

**ITINERARY
WEST COAST TRIP
11 MAY to 21 MAY 2004**

DRESS CODES:

- **Casual:** nice, clean shorts or slacks
- **Casual Chic (same as business casual):** nice pants or skirt, nice shirt
- **Jackets are optional. No ties are necessary or desirable**

(DRESS: COMFORTABLE FOR FLYING. WEAR HEAVY SOCKS BECAUSE THE FLOOR OF THE PLANE IS USUALLY COLD.)

(Make sure that from your originating city your final destination on your luggage receipts is "FCO" (Rome). Check your luggage through to Rome.

PLEASE WEAR THE NAME TAG THAT WE WILL FORWARD YOU SO YOU CAN RECOGNIZE EACH OTHER AT THE GATE, ON THE PLANE, AND IN ITALY.

YOU SHOULD CHANGE SOME MONEY AT YOUR ORIGINATING AIRPORT TO SAVE TIME WHEN YOU ARRIVE. DO NOT CHANGE ANY LARGE AMOUNTS. REMEMBER THAT ATM MACHINES ARE AVAILABLE ALL OVER ITALY.

(Now, I would never suggest to take those comfy white pillows on the plane, but I sure get lonely for them while riding for hours on the bus!!)

TUESDAY

11 May

Depart for Rome on Delta Airlines

WEDNESDAY

12 May

Arrive Rome—Fiumicino Airport

Delta Flight 70 with 4 participants will arrive at 8:55

Delta Flight 32 with 13 participants will arrive at 10:10

Go across the street to the bus parking area and board the LAZZI bus. The buses are all parked in the same place across the arrivals lane. Do

not take the underground passageway. Cross the street above ground. You can take your baggage carts with you and leave them at the bus parking arrival area across from Terminal C. Your driver is: *Bruno Grasso* (cell 348-7712181)

Depart for Hotel Castelvecchio
Viale Pio XI 23
Castelgandolfo (Rome)
Tel: 011-39-06-9360308
Fax: 011-39-06-9360579

THURSDAY
13 May

FREE TIME IN ROME

13:00 Depart for Vatican Tour

14:00 Vatican Tour - Anna Perieget (Cell # 333-6921867)

Meet the guide directly at the Vatican museums, across the street from the entrance there is a caffè called CAFFÈ VATICANO.

FRIDAY
14 May

08:00 Depart for Montepulciano and the Salcheto estate. Tasting and tour of the vineyards. Meet Michele Franzan and Michele Manelli. Franzan cell phone number: 335-374620/Salcheto phone: 0578-799031 CASUAL

12:00 Depart for Montalcino and the Palazzo estate. Tour of the vineyards and the cellars with Elia Loia and family. Light lunch. Meet up with Mario Belardino. Palazzo phone number: 380-5188990. CASUAL

14:30 Depart for the Falchini estate in San Gimignano.

15:30 Tour of vineyards and cellars. (no tasting).

Check into hotel in Poggibonsi after the tour.

Hotel: Hotel Alcide
Viale Marconi 67/A
Poggibonsi (SI)
Tel: 0577-937501
Fax: 0577-981729

20:00 Dinner with the Falchini family at the Mandragola Restaurant in San Gimignano. Night tour of San Gimignano with Riccardo Falchini.

SATURDAY

15 May

09:30 Depart for Greve in Chianti and the Vignamaggio estate (Birthplace of Monna Lisa). Carla Bani cell phone: 347-3391466. Vignamaggio number is: 055-8564453 (Chiara). Tour of the 600 year old Villa, the cellars and the vineyards. Light lunch.

CASUAL

14:00 Depart for Villa Arceno in Berardenga in the Chianti Classico

17:00 Arrive at the hotel Villa Gerlino

Localita Gerlino

52020 Strada di Rapale Bucine Arezzo

Tel:

Fax:

FREE TIME IN SIENA.

SUNDAY

16 May

09:00 Depart for Florence and free time. **CASUAL**

10:00 Tour with Tina Stellacci. Meet the guide at Lungarno della Zecca.

18:00 Arrive at Holiday Inn at the Verona Est Exit. Refresh and **CASUAL**

San Martino Buon Albergo

Tel: 045-995000

Fax: 045-8781526

FREE TIME IN VERONA

MONDAY

17 May

08:30 Depart for the Borgo Magredo estate in Friuli-Grave.

10:30 Arrive Borgo Magredo and tour of vineyards and cellars, tasting with Piero Totis.

12:00 Depart for Torre Rosazza estate in Friuli-Colli Orientali
13:15 Arrive Torre Rosazza, tasting, tour of vineyards, and buffet lunch with Piero Totis.
15:30 Depart for Hotel
17:30 Arrive at the Hotel Heron
Via Padova 3
Lido di Jesolo
Tel: 0421-371242
Fax: 0421-370726

Free time in Lido di Jesolo

TUESDAY

18 May

9:00 Depart for the Venice area.
Free Time in Venice
15:00 Depart Venice for Verona

Arrive at Holiday Inn at the Verona Est Exit. Refresh and **CASUAL**
San Martino Buon Albergo
Tel: 045-995000
Fax: 045-8781526

Free time in Verona

WEDNESDAY

19 May

09:30 Depart for the Michele Castellani estate in Marano in the heart of the Valpolicella Classico area. Tour and tasting and light lunch with Sergio Castellani and family. Stefano Pilone phone: 335-8906030. **CASUAL**

14:00 Depart for city of Novara in Piemonte

17:00 Arrive at the La Bussola Hotel
Via Boggiani 54
Novara
Tel: 0321-450810
Fax: 0321-452786

19:00 Depart for tour of the Dessilani cellars and dinner with Enzo Lucca and family. **CASUAL CHIC**

THURSDAY

20 May

09:30 Depart for Alba or Torino and free time. **CASUAL**

13:30 Depart for the Contratto estate in Canelli

15:00 Arrive at the Hotel Salera. Refresh
Via Monsignor Marellò 19
Asti
Tel: 0141-410169
Fax: 0141-410372

16:30 Depart for Barolo country and a tour of the Cerequio vineyard and the Barolo and Barbaresco vineyards areas. **CASUAL CHIC**

19:00 Depart for the Contratto and Bocchino estates and a tour of the aging cellars and museum.

20:00 Dinner in the "Seduction Room" with Antonella Bocchino, owner of the Bocchino Grappa and Contratto estates.

FRIDAY

21 May

06:45 Depart for Malpensa Airport near Milan. Please make sure you check your luggage through to your final stop.

WELCOME HOME