

Cruise: **MEDITERRANEAN**

 Cruise Ship: **MSC SEASIDE**

Livorno (Florence)

CITY TOUR



WALKING, BOATING AND SHOPPING IN LIVORNO (Code: LEG16)


Duration
 3.00 h


This three-hour excursion begins with a 15-minute bus ride from the ship to downtown Livorno, the starting point for a 45-minute walking tour of the city centre. Still operating as a thriving port today, Livorno first flourished when the main part of the city was constructed in the 16th century by the Medici family (a wealthy and powerful family who ruled various parts of Italy during the 15th to 18th centuries). Those years of prosperity remain evident in its imposing fortresses. Following the walking tour, enjoy approximately 45 minutes of free time, perhaps browsing surrounding local shops for souvenirs. Then, it's time to hit the water on a 60-minute motorboat trip, traversing the city's extensive canal network through the aptly named New Venice district. Zip smoothly along and admire sights such as Piazza della Repubblica (housing neoclassical architecture and statues of grand dukes Ferdinand III and Leopold II) and 18th-century Santa Caterina Church. A 30-minute bus ride returns to the ship.

Please note: this excursion is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in the port of Livorno. As the tour includes a long period of walking, it is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility.

Price per person

- Adult: \$65.00
- Child: \$46.00

Minimum number of participants required: 25

CULTURE AND HISTORY



TUSCAN DISCOVERY: TREASURES OF SIENA & SAN GIMIGNANO (Code: LEG17)


Duration
 9.00 h


Fortified walls and medieval towers are both present on this nine-hour excursion, which begins with a two-hour bus journey from the port at Livorno to Siena. After meeting a local guide, take a two-and-a-half hours tour of the city centre, learning about sights like the soaring, 13th-century Basilica di San Domenico, and the Palazzo Pubblico (Town Hall), adorned with a striking medieval façade and the famous Piazza del Campo. Free time to explore is also included in this segment. After walking back to the bus, a one-hour drive moves things to San Gimignano. Enjoy approximately one hour of free time in this rustic, hilltop town, admiring its fortified walls (which house the UNESCO-recognised historic centre) and its famous 14 towers, another visual reminder of the town's medieval heritage. This free time is also a chance to purchase local souvenirs and delicacies, including some world-renowned Tuscan wine, of course. After a short walk back to the coach, it's a 90-minute drive back to the port at Livorno.

Please note: This excursion is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in the port of Livorno. Guides will meet guests on arrival in Siena. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. This tour is unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties. The cost of the lunch (optional) is not included in the price of the tour.

Price per person

- Adult: \$131.00
- Child: \$93.00

Minimum number of participants required: 25

CITY TOUR



THE SHOW-STOPPING ARCHITECTURE OF FLORENCE AND PISA (Code: LEG27)



Duration
9.00 h

Florence is flooded with fantastic architecture, so a knowledgeable guide to navigate the highlights and convey the stories is a must. Meet the guide who'll unlock Florence's treasures after a 90-minute bus ride from the port at Livorno, followed by a short walk from the drop-off point. The two and a half hours walking tour begin with an external visit to the city's monumental cathedral, allowing time to admire its beautiful, Filippo Brunelleschi-built dome. Afterwards, the tour continues to palace-lined Republic Square (Piazza della Repubblica) and on to Ponte Vecchio, the distinctive bridge stretching across the Arno River. Following the walking tour, enjoy an exterior viewing of the Basilica of Santa Croce and its marble facade in white and green, followed by free time for a total duration of 90 minutes. Next is a one-hour drive to Pisa, where you will stop at the Square of Miracles. This famous expanse is a showcase of architectural splendour, encased by three awe-inspiring buildings: the Baptistry of San Giovanni, Pisa Cathedral, and the remarkable Leaning Tower of Pisa (which is technically the bell tower of Pisa Cathedral). Break out the camera for external viewings of all three structures. A 45-minute drive then returns to the pier at Livorno.

Please note: this excursion is only guests who do not embark/disembark in the port of Livorno. Guests will be met by tour guides on arrival in both Florence and Pisa. The cost of the lunch (optional) is not included in the price of the tour. The visit to the cathedral in Florence is external; guests may visit it during their free time if they are interested. Guests using a wheelchair are welcome to participate in this tour but should be aware that it includes long periods of walking, that they must be accompanied by a paying helper to assist with getting on and off the coach, and that wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable, as the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift.

Price per person

- Adult: \$134.00
- Child: \$95.00

Minimum number of participants required: 25

CITY TOUR



AN ARCHITECTURAL JOURNEY IN FLORENCE AND SHOPPING (Code: LEG28)



Duration
9.00 h

There's never a shortage of buildings to swoon over in Florence, but there's plenty of time to admire the very best of the bunch on this nine-hour excursion. A 90-minute bus ride from the port at Livorno starts the day, before a short walk to Cathedral Square to begin a walking tour lasting two and a half hours. On the tour, gain valuable insights into Florence's iconic buildings from a knowledgeable guide. These include the vast cathedral (and, of course, its almighty dome towering above the city), Piazza della Signoria (which offers a panorama of Florence's artistic and architectural achievements) and Ponte Vecchio, the ever-sturdy, centuries-old bridge lined with 16th-century jewellery shops. After the tour, enjoy one final masterpiece via an exterior viewing of the Basilica of Santa Croce, whose facade near-gleams thanks to an array of white-and-green marble. Afterwards, make the most of approximately two hours and 45 minutes of free time, which could include shopping for local artisan craft items, finding a restaurant for lunch, wandering Florence's historic centre (designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site) or simply relaxing after a busy day. Finally, return to the port at Livorno on a 90-minute bus transfer.

Please note: this excursion is only guests who do not embark/disembark in the port of Livorno. The cost of the lunch (optional) is not included in the price of the tour.

Price per person

- Adult: \$131.00
- Child: \$93.00

Minimum number of participants required: 25

CITY TOUR



THE LEANING TOWER OF PISA AND OTHER HIGHLIGHTS (Code: LEG29)

Duration
4.00 h



Everyone knows Pisa for its famously wonky tower, but there's more to this charismatic city than just "the lean". Begin this four-hour excursion with a 30-minute coach ride from the port at Livorno, leading to a short walk from the drop-off point to Pisa's glorious Square of Miracles. This showcase of architectural achievement holds an array of great buildings - see two of the finest up-close, during a 75-minute guided internal visit to the splendid medieval cathedral, followed by a visit to the equally impressive domed baptistry. Those 75 minutes also include an external viewing of what, for many, will be the headline attraction: The Leaning Tower of Pisa. Grab as many photos as you like of this charming, baffling wonder. Afterwards, there's approximately one hour of free time, which could be spent shopping or taking in more of the area's architectural riches. A short walk back to the coach is followed by a 30-minute drive back to the port at Livorno.

Please note: this excursion is only guests who do not embark/disembark in the port of Livorno. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

Price per person

- Adult: \$120.00
- Child: \$85.00

Minimum number of participants required: 25

KEY TO SYMBOLS

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Possibility of swimming



No guide available



New



Tasting included



Shooting videos and/or taking pictures is not allowed or subject to fee



Wheelchair and disabledfriendly tour



Lunch or dinner included



Shopping

Wheelchair guests must be accompanied by their own helper to get on/off the coach. Wheelchairs must be foldable as coaches do not have ramps or lifts. Once on board, please contact the MSC Excursions desk staff promptly so they can help make arrangements.



Drink included



Limited seats



Snack included



Best seller



Multilanguage tour



English Only Tour

DIFFICULTY LEVEL



Easy
May involve a limited quantity of steps, uneven surfaces and/or periods of standing.



Moderate
May involve inclines, steps, uneven surfaces and/or extended periods of standing.



Strenuous
Active excursions recommended only for guests in good physical health.

Please check your ticket for meeting time and location. There will be no announcements to remind you of departure times or meeting points.

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Thrill seekers can find adventures for sports and fun. Trekking, snorkeling kayak tours and 4x4 vehicles.

CITY TOUR

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Learn the destinations history and culture with visits to must-see locations and guided tours.

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Some excursions are very popular and therefore availability cannot always be guaranteed. We recommend booking in advance the tours you are interested in.

The availability of language guides (ENG-ITA-GER-FRE-SPA-POR) varies depending on the destination. At the time of booking, you will be able to select your preferred language from the available options. The language in which each excursion will be conducted will be confirmed on board during the cruise.