

Sara and Andrea of Very Tuscany are two of the most cordial and gracious tour guides I have ever met. It was a pleasure spending time with them. They went out of their way to satisfy our requests and answer the many questions we bombarded them with continuously. Our three day-long trips with them were truly outstanding and memorable. We will be forever grateful to them for showing us wonderful medieval Italian towns, villages, churches and castles. They came highly recommended to us by the study abroad program my daughter is participating in through her college. The college uses them to transport American students from Arezzo to many areas in Italy for sightseeing and study. They have a late model, comfortable, 8 or 9 passenger van that is absolutely spotless.

Our first day with them was a winery tour through Tuscany starting in Arezzo and I can not think of anything that could have made the day better. Prior to our booking, I let them know which wineries we were interested in visiting and they did the rest. They made arrangements with the wineries confirming we would be accommodated, got us to the wineries at the specified time, and filled in the remaining time during the day with visits to other towns and places of interest.

The second day we went to Assisi and (unknown to us) Sara had prearranged a private meeting in a private room between us and an English speaking Franciscan monk who then spent over an hour with us detailing St. Francis' life and his relationship within the area around Assisi as well as insight as to what to look for in certain masterpieces hanging in the Basilica and what the symbolization meant – things we would never have known otherwise.

And finally, our last day with Sara and Andrea was spent in medieval San Gimignano and Siena. I mentioned to Sara the day before this trip that there was a restaurant I was interested in having lunch at in San Gimignano (Chiribiri Restaurant) and Sara took it upon herself to make lunch reservations for us. It was wonderful. I would recommend this restaurant to anyone who visits San Gimignano. The restaurant is very small and the food is exceptional. There is always someone outside waiting for a table.

My family and I are truly grateful to Sara and Andrea, (who by the way is a very good, considerate and patient driver!) for making our vacation in Italy one we will remember always. Each day we spent with them was jam packed with everything we requested plus sites they added at no additional cost thinking we would enjoy them, which we did. On our last trip with them, Sunday, Sara and Andrea surprised us with a tray of sweets saying they have their own tradition of treating themselves on Sundays and wanted to include us in their tradition. It was a very nice gesture and everyone totally enjoyed the pastries.

I highly recommend Very Tuscany and would use them again in a heartbeat next time I'm near Arezzo. We sense they genuinely enjoy what they do and somehow are able to keep their prices extremely affordable and reasonable, plus they are so historically knowledgeable, they are a truly amazing couple. Thanks again, Sara and Andrea.....we hope to see you again!