



ITALY

MAUPIN/BINGHAM TOUR

With Madelon Maupin and Sid Bingham

August 30th – September 9th, 2024

A 11-Day Adventure:

Your journey includes a week stay at an Italian estate, superior first class hotels, deluxe motor coaches, breakfast daily, dinners as outlined, guided sightseeing and entrance fees.

Getting To See:

- Pisa
- Posara
- Fivizzano
- Verrucola
- Lucca
- Monte del Bianchi
- Florence

ITINERARY DAYS 1-4

DAY 1/ August 30 | ARRIVE IN ITALY

Arrive in Pisa. Dinner with group or on your own at a nearby hotel.

DAY 2/ August 31 | POSARA

Breakfast at the hotel (or a box breakfast) and transfer to airport or train station for pickup by The Watermill at Posara for an Art, Cultural and Culinary experience. In the afternoon, a light lunch and time to settle in, explore the Watermill and associated gardens and nearby river. After an early evening aperitivi, will travel to the nearby walled Medieval town of Fivizzano and enjoy an introduction to Tuscan cuisine.

DAY 3/ September 1 | POSARA

After breakfast and a morning church service, there will be opportunities to enjoy painting and writing around The Watermill. Lunch will be provided in The Watermill courtyard dining room. Dinner will be served at the Watermill.

DAY 4/ September 2 | VERRUCOLA

After breakfast, the group will have a Bible study and then travel to Verrucola, visit an impressive castle with a village nestling around. Enjoy walking around the village and a short talk on the history of Verrucola. Enjoy opportunities to paint or write at Verrucola followed by lunch at Il Castello restaurant at Verrucola.

Wrap up the afternoon with more painting and writing opportunities, returning to The Watermill for an evening Bible study and dinner at The Watermill.





ITINERARY DAYS 5-9

DAY 5/ September 3 | FIVIZZANO

After breakfast and Bible study, travel to Fivizzano to visit market day in Piazza Medicea and enjoy views over the valley and see Posara from Piazza Belvedere. Enjoy opportunities to paint and write in and around Fivizzano. Late pickup or afternoon stroll back to Posara to join an early evening Bible study and dinner at The Watermill.

DAY 6/ September 4 | LUCCA

After an early continental breakfast, Watermill staff will transport the group to Aulla station for a train to Cinque Terre or Lucca. Enjoy morning and afternoon sightseeing. Packed lunch provided by The Watermill. Bible study after return to The Watermill before dinner there.

DAY 7/ September 5 | IL CONVENTO DEI CARMINE

This morning after breakfast and Bible study, you will be transported to 'Il Convento dei Carmine', a privately owned monastery. Picnic lunch provided at the monastery. Opportunities to enjoy an afternoon of painting and writing at the monastery with a late afternoon pickup to return to The Watermill. Join the Bible study before dinner at The Watermill.

DAY 8/ September 6 | MONTE DEL BIANCHI

Enjoy a morning Bible study, then you will be transported to Monte del Bianchi. You can paint and write in the village of Monte del Bianchi and around the grounds of the Vecchio Tino restaurant. Ancient houses and church, spectacular mountain views, valleys, hilltop villages, and olive groves abound. Return to The Watermill for an evening Bible study followed by dinner at The Watermill.

DAY 9/ September 7 | FLORENCE

Continental breakfast at The Watermill Transfer from Watermill to the Florence train station (within walking distance or short ride to hotel in Florence) for dinner and overnight.



ITINERARY **DAYS 10-11**

DAY 10/ September 8 | FLORENCE

After breakfast, enjoy the day at leisure. Dinner is on your own and overnight at the hotel.

DAY 11/ September 9 | FAREWELL

Breakfast at the hotel (or a box breakfast) then transfer to FCO Airport





TRIP DETAILS

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Daily Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the Watermill
- Audio headsets for flexible sightseeing.
- Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)
- Hotel portorage of 1 bag per person
- An expert Travel Director and separate Driver.
- Hotel tips, restaurant tips for included meals, and local taxes.
- Handpicked, high quality hotels, all tried and trusted.
- Gratuities to Travel Director, Coach Drivers, and Local Experts.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- No early check in / late check out.
- International, domestic, and internal airfares, unless specified.
- Travel insurance, visas, and items of a personal nature.

PRICING

Land Only	\$5375
Single Supplement <i>limited availability</i>	\$655
1st Deposit	\$1200
Final Payment	\$4175

PAYMENT PROCEDURE

- Deposit payment of \$1,200.00 per person to hold space
- Balance Due June 1, 2024
- Price based on a minimum number of 18 passengers.

Ready for the trip of a *lifetime?*



If you need more details or are ready to book this trip, please contact us at:

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PROGRAM CONDITIONS INCLUDED IN PRICE OF STANDARD FULL TOUR PROGRAM: Shared double room in superior hotel; Meals as per program. English speaking guide: transfers to/from and entrance fees for sites to be visited per itinerary, gratuities included.

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE: Additions or changes to the standard full tour program; individual transfers; travel insurance; any Covid testing required to travel both in the US and internationally, laundry; coffee and drinks; excess baggage and items of a personal nature; any increase in taxes and fees that may occur between registration and issuing of airline tickets. The price is based on the exchange rate at the time of registration and may be subject to change.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: Deposit of \$1200 due with registration of which \$500 per person is non-refundable. Deadline for registration is May 16, 2024. Final payment date is no later than June 1, 2024.

TOUR DOCUMENTS: The name on your airline ticket must exactly match your name as it appears on your passport which must be uploaded before we can purchase your airline ticket. If applying for a new or renewed passport, upload a copy as soon as you receive your new passport.

ROOMMATES: If you purchase double occupancy and are unable to find a roommate, or your roommate cancels, you will be charged the single room occupancy rate.

LUGGAGE: Limit of one suitcase and one carry-on per person, not to exceed 50 pounds or 62 linear inches total.

TRANSFERS: Group transport between airport, hotel and piers is included in the standard program. However, those who request changes from the standard program are responsible for their own transfers. Transfer costs may vary by trip brochure.

CHANGES FROM STANDARD FULL TOUR

PROGRAM: Changes must be requested and approved in writing by GOMEGA Travel and Tours. A minimum of \$150 will be charged and individual transfers to/ from the airport are not included.

AIRLINE TICKETS: Tickets are nonrefundable; any changes are subject to the specific airline's policies.

FLIGHT TIMES: Subject to change by airlines without advance notice. GOMEGA Travel and Tours is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays.

ITINERARY LENGTH: Because airlines often change the flight schedules, GOMEGA Travel and Tours reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the itinerary accordingly and you will be notified in writing. If changes necessitate extra overnights, customers will be responsible for additional charges.

CANCELLATION FEES: From the day of registration to 120 days prior to departure the \$500 non-refundable registration fee will be charged. Thereafter, the following charges apply: 119-90 days \$750; 89-60 days 50% of total cost; 59-45 days 75% of total cost; 44 days to departure day 100% of total cost. All cancellation and refund claims must be made in writing.

REFUND REQUESTS: Allow up to 30 days for the process of any cancellation requests.

PROCESSING FEES: Any fees incurred during payment processing such as credit card fees, bank fees, GOMEGA Travel and Tours processing fees, etc. are non-refundable.

INSURANCE: For more information about travel insurance please contact your Custom Travel Specialist.

VACCINATIONS: Each destination has its own health requirements, please check your country's updated information.

Sherpa: <https://apply.joinsherpa.com/travel-restrictions?af%EF%AC%81liateld=sherpa&language=en-US>

GOMEGA Travel and Tours and Tours (MEGA Inc.) agrees to provide the itinerary described in this brochure, and this represents the entire agreement between the passenger and his agent, the Tour Host, and the Tour Operator.

No changes or deviations are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no person is authorized to cancel, modify, or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour.

All prices, itineraries and schedules are subject to regulations and changes thereof by acts of Government, International Agreement and Airline tariff adjustments, rules, and regulations.

GOMEGA Travel and Tours reserves the right to change or withdraw the tour, in whole or in part, at any time. In the event of a change, the sole exclusive obligation of GOMEGA Travel and Tours will be to refund pro rata any payment received.

In the event of rescheduling the tour due to unforeseen circumstances, the cancellation and refund clause will apply. GOMEGA Travel and Tours may decline to accept or retain any individual as a participant on the tour at any time.

If any tour participant leaves or is removed from the tour, GOMEGA Travel and Tours is not responsible for any related expenses. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, the tour operator assumes no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconveniences, illness, irregularity or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of tour operator, or by any person or reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, closures of airports or hotels, default or omission of any common or private carrier or the default, negligence or omission of and by any third party providing services or facilities related to or included in this tour or any part thereof, or in arranging for the same, or the acts or omissions of the Tour Host.

The Commercial carriers are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not on-board commercial carriers. The passenger contracts, in use by all commercial carriers involved, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the commercial carriers and the passenger or purchaser of this tour and/or passage and tour operator assumes no liability or responsibility in connection therewith.

Enrollment in and payment for the tour, constitutes acceptance of the Program Conditions and Statement of Responsibility. The program conditions become a binding contract when your enrollment and payment are received and accepted by GOMEGA Travel and Tours in The Woodlands, Texas.

The venue for any disputes is Montgomery County, Texas. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the state of Texas.