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CANTATE TOSCANA 2024

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Florence & Siena



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TUSCANY

The International Choir Festival "Cantate Toscana" will undoubtedly be a unique experience to explore Tuscany at its finest. You will have the opportunity to visit the most beautiful cities in the region, such as Florence and Siena, and establish new friendships with both local and international choirs, exchanging music and learning about diverse cultures.

Friendly concerts will take place on Friday evenings, either in a church in central Siena or in an auditorium in Siena or its surroundings. Additionally, some local choirs will also participate in the event. After the concert, choirs can enjoy a glass of local Tuscan wine to conclude the evening in a relaxed atmosphere.

The festival concludes on Saturday afternoon with **the final concert** in an auditorium or church in central Florence, where all participants will come together. Each choir will present two songs of their choice, and at the end of the evening, all choirs will sing a final song together.



Music is culture! and Tuscany is rich in these ingredients. Caring for musical culture not only contributes to the growth of our artistic heritage but also helps build a network of social connections.

Tuscany is the perfect location to establish an international choir festival. The performance of its songs will be the universal symbol of a language without barriers.



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ITINERARY



DAY 1

Arrival at the hotel in the afternoon.
Check-in.
Dinner at the hotel. Free time after dinner.

DAY 2

Breakfast at the hotel.
Departure for the guided tour of Siena, approximately 2 hours without entrance fees.
Lunch at a restaurant in the city center of Siena.
Church concert in the afternoon or evening in the city center of Siena.
After the concert, transfer back to the hotel.

DAY 3

Breakfast at the hotel.
Departure for the guided tour of Florence, approximately 2 ½ hours without entrance fees.
Lunch at a restaurant in the city center of Florence.
Late afternoon, transfer to the church in the city center of Florence for your second concert or transfer to the friendship concert along with a local choir.
After the concert, transfer back to the hotel.

DAY 4

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out.
Departure and return journey.

This itinerary is indicative and will be adjusted according to the arrival and departure times of the participating groups. It is also possible to extend your stay or hire additional services.



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Florence

Florence is a metropolitan city in the central-northern part of Italy, home to approximately 369,000 inhabitants. As the capital of the province and the region of Tuscany, it boasts a metropolitan area exceeding 1.5 million residents. Florence is renowned as the birthplace of the Renaissance, with a magnificent historical, artistic, and economic center.

During the Middle Ages, Florence served as the capital of Italy between 1865 and 1871, following the country's unification. At that time, it played a crucial role as a commercial, cultural, economic, and financial hub, serving as the capital during the modern era of the Grand Duchy of Tuscany under the rule of the Medici and Lorraine families.

The city is home to a prominent university and is globally recognized for its contributions to the Renaissance, as well as its impressive art and architecture. Thanks to its numerous museums and landmarks, including the Duomo, Santa Croce, the Uffizi Gallery, the Ponte Vecchio, Piazza della Signoria, and the Palazzo Pitti, Florence stands as one of Italy's most beautiful cities and prominent tourist destinations in the world.

Siena

Siena, with approximately 54,000 inhabitants, is located in the heart of Tuscany.

The city is globally renowned for its rich artistic heritage and medieval charm in its well-preserved streets. Additionally, it is famous for its celebrated **Palio**, an exciting event.

Siena has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. **The Piazza del Campo** is historically the main square of Siena, unique for its shell shape, architectural beauty, and for being the setting where the Palio is held twice a year.

The Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta, built in a Gothic and Romanesque style, stands out as one of the most important cathedrals of this style in Italy.



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