

Water & Gardens tour

Thermal waters & SPA + Gardens & Parks as a guideline for a journey that links 2 flourishing territories – Tuscany and Langhe - rich, not only in art and history or in food and wine, but also in **wild nature and designed landscapes**. Immerse yourself in a tour that is both joy for the eyes and nourishment for the senses.



Day 1 – ARRIVAL – SAN CASCIANO DEI BAGNI – Thermal water & Castle

- Private transfer from airport to hotel.
- Check in at **Fonteverde: a 5* Resort & SPA** set in an amazing noble villa, originally built as a renaissance palace for the Grand Duke Ferdinando I de' Medici. The resort overlooks the majestic rolling hills of Val d'Orcia, and is set atop a natural hot springs to fully utilize the power of the thermal waters, with its collection of panoramic pools, hot tubs and treatment facilities.
- Enjoy the healing and relaxing properties of the Fonteverde hot springs and the wide offer of their thermal and spa packages surrounded by enchanting views.
- In the evening: transfer to the unique setting of the **Castle of Fighine**, passing through the “natural gardens” of the Val d'Orcia landscape.
- Tasting dinner at the Michelin rated restaurant “Castello di Fighine”, in the heart of the intimate and picturesque hamlet of Fighine
- Transfer back to Fonteverde and overnight at the Resort

Day 2 – LA FOCE & SAN QUIRICO

- Breakfast at the hotel
- After checkout, transfer to the small medieval village of **San Quirico**, in the heart of the Val d'Orcia
- On the way to S. Quirico stop for a guided visit of the impressive **gardens of La Foce**: a formal Italian garden, which is divided into geometrical 'rooms' by box hedges with lemon trees in terracotta pots. Travertine stairs lead to the rose garden and a winding wisteria-covered pergola bordered by lavender hedge.
- In S. Quirico, check in at the **Palazzo del Capitano wellness & Relais**, part of the Capitano Collection Luxury & Design Boutique hotels and villas. The hotel is housed in a XIV century historic building, a few steps from Palazzo Chigi and La Collegiata Church.
- In the afternoon optional horse back ride or e-bike tour to immerse yourself in the beautiful natural scenery of the region.
- In the evening, guided tour of the **craft brewery “Birrificio San Quirico”** with beer tasting.
- Overnight at the hotel

Day 3 – HORTI LEONINI - MONTALCINO

- Breakfast at the hotel
- In the morning visit the **Horti Leonini gardens** created around 1581 thanks to the fancy and work of Diomedea Leoni. The Horti have maintained their original structure, being a well-preserved example of a classic Italian garden of the sixteenth century and a model of park layout taken over the following centuries.
- In the afternoon transfer to **Montalcino** to visit the **Locanda Demetra** organic farm, restaurant and cooking school. From their agricultural sustainable system to the restaurant dinner, passing through the cooking class, you'll live an exhaustive food experience
- Transfer back to S. Quirico and overnight at Palazzo del Capitano

Day 4 – IL BORRO

- Breakfast at the hotel
- In the morning transfer to **IL BORRO Estate**: an exclusive *Relais and Chateaux* set in one of Italy's most beautiful village whose origins are lost in the history of Medieval Tuscany. The hamlet is now owned by the family of Ferruccio Ferragamo who fell madly in love with the estate in 1985 and brought it back to life after an accurate renovation.
- Visit the impressive winery and the related **Wine&Art Gallery** that includes pieces of art by the private Ferragamo collection
- In the afternoon enjoy the peculiar activities of this private little hamlet that count craftsmanship workshop, horse riding and lessons, golf, wellness and spa.
- Overnight at the Estate





Day 5 - ALBA & GUARENE

- Breakfast at the hotel
- In the morning transfer to **Alba** area and check in at **Castello di Guarene**: a fantastically ambitious project conceived by local nobleman Carlo Giacinto Roero in the eighteenth century. The palace is an impressive three-storey edifice, reaching 25 meters in height and surrounded by extensive and **elegant gardens landscaped in the Italian style** in the first half of the eighteenth century. It commands an unequalled panorama of the whole chain of the Langhe hills
- Enjoy the distinctive gardens of the Castel and its unique SPA: from the indoor swimming pool, entirely excavated in the rocks, you can appreciate a unique landscape in absolute peace and quiet, with panoramic view on Alba, Langhe and Roero.
- In the evening nice stroll in the lovely **city center of Alba** and tasting dinner at **AL DUOMO** restaurant, one of the very few 3* Michelin rated restaurant where each dinner is an emotional experience.

Day 6 - BAROLO & LA MORRA

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to Barolo for an exciting **air balloon ride** over one of the most fascinating scenery of the region.
- In the afternoon visit the **Cordero di Montezemolo Winery**: since 1340, 19 generations one after another, have managed this Monfalletto property in the town of La Morra, the center of the production of Barolo wine. Even today, the property is entirely family-run by Giovanni Cordero di Montezemolo and his children. Peculiar of the property is the majestic, ancient **Lebanese Cedar Tree** that dominates and overlooks the surroundings vineyards.
- In the evening enjoy a typical Piedmont dinner at **Bovio restaurant** in La Morra
- Transfer to Guarene and overnight at the Castle

Day 7 - TURIN

- Breakfast at the hotel
- After check out, transfer to **Turin** that, besides being the major city of the region, has a rich culture and history and is well known for its Renaissance, Baroque, Rococo, Neo-classical and Art Nouveau architecture. A part of the historical center of Turin was inscribed in [the World Heritage List](#) under the name **Residences of the Royal House of Savoy**. In addition, the city is home to museums such as the **Museo Egizio** and the **Mole Antonelliana**.
- Check in at the **Turin Palace**, a classy 5* hotel in the city center
- In the afternoon, as as a perfect end to a tour focused on Water & Gardens, visit The Palace of Venaria - a former royal residence - and its beautiful gardens.
- In the evening **"Eating Tour" of the City**: a *traveling dinner* in which every course will be served in a different restaurant/bistrot including the enchanting "Il Circolo dei Lettori"
- Overnight in Turin

Day 8 - DEPARTURE

- Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to airport

