

16 hours of group course + 4 half day excursions + 1 full day excursion + welcome drink + 3 meals + private and public transportation

Lucca



1 week-program €590

Special price for one additional week: Italian Language and Culture €150

Italian Walking & Talking is a 1-week long program for people who would like to combine learning Italian in the mornings with afternoons spent walking through the various types of natural beauty Tuscany has to offer.

Students discover the beautiful tuscan scenery with an expert guide and language teacher who shares their love of walking off the tourist track.





MONDAY – Initial test and Italian language lessons from 9am to 1pm
La città. An urban walk “The City from the Walls”

This walk will help students get to know Lucca and the surrounding areas from the viewpoint of the Renaissance walls that encircles the city. The impressive green belt surrounding the historical centre proposes a special way to admire the ever changing scenery of the beautiful view of hills in the distance, or the city below with its unique charm of an ancient history and a modern daily life.

The walk ends with a welcoming drink at one of Lucca’s bars.

TUESDAY – La collina. A walk through the olive groves and vineyards that surround the historical homes of the old nobility of Lucca.

When you think about Tuscany, you probably visualize medieval villages, old churches, green cypress-lined roads and even hidden corners, set within a picturesque landscape of green fields, vineyards, silvery-green olive trees and rolling down hills. Well the good news is that it genuinely exists!

We round off the evening enjoying fresh local Tuscan food and good wine.

WEDNESDAY – Il mare. A walk down by the sea.

This walk starts in the Natural Park along the beautiful Tuscan coastline where students will walk through the shaded paths snaking through copses of oak, alder, pine and junipers trees and explore the moorlands and the dunes, before finally reaching the sandy beaches of the Tyrrhenian Sea.

THURSDAY – La montagna (full day excursion). A walk through the mountains.

This walk will take students through the mountains north of Lucca, known as Garfagnana, the “green lungs of Tuscany.” Lunch in a typical local trattoria. In the afternoon the walk will continue to Barga, the most charming town of the region.

FRIDAY – Il lago. “The village of Massaciuccoli in the footsteps of Giacomo Puccini”

Massaciuccoli lake is a natural area which stretches between the coast of the Tyrrhenian Sea and an impressive hillside. Its big environmental heritage is home to many unique animals and plants and the wildlife oasis and the Roman ruins from the 1st century AD will make our hike unique. The steep mountainsides of the Apuan Alps defines this suggestive wide area of land. The excursion will end at Osteria Le Terme where we will enjoy locally produced salumi and other typical products.

Lucca: March 12 – April 23 – Sept. 24 – Oct. 22 – Nov. 05, 2018

Please note, the course requires a minimum of two students

Public Holidays and closure days: Apr. 2, 25 – May 1 – Aug. 15 – Oct. 4 (Bologna only) – Nov. 1
Christmas holiday in Florence and Bologna: Dec. 22 2018 – Jan. 6 2019 / Christmas holiday in Lucca: Dec.
22 2018 – Jan. 13 2019 — Bologna is closed from Aug. 13 to Aug. 17, 2018