

# Tuscany & Emilia-Romagna

A Cultural & Culinary Journey

# **Inspiring Moments**

- Unravel the culinary paradise of Emilia-Romagna within its timeless towns of Bologna, Parma and beyond.
- Discover foods famous the world over during visits to a cheese farm, olive mill and country winery.
- Roam history-soaked cobblestones in Vigoleno and Castell'Arquato.
- Encounter the University of Bologna, the oldest university in the Western world.
- Sample **balsamic vinegar** and heavenly **parmesan cheese and pasta**.
- Fall under Tuscany's alluring spell and linger in Orvieto, a hilltop Umbrian town.
- Experience The Porticoes of Bologna,
   a UNESCO World Heritage site.

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# **Itinerary**

Day 1	Depart gateway	city 🕰
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Day 2 Arrive in Milan and transfer to hotel in Parma

Day 3 Parma

Day 4 Castell'Arquato | Vigoleno | Parma

Day 5 Parma

Day 6 Parma | Bologna | Cortona

Day 7 Cortona

Day 8 Orvieto | Cortona

Day 9 Montalcino | Cortona

Day 10 Transfer → to Florence airport and depart for gateway city ♣

Flights and transfers provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

#### **Included Features**

#### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- -4 nights in Parma, Italy, at the first-class SINA Maria Luigia.
- 4 nights in Cortona at the first-class Villa Marsili.

# Transfers (with baggage handling)

 Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

# **Extensive Meal Program**

- 8 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

# Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- -Small group: Sized just right at 28 quests.
- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
- Engaging excursions and PYJ |
   Personalize Your Journey showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- AHI Connects | Local immersion.
- Electives and free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- AHI Sustainability Promise | Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- -Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

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# A World of Discovery

AHI Connects | Parma's Pastas. Hone your Italian culinary skills while learning how to make tagliatelle, a typical regional dish. After, dig into a feast of your creations!

# AHI Connects | Family Olive Mill.

Head into the rolling hills to a family-run olive mill. Learn about the modern methods and ancient techniques for creating mouthwatering olive oils. Enjoy an olive oil tasting and a delicious home-cooked lunch.

Parma. Colorful Parma is packed with regal palaces, gardens and wonderful landmarks. See the Cathedral of Parma, one of Italy's finest Romanesque churches, and the Teatro Regio, the performance home of composer Giuseppe Verdi. Step into the monumental Pilotta Palace complex, a hidden gem, and visit the spectacular Farnese Theater, the court theater of the Dukes of Parma and Piacenza.

### Regional Cheeses & Medieval Villages.

Visit a country cheese farm to witness the centuries-old art of turning milk, salt and rennet into tasty parmesan cheese. Explore pretty Castell'Arquato and see the town's highlights, including the stunning Piazza Municipio with its Palazzo del Podestà and the Palazzo del Ducal. Next, step back in time in medieval Vigoleno, one of Italy's most compelling villages. Sit down to a lunch that includes a wine tasting.

**Local Delicacies.** Discover the rich history of Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena (balsamic vinegar). Learn how the vinegar is made and savor a tasting. Finish the day with a visit to a traditional farmhouse for a delightful dinner of authentic dishes.

Bologna. Discover the epicenter of the Emilia-Romagna region with its miles of porticoes, the city's covered arcades. A walking tour showcases Piazza Maggiore, home to the statue of Neptune. Also see the Archiginnasio di Bologna, the seat of the University of Bologna from 1563-1805, and the Town Hall. Plus, get an up-close look at the world's oldest university!

Cortona Etruscan Legacy. Lovely Cortona is believed to be one of Italy's oldest towns. It simply brims with Etruscan history. Linger in Piazza della Repubblica and visit the Etruscan Museum.

Lovely Orvieto. Orvieto perches atop a cliff, delighting visitors with its narrow cobblestones, churches, gelato shops and local artisans. Visit the city's imposing cathedral, decorated with mosaics and frescoes.

# Tuscan Countryside & Altesino Winery.

Travel through Cortona's hill country, a land dense with olive groves and vineyards. Near Montalcino, tour a winery and sample its superb vintages and local delicacies.



Piazza del Nettuno, Bologna

# PYJ | A choice of unique excursions:

#### **Parma**

- Museu Ferrari, Maranello
- Walking Tour, Reggio Emilia

#### Enrichment

- Culinary History of Emilia-Romagna
- Contemporary View of Italy

**UNESCO World Heritage** The Porticoes of Bologna

### Accommodations

SINA Maria Luigia | Parma  $\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$ 

Villa Marsili | Cortona  $\odot \odot \odot \odot$ 

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Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



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