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REGIONE
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EXPERIENCE TUSCIA

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ARTS & CRAFT EXPERIENCE





TUSCIA IS A LAND OF ENCHANTMENT, WHOSE ESSENCE IS EMBODIED IN ITS ARTISANS, WHO HAVE PASSED DOWN THEIR KNOWLEDGE THROUGH GENERATIONS.

Tuscia to Experience

Offers the opportunity to live an immersive journey through this territory: besides discovering unique landscapes and exploring historical and artistic treasures of rare beauty, we will experience a typical day alongside the local artisans, learning their masterful skills and creating handmade items to keep as souvenirs. The journey begins in the city of Viterbo, where we can experience artisanal workshops focused on artistic ceramics and bookbinding in the medieval district of San Pellegrino. From there, we will head to Vignanello, Caprarola, and Civita Castellana.

Two additional itineraries will center around Lake Bolsena and the Maremma region, including visits to Bolsena, Montefiascone, Tuscania, Tarquinia, and finally, Civitavecchia.



VITERBO CAPRAROLA CIVITA CASTELLANA

DAY 1
SATURDAY
10:00 AM



Arrival in Viterbo and visit to the San Pellegrino district and the Papal Palace. After, an experiential visit to the workshops of Daniela Lai and Cinzia Chiulli. Both artisans preserve the ancient Zaffera technique, which uses cobalt blue for raised decorations. Cinzia Chiulli has also developed a storytelling project through tarot cards, narrating the history of the city and its characters in an original and prestigious way.

11:45 AM - 12:30 PM

Experiential visit to "*Legatoria Viali*", a bookbinding workshop, one of the oldest workshops in Tuscia where the art of bookbinding is still practiced. Lucia Maria Arena and Hans Rainer Kolb will guide us in crafting a handmade paper notebook, resulting in a unique and one-of-a-kind creation.





1:00 PM - Lunch at a traditional restaurant in one of the most beautiful city's squares.

3:30 PM - Departure for Civita Castellana and guided tour of the village and of Forte Sangallo, one of the most important and well-preserved military structures built by the Papal State between the late 1400s and early 1500s. Designed by the renowned architect and military engineer Antonio Giamberti da Sangallo, the fortress later served as a papal residence, political prison, and eventually a military prison.



Then, an experiential visit to the workshops of "*Mastro Cencio Ceramiche*" and "*Bell'Ornato Vetri d'Arte*."

Mastro Cencio's workshop embodies the charisma of this artist, who recreates archaeological-style ceramics takes us back in time.

Vincenzo Dobboloni is a guardian of an ancient art, using techniques that lend his creations an archaeological, medieval, or Renaissance patina.

One of his secrets is the use of a brush made from hare whiskers. Maria Grazia Gradassai works with the noble material of glass, skillfully blending colors, transparency, and opacity to create magical objects.

6:30 PM - Aperitif with "Birrificio Itineris" craft beers and "Chiodetti" cheeses.

8:00 PM - Dinner featuring typical Viterbo products. Overnight stay in a 4-star hotel in Viterbo city center.





Departure for Caprarola.
Visit to Palazzo Farnese, designed by Vignola to celebrate the power of the Farnese family. The interior features frescoed walls by the Zuccari brothers and other renowned Mannerist artists from Italy and Europe.

DAY 2
SUNDAY
08:30 AM

11:30 AM

Visit to *Luca Cristofori's tailoring workshop*, a creative excellence in Lazio specializing in uniforms for majorettes. Luca revolutionized sportswear with the introduction of Lycra, making the costumes more elastic and suitable for athletic movement. His creations are renowned for their visual impact, detail, and elegance, attracting orders from 21 nations.

12:30 PM

Lunch at the "*Sapori di Ieri*" farm. Then, demonstration At *Bottega d'Arte Mortet*. Armando Mortet, a fourth-generation goldsmith, involves us in creating a personalized object using the repoussé technique.

Afterward, transfer to Canepina for a visit to the *workshop of Andrea Di Maio*, a master luthier specialized in the study, restoration, and philological reconstruction of historical keyboard instruments like harpsichords.

End of services.



PRICE:

STARTING FROM €420.00 per person

THE FEE INCLUDES:

Overnight stay in a selected B&B

3 Half Day guided tours

Entrance fees and artisan workshops

as per the program





FROM LAKE BOLSENA TO LAZIO MAREMMA

DAY 1
FRIDAY
3:30 PM

A small European gem. Bolsena, in the province of Viterbo, was ranked by Forbes among the 10 most beautiful small towns in Europe. The Church of Santa Cristina, with its Gothic architecture and the cult associated with it, and the Monaldeschi Castle are just some of the cultural attractions to explore, which make Bolsena a destination with the highest tourism potential in the area.

Afterward, a stop at the artisan workshop *Terre di Rasenna*, by Mara Santoni, a ceramist with over thirty years of experience, who creates unique pieces in her workshop, all characterized by vibrant colors that recall the blue of the lake and the sand fused in the glaze.



At the end, dinner at a typical local restaurant in the center and overnight stay at Hotel



DAY 2
SATURDAY
09:30 AM

Transfer to Montefiascone and visit to the artisan workshop Lo Zoo di Legno, owned by Catia Roncella, who comes from a family of artisans spanning three generations. She meticulously crafts handmade items, using natural wood and strictly traditional techniques.



Then tour of Montefiascone's historical center. Also known as the Belvedere of Tuscia, because of its 590 meters above sea level, is the highest town in the province, offering breathtaking lake views and excellent wine. The town is renowned for its medieval architecture.

Afterward, wine tasting at the historic Cantine Leonardi, where you can sample the local Est! Est!! Est!!! wine, paired with cured meats and traditional local dishes.

In the early afternoon departure for Tuscania.

Upon arrival, visit to the Basilicas of San Pietro and Santa Maria Maggiore. These basilicas create a surreal atmosphere with their majestic architectural originality and an enchanting interplay of light and colors.

After the visit, a brief stroll through the historic center to reach the workshop of Elena Mameli, where the ancient art of Etruscan ceramics is masterfully preserved and reinterpreted.



Dinner at a traditional local restaurant in the historic center.

Return to the hotel for an overnight stay.





DAY 3
SUNDAY
09:00 AM

Departure for Tarquinia and a brief walk through the historic center. Then, a visit to the studio of Stefano Todini. The Todini brothers, Roberto and Stefano, established their studio in the early 1990s, driven by their passion for art and sculpture. Their talent has earned them numerous accolades, including a spot in the 2015 List of Italian Artistic Excellence compiled by the OMA (Osservatorio dei Mestieri d'Arte). Lunch at a traditional restaurant in Tarquinia. Afterward, visit to the atelier of Maria Vittoria Bordo, a fashion workshop nestled in the greenery and just a few minutes from the sea. Trained between Viterbo and Milan at the Burgo Fashion Institute, Maria Vittoria specializes in custom-made ceremonial dresses for women and girls, overseeing the entire creative process from sketch to final tailoring. Her unique creations highlight each client's elegance with meticulous attention to detail. After the visit, departure and end of services.



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3 Half Day guided tours
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TARQUINIA AND CIVITAVECCHIA

DAY 1
SATURDAY
09:00 AM

Arrival in Tarquinia and visit to the Monterozzi Necropolis. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Monterozzi Necropolis is famous for its extraordinary Etruscan tombs with vibrant frescoes, offering a unique insight into the art and culture of this ancient civilization.

Then, a visit to the studio of Stefano Todini. The Todini brothers, Roberto and Stefano, established their studio in the early 1990s, driven by their passion for art and sculpture. Their talent has earned them numerous accolades, including a spot in the 2015 List of Italian Artistic Excellence compiled by the OMA (Osservatorio dei Mestieri d'Arte).

Lunch in a traditional restaurant in Tarquinia.



In the early afternoon, visit to the *atelier* of *Maria Vittoria Bordo*.

Located in a peaceful green setting, just a few minutes from the sea, Maria Vittoria Bordo's sartorial workshop is dedicated to custom-made ceremonial dresses for women and girls. Her unique creations highlight elegance and attention to detail, ensuring each client feels truly special.

Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.





Departure for Civitavecchia and visit to Giuseppina Altieri's leather workshop. A master leather artisan for over 30 years, Giuseppina Altieri has dedicated her career to preserving and evolving the art of leather craftsmanship. In her workshop, she meticulously handcrafts high-quality bridles, farriery aprons, saddlebags, and the traditional "buttero" chaps worn by Maremma's historic cowboys.

DAY 2
SUNDAY
09:30 AM

Following the visit, stop at *Marco Mancini's jewelry workshop*.

He was also one of the first in the world to create "jewel eyewear", blending artistic design with technical mastery. Today, his brand is expanding towards international markets.

Lunch in a traditional restaurant in Civitavecchia.

In the early afternoon, a leisurely walk through Civitavecchia's historic center with a visit to the *jewelry studio of Elena Bassetti Jewels*.

Elena Bassetti discovered her passion for goldsmithing during her studies at the State Art Institute of Civitavecchia. Her creations are designed to evoke emotions through even the smallest details.

End of the tour and departure.



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