



# Painting Under the Tuscan Sun

a renowned place of artistic inspiration and relaxation

*Tuscany embodies much that Italy is famous for, classic origins, stunning landscapes, rich art legacy and of course, food and wine! A stunning Etruscan Villa close to the wonderful hill top town of Cortona is available exclusively for small groups of up to 14 people. Why not combine with a few nights in Rome and Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance' - you decide!*

## Rome and Florence

Choose where you begin and end your Tuscany stay - Rome or Florence? Rome is under 3 hours from Cortona and we can arrange your transfer via the stunning town of Orvieto perched high above Tufa Cliffs. There are many museums and art galleries to visit in Rome, not to mention the famous landmarks. Florence is of course the 'Cradle of Renaissance'; we can arrange behind-the-scenes visits to working 'bottegas' in the old artisan district of Florence, private tours of the Accademia and Uffizi Gallery and specialist guides who will take you on a journey into the Renaissance.



## Tuscany

A stunning Etruscan Villa will be exclusively home to the group for 5, 7, 10 nights or as many nights as you choose. Painting tuition by top artists, teachers and historians is suitable for all levels from beginner to experienced. A range of breath-taking locations will be chosen to inspire your work including landscape, architecture, perspective and most particularly colour, tone and texture. Framing and shipping of finished work can be arranged should you wish. A typical day will be spent painting in the morning either out on location or in the grounds, with opportunities to continue into the early evening to take full advantage of the wonderful clarity and warmth of the Tuscan light. Afternoons will be spent exploring this stunning region. Visit beautiful hill towns such as Pienza, famous for its Pecorino cheeses; and Montepulciano, where you can visit one of the oldest wineries in Tuscany, or perhaps the famous walled medieval town of San Gimignano. A visit to the local thermal springs, the local market followed by a cooking lesson at the villa and Italian lessons can all be included!