



EXPLORE THE AMAZING TUSCANY AS YOUR NEW DESTINATION



Elba



BEST ANCHORAGE AREAS



Elba is situated in a **strategic position** at the crossroads between the major routes of **yachting** in the Mediterranean. Captains can always find a safe shelter in any weather condition in some of the **charming bays of the island**.



The marinas of Portoferraio , Portoazzurro, Marciana and Capraia can host up to 60mt and can be a valid option for those who wish to be berthed and start the exploration of these unique landscapes and villages. On the island of Elba one can travel through so many different places and attractions, often in contrast with each other: sandy beaches, rocky coastlines, chestnuts forests, archeological treasures , tiny fortress towns and crystal water sea. This extraordinary richness turns Elba island into a unique destination.

Portoferraio Marina

Technical information:

Sea	Northern Tyrrhenian	Chanal VHF	9
Port	Medicean wet dock	Places (tot.)	70
		Places (transit)	7
		Length (m.)	7-65
		Depth (m.)	2,5-6,5
		Maximum haulage (t.)	0

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The port of Portoferraio looks onto a natural inlet that is almost sheltered from every type of wind. While approaching from the sea, you will be impressed by the town rising up from the roadstead and majestic fortifications that seem to embrace it. The bright colour of the houses, the reflections into the crystal clear water, make it look like an amazing postcard.



Porto Azzurro Marina

Technical information:

Sea	Northern Tyrrhenian	Chanal VHF	10
Port	Porto Azzurro	Length (m.)	60
		Depth (m.)	6



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The Porticciolo is located in the center of the bay, one of the safest harbor in the Isle of Elba, made of floating docks, equipped with essential facilities at the dockage. With a walk of few meters from the boat you are already in the main square of the village and with all the shopping at Porto Azzurro, as well as pizzerias and restaurants, bars and nightclubs.





SOME SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

The Napoleonic Museums Visits

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The most illustrious guest of the island was for sure Napoleone Bonaparte who was exiled here for months. Starting from the marina of Portoferraio, the visit of Napoleonic Museums may take two hours with the suggested assistance of a guide. From there it is possible to continue a panoramic tour of the island among the vineyards landscapes and mountains.



Villa Mulini Museum



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The magical atmosphere of the villa can be the setting for dinner and events that can be privately arranged with some little notice in advance.



The Medici Fortress

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Started by Cosimo 1st de Medici, Duke of Tuscany, three fortified towers connect the city walls and have been declared such a spectacular example of military architecture, making Portoferraio one of the most important citadel in the Mediterranean after Malta.



Gastronomy

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In any of the restaurant spread around the island, it is possible to taste the traditional cuisine which is based on simple and genuine ingredients. One of the most typical dish of the island is the “stoccafisso alla riese” (dried cod). Any of the restaurant will prepare some homemade pasta with fish, or some meat specialities. All served in some fantastic scenario.



ARGENTARIO

BREATHTAKING VIEWS



The Argentario is the **highest promontory along the Tuscan coast**. It is an ancient calcareous island that includes the Orbetello Lagoon, **one of the most important wetlands of Italy**.



The historical centers of Orbetello, Porto Santo Stefano and Porto Ercole are also worthy of significant attention. West of the Argentario are the islands of Giannutri and Giglio, partially included in the Tuscan Archipelago's National Park. In Giannutri, there are no marked footpaths, whereas Giglio, which culminates in the Poggio della Pagana, a promontory rising 496 metres, offers fascinating itineraries. From this location and ports you can reach many tourist destinations in a short time: the Arcipelago, Sardinia, Pontines Islands, the French Riviera and Capri.

Porto Ercole Marina Cala Galera

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Cala Galera Marine is a modern touristic port, made of a two elbows breakwater quay and a downdrift quay. It offers visitors a complete nautical assistance and is equipped to host up to 670 pleasure vessels with a length range between 6 to 50 metres. The other main town is Porto Ercole (Port Hercules, in English), located 7 kilometres south of Orbetello. A curiosity about Porto Ercole: the painter Michelangelo Merisi, known as Caravaggio who was exiled by the Pope, died of a fever here in 1610.



Porto Santo stefano

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Porto Santo Stefano is located on the north-western promontory of Monte Argentario, 40 kilometres (25 miles) southeast of Grosseto, about 10 km (6.2 mi) southwest of Orbetello and about 12 km (7.5 mi) from Porto Ercole. Besides the fortress, the territory still plays host to two Spanish lookout towers: the Lividonia and dell'Argentiera towers. The town has two port harbors: Porto Vecchio and Porto del Valle. Located in the heart of the village, the port is strategically sheltered from winds.





SOME SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

The Maremma tour

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A full day tour can be arranged to visit the main medieval town of the tuscan Maremma. You can visit the suggestive old town of Pitigliano that is also known as a little Gerusalemme and a Synagogue was built there. Then you can visit the caves which is an amazing walking for lovers of nature.



Argentario Golf Resort and SPA

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A luxury resort with 73 rooms and a unique panorama. An international 18 holes Golf resort which hosts some of the most important tournaments in Tuscany. It is located into a natural reserve with a certification for its bio-compatibility. The Spa has six cabins that are dedicated to wellness and relax: turkish hammam, sauna and swimming pools.

Wine Tour



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One of the most suggestive location with 350 hectares of land, is Tenuta Ammiraglia. The estate of Ammiraglia is a place of unquestionable natural beauty, captivating and impeccable, set in a territory of great potential for the production of high quality wines. In particular the cellars, designed by Piero Sartogo represent one of the most perfect combinations of innovation, technology and respect for the environment.





WHERE TO EAT

Pellicano Restaurant



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Michelin starred chef Sebastiano Lombardi serves up the best of Italian cuisine made with top quality organic ingredients. A spacious veranda is set against a backdrop of fragrant flowers and offers stunning views of the emerald sea. An interior dining room won't be a disappointment either. Wallpaper reproducing a drawing by Piero Fornasetti, 1960s appliqués made by Italian craftsmen and lamps made of bird cages are just some of the touches contributing towards an atmosphere of timeless sophistication.

Pelligrill Restaurant



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Located between the beach and the hotel, Pelligrill is the perfect place for a relaxed dining experience. Pelligrill specialises in dishes with grilled fish and meat. The restaurant also serves fresh and fragrant salads and refreshing homemade desserts.



Gourmet con gusto restaurant



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The place overlooks the beautiful panorama of Giannella and the Domitian Baths at Porto Santo Stefano, a location that will introduce you to the typical dishes of Maremma. The cuisine is representative of the chef's creativity.



VIAREGGIO



The city of Viareggio, on the Tyrrhenian coast, **is one of the most stylish of the Versilia resort beaches**. The city has retained many of the original grand buildings from its heyday in the 1920s. **The Art Nouveau** (Liberty Art) style blends with more recent structures. While here see Torre Matilde, Viareggio's oldest structure built **in 1541 to defend the city**.



One of the most captivating and wonderful examples of the local liberty architecture is the Gran Cafè Margherita: you could stop here for breakfast, a cocktail, lunch or dinner - food and drinks are always simply delicious. The refined, sophisticated ambiance will remind you of a country club during the 1920-30's, when people like the musician Giacomo Puccini or the physician Guglielmo Marconi used to "hang out" at Margherita.

Viareggio has gained its popularity all around the world not only for its Carnival celebrations but also for housing some of the most ancient and peculiar bathing establishments along the Versilia coast: the liberty façade of the Bagno Balena (Whale Bath) is renowned worldwide, together with the Magazzini Duilio 48 and their typical rounded shape. Many of the bathing establishments are from the early 1920's, though they have been modernized to include showers, pools, restaurants and games for all ages.



SOME SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

A day in Pisa and Lucca

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Pisa, as well as Florence, has to be seen at least once in your life. From Viareggio it will take only 35 minutes to get there. The city of Pisa is famous for the beautiful Piazza dei Miracoli, where you will find all of the major monuments. Here there is the magnificent Cathedral of Pisa, built in the 11th century, the splendid Baptistery of St. John, the monumental Camposanto (cemetery) and the striking Leaning Tower of Pisa, an international landmark that you must climb at least once in your lifetime. After Pisa, Lucca is the next stop where you can experience the thrill of walking the city walls, strolling the vias and visiting the fabulous marble churches.



A day in Chianti region and San Gimignano

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It will take about 1 hour and a half by car to reach one of the most spectacular landscapes of the region. A guided tour among Chianti vineyards, small shops and restaurant , wine and food tasting can be arranged with some notice in advance . San Gimignano, can be the last stop to conclude the day. This amazing little village has been left virtually untouched, the tall towers, quaint streets and outdoor cafes just beckon to you to stroll aimlessly. This UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1990, is the home to tasty saffron dishes and Vernaccia white wine. And if you are really curious there are several points of interest you can visit without taking up the whole day, starting with the church, the civic museum and some of their great restaurants.



A day in Florence

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Florence (one hour and a half drive distant) is Tuscany's most famous city. Every year, millions of people visit the cradle of the Renaissance, visiting its main museums and strolling through its streets to gaze and admire its monuments, churches, palazzos and more. The city has so much to offer, it is really difficult to select and offer an opinion on what you should absolutely see in few days. To give some examples, Piazza del Duomo, or the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore with its famous Cupola or the dome by Brunelleschi. Lovers of art may spend a lifetime only visiting the Uffizi gallery.





WHERE TO EAT

Restaurant Il Porto

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The experience of the owners that also run the well famous Belforte restaurant at Vernazza (cinque terre) and Gambero Rosso, have created here a unique place with a terrace from where to enjoy the sunset and the excellent cuisine.

Hotel Restaurant Lunasia

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On the top floor of the boutique Hotel Plaza e de Russie, we find the Lunasia, a Michelin-starred restaurant that offers the public the opportunity to truly experience a true and fantastic meal and excellent wine while enjoying breath-taking views of the sea.



FORTE DEI MARMI



Forte dei Marmi territory borders the port and the town of Viareggio. The modern area is built around its small **historic center near the fort**. Today its pier, stretching out into the sea for about **100 meters** is attended by yachtsmen getting very popular among the destination in the area.



The sea is not the only attraction , also its hinterland is rich in history , culture and ancient traditions. Here is possible to have interesting excursions to discover the Apuan Alps and the entire province of Lucca. The center of the town is famous for its shops and high fashion boutiques with designer's clothes and it is a must for lovers of shopping.

A shopping paradise



with a limousine or vip transportation that can follow you during the shopping, Forte dei Marmi is the paradise of the shopping.

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Night life

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The Tuscany riviera is well known for the trendy night spots, the elegant restaurants and disco. The Versilia coast is for sure the top if one is looking for amusement at the top of the quality.

