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ITALY BELLA!

DRAFT DAILY ITINERARY as at 9/29/2023

May 15 – 26, 2024

Flights will be into Milan Malpensa airport (MXP) on Thursday, May 16th (leaving the US on Wednesday May 15th) and back from Florence Peretola airport (FLR) on Sunday May 26th.

Day 0: Wednesday, May 15
Flights from US

Day 1: Thursday, May 16 (Milan)

Arrival and hotel check-in [Hotel de la Ville]

- **Welcome reception & dinner**

Day 2: Friday, May 17 (Milan)

- Morning coach & walk in Milan
- **Lunch**

Afternoon free

- Performance of Donizetti's *Don Pasquale* at La Scala

Day 3: Saturday, May 18 (Milan)

- Milan touring: Ambrosiana? [Last Supper?] Castello?
- **Lunch**
- Private concert at S. Maurizio

Day 4: Sunday, May 19 (Parma)

Transfer to Parma – lunch enroute – hotel check-in [Hotel Stendhal]

- 15:30: Performance of *Tosca* at Teatro Regio
- **Dinner**

Day 5: Monday, May 20 (Parma)

- Walking tour of Parma: Duomo, Battistero, Teatro Farnese, Toscanini House
- **Lunch**
- Excursion for tastings of *parmegiano* and *balsamico*?

Evening free

Day 6: Tuesday, May 21 (Parma)

- Excursion to Busseto: *culatello* tasting, **lunch**, Verdi house

Evening free

Day 7: Wednesday, May 22 (Florence)

- Transfer to Florence, via vineyard: **lunch & private concert**
- Arrival and hotel check-in: [Hotel Orologio or Regency or Bernini Palace]
- San Miniato

Day 8: Thursday, May 23 (Florence)

Morning & afternoon tours of Florence

- Santa Croce/Bargello OR Santa Maria Novella/Cappella Rucellai
- **Lunch** at Cantinetta Antinori
- Galleria degli Uffizi
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Day 9: Friday, May 24 (Florence)

- Santa Maria Novella
- Excursion to Carmignano
 - Villa Medici at Poggio a Caiano
- **Lunch & private concert** at vineyard
- [Evening concert?]

Day 10: Saturday, May 25 (Florence)

Free day

- [Evening concert?]
- **Farewell Dinner**

Day 11: Sunday, May 26

Departures

Our tour organizers ***The Grand Tour***, plan to have the registration forms, tour price and more information on performances in Florence by the week of October 23rd. As soon as they are available I will send them to you and they will also be available on our website.

Questions? Contact The Grand Tour at **800-727-2995**, info@thegrandtour.com or Music in the Vineyards at **707-258-5559**, info@musicinthevineyards.org.