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# *Tuscany Coastline*

## FROM THE LEANING TOWER TO ELBA

Hardly any other country makes the traveller's heart beat faster than 'Bella Italia' and hardly any other region represents the Italian way of life as much as Tuscany. Wine, olives and the sea are just a few of the main attractions that make this tour in Italy very special. There are also cultural delights, such as the Leaning Tower of Pisa or 'Venezia Nova' in the port city of Livorno. The 'grand finale' of the 7-day tour along the Tuscan coast is the day trip to the island of Elba, where breathtaking scenery awaits.

### *Details about the cycle tour Tuscan Coast*

The starting point of your journey of discovery along the Tuscan coast is the Piazza dei Miracoli in Pisa. Even the first stage of the cycle tour invites you to take a refreshing dip in the cool water, for example, in the seaside resort of Viareggio. But it shouldn't stop there – whether the Marina di Castagneto with its characteristic beach promenade or the famous 'Golfo di Barrati' where you can enjoy 'La Dolce Vita' in the bay or on a pedal boat – if you want the sea, you will certainly get it on this tour.

Feel the Mediterranean attitude towards life at every stage of this extraordinary tour. Enjoy the culinary delights, from A for antipasti to Z for zabaglione, and marvel at the lush olive groves.

### *Highlights of the cycle tour Tuscan Coast*

- **Cycle around the Leaning Tower of Pisa:** At the start of your tour you should take a lap of the Leaning Tower of Pisa, after all, it is one of the most famous landmarks in Italy. Did you know? It is a 'campanile' a free-standing bell tower that was supposed to complement a cathedral.
- **Magnificent views over the Etruscan coast:** Pine forests, seemingly endless beaches and steep coasts – days 4 and 5 of the tour along the Tuscan coast are all about the 90km-long 'Etruscan Riviera'. Incidentally, some of the small bays in the port city of Piombino can only be reached by sea.

- **The medieval wine village of Bolgheri** is not only one of the most beautiful places in Tuscany, but also known world wine for its excellent wines (e.g. Sassicaia). Tip: The longest cypress-lined avenue in Italy at the gates of Bolgheri is also worth a snapshot.
- **Cycle to the sandy beaches of Elba:** The last day of the tour begins with a ferry ride to the island of Elba, where the sea can be enjoyed after many kilometres on the bike. The water quality around the island is considered to be excellent.

## *Useful information about the cycle tour Tuscan Coast*

The cycle tour along the Tuscan coast is a real leisure tour. The stages, between 15 and 60 kilometres long are complemented by train and ferry trips. The visually stunning views arise on mostly flat or slightly hilly terrain, mainly on natural roads with little traffic. There are only two major inclines to master.

- More [cycle tours in Tuscany](#) can be found here

### *Challenging*



7 Days / 6 Nights



Self-guided Tour

### To the online version



# Itinerary

DAY  
1

## *Arrival in Pisa*

In the evening, you will have your welcome briefing and get your bikes. A first glimpse and a visit to the exquisite old part of town is possible today too.

Hotel (example): [Repubblica Marinara](#)

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DAY  
2

## *Trip to the sea*

| approx. 30 km + train journey

From the Piazza dei Miracoli, home of the Leaning Tower, there are lovely trails winding through the national park ‚Macchia Lucchese‘ directly to the sea. Along the sandy beach you will reach the charming sea side town and spa Viareggio. On the way there and in the resort, the refreshing waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea will tempt you to dive in. Short train ride back to Pisa.

Hotel (example): [Repubblica Marinara](#)

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DAY  
3

## *Pisa – Castiglioncello*

| approx. 40 km + train journey

In the morning, you take a short train ride to Livorno. This historic harbour has a lot to offer including the well-known quarter ‚Venezia Nuova‘ with its many canals. Once you have cycled past the Belle Epoque villas along the river promenade, the bike tour continues deep into the hinterland. An extended ascent leads through the national park ‚Monti Livornesi‘, passing through traditional Tuscan villages along the way until descending towards the sea with magnificent sea views. Today's accomodation is located close to steep cliffs. The trails along the beach and palm trees truly ooze Mediterranean atmosphere.

Hotel (example): [Hotel Baia del Sorriso](#)

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DAY  
4*Castiglioncello – Marina di Castagneto*

approx. 50 km

Today's section is all about the Etruscan coastline. Via the famous white sandy beaches of Vada you will pass through some of the most striking pine forests in all of Italy. After that a cool cycle path in the shade leads you through the nature park 'Tomboli' and then on to Bibbona. From there your journey takes you to the well known wine region of Bolgheri. It is here where the top Tuscan grapes are pressed! After passing the longest Italian avenue lined with cypresses, once again the sea is not far away. Marina di Castagneto is a classic Italian sea side town with its many beach cafes and promenades.

Hotel (example): [Hotel I Ginepri](#)

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DAY  
5*Marina di Castagneto – Piombino*

approx. 60 km

The day starts with an ascent towards the medieval town called Castagneto Carducci. A well deserved break over a cup of cappuccino and stunning views follows. After that, the ride continues upwards on a curvy mountain road through romantic cork oak forests. A few breaks in little traditional villages with the characteristic stone built houses will stay in your memory forever. Next, a comfortable descent through olive groves takes you to the well-known beach 'Golfo di Baratti' with Etruscan excavation sites and all. Only a few kilometres left until Piombino, an impressive seaside town where you can relax on the Piazza directly by the sea.

Hotel (example): [Hotel Esperia](#)

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DAY  
6*Day trip to the island of Elba*

approx. 15/35 km + ferry ride

A ferry ride will take you to Portoferraio (duration approx. 1 hour). Stunning scenery and first glimpses of the island accompany the boat trip. A short cycle path along the panoramic route will lead you to several secluded bays and coves. The longer tour takes you through the hilly hinterland with its characteristic island vegetation of the 'Macchia Mediterranea'. On the return journey to Piombino a picturesque and glorious sunset at sea will be the perfect ending to this day.

Hotel (example): [Hotel Esperia](#)

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DAY  
7*Departure or extension*

# *Tour character*

The terrain is mainly flat to slightly hilly. The only two strenuous stretches are during the two legs in the hinterland. Nearly all cycle paths are asphalted and some segments along the sea will be on rustic but well maintained trails.

Due to lack of cycle paths along some sections, cycling briefly on roads with moderate traffic is unfortunately unavoidable.

# Prices and events

*Place of arrival: Pisa*

	<b>Season 1</b> 30.04.2023 - 13.05.2023   01.10.2023 - 08.10.2023   Arrival Sunday	<b>Season 2</b> 14.05.2023 - 10.06.2023   10.09.2023 - 30.09.2023   Arrival Sunday	<b>Season 3</b> 11.06.2023 - 09.09.2023   Arrival Saturday & Sunday
<b>Tuscany Coastline, 7 days, IT-TORTK-07X</b>			
Base price	929.00	999.00	1,139.00
Surcharge single room	329.00	329.00	329.00

Category: 3\*\*\* hotels, mostly directly at the sea, Pisa 4\*\*\*\* hotel

## Additional nights

*Place of arrival: Pisa*

	<b>Season 1</b> Apr 30, 2023 - May 13, 2023   Oct 1, 2023 - Oct 8, 2023   Arrival Sunday	<b>Season 2</b> May 14, 2023 - Jun 10, 2023   Sep 10, 2023 - Sep 30, 2023   Arrival Sunday	<b>Season 3</b> Jun 11, 2023 - Sep 9, 2023   Arrival Saturday & Sunday
<b>Pisa</b>			
Double room p. P.	69.00	69.00	69.00
Surcharge single room	35.00	35.00	35.00
<b>Piombino</b>			
Double room p. P.	69.00	69.00	79.00
Surcharge single room	35.00	35.00	35.00

## Our rental bikes

*Filter*

21-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
21-gear gents incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
7-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
rental bike PLUS incl. rental bike insurance	159.00
Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	239.00
Prices per person in EUR	

# Services and infos

## Services

### Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Welcome briefing (German, english)
- Luggage transfer
- EUROBIKE developed route
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- 1 Train journey from Viareggio – Pisa and from Pisa – Livorno incl. your bike
- 1 Return ferry to Elba incl. your bike
- App for Navigation and GPS-data is available
- Service hotline

### Optional extras:

- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance
- Return transfer by minibuss to Pisa every Saturday, this costs EUR 79 per person, EUR 29 extra for your own bike, to be paid in advance, reservation is necessary

## Infos

### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Pisa train station
- Pisa or Florence airport
- Public garage costs approx. EUR 17 per day, to be paid for at the time, no reservation possible or free car parking at the hotel

### Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)



## Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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