



MARCHESI VINEYARDS GOES TO ITALY 2015

PADUA, SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

MILAN, TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER

Saturday 12th September

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Individual arrivals in Padua, and accommodation at Hotel Europa**** (www.hoteleuropapd.it).

20.00 Welcome dinner with Tonon winery wines.

Sunday 13th September

B L D

Guided visit to the stunning Scrovegni Chapel in Padua, the most complete series of frescoes executed by Giotto and a real masterpiece in the history of Italian painting.

Visit Cavazza winery in Montebello Vicentino, with wine tasting and light lunch in the cellar.

Transfer to Marostica and free time to enjoy this ancient town and the famous square where every even year a game of chess using live pieces is played.

Visit Villa Tiepolo Passi near Treviso, one of the many architectural treasures of this region, the famous Venetian Villas. The visit will be followed by a dinner with Foss Marai winery wines.

Back to your hotel in Padua and overnight stay.

Monday 14th September

B L

Departure to Gorino, where you will start a boat trip in the Po delta, including a light lunch aboard.

Transfer to Ferrara and check in at Hotel Touring*** (www.hoteltouringfe.it), right by the Estense castle.

Enjoy some time to explore this beautiful city, whose historic center is inscribed in the Unesco World Heritage list.

Free dinner in Ferrara.

Tuesday 15th September

B L D

Departure baggage on board to Pianoro, near Bologna.

Visit Podere Riosto winery, with wine tasting and lunch.

Transfer to Fratta Terme and check in at Grand Hotel Terme della Fratta**** (www.termedellafratta.it), where you will have some time to relax in the wellness center.

Visit Celli winery in Bertinoro and dinner in a local trattoria with Celli wines.

Back to your hotel and overnight stay.

Wednesday 16th September

B L D

Departure to Faenza, widely renowned for its majolica manufactures, and visit the Maestri Maiolicari workshop.

Move to Sorbara for a visit to a producer of the celebrated DOP Balsamic Vinegar of Modena, followed by a “balsamic vinegar” lunch, from appetizer to ice cream!

Go to Verona and check in at hotel Milano*** (www.hotelmilano-vr.it), just a few steps from the very heart of the city: Piazza Brà and the Arena.

After some time to relax, move to Soave, one of the most famous wine areas in the Verona region, and visit Cantina del Castello winery. Dinner in restaurant with local specialties and Cantina del Castello wines.

Back to your hotel in Verona and overnight stay.

Thursday 17th September

B L D

Transfer to Lake Garda for a boat trip around the Sirmione peninsula, followed by some free time to enjoy a walk in Sirmione and lunch.

Visit Salvalai/Cesari winery in Cavaion Veronese.

Back to Verona and time to explore the romantic “Romeo and Juliet” city, another Unesco site.

Dinner in Verona with Salvalai winery wines.

Friday 18th September

B L

Departure to the Bergamo area to visit Locatelli Caffi winery, with wine tasting and lunch in the cellar.

Move near Pavia and visit Sant’Andrea winery, with a tasting of their wines.

Transfer to Asti and check in at Hotel Aleramo*** * (www.aleramo.it), right in the city center.

Free dinner in Asti.

Saturday 19th September

B D

Transfer to the gorgeous Langhewine region, home to the treasured white truffles and Barolo, the Italian “king of wines”, with a visit to Stefano Farina winery, surrounded by vineyards.

Move to Alba, the main town in the Langhe, for a free lunch and time for a stroll and food shopping.

Back to Asti with a panoramic drive through the vineyard hills of the Barbaresco area.

Dinner in Asti with Cascina Castlèt wines.

Sunday 20th September

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Today in Asti it's Palio time!

Palio di Asti is a bareback horse race whose origins date back to the XIII century. All day will be dedicated to the many ceremonies, events and parades that will take place in the city center, culminating in the horse race and the Palio winner.

Palio dinner in Asti with Stefano Farina wines.

Monday 21st September

B L D

Departure from Asti to the Monferrato region, which – together with the Langhe – was recently inscribed in the Unesco World Heritage List.

Visit Mazzetti d'Altavilla, an outstanding grappa distillery among the Monferrato hills.

Visit Montalbera winery without missing a taste of their superb Ruché, a traditional wine made with native grapes, to be enjoyed with a variety of snacks (light lunch).

Move to Castello di Gabiano, a beautiful ancient castle surrounded by a splendid garden with labyrinth. Visit the old cellars and taste their production of local fine wines.

Transfer to Oleggio check in at Hotel Villa delle Rose**** (www.hotelvilladellerose.net) and farewell dinner.

Tuesday 22nd September

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Individual departures.