

PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE ROOM

390,00€

TOUR LEVEL:

**ACTIVE RIDER** 

DURATION:

3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS

TOUR STYLE:

**WEEKEND GUIDED** 

## **CRETE SENESI AND VAL D'ORCIA WEEKEND**

Small group cycling weekend to discover with a local guide the Crete Senesi region, located south-east of Siena, between Chianti and the beautiful Val d'Orcia. A full immersion into the uncontaminated nature, biking surrounded by beatiful landscapes, vineyards and rolling hills.

The first day you will biking direction Montalcino, small medieval village and wine region where the famous Brunello di Montalcino is produced. Then you'll reach the Val d'Orcia region and Pienza, UNESCO protected region.

The second day you'll be surrounded by the typical lunar landscapes of the Crete Senesi region, where you can also discover nice villages like Asciano and Chiusure, or visit the Benedictine monastery of Monte Oliveto Maggiore.

Part of the itinerary proposed will be on secondary gravel roads, typical of the region.

#### **ITINERARY**

## DAY 1 - "BENVENUTI IN TOSCANA"

Individual arrival, welcome aperitif, meet and greet with our staff where you'll receive all the informations about the cycling weekend in Tuscany. (Guaranteed with minimum 4 participants, otherwise you'll meet the guide for the briefing before the first guided tour).

Dinner and accommodation at Fattoria Pieve a Salti.

HOTEL INCLUDED MEALS

Fattoria Pieve a Salti Dinner

## Day 2 - Via Francigena, San Quirico and Pienza

# 59 km - elevation gain: 1090 meters

Breakfast and start of the first guided tour along the Via Francigena, surrounded by the famous vineyards of Brunello di Montalcino.

In the second part of the stage we'll discover the landscapes of Val d'Orcia region, UNESCO world heritage site. We'll then take a break to visit San Quirico d'Orcia, one of the most interesting village of the whole Val d'Orcia, before to ride a panoramic road direction Pienza. Visit of Pienza, the "ideal" city of the Renaissance time, also famous for its Pecorino cheese.

Before to come back to the agriturismo, we'll stop in a local osteria for a typical tuscan lunch.

The last part of the tour will lead you along a beautiful gravel segment of the Eroica route.

At 18:30 wine tasting (I.G.T., Rosso and Brunello di Montalcino)

Dinner and accommodation at Fattoria Pieve a Salti.

HOTEL INCLUDED MEALS

Fattoria Pieve a Salti Breakfast - Lunch - Dinner

#### Day 3 – Asciano, Chiusure and Abbazia di Monte Oliveto

## 56 km - elevation gain: 860 meters

Second stage to discover the Crete Senesi region, where badlands and biancane characterize the landscape in this part of Tuscany. Ride through the medieval center of Buonconvento, one of the most beautiful medieval village in Italy. A beautiful road with amazing views over the Crete Senesi will lead you to Asciano, with its churches and museums. The town of Chiusure, tiny tuscan village and perfect stop for a typical lunch. Lunch in local osteria and we'll finally visit the abbey of Monte Oliveto Maggiore, one of the most important and best preserved monastic complexe in Tuscany.

Otherwise you can extend your stay or have the late check-out with an extra charge.

HOTEL	INCLUDED MEALS
Fattoria Pieve a Salti	Breakfast - Lunch

## **S**UGGESTIONS

- ✓ Level: for active cyclists. The itinerary proposed includes steep climbs and the gravel roads makes harder the ride.
- ✓ Bike suggested: Trekking, gravel or MTB. E-Bikes for beginners.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ✓ 2 NIGHTS STAY WITH BREAKFAST
- ✓ 2 DINNERS, DRINKS NOT INCLUDED
- ✓ 2 LUNCHES
- ✓ 1 WINE TASTING (I.G.T., ROSSO AND BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO)
- ✓ WELCOME APERITIF, MEET & GREET WITH OUR STAFF ON DAY 1 (GUARANTEED WITH MIN. 4 PEOPLE)
- ✓ Maps and information for your daily stage
- ✓ GPX TRACKS FOR GPS SYSTEM OR MOBILE APP.
- ✓ ENGLISH SPEAKING BIKE GUIDE
- ✓ VAN SUPPORT DURING THE RIDE
- ✓ PHONE ASSISTANCE BY ANIMA TOSCANA STAFF

# **N**OT INCLUDED:

- ✓ Tourist city tax
- ✓ Medical insurance

#### **OPTIONAL SERVICES (PRICES ON REQUEST):**

- ✓ MEDICAL INSURANCE
- ✓ EXTRA CHARGE FOR DOUBLE ROOM FOR SINGLE USAGE
- ✓ LATE CHECK-OUT
- ✓ EXTRA NIGHTS
- ✓ ACTIVITIES FOR NON-CYCLIST (COOKING CLASSES, HORSEBACK RIDING, TREKKING, WINE TOUR AND TASTING)
- ✓ BIKE RENTAL (TREKKING, MTB, GRAVEL OR E-BIKES)
- ✓ GPS RENTAL
- ✓ WINE TOUR AND TASTING, CHEESE TASTING OR TRUFFLE HUNTING
- ✓ GUIDED TOURS OF CITIES AND VILLAGES