

	PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE ROOM: FROM 660,00 €	LEVEL: AVID RDER
	HOTEL STYLE: HOTEL 3 STARS AND AGRITURISMI	DURATION: 6 DAYS/5 NIGHTS

TUSCANY GRAVEL TOUR SELF-GUIDED

Self-guided 4 days bike tour to discover the most authentic Tuscany, pedaling in real gravel style on secondary gravel and white roads.

The tour, starting from Siena, includes the passage on historical routes such as L'Eroica route and the Via Francigena pilgrim road, to the Val d'Orcia UNESCO protected region.

The gravel roads will lead you to discovery villages full of charm and history, like Monticchiello, Montepulciano and Pienza, where you can taste typical products of the area, wine and cheese.

The second part of the tour will lead you to Chianti and Brolio Castle, before to come back to Siena.

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DAY 1 – BENVENUTI IN TOSCANA

Individual arrival, dinner on your own and accommodation in 3 stars hotel located very close the city center of Siena. Upgrade in 4 stars hotel available on request.

Meet and greet with our staff where you'll receive the maps and all the informations to complete the bike tour.

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS	OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
Hotel ★★★		Private transfer from Siena train station

DAY 2 – EROICA AND VIA FRANCIGENA, 62 KM – ELEVATION GAIN: 1170 METERS

- ✓ The route of L'Eroica, cycling the Val d'Arbia region, surrounded by rolling hills and beautiful views.
- ✓ The Eroica route up to Castiglion del Bosco, the Brunello vineyards will take place of the wheat fields.
- ✓ La Via Francigena, ancient pilgrimage routes that finishes in the beautiful city of Rome.
- ✓ Final arrival at San Quirico d'Orcia, beautiful medieval town in the hearth of Val d'Orcia.

Dinner and accommodation in 3 stars hotel with SPA (Upgrade in 4 stars hotel available on request).

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS	OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
Hotel ★★★	Breakfast - Dinner	Brunello Wine Tasting

DAY 3 – THE VAL D'ORCIA, 54 KM – ELEVATION GAIN: 1220 METERS

- ✓ The landscapes of the Val d'Orcia region, one of the most beautiful place in Tuscany and UNESCO world heritage site.
- ✓ The Via Francigena road to Bagno Vignoni, where the main square of the village is a big thermal pool which contains the original source of thermal water.
- ✓ Riding on gravel roads to Monticchiello, a small medieval and charming town.
- ✓ A quick stop at Montepulciano, with its winding streets and squares.
- ✓ Visit of Pienza, the "ideal" city of the Renaissance time, also famous for its Pecorino cheese.
- ✓ The chapel of Vitaleta, located in the middle of the wheat fields.
- ✓ Take a relax break from the cycling journey and enjoy the SPA before dinner.

Dinner and accommodation in 3 stars hotel with SPA (4 stars hotel available on request).

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS	OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
Hotel ★★★	Breakfast - Dinner	Pecorino di Pienza cheese tasting

DAY 4: CRETE SENESI AND STRADE BIANCHE, 63 KM – ELEVATION GAIN: 1090 METERS

- ✓ Third stage with long part on gravel roads and breathtaking views on the Crete Senesi region.
- ✓ The Eroica route near Lucignano d'Asso, one of the most fascinating white roads of the whole route.
- ✓ Take a break in Buonconvento, one of the most beautiful villages in Italy.
- ✓ On the route of the professionals cyclist of the Strade Bianche, cycling the challenging sector of San Martino in Grania.
- ✓ Finale arrival of the stage in Asciano, where a stop in the center of the village is mandatory.

Dinner and accommodation in typical tuscan agriturismo

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS	OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
Agriturismo toscano	Breakfast - Dinner	

DAY 5: CASTELLO DI BROLIO AND CHIANTI REGION, 68 KM – ELEVATION GAIN: 1390 METERS

- ✓ You'll start pedaling the challenging gravel road of Monte Sante Marie, which made the history of L'Eroica and the professional race Strade Bianche.
- ✓ Monte Sante Marie will lead you to the edge of Chianti region.
- ✓ The pretty village of San Gusmè, which will be reached through a technical segment in the middle of the vineyards of Villa Arceno.
- ✓ Villa a Sesta and the Castle of Brolio, the symbol of Chianti belonged to the Ricasoli family since 1141.
- ✓ The route of L'Eroica up to Siena, the final arrival of the gravel tour.

Dinner on your own and accommodation in 3 stars hotel located very close the city center of Siena (4 stars hotel available on request).

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS	OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES
Hotel ☆☆☆	Breakfast	

DAY 6: ARRIVEDERCI

Check out and individual departure. Otherwise you can decide to add more nights to your stay.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ✓ 5 NIGHTS STAY WITH BREAKFAST
- ✓ 3 DINNERS, DRINKS NOT INCLUDED
- ✓ BAGGAGE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THE HOTELS
- ✓ PICK-UP OF EVERYTHING YOU BOUGHT DURING YOUR DAILY STAGE: WINE, GIFT AND MORE
- ✓ 1 INTERVENTION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ALONG THE ROUTE (PARTS NOT INCLUDED)
- ✓ MAPS AND INFORMATION FOR YOUR DAILY STAGE
- ✓ GPX TRACKS FOR GPS SYSTEM
- ✓ PHONE ASSISTANCE BY ANIMA TOSCANA STAFF

NOT INCLUDED:

- ✓ TOURIST CITY TAX
- ✓ DRINKS
- ✓ MEDICAL INSURANCE

OPTIONAL SERVICES (PRICES ON REQUEST):

- ✓ MEDICAL INSURANCE
- ✓ TRANSFER DAY 1 AND 6 FROM AIRPORT, TRAIN STATION OR HOTELS
- ✓ VAN SUPPORT ALONG THE ROUTE
- ✓ EXPERT BIKE GUIDE
- ✓ GRAVEL BIKE RENTAL: 40 €/DAY
- ✓ EXTRA INTERVENTION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
- ✓ GPS RENTAL

BIKE SUGGESTED

The route presents gravel roads and short parts off road, we suggest to use the gravel bike or MTB front.

HOW TO REACH SIENA?

You can reach Siena by car, park the car at the train station, the price is 2 € per day. The first hotel and our travel agency is located very close the train station. Otherwise you can arrive by train, some regional train allow the transportation of the bikes with an extra charge.

HOW TO BOOK?

Send an e-mail to info@animatoscana.it with the number of people, type of room and date of your arrival. We'll check the availability and reply until 24h with the confirmation of package and all the informations about the tour.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- a) Cancellation until 31 days the date of the arrival: 25% of the total amount
- b) From 30 to 21 days: 50% of the total amount
- c) From 20 to 0 days: 100% of the total amount

Cancellation caused Covid-19: we'll offer a money voucher of the same amount paid, that you can spend until 1 year for one of the packages and services.