

Scuola Leonardo da Vinci SIENA



<i>meeting</i>	Sample Weekly Activities - SUMMER	<i>cost</i>
Tuesday 14.00 2 pm	Guided City Tour of Siena As Siena was a stopping point for almost all pilgrims headed to Rome it grew into one of the most important medieval cities in all of Europe. The Francigena way, the main traffic artery for all of Europe passed through what is now Siena's main street. Together we will retrace their steps as we wander the ancient streets stopping to admire Siena's most magnificent monuments.	free
Wednesday 16.00 4 pm	Tuscan / Senese Cooking Seminar What did people eat here in Siena in ancient times? What do we still serve on our tables that can be traced back to that period? This brief journey will take you back through time to discover the typical tastes of the Tuscan kitchen, in particular from Siena.	free
Thursday 19.30 7.30 pm	Tuscan Countryside Dinner This activity will take students to a beautiful Tuscan villa on the outskirts of Siena where they will enjoy a fantastic home-cooked meal. Traditional wines, cooking techniques, ingredients and recipes will be discussed and shared in this delightful country setting.	30 €
Friday 15.00 3 pm	Siena, her "Contrade" and the Palio A brief history of the division of Siena, and an inside look at the life of the Contrada (neighbourhood) today to allow a better understanding of the fascinating, complicated festival that many talk about but that only the Sienese can truly live, the Palio.	free
Saturday 09.30 9.30am	Montalcino and Brunello – excursion Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to visit the splendid town of Montalcino. Sitting high on it's majestic hill, Montalcino offers breath taking views of both the Arbia and Orcia valleys. Together we'll visit a historic wine cellar where they produce the world famous Tuscan red, Brunello di Montalcino. Here we'll be treated to a wine tasting of local specialties (Brunello included!!).	40 €
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Sample Weekly activities WINTER		
Tuesday 15.00 3 pm	Visit to Palazzo Pubblico (City Hall) In this guided visit you will be introduced to one of the most elegant and best preserved city halls in all of Italy. Dating back to the late 1200s, it features a tower that is 286 feet high as well as many important works of art.	4 € entry ticket
Wednesday 14.30 2.30 pm	Italian Cinema De Sica, Visconti, Antonioni, and Fellini are but a few of the names of Italian directors whose films made a big impact on American and European cinema. Right at school, you will have the opportunity to watch classic and modern Italian films. A teacher will be on hand to guide you through the movie and foster your understanding of the Italian language.	free
Thursday 16.00 4 pm	Wine Tasting An expert sommelier will introduce you to some of the best wines in Tuscany. Students will come to understand some of the history behind these special wines and the official designations that protect them.	15 €
Friday 16.00 4 pm	Voice and Phonetics This popular activity will emphasize and reinforce your language experience through a combination of performance and instruction. Local Sienese actor and theatrical director Altero Borghi guides students through a series of vocal and pronunciation exercises. You will laugh as you learn!	free
Saturday 09.30 9.30 am	San Gimignano and Monteriggioni – excursion One can't leave Tuscany without experiencing San Gimignano with her soaring towers and the charming walled villane of Monteriggioni. We'll wander through the endless vineyards that produce the famous white Tuscan wine, Vernaccia di San Gimignano and enjoy a wine tasting at the well known San Donato Farm.	35 €