

Volterra, the heart of Tuscany

A gourmet journey through the green hills of the ancient Velathri.

Triumph of flavors and experiences in the town of the Etruscans and of the Alabaster candidate for Italian Capital of Culture 2022

3 Days - 2 nights

MIN. 2 PEOPLE (Price per person in double room)

from 1/01 to 30/09: Euro 485,00 p.p.

from 1/10 to 31/12: Euro 525,00 p.p.

Food and culture, art and culinary suggestions in the charming city of Volterra: a heaven of Etruscan, Roman and Medieval past with a look toward 2022 ... Discover Volterra from the Acropolis to the Etruscan Museum with its rich collection of cinerary urns and the modern "Shadow of the Evening", the Roman theater, the ravishing medieval Piazza dei Priori and Alabaster, a unique handicraft in the world. Then, the taste of a generous land rich in oil, wine, cheese, truffles, salt, and Cinta Senese products



DAY 1

- Late morning: Arrival in Volterra and free time.

-Lunch at "Beppino's" typical restaurant in the city centre - traditional menu with local wild Cinta Senese raised in the family farm.

-Afternoon

h 15,00 guided tour of the Etruscan, Roman, Medieval and Renaissance city that dominates the Cecina Valley: Piazza dei Priori, the beating heart of the town, with Palazzo dei Priori, the first city hall in Tuscany, and the beautiful installation "Arnioni in Piazza" designed by Luisa Bocchietto and made by the town's craftsmen, a simple but amazing work which valorizes the alabaster of Volterra.

The tour continues with Piazza San Giovanni, the Cathedral and the Roman Theater, that dates of the Augustan age and will be joined by another impressive monument of the same period, the Roman amphitheater, whose excavations are giving interesting surprises to archaeologists and common people. At the end of the tour you will visit the Etruscan Museum with the rich collection of cinerary urns and the Shadow of the Evening, the votive bronze statue that inspired the Swiss artist Giacometti

At the end of the tour visit to an alabaster workshop the emotion of discovering how alabaster objects are born.

-h 18.00 Transfer to Lischeto Farm in the magical scenery of the rolling hills all around and in the background the Balze, the famous cliffs which engulfed the ancient Etruscan necropolis of Volterra.

Approaching the farm, you will be impressed by two works of contemporary art perfectly integrated into the surrounding landscape: the Portal by Mauro Staccioli and Equanimity by Emilie Cumming-Enneking. Lischeto is a member of the Pecorino delle Balze Volterrane PDO Consortium and has always produced one of the best cheeses in the area.

-Dinner with local products and pecorino cheese

-Overnight stay in Lischeto

DAY 2

- Morning

Rich breakfast at Lischeto and short visit to the dairy, don't miss a passage to the shop where all the products from the farm are available

Departure for Volterra, free time or visit to the Art gallery to see, among other masterpieces, the amazing Descent from the Cross by Rosso Fiorentino

-h 12.00 Transfer to Marcampo following a scenic road with views on the Balze cliffs: are you ready for a multisensory experience? wine tasting with Claudia, the owner's daughter, and light lunch



-Afternoon

The final step of this second day is a very special product, the truffle and especially the king of all truffles, the white one. You will attend a truffle hunt in the forests near Volterra, looking for the precious tuber praised in Volterra by an event "Volterragusto" that takes place between late October and early November.

Your guide will be Alessio, the owner of the Mulinaccio farmhouse a true enthusiast who has chosen to dedicate his life to truffles, wine, saffron, evo oil and... to his guests.

-Typical dinner including truffle tasting and overnight stay at Mulinaccio



Info e Booking

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Viaggio Gourmet tra le verdi colline dell'antica Velathri

Un tripudio di esperienze e sapori nella città degli Etruschi e dell'Alabastro che ha deciso di candidarsi a Capitale Italiana della Cultura 2022

DAY 3

-Morning

Tasty breakfast at Mulinaccio and departure for the nearby Frantoio dei Colli Toscani.

After typical cured meats, cheeses, wine and truffles, you can't miss a tasting of extra virgin olive oil guided by Annamaria and her son Johnny, local entrepreneurs who run their business with passion and enthusiasm.

Departure towards Monterosola winery halfway between Volterra and San Gimignano a place where taste is combined with design and refinement. Here Michele will make you discover the top wines.

Guided tasting.

-Light lunch

-Afternoon

after lunch departure for Salina di Volterra along a spectacular tuscan road immersed in a landscape where colors change in symbiosis with the hours of the day and the seasons. The days have flown by, but something is still missing...The salt of Volterra Not just an ordinary salt, but "the purest salt in Italy" extracted from underground deposits. After a video, you will enter the beautiful Nervi hall, designed in the 1960s by architect Pier Luigi Nervi where you will be seduced by the cascade of salt.

Before leaving, stop at the salt shop where you can buy salt in several sizes

-End of the tour and departure



The price includes

1 night with breakfast at Lischeto farmhouse
1 night with breakfast at Mulinaccio farmhouse
1 guided tour of Volterra HD
Volterra card - entrance fee to the Etruscan Museum, Art Gallery, Alabaster Eco Museum, Palazzo dei Priori, Roman Theater and Etruscan Acropolis
visit to an alabaster workshop
1 lunch at the da Beppino restaurant with a menu based on local Cinta Senese (drinks not included)
1 light lunch at Marcampo

1 light lunch at Cantina Monterosola
1 dinner at Lischeto with products of the farm (drinks not included)
1 dinner at Mulinaccio with truffle (drinks not included)
1 truffle hunt

guided visit to Salina Locatelli
guided visit to Frantoio dei Colli toscani
1 extra virgin olive oil tasting
1 wine tasting (Marcampo)
1 wine tasting (Monterosola)
City tax

The price does not include

transfers, drinks at lunch and dinner, supplements, extras, tips and all that is not specified in "The price includes"



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