

## SIENA, SAN GIMIGNANO and MONTERIGGIONI – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> 2018



### PROGRAM

Departure at 9.00 a.m.

**Please note that the tour meeting point will be communicated to you at a later stage**

Join us on a wonderful tour of Siena, San Gimignano and Monteriggioni, the very heart of Tuscany!

Our first stop will be in **San Gimignano**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, that served as an important relay point for pilgrims travelling to or from Rome on the Via Francigena. The patrician families who controlled the town built 72 tower-houses (some as high as 50 m) as symbols of their wealth and power. Although only 14 are still standing, San Gimignano has retained its feudal atmosphere and appearance.

Our next stop will be in the best preserved Medieval town in Tuscany: **Monteriggioni**, surrounded by walls and set of the blockbuster "Gladiator". Participants will rest and enjoy lunch in a typical Tuscan *trattoria* before heading to Siena.

**Siena**, a little Tuscan gem worth discovering, is world renowned for its Palio horse race. Participants will be immersed in the Medieval atmosphere of the city while walking through the perfectly kept old streets and alleys. The tour includes a visit of the magnificent **Cathedral of Siena**, which hosts some of the most important monuments of the European artistic panorama. The floor of the cathedral deserves a special mention, as it is uncovered only once a year for a month in order to preserve its incredible beauty. Participants will have the chance to admire "the most beautiful ... largest and most magnificent floor ... that ever was made" in the words of the Italian Renaissance painter, architect and historian **Giorgio Vasari**.

**Price EUR 132,00 per person**

**The price includes:** *English speaking guide - Cathedral entrance ticket- Insurance -Headsets - Lunch - Private transfer by luxury coach.*

**Please note that a minimum of 35 participants is required. In case of tour cancellation you will be refunded prior to the event.**