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Experience Chianti, whatever the season

Villa le Barone is ideally located in the heart of Chianti, the famous Tuscan wine production area. Taste wine and savor good Tuscan food! Enjoy the scenic routes, visit typical villages, admire vineyards and olive groves, and contemplate unparalleled landscapes! Welcome to Chianti, and take part in the many events organized around wine in Greve and Panzano in Chianti.



Let us give you some background information on wine in Tuscany.



How long has wine been produced in Tuscany?

Etruscans have been planting vines here, sometime in the 8th century BC. These fruits have thrived down the centuries, nurtured by Romans, medieval monks, the local aristocracy, and today's winemakers.

The earliest documentation of a "Chianti wine" dates back to the 14th century, when viticulture was known to flourish in the "Chianti Mountains" around Florence. A military league called Lega del Chianti (League of Chianti) was formed around 1250 between the townships of Castellina, Gaiole and Radda, which would lead to the wine from this area taking on a similar name.

Which grapes are behind these famous wines?

Tuscany, and in particular Chianti is renowned for its reds, made of Sangiovese, the best-known local grape. Since 1996 the blend for Chianti and Chianti Classico has been 75-100% Sangiovese, up to 10% Canaiolo and up to 20% of any other approved red grape variety such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot or Syrah.

There are extremely good whites too made from trebbiano, malvasia, vermentino and vernaccia. Prosecco is not produced in Tuscany, but it is the Italian Champagne! If you stay more than 2 days in Villa le Barone you will find a bottle of Prosecco to welcome you in your room!



What is the label "Chianti Classico"?

In 1984, Chianti was given the prestigious DOCG (Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita) status, that you can read on the bottle's label. Obtaining it requires adherence to very strict criteria. Chianti Classico must have a minimum alcohol level of 12% with a minimum of 7 months aging in oak, while Chianti Classicos labeled riserva must be aged at least 24 months at the winery, with a minimum alcohol level of 12.5%.

[Know more about the wineries around Villa Le Barone](#)



Plan your wine tasting experience

Taste the best of Chianti wines also in the various wineries around: we can organize for you visits of the wineries in Panzano in Chianti with memorable wine tasting.

And of course we are serving the best Chianti wines in our restaurant, together with genuine Tuscan food. Enjoy our self-service honesty bar and a convenient wine tasting machine, offering 4 different wines!

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Meet with Tuscans!

Take part in the local feasts, and in particular the wine festival in Greve and Vino al Vino in Panzano in Chianti in September.

Enjoy a dinner at Dario Cecchini, the "World's Most Famous Butcher," at walking distance. He is an iconic figure in Tuscan cuisine. With his charismatic personality and theatrical approach, he welcomes visitors to his shop, Antica Macelleria Cecchini (run by eight generations of butchers!), where you can taste premium cuts of meat, you can experience true Tuscan hospitality. A passionate advocate for ethical meat consumption and the preservation of traditional butchery, Dario Cecchini has become a legend in the culinary world.

And hear about the story of the Villa, written by Marchioness Viviani Della Robbia, of whom the current owners of Villa le Barone are heirs.



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Admire the vineyard landscape

You can appreciate the vineyards, with their changing colours according to the season, from many of the rooms at Villa le Barone, from the swimming pool, from the tennis court (that we have renovated this year) and from the gardens... on top of this, you will also enjoy the flowers and the trees in our gardens and listening to the song of the many birds will certainly please you!

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If you are more into relaxing or sports...

Experience wellness with:

- our heated saltwater infinity pool all made out of travertine marble in a rose garden with stupendous views on the Chianti landscapes
- our tennis court which enjoys a breathtaking view (newly renovated this year)
- our fitness room with a bike, a treadmill, and a stability ball.
- the 12-stop fitness trail around the property
- the several terraces equipped to relax and enjoy the views
- hiking and biking tours we have curated

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If you are more into sightseeing...



Do you want to avoid the long queues at the Uffizi or Accademia museums? We can pre-book tickets with specific entrance times for you.

Do you want to plan a guided tour? We can organize half-day or full-day tours with professional, authorized guides in major UNESCO-listed art cities such as Florence, Siena, and San Gimignano. We also arrange private driver-led tours of Chianti.

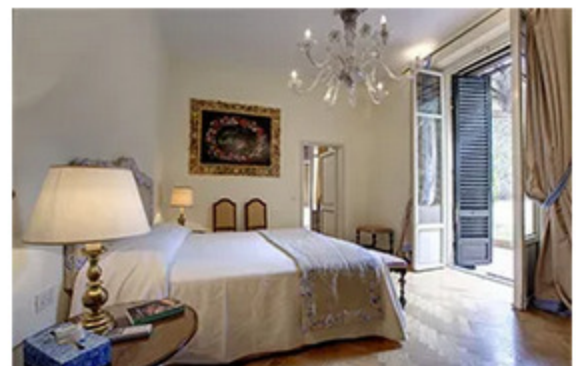
You will be happy to relax by the pool when they return.

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We also offer other experiences such as:

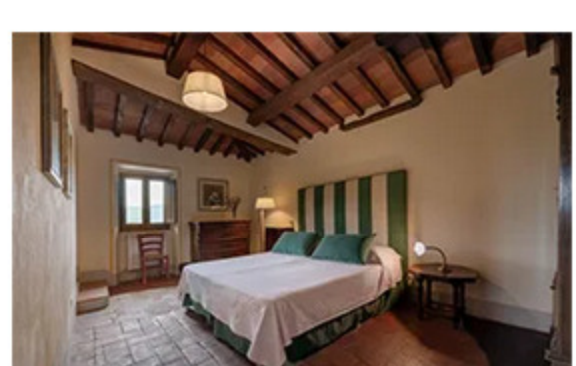
In the center of Florence, in Via Tornabuoni, an apartment for 2 to 6 persons in a Historical Renaissance Palace. You are going to feel like a Florentine Aristocrat!

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In Panzano in Chianti, fully equipped apartments for 4 and one for 6, both with stupendous views and comfort (with possible access to Villa le Barone's services)

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In Alta Maremma, a beautiful house in a large Historical Farm: authenticity and quietness guaranteed.

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