

PALACE TOURS

La Dolce Vita Orient Express: Tastes of Tuscan Vineyards

1 Nights • Luxury Experience

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ABOUT THIS TOUR

Overview

A short overnight escape from Rome into the vineyards of Tuscany, ideal for a first taste of life on board. After a welcome at the La Dolce Vita Lounge at Roma Ostiense, the train leaves in the morning and lunch by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck is served as the Tuscan landscape unfolds.

The afternoon is spent around Montalcino, among the hills and estates of the Val d'Orcia, before dinner and a night on board. The next morning brings a leisurely breakfast as the train returns to Rome Ostiense. Two days and one night, perfect for a celebration or to add to a stay in Rome.

Hotel on us: book this journey with Palace Tours and choose a hand-picked hotel in Rome before and/or after your journey.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

MONTALCINO

Your journey begins with a private transfer from your hotel or airport to the exclusive La Dolce Vita Lounge at Roma Ostiense, where a warm and refined welcome sets the tone for the experience ahead.

Departing Rome in the morning aboard La Dolce Vita Orient Express, settle into the comfort of your cabin as the rolling landscapes of Tuscany unfold beyond the windows. The Restaurant Car invites you to a gourmet lunch crafted by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck, celebrating seasonal ingredients and Italian culinary tradition with elegance and balance.

In the afternoon, the train arrives in Montalcino, a hilltop jewel surrounded by sun-drenched vineyards and cypress-lined roads. Local assistants accompany you into town, where you may choose to stroll freely through its medieval streets, or select from curated à la carte experiences, such as a private visit to a renowned winery, a tasting of Brunello, or an intimate exploration of a historic tenuta. Each experience immerses you fully in the beauty, flavors, and traditions of Tuscany.

As evening falls, return on board La Dolce Vita Orient Express. A refined dinner awaits in the Restaurant Car, once again curated by Chef Heinz Beck. The night continues in the Bar Car with live music and entertainment, while the gentle rhythm of the train carries you into a peaceful sleep.

DAY 2

ROME



Awaken to the soft light of a new morning and the tranquility of life on board. Italian breakfast is served in your cabin or in the elegant Restaurant Car, accompanied by the aroma of freshly brewed coffee and the unhurried pace of the journey.

As the train returns to Rome Ostiense, take time to savor the final moments of comfort and quiet elegance. Upon arrival, disembark with lasting memories of sunlit vineyards, timeless flavors, and a journey that captured the soul of Tuscany in every detail.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Tips & Travel Guide

Extend your journey

You can add days in Rome before the train and in Florence and Tuscany after it. Here are three suggested lengths:

- **4 days:** 2 days before the train and 2 days after
- **5 days:** 2 days before and 3 days after
- **6 days:** 3 days before and 3 days after

Before the train: Rome

- **Day 1:** Arrive in Rome and transfer privately to your hotel. In the evening, walk to Piazza Navona, the Pantheon and the Trevi Fountain.
- **Day 2:** Visit the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica with a private guide, then spend the afternoon at the Colosseum and the Roman Forum.
- **Day 3 (6-day option):** See the Borghese Gallery in the morning, then spend the afternoon and evening in Trastevere.
- The next morning, transfer to the station to board La Dolce Vita Orient Express.

After the train: Florence and Tuscany

- **Day 1:** Take the fast train from Rome to Florence, about an hour and a half. In the afternoon, visit the Duomo and the Baptistery.
- **Day 2:** See the Uffizi Gallery and Michelangelo's David at the Accademia with a private guide.
- **Day 3 (5- and 6-day options):** Spend a day in the Chianti hills, visiting wine estates and stopping for lunch in a village. Afterwards, leave from Florence or take the train back to Rome.
- The next day, transfer to the airport or your onward train.

We arrange the hotels, private transfers and guides around your train dates, and we can change any day to suit you. Prices are on request, and we have special offers on add-ons for this journey.

To request an extension, send us the enquiry form on this page and tell us which option you would like, or call 800-724-5120 (toll-free in the US) or +1 786-408-0610 from outside the US. You can also message us on WhatsApp at +1 786-408-0610.

DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Nov 22, 2026	Cabin Suite	**€6,390**	**€4,260**

Rates shown in Euro (EUR). Approximate USD equivalents available upon request.

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.

🏷️ **Look for Coupons and Special Rates on our website.**

Visit https://www.palacetours.com/tour/ldv-tastes-of-tuscan-vineyards for the latest information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Terms & Conditions

Booking & Payment

- **Deposit:** 30% of the total tour cost is due at the time of booking. The deposit is non-refundable.
- **Final payment:** the balance is due no later than 125 days before departure.
- Bookings made within 125 days of departure are payable in full at the time of booking.
- Fares are per person. Your written confirmation shows the exact amounts and due dates.

Cancellation

- **125 days or more** before departure: 30% of the total tour cost (the deposit)
- **Less than 125 days** before departure: 100% of the total tour cost

Changes

- **Date change:** free of charge, subject to availability, when requested 125 days or more before departure; after that, a fee of 15% of the total tour cost applies.
- **Cabin upgrade:** only the fare difference between cabin categories applies.
- **Cabin downgrade or passenger name correction:** free of charge up to 35 days before departure; within 35 days, EUR 500 per change.

Changes or cancellation by the train operator

If the train operator cancels or materially changes a departure, you will be offered a new date or an amended booking, a credit toward a future journey, or a refund of the amounts paid.

All cancellation, change, or update requests must be submitted in writing by email to travel@palacetours.com. A request takes effect only once we have received and processed it, and we will confirm the outcome to you in writing. Timeframes are calculated by reference to local time and business days at the destination; a request received outside business hours is treated as received on the next business day.

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance, including cancellation cover, from the moment you pay your deposit. For information on available plans, please visit www.palacetours.com/insurance.

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

How long is the Tastes of Tuscan Vineyards journey?

> It is the shortest itinerary in the collection: two days and one night, leaving Rome in the morning and returning to Rome the following late morning. You spend the single night on board in your cabin, with the afternoon and evening given to Montalcino in southern Tuscany.

What is the route?

> The train runs a round trip from Rome Ostiense north into Tuscany and back. The destination is Montalcino, a hilltop town ringed by vineyards and cypress-lined roads in the Val d'Orcia country, where local hosts meet the train in the afternoon before the overnight return to Rome.

Where do I join the train?

> A private transfer from your hotel or from the airport takes you to the La Dolce Vita lounge at Roma Ostiense station, which is the train's own private waiting room. Boarding is in the morning, and the train leaves Rome with lunch served once you are under way.

What cabin categories are available?

> This itinerary is sold in Deluxe Cabin and Cabin Suite categories. The train has 12 Deluxe cabins, 18 suites and one La Dolce Vita Suite in total, so there are very few of each on any given departure. The fare for each category and date is shown on this page.

How much does the journey cost?

> Fares start from about EUR 3,060 per person based on two people sharing a cabin, which makes this the most accessible way to try the train. Rates differ by cabin category and departure date, and the exact fare for each date is displayed on this page.

What is included in the fare?

> Included are your cabin for the night, all meals on board with menus curated by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck, selected beverages including drinks served with meals, the off-train experience in Montalcino as described in the itinerary, live entertainment in the Bar Car and a dedicated cabin steward throughout.

What is not included?

> Getting to Rome and home again is not included, nor are personal expenses, gratuities, travel insurance or anything not expressly set out in the itinerary. Hotel nights in Rome before or after the journey are not part of the fare but we can arrange them for you.

What is there to see in Montalcino?

> Montalcino is a walled hilltop town in southern Tuscany, surrounded by vineyards and the rolling farmland that makes this one of the most photographed landscapes in Italy. Local hosts welcome the train in the afternoon, and the town's fortress and narrow lanes give wide views across the surrounding hills.

What are meals like on this short journey?

> You take a gourmet lunch in the Restaurant Car shortly after leaving Rome, dinner on board that evening, and an Italian breakfast the next morning either in your cabin or in the Restaurant Car. The menus are curated by a three-Michelin-starred chef and built around seasonal Italian produce.

What is the Bar Car like in the evening?

> The Bar Car is the social heart of the train, styled after Italian design of the 1960s, with live music from a pianist and vocalist as the train rolls through the night. Selected beverages are included, and guests tend to gather there after dinner rather than retiring early.

Which departure dates are on sale?

> Departures currently loaded run from 5 October 2026 to 22 November 2026, and every available date with its fare appears in the list on this page. The train carries only about thirty cabins, so dates on this short itinerary close quickly.

Is autumn a good time for this journey?

> Autumn suits it very well. The harvest season brings colour to the Tuscan hills, the light is at its best for the landscape you came to see, and the towns are far quieter than in high summer. Evenings can be cool, so pack a jacket for the time in Montalcino.

Can I book a cabin for myself?

> Sole occupancy is available on request with a supplement, since the lead fare assumes two guests sharing the cabin. On a train this small, single-use cabins are limited in number, so ask early and we will confirm the current single rate for the date you have in mind.

What are the payment terms?

> A deposit of 30 percent of the tour price confirms your cabin and is non-refundable. The balance is due 125 days before departure, and bookings made within 125 days of departure are payable in full at the time of booking. Your written confirmation shows the exact amounts and the dates they fall due.

Are there child rates on this itinerary?

> Yes, two reduced bands apply, under 5 and 5 to 12, with the age taken as at the departure date. Cabins are compact and the experience is an adult one built around dining and scenery, so it suits older children best. Talk to us before booking a family cabin.

Is one night on board long enough to enjoy the train?

> For many guests it is exactly right: you get lunch, dinner, an evening in the Bar Car, a night in your cabin and breakfast on the move, which covers the whole rhythm of life on board. If you want more time, the longer itineraries

How do I get to Rome for the start of the journey?

> Rome is served by Fiumicino and Ciampino airports and by fast trains from across Italy, and travel to the departure city is not part of the fare. Most guests arrive at least a day early and stay in Rome the night before, which we can book for you along with the transfer.

What should I pack for a two-day journey?

> Very little. Bring smart-casual clothes for dinner in keeping with the style of the train, comfortable shoes for walking the sloping streets of Montalcino, and a light jacket for the evening. Luggage space in the cabins is limited, so one small case per person works best.

Can this journey be combined with another La Dolce Vita itinerary?

> Yes. Because every itinerary begins and ends in Rome, two can be combined with a few nights in the city in between, and we offer the complete collection of routes. Tell us the dates you have available and we will put together the combination that fits.

How do I ask a question or book Tastes of Tuscan Vineyards?

> Email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610, where a travel specialist or our AI assistant will reply. The departure dates listed on this page are bookable directly, and we can add hotel nights and transfers in Rome.

Ready to Book Your Journey?

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