TEATRO DEL SILENZIO LAJATICO (PI)



# ANDREA BOCELLI The Mystery of Beauty



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# TUSCANY, 5 TERRE AND BOCELLI





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#### DAY 1

Arrival at your hotel in Montecatini. Dinner and overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 2 - Florence (by train)

In the morning we will take a train ride to Florence, the "cradle of Renaissance".

Our local guide will introduce us to the many delights of this city: the Duomo, with its iconic red-tiled dome and the beautiful Ponte Vecchio - home to 43 jewellers' shops - Piazza della Signoria with its palace, also known as Palazzo Vecchio, and the Basilica of Santa Croce.

Free time at leisure to explore Florence and its many treasures such as the world famous Uffizi Gallery. Back to the hotel in Montecatini for dinner and overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 3 - Cinque Terre (approx 220 kms)

After breakfast departure for a full day excursion to the Cinque Terre. We reach the city of La Spezia by coach, then proceed with the train into the Cinque Terre. We first visit Vernazza, a small and charming fishing village.

Vernazza's historic wealth is reflected in the elegant style of its houses and streets, from the castle. We then proceed by train to Monterosso, the biggest village of the Cinque terre.

The old town is delightful with its "caruggi" (narrow alleys), you can lose yourself in a glass of "Sciacchetrà" (sweet local wine) in a cellar or simply walk or take a stroll up to the Convent of the Capuchin Friars where you can admire a beautiful panorama. A ferry will take you to the enchanting seaside town of Portovenere, famous for its tall pastel-colored houses and evocative views from the ruins of Doria Castle, where you will have free time to explore, before taking a second ferry to La Spezia. Return to the Hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### DAY 4 - Pistoia and Lajatico (approx 150 kms)

After breakfast, we leave for Pistoia, lesser known as Lucca or Pisa, but a real off the beaten tracks gem.

A walking tour will lead you through the medieval part of the town, with the Cathedral of San Zeno with its Baptistry, the municipal palace and the narrow streets with funny names such as Via Abbi Pazienza (which means "be patient street").

Return to Montecatini late in the morning and in the afternoon departure to Lajatico to attend the Bocelli special concert at the Teatro del Silenzio.

Return to the hotel after the concert (very late arrival at the hotel) and overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 5 - Montecatini - day at leisure

This day is at leisure. You can relax in this beautiful thermal resort.

#### DAY 6 - Departure

After breakfast, it's time to say "Arrivederci".









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## HIGHLIGHTS OF TUSCANY AND BOCELLI

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#### DAY 3 - Lucca and Pisa

In the morning we head for Lucca. This beautiful medieval town is surrounded by a powerful ring of walls. Most of the attractions in Lucca today show its ancient history: from the trace of the Roman amphiteater that can be seen in the shape of the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro to the archeological remains under the 12th century church of Saints Giovanni and Reparata (the first city cathedral, located just around the corner from the present-day cathedral of San Martino), to the various towers from the 12th to 16th centuries including the famous torre Guinigi. We then proceed to Pisa, famous all over the world for its leaning tower, the cathedral and the baptistery. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight for dinner and overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 4 - Vinci and Lajatico

After breakfast, we leave for Vinci, the town where Leonardo was born. It is located in the center of a lush countryside which gives it a unique and highly striking appearance. The church of Santa Croce preserves the baptismal font where Leonardo was baptized. The Leonardo museum is located within the castle. Return to Montecatini and in the afternoon departure to Lajatico to attend the Bocelli special concert at the Teatro del Silenzio. Return to the hotel after the concert (very late arrival at the hotel) and overnight accommodation.

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Free time at leisure to explore Florence and its many treasures such as the world famous Uffizi Gallery or to simply stroll in the San Lorenzo's leather market. Back to the hotel in Montecatini for dinner and overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 3 - Volterra and Bolgheri (approx 250 kms)

In the morning we'll reach Volterra, a jewel that dominates the Val di Cecina down to the sea. Volterra was a cradle to Etruscan, Roman, medieval and Renaissance civilisation and culture. Its history spans three thousand years, and filled the city with artistic and monumental heritage: among them the beautiful Piazza dei Priori with the city hall, the gates and the great walls dating from the thirteenth century, the ruins of the Roman theatre and the Fortress built by the Medici, with its high tower, the "Rocca del Mastio". We then proceed to Bolgheri, an enchanting medieval village, which comes into view at the end of a beautiful Cypress Lane. The Lane, nearly 5 kilometers long, is comprised of over two thousand cypresses, each hundreds of years old. The vineyards of the Bolgheri's hills that dominate the Maremma valley have been cultivated for centuries and produce some of the most award-winning wines in the world. The visit of a winery with a wine tasting will complete this

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