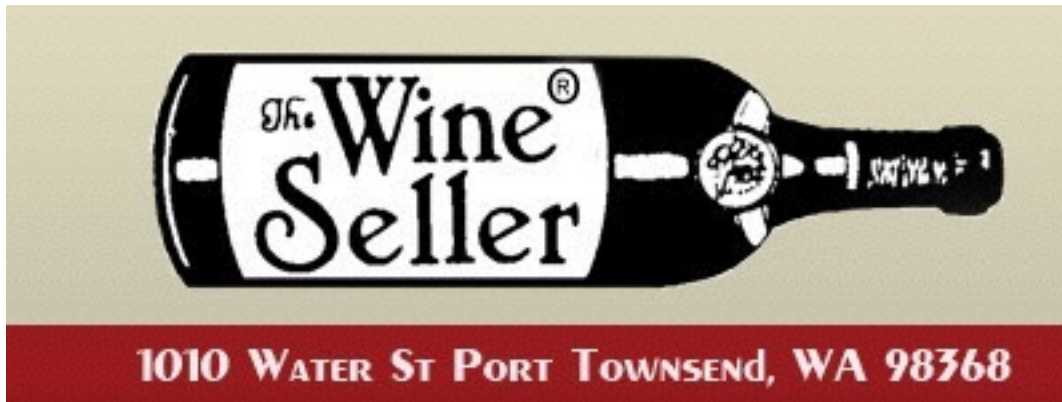


The Enthusiastic Traveler

Going Crazy for Sangiovese ~ with Joe Euro!

Join us, JOE EURO and THE ENTHUSIASTIC TRAVELER, for authentic and charming adventures in the hill towns of Umbria and Tuscany! Explore superb foods paired with unforgettable and elegant Italian wines while exploring unsung Umbria and Tuscan Treasures.





What does autumn in Italy mean? It means rustic family recipes, wine harvesting, and blazing fires. It means cooking classes, truffle hunting, and laughter. It means olive harvests, foggy mornings, and wood smoke in the air. It means sunny days and cool nights. It means autumn sunsets, and home made pasta, pizza. It means chanting monks and church bells peeling. It means many things, but most of all, it means a change. A shift in your spirit, and the way you approach life. Come and see what we mean. We hope you can join us for 12 days in Umbria and Tuscany.



Joe Euro enjoys including his clients in his travels introducing them to wines of the world. This will be his 4th tour with The Enthusiastic Traveler exploring the rich and mostly uncharted regions of Europe. His wine store, THE WINE SELLER is in Port Townsend, Washington.

*Welcome to Rustic and Historic Umbria and Tuscany.
Find charming villages at every turn!*

October 26th – November 6th, 2019!



“If I lived here...I have a feeling this place would take me.”
— **Frances Mayes, *A Year in the World: Journeys of a Passionate Traveller in Tuscany***

Day 1 Saturday October 26th, 2019

Arrive Florence or Rome and depart for the Umbrian Countryside.
Get comfortable with an arrival aperitif and welcome dinner and wine pairing. (D)



Day 2 Sunday October 27th, 2019

Visit the city of Orvieto and view the chapel of Signorelli. Stroll the pottery-lined streets and take in the Etruscan sites. Enjoy a long lunch and wine tasting at Altarocca, with stunning views. (B, L)

Day 3 Monday October 28th, 2019

Spoletto boasts monuments, and squares and fountains, and the splendor of days gone by. Sip a coffee at the foot of the aqueduct, and stroll the cobbled streets and gorgeous shop as do poets, and painters. Enjoy lunch and a wine tasting at Terre Margaritelli. This afternoon, nourish your spirit and quench your thirst for art. It is only here, with your illustrious guide, at the foot of Assisi, that you'll understand how modern St. Francis' words are. See his little church inside the big church, which is splendid and surprising, and step into the Basilica and see how the great masters depicted his life through paintings. Tonight dinner is on your own back in Spello. (B, L)

Day 4 Tuesday October 29th, 2019

We begin with a Breakfast of Champions, Umbrian style, at a local artisan salumi producer in the charming Bevagna. Taste a selection of cured meats, and take a tour of a medieval papermaker's workshop as well as visit the remains of the town's ancient Roman theater. Stops in bakeries, pasta shops & cashmere producers plus an elegant light lunch make for a perfect day out! This afternoon enjoy a wine tasting from Joe's Portfolio. Tonight is a free evening in Spello. (B, L)

Day 5 Wednesday October 30th

This morning we depart for Tuscany for 5 nights.

Enjoy a cooking class on our arrival this morning with our Michelin starred Chef and lunch includes pasta making! We'll tour the families highly rated winery, and taste the wines with lunch. The afternoon in Cortona our guide tours us to all the best places. Enjoy the evening in Cortona on your own. (B, L)

We check in to Villa Marsili overlooking the Val d'Chiana.



Day 6 Thursday October 31st

This morning we will harvest olives from a family home, and eat lunch with the family, and take our olives to the mill to earn our bottle of fresh pressed olive oil. Tonight, relaxed and satisfied, we take dinner at an old mill and celebrate Halloween in Tuscany! (B, L, D)



Day 7 Friday November 1st

Today we will enjoy a city tour of Siena and lunch on our own. Visit the famous landmarks in beautiful Medieval city for the day. Heading back to Cortona we'll stop at one of Joe's favorite producers, San Felice. Dinner is at Canta Napoli. (B, D)

Day 8, Saturday November 2nd

Enjoy a city tour of Pienza, and visit the Abbey of Sant'Antimo Lunch at Perazzeta with the winemakers, the Bocci Family is always fun. Beautiful drive home in the Orcia Valley gives us unbelievable photo ops and one more Brunello tasting. Dinner is on your own. (B, L)

Day 9, Sunday November 3rd

Today is yours to visit the Etruscan Museum, do last minute shopping or hike around the lovely environs of Cortona. Tonight we have a farewell dinner with music at a 1 * Michelin restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10 Monday, November 4th, 2019

Transfer to Florence this morning so you can embrace a full day city tour. Meander the streets with your knowledgeable guide and see all the highlights including David. Grab a delicious bite to eat at a local favorite for lunch. Overnight in Florence at Hotel L'Orologio (B, L)



Day 11 Tuesday, November 5th, 2019

Vasari Corridor, designed by Giorgio Vasari in the 16th century, is an elevated medieval passageway connecting Palazzo Vecchio and the Pitti Palace, crossing the Arno River. The near-mile-long, elevated walkway was once a secret, used by the Medici family to travel unnoticed through Florence, and today home to Italy's most important collection of self-portraits. Most of the day is free for you to enjoy on your own. Tonight we gather for our farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12 Wednesday, November 6th, 2019

Fond farewells and transfers the airport. (B)



Our trips are authentic journeys through Italy, with small and intimate groups. We have been making beautiful tours together for 15 years. We have a travel agent at your disposal to help you with your airfare

4395.00 per person
Rates are in USD

Our Hotels are:

Palazzo Bocci in Spello for 4 nights
<https://www.palazzobocci.com>

Villa Marsili in Cortona for 5 nights.
<https://www.villamarsili.net>

In Florence, Hotel L'Orologio for 2 nights.
<https://www.hotelorologioflorence.com/#box1>



POLICY

In the unlikely event that something may change, replacement will be of equal quality. We recommend that you fly into Florence or Rome/out of Florence.

Includes:

- *Everything listed in the itinerary*
- *Lodging in lovely accommodations, each w/private bath.*
- *Ground transportation including one group transfer from and to airport*
- *Guided tours*
- *Every breakfast, at least one main meal every day, and the foods in the various tastings.*
- *Wine tastings*
- *Olive Oil tasting*
- *Admission fees*
- *Cooking classes*

Does not include:

- *Airfare*
- *Single Supplement Fee (If requested, (1675.00) Means a person is un-willing to share a room if traveling alone.*
- *Occasional supplemental meals*
- *Travel for personal errands/meals/shopping while on the tour.*

Doumina can help arrange:

- *All other transportation and ideas for other destinations*

*USD 1,200.00 deposit is required upon booking. **Deposit is non-refundable.***

Final payment is due 180 days prior to departure.

All items mentioned in this itinerary are included.

All breakfasts and at least one main meal every day

Full refund for cancellation 175 days prior to departure

50% refund for cancellation 90-174 days prior to departure.

25% refund up to and not beyond 60 days prior to departure.

Travel insurance recommended, but not obligatory, with each booking.

Airfare not included.