We will visit the frescoes in the Church San Francesco, the Pieve church, Piazza Grande with the Logge by Vasari and the Palace of the Fraternita dei Laici.

In the evening we will enjoy a traditional Tuscan 3 course dinner and wine at Tenuta Il Palazzo.

Day 4 | 08 May: Departure

Morning at leisure.

Sadly, it's time to say goodbye to Tuscany.

12.30 (approx.) Transfer to Pisa airport.

17:10 Flight departs Pisa

18.35 Flight arrives Heathrow



Inclusions:

- Return flights from London Heathrow to Pisa including 1 x 23kg bag and hand luggage
- Return Transfer from Pisa airport to Tenuta Il Palazzo
- Accommodation (with breakfast) at Tenuta Il Palazzo for 3 nights in a twin/double room
- Wine tasting and tour of the winery on day 1
- 3 course Dinner and wine on the final evening
- Tour of Arezzo town and its' famous frescoes, including entry fees

Optional extras

- *Tour of a local shoe factory outlet, approx. cost €10-15 per person (for transport)*

Cost £550 per person*

Deposit £120 per person (a portion of this is non refundable)

Balance due 12 weeks prior to departure

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