



Inclusions and Investment

- 6 nights accommodations in a luxury Tuscan villa
- gourmet breakfast daily with coffee made to order, fresh pastry, eggs, fruits & cured meats
- three mini culinary lessons on olive oil, local cheeses & cured Italian meats
- one hands-on cooking lesson featuring homemade pasta & ravioli
- three hands-on wine pairing lessons including a vertical Brunello tasting led by Jessica Granatiero
- customized visits, tours and tastings at four vineyards
- five gourmet 3-8 course dinners included; three at the villa with custom wine pairings and two off-site in Lucca, and Florence paired with wine
- luxury coach transport to and from all vineyards and organized off-site events
- full use of the villa grounds and pool (weather permitting)
- service charges and taxes

from \$3,150 per guest

per person based on double occupancy, land only. Airport transfers can be arranged through Annie's Escapes. Luxury suites are available and can accommodate up to 4 guests at a discounted rate. Single supplement available. Vineyard dates are subject to change due to the hustle of harvest season.



In partnership with

The Savory Grape is located 15 minutes south of Providence in beautiful East Greenwich. The Savory Grape is one of the premier wine shops in Rhode Island, established in 2006. But it's more than a wine shop. It's a gathering place for people to share in their love of not only wine, but also craft brews & spirits, many of which can't be found elsewhere.

Easy Entertaining Inc. is located in the heart of Providence and has been providing farm to fork catering services since 2006. Since opening their cafe and event space in November of 2012, they have been enjoying tailoring custom events, breakfasts, lunches and elegant evenings for all the amazing "Locavores" in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

Villa Daniella Grossi - our home base is a 17th century luxury villa. Located in the hills of Lucca and restored tastefully with hand painted frescos, rose gardens, lemon trees and vineyard views - Villa Daniella is an experience unto itself. Each room is different and has been updated with modern baths, mini fridges, hair dryers, personal safes, luxurious linens and stunning views. www.VillaDaniellaGrossi.it

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SAVORING ITALY

A GOURMET FOOD & WINE TOUR OF
TUSCANY

OCTOBER 5TH-11TH, 2014



LA BELLA VITA

Welcome to a land that time has not touched, where food is art and wine is king. Welcome to rolling hills, spectacular sunsets, and breathtaking accommodations. Welcome to Tuscany. We welcome you to be our guest on this personalized wine & food tour of Tuscany. No crowds, no organized, boring, run-of-the-mill tours here. Just custom built, behind-the-scenes, one-of-a-kind experiences. Welcome to Italy.

Savoring Italy

Schedule of Events

Sunday, October 5th, 2014

Whether you're arriving in Tuscany on an overnight flight from the US or on a train from another Italian city, you'll make your own way to a luxury Tuscan villa in the heart of Lucca. Kait & Jess will meet you with a welcome wine & Tuscan cheese tasting. The tasting will be followed by a three course traditional Tuscan "welcome dinner."

Monday, October 6th, 2014

After enjoying a gourmet breakfast complete with cappuccino, we will board our coach accommodations to our first insider's vineyard tour to Tre Monti Vineyards, one of Jess' favorite family vineyards. Jess will lead us as we enjoy a signature tour, tasting and lunch, all amidst the backdrop of the stunning vineyard. From there we will stop off for a visit to Bologna, widely regarded as the gastronomic capital of Italy. Explore and shop for a few hours on your own before we return to the villa. Dinner is on your own tonight in Bologna, so dine on!

Tuesday, October 7th, 2014

With a leisurely breakfast filling us up we will take a quick trip up the road to a Lucchese Vineyard to experience Lucchese wines. We will enjoy an in-depth tour of this modern winery, followed by an afternoon tasting overlooking the vineyard. That afternoon, we will return to the villa and enjoy a hands-on cooking lesson with Chef Kait. We will make our own pasta and learn about the art of ravioli. That evening, we will dine at the villa on our own handy work. Jess will lead us in a vertical Brunello tasting and pairing to round out the evening.

Wednesday, October 8th, 2014

Enjoy a trip south to the picturesque Bolgheri region where cypress tree lined avenues reign. Today, we will explore Argentario and enjoy some fantastic

Super Tuscans. After a lovely lunch and an in-depth wine lesson we will stop in the quaint town of Bolgheri for a few hours. Upon return to the villa we will walk to a local restaurant to enjoy a 5 course meal exploring the history of the slow food movement and Lucchese cuisine. Don't forget the fantastic local wine pairings to boot!

Thursday, October 9th, 2014

We will depart early this morning for our favorite Chianti vineyard, Luiano. A fan favorite from past tours, this family run, stunning vineyard will provide a tour of the grounds followed by a gourmet lunch and wine pairing. Then, we are off to Florence for the afternoon. That evening we will enjoy dinner at one of Chef Kait's regular haunts from when she attended culinary school here. It's cash-only and intended exclusively for Italian guests, but Chef Kait has the "in" and will guide us through a tasting of authentic Bistecca alla Fiorentina.

Friday, October 10th, 2014

Your last full day in paradise is going to be filled with, "la bella vita." An optional shuttle into central Lucca will be offered. Additionally, a walk to the local vineyard behind the villa can be arranged so you can experience a final taste of Lucchese wines! Chef Kait will hold an optional mini class discussion on the olive oils of the country and Jess will pair some wines gathered throughout the tour. But, save room... we will conclude the tour with a 5-7 course tasting menu, complete with wine pairings.

Saturday, October 11th, 2014

All good things must come to an end. As we come to the end of our time together in Tuscany, we kindly ask that all guests depart the villa by 10am on Saturday morning. We can't wait to see you all back stateside. Ciao!



YOUR GUIDES

Jessica Granatiero, proprietor of *The Savory Grape*, one of Rhode Island's most prominent wine shops. With recognition from the *WSJ*, *Wine Spectator* and *RI Monthly's* best wine shop award from 2006-2013, Jessica offers a true taste authentic of Italian wine. Traveling many times to Italy to hand-pick vineyards and vintages for *The Savory Grape* has made Jessica the resident expert from the vine to your glass.

Kaitlyn Roberts, founder & owner of *Easy Entertaining Inc*; a farm to fork cafe & catering company, completed her culinary training in Tuscany, speaks fluent Italian and returns frequently to lead educated tourists in hands-on, one-of-a-kind experiences. Roberts will be your guide to all things gourmet.