



ITALY

## SELF-DRIVE UMBRIA (TOUR CODE: 11589)

### STARTS AND ENDS

in San Martino in Campo

### TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Nov 24 - 31 Oct 25

### EXPERIENCE

Food & Wine  
Self-Drive

### TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

A wonderful way to uncover Umbria, known as the “Green Heart of Italy”: a region characterized by a prosperous nature and many ancient towns!

### Highlights

- Stay in a **charming historical residence** in the Umbrian backcountry
- Explore **Perugia**, perched on a hill, undoubtedly one of the most beautiful ancient towns in Italy!
- Stop in **Orvieto**, a **must-see on your bucket list**. is situated on top of a rock offering the most splendid of views, with the wonderful the Gothic Cathedral
- Do not miss **Todi**, yet another splendid medieval little town full of ancient buildings and tiny streets!
- Taste the delicious, **authentic dishes of the regional cuisine** eating at restaurants recommended by Slow Food in the “Osterie d’Italia” guide such as *Trattoria l’Acquario* and *Osteria La Lumera*!
- Sample several **Slow Food Presidia products** recognized for their high-quality such as *the baby Pecorino cheese* and wines at risk of “extinction” such as *the famous Sagrantino wine*

The starting point of this amazing itinerary is Orvieto – with its masterpiece, the gothic Duomo cathedral. Then you will proceed onto the fascinating old town of Todi and will continue by following the tracks of St. Francis to Assisi. Your trip will then take you to the beautiful town of Perugia with its Etruscan walls, 16th century palaces and chocolate laboratories, touching also the shores of the Trasimeno Lake. Much more awaits you in this unique tour!

Additionally, participants will have the unique chance of sampling several **Slow Food Presidia** products (high-quality, traditional food and beverages at “risk of extinction”) and will taste authentic regional dishes at restaurants selected among those recommended by the Slow Food association in their “**Osterie d’Italia**” guide: small “trattorie” that still use fresh, local produce for traditional recipes.

**Slow Food** is an organisation that promotes local food and traditional cooking. It was founded by Carlo Petrini in Italy in 1986 and has since spread worldwide. Promoted as an alternative to fast food, it strives to preserve traditional and regional cuisine and encourages farming of plants, seeds, and livestock characteristic of the local ecosystem. It promotes local small businesses and sustainable foods. It also focuses on food quality, rather than quantity. It was the first established part of the broader slow movement. It speaks out against overproduction and food waste. It sees globalisation as a process in which small and local farmers and food producers should be simultaneously protected from and included in the global food system.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

## INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights in Perugia at Hotel Sangallo - 4\* or similar
- Car Hire Credit of \$600
- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- 1 welcome dinner in hotel with wine included
- 2 dinners at "Osterie d'Italia" typical Slow Food restaurants or equivalent
- 2 light lunch in the area of Orvieto
- 3 guided tastings of Slow Food wines and/or Presidia products from the Umbria region

## ITINERARY

Day **1**

### Arrival in Perugia

Arrival at the airport or Railway station, collect your car or meet your driver for your private transfer to your hotel in Perugia. Time to settle in and enjoy **welcome dinner** in hotel with traditional products from Umbria.

Overnight stay in Perugia at **Hotel Sangallo** or similar.

Dinner



Day **2** Perugia Orvieto Todi Perugia

After breakfast, morning visit to **Orvieto**, situated on top of a rock offering the most spectacular of views. We suggest a tour of the city, including the Duomo Gothic Cathedral.

Stop in Cantine Neri in Bardano (or equivalent), in the outskirts of Orvieto, a winery recognized for its quality and the local varieties present in the area for over a thousand years. Enticing **wine tasting with local products and light lunch** consisting of excellent Umbrian wines accompanied by local fayre. Before heading off, we suggest a short visit to *Adriano* pastry shop to try Orvieto's typical cakes and desserts, including chocolates made with chillies and saffron.

We, then, suggest an afternoon visit to **Todi**, a splendid medieval town, where it is pleasant to wander around and discover the old monuments and craft shops. Return to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Perugia at **Hotel Sangallo** or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **3** Perugia Montefalco Bevagna Assisi Perugia

Departure to **Montefalco**, another splendid town situated on top of a hill, offering spectacular views over the hills. Visit the ancient olive groves and discover the many plant varieties and the extra virgin olive oil production techniques, accompanied with a tasting.

On the road to Assisi, we suggest a stop in **Bevagna**, an ancient medieval town that has held onto its characteristics. Arriving in **Assisi** for a **tasting lunch** in a typical local restaurant, we recommend a visit of the town and the famous Basilica of St. Francis. Return to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Perugia at **Hotel Sangallo** or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **4**

Perugia Torgiano Perugia

After breakfast, arrival in **Torgiano** to visit the Azienda Lungarotti: **sample their extra virgin olive oil**, and visit the MOO – Olive and Oil Museum.

We then suggest to transfer to **Perugia**: perched on a hill, it is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful towns in Italy. A visit to the Perugina chocolate museum (optional) famous for its Baci Perugina chocolates. Free time to discover the old city and optionally, you can stop at the historical Pasticceria Sandri pastry shop.

In the evening **dinner with the dishes from the traditional Umbrian cuisine** at the Osteria I Birbi (or equivalent). Return to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Perugia at **Hotel Sangallo** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **5**

## Perugia Lake Trasimeno Castiglione del Lago Perugia

Today we suggest to discover the stunning **Lake Trasimeno**, one of the largest lakes in Italy.

You can visit the Azienda Madrevite (or equivalent). Visit the cellars and take a pleasant stroll across the vineyards, sample the olive oils and typical products followed vya a light lunch. Time to discover **Castiglione del Lago**. Return to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Perugia at **Hotel Sangallo** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **6**

## Departure

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and your journey comes to an end.

Breakfast

## ACCOMMODATION

### Hotel Sangallo

#### Perugia

Sangallo Palace Hotel, located in the historic center of Perugia within walking distance of its monuments and tourist attractions, is also strategically situated nearby the Art Towns of Umbria including Assisi, Gubbio, Spoleto, Todi and Orvieto.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

#### LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

- This package is excluded from the "**CHANGE OF MIND**" Portion of our Peace of Mind Booking Plan.
- **FLEXI CAR HIRE CREDIT:** This self-drive package includes a \$600 (\$100/day) Flexi Car Hire Credit. This provides the flexibility of selecting a vehicle based on your own preferences and requirements. As each location has vehicle limitations, please speak to our team for options.
- We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 4-star accommodation.

### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package