



BRIGANDS PATH PROGRAMME



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WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 7 nights from Saturday to Saturday with half board or full board, water, coffee and table wine included

Accommodation in a nice room in the restored farmhouse below the Castle

- 4 half day riding excursions and 1 full day riding excursion

- Free access to our swimming pool and tennis court

- Welcome drink

- Guided tour of the 17th century Castle

- Riding equipment

- Daily room cleaning

- Free wi-fi

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Please note, the following is just a sample itinerary. Riding schedules, riding trails and castle tour can change according to the weather and staff organization

DAY 1

After a check-in and welcome drink, you'll meet our guides during dinner for an introduction and programme briefing and take a guided tour of the Castle

DAY 2

Half Day Ride 18km. We ride towards the hills framing the west plateau on which the castle is situated. A fantastic spot for a breathtaking view of the area; from the beautiful crater of Lake Bolsena to the hills surrounding lake Mezzano.



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DAY 3: LAKE MEZZANO

Full day 32 km

We ride through farmland on the Brigands Path into the wooded hills which surround Onano, we glimpse stone pine trees atop an ancient Etruscan site and arrive on the flat plain of the Mezzano crater.

**We stop at the Fra Viaco farm restaurant and meet for lunch.
You can take a refreshing swim in the crystal clear waters of the lake.**

After a delicious meal, we ascend through ancient chestnut woods to arrive back at the castle.

DAY 4: A DAY OFF FOR SIGHTSEEING

The local area is full of interesting archaeological and historical sites. A few suggestions include the village fortresses of Pitigliano, Sorano and Sovano. It is definitely worth visiting the marvellous Italian gothic church of Orvieto - Civita di Bagnoregio, known as the 'Dying Town'.

Alternatively you can choose to relax at the castle and take advantage of the swimming pool, tennis court, indoor and outdoor games . Have a massage or take a cooking class.



Bisentina Island, Bolsena lake



Sorano Wine tasting Antinori

DAY 5

Half day

We will be heading out along The Brigands Trail towards the picturesque Lake Bolsena. This is a fantastic spot with breathtaking views of the area stretching from the beautiful crater of Lake Bolsena on one side, to the hills surrounding Lake Mezzano on the other side. On a clear day you can see the sea 40 km away, shimmering like a mirror. As you head back along this ancient ‘outlaws highway’ you will pass through mature oak woodlands dotted with original farm dwellings built in the traditional tufo rock.



DAY 6

Half Day Ride 20 km. Once again this morning we take the Brigands path, we head north through the hills towards Onano, a fortified village with a medieval castle which was the stronghold of the Monaldeschi family who ruled this area during the Middle Ages. At the Madonna delle grazie church we will follow the track north through enchanting countryside back to the castle.



DAY 7

Half day ride 16km

Following an old Etruscan trail, we will ride up through thick woods to the top of the crater surrounding lake Bolsena. Here, we will enjoy remarkable scenery including vineyards, Etruscan tombs, the prominent volcanic lake and the panorama dominated by the famous Farnese palace in Gradoli; a gift made by the Pope in 1500 for his nephew for his wedding - what a present!

We will return to the castle riding through the vineyards, vegetable gardens and enchanting woods. In particular, we will enjoy a canter across a tunnel made by oak trees above an old shepherds path.



DAY 8: Departure

Having had many amazing experiences and exhilarating adventures, you will prepare for your onward journey taking with you many happy memories. Checkout is usually between 10am-12pm, although a late checkout can be arranged subject to availability.



SEASONS

From April the 16th till the 17th of June and from the 17th of September till the 12th of November: low season.

From the 18th of June till the 16th of September: High season.

LOW SEASON PRICE IN DOUBLE ROOM

HALF BOARD € 1305,00 (7 breakfasts, 7 dinners)

FULL BOARD € 1485,00 (7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners)

HIGH SEASON PRICE IN DOUBLE ROOM

HALF BOARD € 1445,00 (7 breakfasts, 7 dinners)

FULL BOARD € 1625,00 (7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners)

Please note, we have only double beds, NOT twin beds:

Double room for single use supp.: € 140,00 in total per week

PLEASE NOTE The excursions can be changed according to weather, horses, riders experience level or circumstances beyond our control by the management of the castle. Safety is our primary concern