JOIN THE JSU NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
AND DISCOVER TUSCANY!
MARCH 17-26, 2016

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE
Day 1 Overnight Flight
Day 2 Atahotel Villa Pamphili or Grand Hotel Fleming, Rome
Day 3-8 Hotel Ercolini and Savi, Montecatini
Day 9 Grand Hotel Fleming, Rome

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS
Rome | Assisi | Basilica of St. Francis
Montecatini Terme | Lucca
Gothic Line | San Gimignano
Winery Tour | Florence

10 DAYS 13 MEALS (8 BREAKFASTS AND 5 DINNERS)

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TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION CONTACT
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*All rates are per person and are subject to change. Price includes round trip air from Hartsfield Intl Airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges, and hotel accommodations and transfers. Not included in price is cancellation waiver and trip insurance of $260 per person.

*For bookings made after September 18, 2015 call for rates.
TRIP SCHEDULE

DAY 1: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT
Your adventure begins with an overnight flight to Italy. Rolling landscapes, savory wines, delicious food and stunning architecture... this can only be Tuscany. On this special journey you will enjoy walking tours in Italy’s most charming towns, visit magnificent historic monuments and sample mouth-watering cuisine and wines.

DAY 2: ROME, ITALY
Your tour opens in Rome, the cosmopolitan capital of Italy. This evening, get acquainted with your fellow travelers during a festive welcome dinner at a local restaurant where regional foods, fun Italian melodies and fine Italian wines kick off your Tuscan adventure.

DAY 3: ROME - ASSISI - MONTECATINI TERME
After a short lesson on the local language, travel north from Rome to the medieval walled city of Assisi, the birthplace of the patron saint of Italy, St. Francis. A local expert guides you on a tour of the magnificent Basilica of St. Francis and the historic old city. Continue through the rolling countryside of Tuscany, ending in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, your home for the next six nights.

DAY 4: LUCCA - BORGO A MOZZANO - GOTHIC LINE
Set out on a guided visit to Lucca, Tuscany’s best-kept secret. Offering Renaissance walls, Romanesque churches, medieval streets flanked by towers, and delightful squares, Lucca is sure to charm you. Visit the Basilica di San Frediano before stopping to explore the home of well-known composer Giacomo Puccini where you will see the piano on which he composed Turandot. Enjoy some free time for lunch and to explore on your own. Afterwards, depart for Borgo a Mozzano and view the remarkable Ponte del Diavolo (Devil’s Bridge). Next, view the Gothic Line. Built by the Germans, it was one of their last lines of defense during WWII. Visit the Museum of Liberation and see the actual fortifications and bunkers.

DAY 5: SAN GIMIGNANO
Discover the hilltop village of San Gimignano, one of the most picturesque places in Tuscany. Explore this enchanting medieval town, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking the vineyards of Tuscany. Enjoy free time for lunch and perhaps indulge with some famous Italian gelato before visiting some of the town’s great shops. Your day continues with a special visit to a Tuscan winery for the opportunity to sample a selection of the local wines in one of the Chianti regions that have made Tuscany so well-known. During your visit, learn about the art of winemaking and the process of making Italian olive oil.

ASSISI STREET
**DAY 6: FLORENCE**
A cultural tour in the “Cradle of the Italian Renaissance” showcases the beautiful city of Florence. A local Florentine guide highlights many of the city’s priceless treasures including the Academy Gallery which houses Michelangelo’s monumental statue of David. At the Piazza del Duomo, which is the center of religious life in medieval Florence, you will see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the impressive gilded bronze doors of the Baptistery dedicated to St. John. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore this unparalleled city as you choose.

**DAY 7: MONTECATINI TERME**
The day is yours to relax and experience the local flavor. Take this opportunity to shop at the local boutiques and dine at one of the many fine local restaurants. Or perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to the beautiful city of Siena…embark on a lovely walking tour through Siena’s narrow, Gothic streets and behold stunning palaces, mansions and the historic Piazza del Campo.

**DAY 8: FLORENCE**
Today we return to Florence for a delightful day to explore the many treasures of this great city however you choose. Visit one of its world-class museums, indulge in a Tuscan lunch, shop for local crafts – the choice is yours! A delightful experience awaits you this evening when you attend a Tuscan feast featuring traditional cuisine and savory wines while overlooking the magical Tuscan countryside.

**DAY 9: MONTECATINI - ROME**
Depart Montecatini this morning and return to Rome. Upon arrival you will have an opportunity to enjoy an optional tour to Vatican City to visit the collections of the Vatican Museums and St. Peter’s Basilica. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner, complete with Italian music, celebrating the end of a memorable trip to the unforgettable and ever-beautiful region of Tuscany.

**DAY 10: ROME - TOUR ENDS**
Your tour ends today.

First non-refundable deposit of $250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of 9-11-2015 are based upon availability and price subject to increase. After 9-18-2015, penalties might apply. Final payment due by 1-17-2016.