



ITALIAN & WINE

PISA, ITALY

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Italian & Wine program enables you to combine an Italian course with wine lessons. This unique program offers exciting hands-on wine classes, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.

CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Pisa, a city of great historical and cultural interest in the heart of Tuscany, is considered the ideal place for studying Italian. Besides the Leaning Tower and the Piazza del Duomo, Pisa is famous for many other masterpieces of art. It's university, founded in the 13th century, is one of the oldest in Europe and the "Scuola Normale Superiore" is frequented by students from all over the world.

All this testifies that Pisa is a center for study. Pisa also has a convenient geographical situation, as it is only a few miles away from Florence, Lucca, Volterra, Siena; the sea is only a four mile distance and can easily be reached by public transportation.

The city of over 87,500 residents contains more than 20 other historic churches, several palaces and various bridges across the River Arno.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Italian & Wine Program in Pisa, students will receive a well rounded wine education through specific programs, greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for wine and wine-tasting into one incredible life-changing experience.



What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 1 week minimum-group 20 Italian 45 minute lessons per week in group of 5- 12 students per class.
- **Wine Lessons:** Two 2 hour lessons per week
- **Lodging:** In a Student Residence or Homestay
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
- * Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage ****
- ** See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 20 hours per week of Group Italian classes with a 1 week minimum. Maximum number of students per class is 5, with the average being 2 students. Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Italian.

All of our teachers are native speakers with university educations and are very experienced teaching Italian to foreigners. Most have learned a second language themselves and understand the student's perspective.

The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class. Classes are 45 minutes in length.

WINE LESSONS

A course of a mainly practical nature aimed at providing basic concepts and informations regarding the main Tuscan and Italian wines and their combination with the main dishes of Italian cuisine.

This course must be attended together with a language course and is at an additional cost.

Duration: one week; 2 lessons a week, each of about 2 hours. Held in the afternoon.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

Single or double room, with breakfast, or half board. Most of the host families have worked with us for many years. The families know from experience what the role of a host is. Living with a host family offers you the opportunity to become quickly into the Italian society. Nowhere else will you so directly experience real Italian life. The word 'family' should not be taken too literally, because your family could also be a single parent or a childless couple who take in students because they enjoy the company. You can choose between a room with breakfast or half-board (breakfast and dinner). You will be given hospitality by families or single ladies who will introduce you to genuine Italian cooking as well as our way of life.

SHARED APARTMENT

Single or double room, shared use of kitchen, bathroom and shower, living room and other common areas. You share a flat or floor of a house either with other students from our school, with other Italian students or with the owner. In selecting the apartments, we do not look for luxury and comfort in material sense, but the apartments are furnished with all essential utilities (bed, table, chair, wardrobe). Kitchen and bathroom are of common use.

In the fully equipped kitchen you can prepare your meals separately or together with your flatmates and fellow students. Normally there is no telephone in the apartment. In any case, our schools can provide you with cell phone rental services. Very often in Pisa, though not always, there is an Italian in these flats who is responsible for the running of the flat

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 1 week of classes, two 2 hour sessions of cooking lessons a week, and 1 weeks of housing ranges from:

\$644 → \$719**

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

Minimum age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult.

ACTIVITIES

- Locally organized excursions around Pisa
- Summer tennis courts and swimming at the beach available
- Access to sports centers throughout Pisa for recreation

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the ITALIAN & WINE program in Pisa, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/online/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.