

ITINERARY for CREATIVE ADULT GET-AWAY to TUSCANY*

NOTE: Painting/ critiques, cooking & riding lessons are optional.

- DAY 1 Arrive at airport in **Florence** on September 12, take a cab to the Hotel. Meet group in lobby at 2pm. After a rest, you will take the *CitySightseeing* tour of **Florence & Fiesole** by bus. Take notes of the places you would like to return to on Sunday. Dinner a Golden View Open Bar overlooking the Arno. Overnight at hotel.
- DAY 2 Breakfast at the hotel. See Michelangelo's **David** at *Galleria dell' Accademia*, visit the *Uffizi Gallery* or the *Archeological Museum* and the downtown shops and **markets** for Italian leather, silk ties, art, gifts and souvenirs. Dinner in Firenze. Overnight at hotel.
- DAY 3 Breakfast included at the hotel. Spend the morning shopping at markets in Firenze, after lunch pick up rental cars and follow directions to delightful Vecchia Valdigatti country house in Anghiari. Have a swim at Valdigatti and early dinner at outdoor pizzeria in the ancient Roman village of Anghiari.
- DAY 4 Breakfast at in Anghiari at the market. Discover the village of **Anghiari** and its artisans. Afternoon at leisure. **2-5pm. Painting Workshop #1** (at Valdigatti). Optional drive to the village of **Tavernelle** for dinner.
- DAY 5 Typical Italian breakfast – at a bar in the fortress city of **Sansepolcro**. Fun grocery shopping in Sansepolcro. Fab photo ops of Anghiari from the Panoramic road. On the way back. **2 - 5pm. Painting Workshop #2.** at Valdigatti. Evening at leisure.
- DAY 6 **10.30am:** Just 10 minutes out of town, "a world away", enjoy a tour of the **Bartolomei family home and Ravagni Olive Oil Factory**. Includes lunch, & olive oil tasting. **2 - 5pm. Painting Workshop #3** in the courtyard or olive grove (tour & tasting is free/ 25E fee for lunch). Evening at leisure.
- DAY 7 Breakfast at Valdigatti. **9-12pm. Painting Workshop # 3.** in Anghiari, shopping and visit to Soldini Shoe Factory or optional golf or horseback riding lesson. **Evening at leisure.**
- DAY 8 Day at leisure. Suggestions: Typical breakfast (in a bar) & market in **Sansepolcro** from 8am. to noon; Plan for a lunch at Il Fiorentino; (Pre)book a walking, historical guided tour of Anghiari; Take a trip to Assisi, Arezzo, Perugia or Siena. Paint, photograph or sketch churches, shop fronts, street scenes.
- DAY 9 After breakfast, take picnic lunch – paint, sketch or photograph **Caprese Michelangelo**, the breath taking views and vistas and the birth house of Michelangelo. **7.30pm. Cooking Under the Tuscan Sun** – Chef will come to Valdigatti to give the cooking lessons (4-course meal approximately 25E).
- DAY 10 Take a picnic lunch to **Citerna** and paint a patchwork quilt of the landscape from under the umbrella of pine trees. There is a nice bar for refreshments and bathroom. **Evening at leisure.**
- DAY 11 Market day in Anghiari. Paint a market scene in **Monterchi**, see the famous **Pregnant Madonna by Piero della Fancesca** at the museum. Take a picnic lunch. Evening: **Painting critique** and "Pizza with Giuseppe".
- DAY 12 Morning trip to Arezzo. Ciao to Anghiari, finish off paintings started in nearby villages and do last minute shopping. Relax.... Spend the afternoon packing.
- DAY 13 Early departure from Anghiari to return reantl cars, breakfast at the airport. Buon Viaggio!

* Dependent on flight arrivals, weather, group participation.