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Tuscany Italy

Tuscany is a region in central Italy with an area of about 23,000 square kilometres (8,900 square miles) and a population of about 3.8 million inhabitants (2013). The regional capital is Florence (Firenze).

Tuscany is known for its landscapes, history, artistic legacy, and its influence on high culture. It is regarded as the birthplace of the Italian Renaissance^[4] and has been home to many figures influential in the history of art and science, and contains well-known museums such as the Uffizi and the Pitti Palace. Tuscany produces wines, including Chianti, Vino Nobile di Montepulciano, Morellino di Scansano and Brunello di Montalcino. Having a strong linguistic and cultural identity, it is sometimes considered "a nation within a nation".

The 10 best cities to visit while in Tuscany?

(Place cursor over each town name to see additional information via a link to the specific town).

Tuscany is a popular destination in Italy, the main tourist spots are Florence, Pisa, Lucca, Siena, Versilia, Maremma and Chianti. The village of Castiglione della Pescaia is the most visited seaside destination in the region.

Cities/Towns/Villages / Tuscany



Florence
Pop. 380,000



Siena



Pisa



Lucca
Pop. 82,000



San
Gimignano



Montepulciano
Pop. 14,000



Pienza

Video on Tuscany cities



Oil painting by Anthony Russo

Is Cinque Terre in Tuscany?

One of my favorite places in Italy is Cinque Terre. Although not part of the Tuscany region it is a day trip from Tuscany. On the left is a painting I did of one of the Cinque Terre towns. Below is a video by Rick Steves that explores these beautiful sea coast towns of Cinque Terre (Click on photos below).

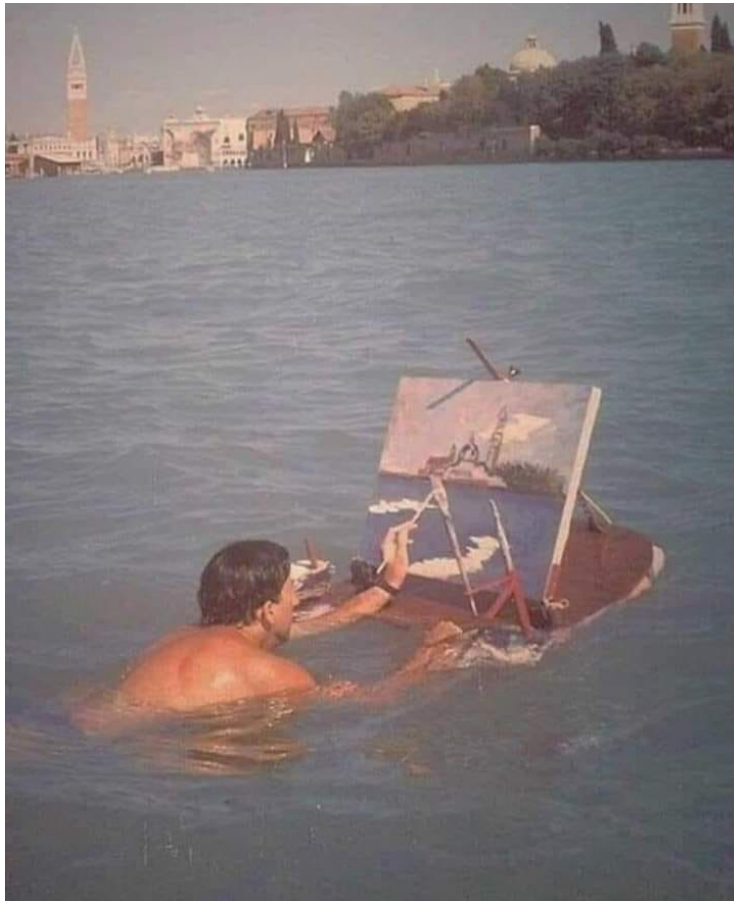
The Cinque Terre is a coastal area within Liguria, in the northwest of Italy. It lies west of La Spezia, and comprises five villages: Monterosso al Mare, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore. The coastline, the five villages, and the surrounding hillsides are all part of the Cinque Terre National Park a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Images for cinque terre



Rick Steves video on Cinque Terre

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