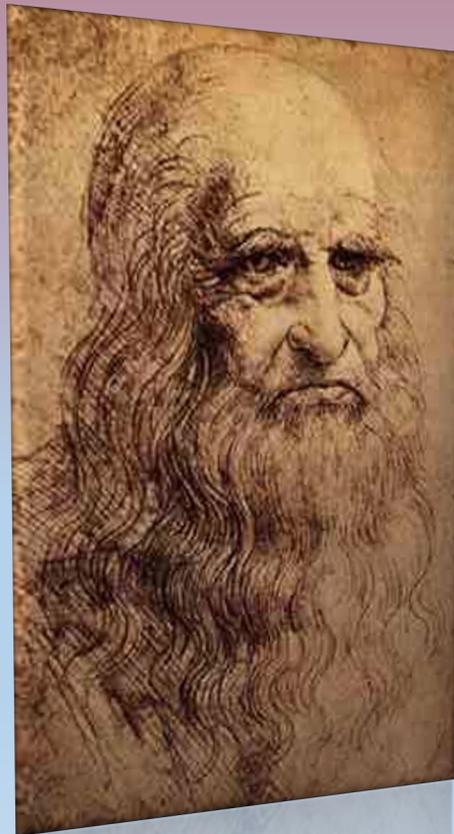




Leonardo Da Vinci Tour

2019: 500 years of the
Renaissance





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Day 1.

Arrival at Florence Airport where you will be met by our tour leader that will escort to your hotel in Pistoia.

Rest of the day to relax before your welcome cocktail and dinner

Overnight

Day 2.

Today, after breakfast you will start the journey to discover the life of Leonardo Da Vinci starting with the visit of Anchiano a hamlet close to Vinci, village where the Genius was born in 1452.



Leonardo was a painter, architect, inventor, and student of all things scientific. His natural genius crossed so many disciplines that he epitomized the term “Renaissance man.” Today he remains best known for his art, including two paintings that remain among the world’s most famous and admired, Mona Lisa and The Last Supper. Art, da Vinci believed, was indisputably connected with science and nature. Largely self-educated, he filled dozens of secret notebooks with inventions, observations and theories about pursuits from aeronautics to anatomy. But the rest of the world was just beginning to share knowledge in books made with moveable type, and the concepts expressed in his notebooks were often difficult to interpret. As a result, though he was lauded in his time as a great artist, his contemporaries often did not fully appreciate his genius—the combination of intellect and imagination that allowed him to create, at least on paper, such inventions as the bicycle, the helicopter and an airplane based on the physiology and flying capability of a bat.



We will be visiting the house where Leonardo was born and after the visit we will have a wine tasting at the Leonardo DaVinci winery with some light snack.

In the afternoon a short drive to Florence.

A walking tour of Florence will be the prelude to the visit to the Accademia and Galleria degli Uffizi to admire few masterpieces of the Maestro.....

Dinner at local restaurant in Florence before returning to our hotel in Pistoia.

Day 3 (from 04/15/2019 to 7/14/2019) other dates see blow

After breakfast we will depart to Torino the first Capital of Italy.

Along the road we will stop in Desana for a very special lunch with rice as basic ingredient of all our dishes.

Arrival in Torino, check in and after a refreshing shower we will have a nice dinner at local restaurant

Overnight

Day 4.

The day is dedicated to the visit of Torino – the first capital of Italy – with the main topics the visit to the auto-portrait of Leonardo da Vinci. Lunch will be at the Venaria Reale – the hunting palace of the King of Italy – and we will visit the museum of Venaria.

After lunch we will be visiting the Cinema museum and experience the





famous chocolate stopping in different location each one with its own specialties,



Evening free to experience this beautiful city on your own
Overnight

Day 5

After breakfast will head to Milan (2hrs drive) to visit one of the major masterpiece of Leonardo: The last Supper.

After lunch we will discover the other great painters of the Renaissance at the Brera Gallery admiring worldwide re-nown painting of Gentile da Fabriano, Mantegna, Bellini, Tintoretto, Bramantino, Piero della Francesca and Raffaello Sanzio, Caravaggio, Tiepolo.



Return to Torino
Overnight

Day 6

Today we will cross the borders with France via the Frejus Tunnel reaching the gastronomic city of Lyon where a Lunch will be served at local restaurant before continuing our trip to Amboise where Leonardo spend the last 5 years of his life at the Clos Luce'

Check in at local hotel Chateau
Dinner at the hotel.
Overnight

Day 7

The Clos Luce' will be the major attraction of the day.
Fell the vibrant and incredible atmosphere of Leonardo da Vinci house. You will have the sensational feeling that Leonardo can be just around the corner to welcome you.
His bedroom, the leaving room, the kitchen, his lab and touch with your hand his invention placed in the magnificent garden that surround his house.



At the end of the visit a short walk will bring us at the Chateau d'Amboise where is buried in a small chapel in the courtyard of the Chateau.

We will be visiting the magnificent Castle and then back to the Hotel.

Tonight, dinner will be served at a very special venue and we will taste the French cuisine surrounded by a very particular ambiance: La Cave Restaurant

Day 8

We cannot leave the Loire Valley without visiting the famous Chateaux.... We will be visiting 2 of the most renowned ones: Chambord and Chenonceaux

We will start with the chateau de Chenonceaux and then we will continue visiting the city of Blois where a lunch will be served at Restaurant in Blois (L'Orangerie du chateau) before continuing to Chambord for the last today visit of local impressive Castle.

Then we will be visiting the chateau de Chambord with a Loire valley wine tasting
Return to the hotel and overnight



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Day 9

Our final destination will be reached today : Paris where we will be spending the last 3 days.

Along the road we will stop in Orleans – the city of Jeanne D'Arc – and then in Chartres to visit the magnificent Cathedral.

Lunch will be on your own in Chartres.

We will be reaching Paris in the late afternoon.

Tonight, dinner at local restaurant

Overnight

Day 10

We cannot return home without seeing the masterpiece of Leonardo, full of mysteries, gossips, and anecdotes that made this painting the most visited in the entire World: **The Gioconda** at the Louvre Museum.

After the guided visit a city tour will be scheduled to explore Paris... La Ville Lumiere.

Tonight a farewell dinner will be served on an enchanting river cruise boat.

Day 11

Transfer to the airport for your flight back home bringing with you memories that will last for ever.





(same itinerary for day 1 and 2)

Day 3

After breakfast we will depart to Milan.

Along the road we will stop in Modena to visit the Balsamic Vinegar factory and taste this incredible product of Italy.

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Overnight



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Return to the hotel and a free night with dinner on your own

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Overnight



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Evening on your own

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The Package includes:

- * 10 nights/11 days Hotel accommodation
 - * 2 nights Pistoia—Hotel Villa Cappugi 4* or similar
 - * 3 nights Torino—Grand Hotel Sitea 5* or similar
 - * Or
 - * 2 nights Milan—Hotel Cavalieri 4* or similar
 - * 3 nights in Amboise—Chateau d'Artigny 4* or similar
 - * 2 or 3 nights in Paris—Trianon Rive Gauche 4* or similar
- * Meal plan
 - * Daily Breakfast
 - * 3 tastings
 - * 7 dinners (1 dinner cruise)
 - * 4 lunches (itinerary 1) - 2 lunches (itinerary 2)
- * Tour leader throughout the entire trip
- * Deluxe Motorcoach with a/c for the entire itinerary
- * Transfer in and out at airports
- * Local guides
- * Entrance fee where needed
- * Porterage at hotels
- * Hotel taxes and service fees

