

Monte Amiata Safari

19 - 24 April 2027



Five days exploring the undiscovered Monte Amiata region of Southern Tuscany: a pioneering walking route traversing the Orcia River valley and Maremma hills, forging a link between magnificent medieval castles.

Journey on foot across a mythical corner of Italy - hot springs, Etruscan gods, bee-eaters and wild boars, golden olive oil, blue blood, and the finest red wines in Tuscany...





Itinerary

Day 1 / Mon 19th April

Arrival in Tuscany / Bagno Vignoni. Chance to soak in the thermal hot springs before dinner at a local trattoria. Overnight Bagno Vignoni.

Day 2 / Tue 20th April

We cross the Orcia River and climb through oak forests, then descend via farmlands to our lunch spot. In the afternoon we ascend with wide-ranging views towards the town of Seggiano, where we stay (for two nights) in a pristine valley on the slopes of the Monte Amiata at Castello di Potentino (potentino.com). Wine tasting and dinner at Castello di Potentino. [estimated walk totals: 17km walk; 600m ascent, 500m descent. Optional vehicle pickup available at lunchtime for anyone who prefers to walk a half-day only.]

Day 3 / Wed 21st April

Today's walk traverses the Zancona stream, climbing through chestnuts and olive groves to the hilltop town of Monticello Amiata. Lunch at a trattoria in Monticello. Afternoon transfer back to Potentino and rest of the evening at leisure at the castle. [estimated walk totals 12km walk; 700m ascent, 500m descent.]

Day 4 / Thu 22nd April

From below Monticello we follow a ridge dropping steadily into the Orcia River valley. Having crossed the river we continue through Brunello-vineyards and woodland to the stunning Castello di Argiano (www.sestiwine.com) where we stay for two nights—one of Montalcino's finest wine estates. [estimated totals 18km walk; 350m ascent, 650m descent. Optional vehicle pickup available for those who prefer to walk a half-day only.]

Day 5 / Fri 23rd April

Morning at leisure to enjoy Argiano's dreamy castle and estate. Late morning hike to the nearby town of Sant'Angelo Scalo (about 1 hour) for lunch at a local trattoria. Evening wine-tasting of the Sesti wines, followed by final dinner at Argiano.

Day 6 / Sat 24th April

Departure and onward travel.



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- The trip price includes: 5 nights accommodation; all breakfasts, lunches and dinners (excluding all alcohol/drinks); entrance to the thermal hot springs at Bagni Vignoni; wine-tasting at Castello di Potentino and Castello di Argiano; guiding by Rudston Steward; baggage transfers; optional vehicle pickups on the walks.
- The trip price excludes: travel to/from Tuscany; arrival and departure transfers (can be arranged upon request); alcohol/drinks, tips/gratuities; travel insurance.
- If, when a trip booking is confirmed, the hotels specified in the itinerary have insufficient rooms available, then hotels of comparable quality will be used instead.
- Please contact us to discuss the difficulty level of the walks and the nature of the hiking terrain in Tuscany before booking.

