

SLICE OF TUSCANY, LLC  
FLORENCE EXPERIENCES



**Florence Highlights Walking Tour**

Get to know the Renaissance city with a guide who will introduce you to the heart of the city and show you the Ponte Vecchio, Piazza della Signoria, the Duomo and Baptistry, Piazza della Repubblica and more. You can customize your experience with a guided visit to one or more of the following sites including the Gallery Accademia to see Michelangelo's David, the Uffizi Gallery (home to Florence's largest painting collection), Palazzo Vecchio, Medici Chapel, Central Market, the Pitti Palace & Boboli Gardens, Santa Croce Church, Farmacia Santa Maria Novella, the Bargello Museum and others.

Duration: Min 2 hours, max 6 hours;

Cost: 150 euros for 3 hours, plus 50 euros per each additional hour

Other guides are required for historical/art tours of specific museums. Sally guides only for Accademia and a few outdoor sites and sites not requiring a ticket.

All tours can be customized according to your preferences and can include eating and drinking, visiting monuments, shopping, visiting sites, etc.

People: Min 1 per, max 8 ppl

**Ticket Price Per Person for Top Florence Sites\***

Accademia	12 euros	8:15–18:50 Tu-F; closed Mondays
Uffizi	12 euros	8:15–18:50 Tu-F; closed Mondays
Bargello	7 euros	8:15 – 17:00 M-Sun; closed 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon
Santa Croce	6 euros	9:30 – 17:30 M-Sat; 14:00 – 17:30 Sun
Baptistry	6 euros	9:00 – 18:50 M-Sat; 9:00 – 13:00 Sun
Galileo Museum	9 euros	9:30 – 18:00 M-Sun; 9:30 – 13:00 Tuesdays
Boboli Gardens	7 euros	8:15 – 17:30/18:30 depending on the month
Palazzo Vecchio	10 euros	9:00 opens M-Sun, closing time varies depending on month
Medici Chapel	6 euros	8:15-16:50 M-Sun; closed 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun; 1 <sup>st</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> Mon

*\*Fees may vary by 2/3 euros depending on reservation in advance or on-site purchase*

*Children under 18 free at most museums; often reduced prices for people over 65*

Ticket reservations for most museums can be made for you with or without a guide.

Firenze Cards are available for purchase online or at ticket offices around Florence. The Firenze Card allows you free admission to many major Florence museums with no waiting in lines. Cost is 72 euros per person and is good for up to 72 hours. This is a great way to explore museums on your own, and at your own pace. Find details, a list of participating museums, and ticket office locations on the website:

[www.firenzecard.it](http://www.firenzecard.it)

### **Hidden Passages Tour in Palazzo Vecchio with Architect**

Palazzo Vecchio is the most important communal building in Florence with incredible architecture and a rich history. The building was originally home to the governing body of Florence, eventually housed some Medici, and is still the official office of the Mayor of Florence. Explore the grand building and its secret passages with a private guide who is a Palazzo expert as well as architect. He can give you the true insider information on the history, architecture and secrets of the gorgeous building.

Duration: 2-3 hours  
Cost: 170 euros,  
12 euros per reserved ticket



### **Michelangelo's David & Sculpting with the Artist**

Visit the Accademia with a guide to see Michelangelo's David up close, followed immediately by an opportunity to work with a sculptor in his studio to create your own little piece of David. The sculpture studio is one of the oldest working studios in Florence where you will work with the artist, a 4<sup>th</sup> generation sculptor coming from a long line of famous Florentine artists who still produces pieces for commissions all over the world. You don't have to be an artist to enjoy this experience. It's a unique way to experience the best of Florence's art scene all in a few hours, and take home your own masterpiece.

Duration: 4-5 hours  
Cost: 95 euros per person

*Sculpting with the artist can be done with or without a visit to the David beforehand. Without the museum visit, cost is 65 euros per person and lasts approximately 3 hours.*

### **Off the Beaten Path Art Tour**

If you're looking for a different take on the Florence art scene, enjoy a privately guided tour of Florence's "botteghe" (small studios and workshops) where current artists and artisans are producing painting, sculpture and even artisan goods in wood, iron and bronze. Walk the back streets and explore some of the hidden gems of Santo Spirito, Florence's artist neighborhood. See Florence's art today being produced at the hands of local talented artists.

Duration: 3 hours  
Cost: 160 euros

### **Day Trips / Guided Tours of Tuscan Towns**

Taking the trains or renting a car to get to nearby towns such as Lucca, Siena, Cortona, Pisa or Assisi is very easy. Once you get there, we can set you up with a local guide for an in-depth tour of as much or as little as you want to see. By providing your own transportation, you can save money, have an adventure, and still get a personalized tour of the town when you arrive.

Prices start at 150 EUR for a min of a 3-hour tour for groups of 2-6 people. Prices may vary in towns according to local guide's rates.

### **Full-Day Tuscan Wine Tour & Lunch with Expert Guide and Driver**

My friend is one of the most knowledgeable wine guides I have ever met and had the pleasure to work with. He is an American who has been living in Florence for over 15 years and gives both private and small group wine tours into Tuscany. His tours take you to beautiful cantinas plus an agriturismo for lunch. Pick up and drop off in Florence.

Small Group Tour:	125 per person all included
Private Custom Tour:	150 per person and up depending on tour
Montalcino Tour:	200 per person and up

*\*They can accommodate groups from 2 – 24 people and customize ANY experience taking you to the best cantinas throughout Tuscany including Montalcino, Montepulciano and Chianti, plus incorporate visits to hilltop towns or other sites of interest along the way.*

### **Private Wine Tasting with Sommelier in Gorgeous Cantina**

You don't have to leave Florence in order to enjoy a truly unique wine tasting in a private cantina. With my friend and wine professional, Paolo, experience a wine tasting unlike any other in a gorgeous, hidden cantina just off the Arno River. Paolo's passion for wine is evident as you sit in a gorgeous setting and taste some of Italy's top wines.

Duration:	1.5 hours
Cost:	100 euros per person

### **Full-Day Private Chianti/Tuscany Tour with Driver and Guide**

Take a day away from Florence and get into the countryside to see Siena or San Gimignano, gorgeous hilltop Tuscan towns, plus a visit to two wineries for tastings and a stop for a typical lunch. Enjoy a guided experience with Sally plus a driver for the day.

Duration:	8 hours
Cost:	550 euros for driver and accompaniment, lunch not included
People:	min 2, max 6

### **Taste Florence Food Tour**

Get a Taste of Florence on a walking food tour of the city center. Taste the best that Florence and Tuscany has to offer with an expert guide who guides you through city markets, specialty shops, a beautiful wine cantina and some of the city's best gelato.

Cost: 70 per person small group tour  
90 euros per person and up for a private tour

### **Cooking Class in Italian Home with my Mamma Italiana**

Cook in a real Italian home with a real Italian Mamma and Babbo. Gets hands on with one of THE best cooks I've ever met – my personal Mamma Italiana. Giovanna is an incredible cook and just a joy to share time in the kitchen with. Her English is limited, so I would need to be there to translate – and pour the wine!



Duration: 3-5 hours  
Cost: 175 euros total 2 ppl; 210 euros total 4 ppl

### **Cooking Class in Studio**

On a hidden street in the heart of Florence's best food neighborhood is a gorgeous new food studio and kitchen just opened by my friends Giorgio and Paolo. It's a beautiful space where you can enjoy private cooking lessons with Giorgio enjoying hands-on experience and wine throughout the course. Enjoy lunch or dinner.



Duration: 4 hours  
Cost: 120 euros per person

### **Shopping Guide**

Looking for the best leather goods or Italian tailored suits in Florence? Have a local guide take you to the best shops where you can find exactly what you're looking for and at some of the best "local" prices. Outside of Florence, you can pay a visit to The Mall, a high-fashion designer outlet just 20 minutes outside of Florence with brands like Prada, Gucci, Ferragamo and Armani.

Cost: 40 euros per hour for guide (both for Florence and The Mall)  
Transportation: approx. 75 euros each way to The Mall

### **Market Tour & Cooking Class**

Enjoy any of the cooking classes in Florence with a visit to the farmers market before class to choose your fresh ingredients and see how Florentines shop.

Duration: 1+ hours  
Cost: add 50 euros total to the above cooking experiences

### **Cooking Class in Tuscan Countryside with a Chef**

I work closely with several chefs throughout Tuscany who conduct cooking classes in their kitchens or in your villa rental. Rosanna and Alessio, plus others, are professional cooks and all around great people who host classes in English for couples or small groups.



Duration: 4 hours

Cost: 100 euros per person and up, min 2 ppl

### **Tuscany Winery & Architecture Tour**

Starting and ending in Florence, enjoy a guided day tour of Tuscan cantinas focusing on the architecture of very special locations hand-picked by Stefano, architect and your guide for the day. With a driver and Stefano, enjoy visits to 2-3 cantinas for wine tastings and lunch discussing the unique architecture of the cantinas chosen by Stefano for your trip.

Duration: 8 hours

Cost: 550 euros for driver and accompaniment, lunch not included

People: min 2, max 6

### **Wine Making & Lunch in Tuscany for the Day**

Be wine maker for the day as you visit a lovely Tuscan winery where you will enjoy a guided tour of the villa, then along with their expert wine maker, blend your own special wine. After blending, the villa will age your wine in their barrels, then eventually bottle and label the wines with your custom design and ship them to you in the U.S. Enjoy lunch and wine in this experience lasting 4-5 hours. You can also choose to do a cooking class at the villa upon special request.

Duration: 6-7 hours total with transportation to and from

Optional: self-guided, self-transportation : free

Guided, driver : 450 euros

Wine Making: 600 euros total for wine making, bottling and shipping  
(great value!)

### **Pizza Making & Wine Tasting for a Day**

Just outside of Florence, in the hills overlooking the city, you'll find a hidden villa where you can enjoy fresh air and a wine and olive oil tasting from the villa's own production. Then, along with their expert pizza maker, have a blast and make your own pizzas in the traditional Italian way in their outdoor pizza oven. A great way to spend an afternoon or evening in the "countryside" and just a stone's throw from Florence's city center.



Duration: 3-5 hours

Cost: 75 euros per person, min 4-6 ppl

Transportation: bus or taxi

### **Bike or Fiat 500 Tour**

Get active and explore the hills surrounding Florence by bike or classic Fiat 500. Either way, you get great views of some of Florence's back roads stopping for photos along the way, plus stopping for snacks, wine tastings and even lunch. There are various tours for different skills levels on the bike lasting anywhere from 3-6 hours both around Florence and out in the countryside. Tours are usually in small groups (a great way to enjoy the company of others) but can be private and customized.

Small Groups: 65 per person and up

Private: 110 per person and up

### **Accompanied Day Trips from Florence**

From Florence you can reach a large number of towns by train allowing great opportunity for day trips. With accompaniment, you can easily navigate the trains (or private cars) plus getting around the towns and back to Florence by the evening. Enjoy city visits, small seaside towns with lovely beaches, or historic city centers with lunch, shopping, site seeing, wine tastings and more. Easy day trips from Florence by train or car:

Cinque Terre	Siena	San Gimignano	Cortona
Verona	Lucca	Venice	Seaside towns

Duration: min 5 hours, max 10 hours

Cost: 50 euros per hour for accompaniment plus transportation, food and drink costs

Transportation: trains or private drivers

### **Hike to Villa in the Hills, Yoga Lesson, Lunch with Wine and Pool**

Spend a morning hiking from the city center of Florence to a gorgeous villa in the hills surrounded by olive trees and vineyards. Here you will enjoy a short yoga lesson with a professional instructor on the grounds of the private villa, followed by a 3-course lunch with wine poolside. Relax and reset your travel clock with some "me time".

Duration: 5-6 hours

Cost: 135 euros per person, min 2 ppl

### **Morning Hike in Florence & Breakfast**

Start your day in Florence with a quick, guided walk up to Piazzale Michelangelo and San Miniato church with gorgeous morning views overlooking Florence. Enjoy this aerobic, fast-paced walk or jog through the back roads followed by a typical Florentine breakfast at a local favorite spot.

Duration: 2 hours

Cost: 40 euros per person

**Private Yoga Lessons**

Practice yoga with a certified instructor at any time of day and at the location of your choice. The instructor can provide mats and practice yoga at your vacation rental, in their studio, or at an open-air park/location in Florence. Get your yoga on.

Duration: 75-90 min

Cost: 25 euros per person and up depending on location