

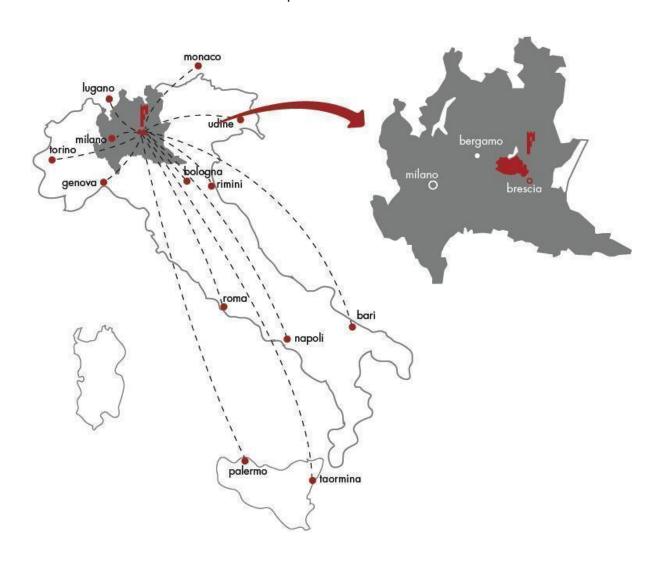


FRANCIACORTA WINE DAY TOUR FROM MILAN



Franciacorta Wine Region

Imagine a land gently laying in the **south of Lake Iseo**, in the middle **between Verona** and **Milan**. From hillside vineyards, small historical villages to medieval towers, castles, monastery, Renaissance palaces and luxury villas. It is definitely a region rich of history where, from long time ago, nobles lived in and where monks started to produce wines that later became famous. However, Franciacorta is also nature: the natural reserve of Torbiere del Sebino is a wetland of international prominence.



Franciacorta Wine

In this beautiful and small region you can appreciate also the famous sparkling wine, known as the Italian champagne, **considered the Italian's top sparkling wine**. Here the grapes give life to high-quality wines, among them the **Franciacorta D.O.C.G**, which has reached high levels of excellence and is appreciated worldwide.



The grapes used to obtain a Franciacorta wine are a blend of chardonnay (a minimum of 50 percent), pinot noir and pinot blanc.

In the Franciacorta flute, we have a straw yellow color with golden reflections, fine and persistent bubbles, a characteristic bouquet of fermentation in the bottle, bread crust and yeast aroma enriched with subtle notes of citrus fruit and nuts (almonds, hazelnuts, and dried figs).

The wine is fruity, mineral, fresh, fine, harmonious and perfect for an aperitif or to drink with Italian cheese or fish; if you are a bubble lover you'll drink it during the whole meal!



Franciacorta Method

It is a method of production for sparkling wine through a secondary fermentation in a bottle. The Franciacorta wine is the first wine in Italy produced exclusively by the classic-method of fermentation in the bottle to obtain, in 1995, the status of D.O.C.G. Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (Denomination of Controlled and Guaranteed Origin).



Sample itinerary

Around 9:00 AM pick-up at your accommodation in Milan and private luxury car transfer to Franciacorta. The drive takes about one hour.

Once in Franciacorta you will meet the tour leader that will assist you for the day.

10.30 AM – Upon arrival in Franciacorta, you will visit the first winery. The first stop is a premium winery, meaning a renowned historical winery or a boutique winery (i.e. Contadi Castaldi, Ronco Calino, Barone Pizzini, Ferghettina, Guido Berlucchi).

The visit includes an introduction to the Franciacorta wine region, its history and some facts about its development. The hospitality staff will explain to you the method of production (the same of the Champagne method), showing you the journey of the grapes through the cellar. The guided visit is followed by the tasting of Franciacorta DOCG wines.

At noon - After this lovely tasting, you will arrive to a charming little trattoria, where you will enjoy a three courses menù. The menu could includes dishes from the tradition of Franciacorta area such as manzo all'olio di Rovato, braised beef cooked slowly in olive oil served on a bed of polenta, or Clusane's baked stuffed tench or Franciacorta Risotto, casoncelli (ravioli pasta stuffed with bread, cheese and meat).

3.00 PM - Next on our agenda, in the afternoon, there is a second visit. This time to a small family-run winery. You will discover producer philosophy and the features of the Franciacorta wines.

At the end of the visit, you will taste their Franciacorta wines.

4.45 PM - Way back to Milan, you will arrive at 6.00 - ISH

The itinerary could change according to the availability.



The price includes:

- Guided visit of a premium Franciacorta winery
- Guided visit of a small Franciacorta winery
- Description of the Franciacorta wine-making method
- Tasting of five Franciacorta wines
- Lunch in a cosy restaurant with tasting menu, water, coffee and a glass of wine.
- Private luxury car transfer from your accommodation in Milan and for the day (8-hour service)
- Medical and luggage insurance
- Tour leader service for the day
- Travel Agency assistance

Price per person from and to Milan is:

Price per person (based on 1 guest): € 709 - car

Price per person (based on 2 guests): € 398 - car

Price per person (based on 3 guests): € 347 - minivan

Price per person (based on 4 guests): € 285 - minivan

Price per person (based on 5 guests): € 258 - minivan

Price per person (based on 6 guests): € 240 - minivan

Price per person (based on 8 guests): € 220 - minivan

For larger groups, price on request.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOUR:

Example of the car used for this tour: Mercedes E Class (car) - Mercedes V Class (minivan) - Mercedes Sprinter (minibus)

Please note that the winery visits included in the offer are shared cellar tours (small groups up to 15 people).

The tour is available from Monday to Saturday, Sunday on request.

To arrange the tour we need at least 3 days prior arrival.

If you would like to have a private winery tour the cost per person to be added is € 50.

We highly recommend you to bring with you a jacket or a shawl because the temperature in the cellar is about 15°.

As an alternative to Milan, we offer you a departure from Brescia, the closest city to Franciacorta. It is easy to reach by train in about 45 minutes from/to Milan. In this case, the pick-up and drop-off point is Brescia train station.

Other possible departure points:

- Bergamo
- Verona
- Desenzano
- Gardone Riviera
- Como

Do you have any questions or doubts? Please send a message by mail at booking@franciacortatour.com or by whatsapp 0039 3515084246



Sale Conditions:

To confirm the tour we need:

- Name and Surname of the participants
- Their nationality (to activate the insurance)
- The pick-up and drop-off point (your accommodation in Milan)
- Advance payment of € 200 via Paypal or credit card

Balance seven days before the tour by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Amex) or Paypal. To proceed with the confirmation you can fill-in the form at this page

Cancellation policy:

The advance payment is non-refundable
The quote is not-refundable 3 days prior to the tour



Customer's feedback

<u>Johanna – Finland</u> <u>October 2019</u>

There are wine tours and Wine Tours, Franciacorta Tour is a Tour to remember.

We had the most funny, high quality, luxurious, friendly, helpful, knowledgeable and sparkling day in the Franciacorta area with our guide and felt most heartwarmingly welcomed to the wineries in our program. Lunch was amazing, views breathtaking and wines something to remember.

Andrew and Esther – USA August 2019 We had such a lovely day

We just wanted to say a massive thank you for our tour. We had such a lovely day and felt very welcome and at home throughout the day. Just wanted to let you know we had a bottle of Franciacorta Saten on our last night (they had multiple Franciacorta bottles on the wine list!). We only had fish (Diego had recommended Saten) and it was a perfect match! We'll definitely be recommending the tour to our friends and family, and hope to see you in the near future. Many thanks!

<u>Chelsea – USA</u> May 2019

Highlight of our trip. Highly recommend!

We contacted Marco pretty last minute for a private tour for 7 people. He was exceptionally responsive and organized through email and made booking very easy! A private car picked us all up in Milan and brought us to one winery in the morning, lunch, and one winery in the afternoon. The wine was delightful, the portions hearty, and the food delicious. I would highly recommend this experience to anyone traveling to the area. Thank you, Marco!

Beth – USA October 2018 Excellent, informative wine tour

We very much enjoyed our time in the beautiful Franciacorta region & this tour definitely helped to acclimate us to the area & educate us about the local wine, with which we were previously unfamiliar. Marco was our guide & he was very friendly, knowledgeable & reliable. We were able to customize our tour based on our schedule. He picked us up from our hotel in a comfortable, air conditioned Mercedes van. Our tour consisted of visits to two beautiful wineries, Mosnel & Bonomi, and lunch at an excellent local restaurant. The wine was amazing & both wineries provided informative tours, in English, & generous tastings. We did not feel rushed & everyone seemed genuinely excited to accommodate us. Unfortunately, due to import restrictions & shipping costs, it was not practical to ship wine back to Florida, so we had to satisfy ourselves with purchasing several bottles from each winery, which we happily enjoyed over the next several days of our travels! The cost for the tour was very reasonable & Marco was prompt & accurate in communicating with us, via email, in advance. Would definitely recommend if you are in this locale. Bravo Marco!

<u>Jennifer – USA</u>
<u>July 2018</u>
<u>The best day! Do not miss this</u>

A friend and I were staying in Milan for a long weekend and wanted at least one day out of the city for a wine tour. We are so glad that Google pointed us to Marco and his tour company. Our daytrip was simply fantastic. Marco was excellent to communicate with as we set up our tour and when the day came our guide Antonio, a sommelier and winemaker with a PhD in wine chemistry, picked us up promptly at 9am. It was a pleasant ride to Franciacorta and we learned a lot about wine along the way. We stopped for a sweeping view of the area and then went on to our first stop - a small, lovely winery where we had an extensive cellar tour and tasting. This was followed by lunch, a second winery tour and tasting, and a bit of sight seeing on the way back. It was a wonderful day that I recommend for wine lovers and those who are new to wine. I hope to return and taste more extensively, and maybe even stay by Lake Iseo. When I do I will definitely take another Franciacorta Tour. The region is just stunning and the wines are fantastic, but most of all the staff is wonderful to work with and so knowledgable about wine and the terroir. Thank you Marco and Antonio!