



## **DOLCE VITA DRIVING TOUR 24 - 28 APRIL 2024**

### OVERVIEW ITINERARY

In 2024, we are thrilled to be once again partnering with Nostalgic to bring you the ultimate classic car driving experience. Join us as we explore the rolling hills of Tuscany in a fleet of lovingly cared for classic Alfa Romeo's. Alongside breathtaking driving throughout the region, including roads straight from the Mille Miglia road book, highlights of the tour will include time to enjoy Pienza and Siena, a guided tour in Volterra, and a vast culinary journey of local and national cuisine. To rest and recuperate after each drive, you will be staying in luxury accommodation nestled within the Chianti Hills, showcasing the very best of the Tuscan landscape blanketed with creeping vineyards, ancient olive trees and towering cypresses.



### THE CLASSIC CARS:

This tour will allow you to experience the thrill of driving a classic Alfa Romeo, transporting you back in time to an iconic era of automotive ingenuity. Throughout the trip, you will get the opportunity to enjoy a selection of available vehicles, including:



Make: Alfa Romeo Giulitta/Guilia Spider  
Model: 1957-1965  
Power: 80-112 PS

This model by Alfa Romeo has become the icon of "Dolce Vita" and represents Italian joie de vivre, casualness and elegance. Take a step back in time and travel to the 1950s Italy as you drive one of Pininfarina's most famous creation.



Make: Alfa Romeo Duetto/ 2000 Veloce Spider  
Model: 1966-1982  
Power: 80- 127 HP

The successor to the Giulia Spider was again designed by Pininfarina, initially with a round ('osso di seppia' or boat-tail) rear end, and from 1969 with the classic 'fast back'. Even after decades, these models still inspire with their sporty elegance, driving dynamics and Italian touch.





## DAY ONE – ARRIVAL IN FLORENCE

From Florence Airport we will whisk you into the heart of the Chianti Hills. Our hotel for the duration of the trip is Borgo di Vescine, a four-star hotel perched on the top of a verdant hill, 600 metres above the sea level, overlooking the historic town of Radda. Formally a fortress of the Langobardic era, this property has been lovingly restored with the splendor, simplicity and quality of rural life to the Borgo of yesteryear. Between the village square, the orangery, the outdoor heated swimming pool, the olive grove and the hotel's very own vineyard, Borgo di Vescine is the perfect base for us to make the most of the world-famous Tuscan region.

For dinner this evening you will step back in time with a rustic dining experience in the form of an old, converted post office, with stunning views out to the Via Chiantigiana. Experience traditional Tuscan cuisine in a setting dedicated to Tazio Nuvolari, the inventor of the all-wheel drive, and the winner of the 1930 Mille Miglia.



## DAY TWO – DRIVE TO PIENZA

Today will be your first opportunity to get behind the wheel of your classic Alfa Romeo. The Crete Senese is one of the most beautiful routes in Italy, and will host cypress-lined hilltops and views stretching to the horizon with picturesque medieval villages perched on the hills. We will depart from our hotel shortly after breakfast, before meandering our way to Pienza. We will invite for you to join us for lunch at Terrazza del Chiostro.

After some free time to enjoy the 15<sup>th</sup> Century town and UNESCO World Heritage site, we will begin our journey back to the hotel, where you will have a free evening to dine at your leisure, and make the most of the beautiful hotel facilities.



## DAY THREE – DRIVE TO VOLTERRA

Departing from the hotel in the morning, our convoy of Alfa Romeos will travel far into the west of Tuscany, where in good weather you may spot Pisa and the sea on the horizon. We will then arrive in Volterra, the city of wind and alabaster craftsmanship. Here, you will have lunch at leisure before embarking on a guided tour of the historic town, allowing you to learn more about one of Italy's most underrated and undiscovered hill towns.

We will then return to the hotel for some leisure time before departing for dinner. La Bottega di Volpaia will host us for an evening of friendly, traditional Tuscan hospitality with stretching views over the Chianti Hills, providing an unforgettable experience.





## DAY FOUR – DRIVE TO SIENA AND WINERY TASTING

For our final day of driving the roads of Tuscany, we will be venturing to Siena, the gothic jewel of Tuscany surrounded by a 1,000-year-old defensive wall, with towers and gates strategically placed for protection. After exploring here at leisure, we will then head to Badia a Coltibuono for a vineyard tour and wine tasting. This winery is one of the oldest monasteries in Italy, and has been under management of the Stucchi Prinetti family since 1846.

Later into the evening, we will depart from the hotel for our dinner at Albergaccio di Castellina for a fine dining experience, wrapping up our Tuscan adventure in luxurious style. Combining creative spirit with genuine Tuscan culinary tradition this will offer authentic and delicious dishes to enjoy as we reminisce over a wonderful trip.



## DAY FIVE- DEPARTURE DAY

After breakfast and check-out, the day will be at leisure, with guests being taken to Florence airport for your outbound flights.

## PACKAGE

Our package includes:

- 4 nights' accommodation in a 4\* hotel
- Access to an Alfa Romeo Giulietta/Duetto
- Airport Transfers to and from Florence Airport
- Fuel
- The presence of a qualified mechanic
- Breakfast at hotel
- Evening meals including wine on selected nights
- Celebratory dinner on the final night
- Printed route book including a full itinerary
- Personnel to assist all members
- Support vehicles for transporting luggage
- VAT and all local taxes

## WHAT'S EXCLUDED

The price excludes anything not expressly included in the Package as well as the following:

- Outbound and Return Flights
- Medical & travel insurance
- Any extras on the trip (ie, spa treatments)
- Alcohol (save for the allowances included with evening meals)

## PRICE

£7,495 based on two people sharing a vehicle, and double or twin room.

\*price for single person can be provided upon request