

# **“SPIN THE GLOBE”** Small Group Travel at its Best

with Henry & Roberta Kritzia of **Personalized Travel**

## Explore the “Hidden” Tuscany, Italy

May 15 – May 26, 2017



Ponte Vecchio, Florence

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR:

#### **FLORENCE**

Spending some days in Florence provides us with the opportunity to feel as though we are living in the Renaissance city lovingly referred to as: “*Il Magnifico*”. It is the home of the works by Michelangelo. Visit the Uffizi Gallery, the Vasari Corridor (*built over the Ponte Vecchio*), and see “*The David*”. Florence is a true “*embarrassment of riches*” and you will see these monuments and museums without waiting in 3-hour lines. Shopping is fabulous in Florence ... Roberta and Henry will take you to some of their favorite shops for leather goods.

**SAN GIMIGNANO** The pearl of Tuscany and the “City of Beautiful Towers” is one of the best-preserved Medieval towns of Tuscany. Its stunning skyline bristles with tall towers dating from the 13th century. You can be sure that Roberta and Henry know all of the shops, galleries and jewelers that line the two main streets of this town. Taste Vernaccia wine in San Gimignano.

#### **PIENZA**

The center of Pienza was completely redesigned in Renaissance times by Pope Pius II. Born here in 1405, when it was called Corsignano, Pope Enea Silvio de’ Piccolomini became known as a leading humanist, scholar and philosopher. Away from the grandeur of the main piazza, Pienza is a quiet agricultural town with shops selling local produce like pecorino, cheese made from sheep’s milk.

#### **MONTALCINO**

Montalcino’s foremost activity is wine producing, evident from the great number of *enoteca* (*wine bar*) shops where you can both sample and purchase the excellent and renowned Brunello wines. The town, situated on the top of a hill, is of timeless character and the streets are narrow and winding. The highest point is the 14th century Fortress and its impressive ramparts, there is wine tasting at the Fortress.

- Our 2 hotels are personally selected **4-Star hotels with private bath/shower.**
- Bus transfers between hotels & airports will be provided to those who are arriving and departing on our scheduled flights.
- Single room supplement is available.
- Private Bus throughout the itinerary.
- Daily buffet breakfasts *plus* 6 additional meals are included.
- Informative city maps for each participant.
- Optional cooking class in Florence with the famous Maurizio “*the singing chef*”.
- As an added aspect to the tour ... Roberta Kritzia, professional artist, will conduct demos on location, for those interested in working in color mixed media sketching. A material list will be supplied.
- Admission to all monuments & museums, on the itinerary are included.
- Travel portfolio, including detailed itinerary, will be provided to all participants.

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