



# Tuscan Archipelago 7 days



# SEVEN DAYS LUXURY YACHT CHARTER CRUISING TUSCAN ARCHIPELAGO FROM AND TO ROME



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**DAY 1:** Embarkation in Porto di Roma cruising 60 NM north to Argentario area. Argentario is the Roman people weekend escape. Very popular for its wonderful towns Porto Ercole and Porto Santo Stefano. Rocky coasts, small sandy beaches and breathtaking views. Guests can swim and sunbathe in a sheltered bay during the afternoon and take a walk at sunset in Porto Santo Stefano old town. Dinner onboard or at Restaurant, one of the best is “Il Pellicano”. Both **Porto Ercole and Porto Santo Stefano** marinas are few minutes walk from the town centre; overnight in Porto Ercole or Porto Santo Stefano marina.



**DAY 2:** Breakfast onboard and leaving towards **Giglio Island**, 11 NM distance. Giglio Island keeps inside its 21 square kilometers a treasure to be discovered. Its mild climate makes the island the ideal place for all season's holidays. The depths of the crystal clear waters of the emerald sea is thriving with sea life and is the frame of an area which remains in an unspoilt natural state and is always very inviting when going on excursions. Guests can have lunch onboard at anchor in Campese bay or Allume bay; afternoon swimming and sunbathing. Changing the anchorage location to then watch the beautiful sunset from “Le Cannelle” bay, being very close to the marina and allowing guests to go ashore by tender. Guests can go for a walk in Giglio town; the small streets leading to the old castle are lovely and picturesque. The port is quite charming and surrounded by high grounds full of vineyards that can be visited by guests. Anchoring in “le Cannelle” bay, guests can have dinner or spend part of the evening in “da Veo” beach club, usually offering piano bar and great entertainment after dinner. Top restaurants in Giglio Island are: da “Meino” very close to the marina or “da Maria” above the port and close to the old castle with wonderful panoramic view. Overnight in Giglio Island.





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**DAY 3:** Breakfast onboard and set sail to **Elba Island**. The largest of the Tuscan Archipelago, Elba has six big gulfs with wonderful anchorages lined with white beaches. Small fishing villages, lush vegetation and crystal-clear water are the main features of this unique island. It is not by chance that in the words of the British Admiralty pilot Elba is described as «the largest, the richest and the most beautiful of the archipelago's islands», followed by the motto «Here I am the King, here I can be so» (Napoleon). Elba's coastline offers myriad small inlets and safe anchorage, most of which have large expanses of beach; the Island is a great location for both cultural (Napoleon's house and museum is worth a visit, the Capanna mountain - 900 mt from sea level accessible by chair lift) and recreational activities including hiking, swimming, diving and cycling. Drop anchor in La Fetovaia bay, lunch onboard and have fun at sea during the afternoon. Dinner onboard or ashore, overnight in Porto Azzurro marina where, during the summer, guests can stay onboard their yacht and be delighted by bands playing and singing live music in the port square.



**DAY 4:** Breakfast onboard. Guests can have lunch at anchor in Golfo Stella bay and swimming, snorkeling, sunbathing during the afternoon before heading to Porto Ferraio, the island's main marina, or Marciana Marina. Have a drink at the "Garden", a pleasant club on the beach, very popular for the "happy hour". Overnight in Porto Ferraio or Marciana Marina. Top restaurants and clubs: Publius restaurant, Capo Nord restaurant both in Marciana Marina and very close to the port. Guests who love nightlife can have fun at "Club 64", open disco bar on Porto Ferraio hill (once a week during the summer the club moves to the beach)



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**DAY 5:** Long leg to **Capraia Island** 26 Nm cruising distance. The Island of Capraia has a few delightful anchorages and a number of exquisite beaches. It was formerly an agricultural penal colony, but following its closure in 1986, most of the island has been designated as a national park. Capraia is well worth a walk; the village is 700 mt from the marina and from there a path leads inland, providing nature lovers with trails to walk in complete solitude, as far as the "little fountains" of spring water and, beyond, to the "signal" where a ravine allows a view of the sea facing Corsica. Another trail leads to the "small lake", a pool formed in the crater of an extinct vulcano. However the rare beauty of the island can be best appreciated from the sea: dotting the coast the island presents charming coves, ancient watch towers, islets where seagulls nest. "Cala Rossa" is particularly beautiful, the fiery red coloured rocks are remains of craters which surround the bay. Excellently suited for wind-surfing, the coast offers interesting underwater excursions, because of the abundance and variety of marine flora and fauna. The sheer coast above the deep blue sea is gorgeous, on the highest point all, north of the island there is a marine reserve. On the east side (in the harbour) Torre al Bagno stands under S. Giorgio Castle on a naturally levelled esplanade where everybody can soak in the sun's rays and bathe in the pure and clear sea water. Overnight in Capraia Island. The best restaurant: "La Gritta", is very near the marina.

N.B: St Florent (Corsica Island) is one hour cruising distance from Capraia. Macinaggio and Cap Corse are well worth a visit just to see the white sandy beaches where, sometimes, cows get there from the nearby hills!



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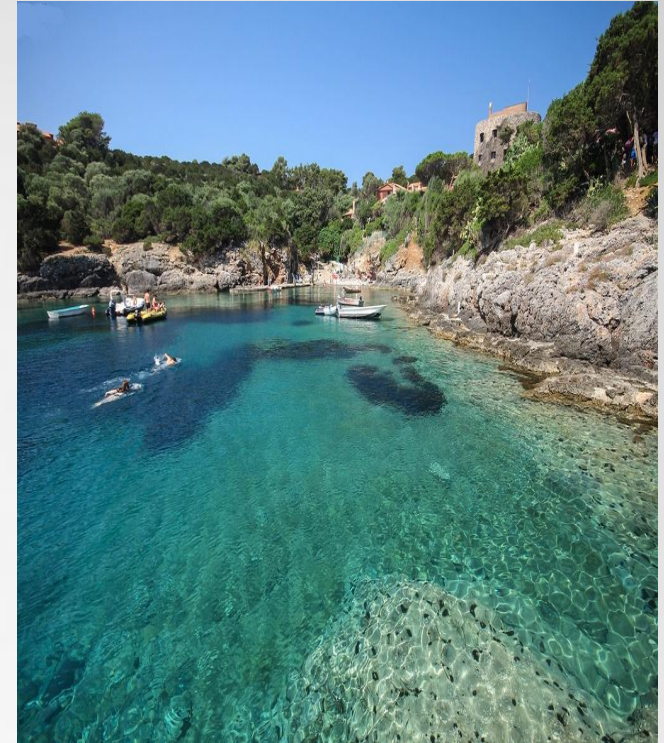
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**DAY 6:** Leave in the early morning setting sail to **Giannutri Island**, 47 NM far from Capraia. Giannutri island is situated most southern of Tuscan Archipelago, located along the southern coast of Monte Argentario. Being the second-smallest island of Tuscany, with a surface area of 2.6 km, Giannutri is half-moon shaped, the divine symbol of hunting that inspired ancient civilizations and who named the island first Artemisia and later Dianum. There are two small “ports” close to the island’s main creek: Cala Spalmatoio, on the eastern side of the island, facing SouthEast, protected from the western and northern winds; and Cala Maestra, on the opposite side, facing North-East. Giannutri ‘s territory offers wild and untouched nature, crystal sea and amazing and secluded bays where yachts can anchor and guests can enjoy the sea and the beauty of the island’s depths, it’s paradise for sailing and diving lovers. During the day a tour of the island by sea anchoring in a small bay is a must-do. In the late afternoon, take a walk in Giannutri old town and have dinner onboard or at a restaurant; overnight at anchor or in Giannutri marina.



**DAY 7:** Breakfast onboard and cruising back to Argentario (Porto Ercole or Porto Santo Stefano). Spend the day at sea and maybe go shopping in the town centre or in the street market facing the port. Enjoy dinner in one of the best restaurants at sea in the area, such as “I Pini”. Night in Porto Ercole Marina Nota Bene: Guests visiting Argentario in August (1st to 23rd, flexible dates) can assist the amazing show named “Palio Marinaro dell’Argentario”, a typical and historical competition at sea among the city districts (the “contrade”) performed by boat; each district races with his own hand-made old boat and the winner is the “hero” of the town for the whole coming year. All the locals are dressed and painted with their own district colors!







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**DAY 8:** Sail back to Rome after breakfast, drop off at 12.

P.S.: The Islands of Pianosa, Gorgona and Montecristo have no public access: there is a special prison on Gorgona while Montecristo is a natural reserve. They can be only visited with a special permit.



*\*The itinerary is flexible according to guests requirements and weather conditions.*