



Assisi



Umbria

Dubbed the “green heart of Italy”, Umbria has a gentle pastoral landscape and a high mountain wilderness.



Perugia, the region's capital, dates from Etruscan times and has had many rulers, all of whom have left their mark. Visitors are able to stroll through the squares and narrow streets, bordered by medieval tower houses, visiting churches and museums in 13th and 14th century palaces with their priceless Etruscan, Roman, Medieval and Renaissance treasures.

The hilltop town of **Assisi**, in the heart of Umbria, is indelibly associated with St Francis. The narrow streets afford lovely views at every corner, many lined with golden-pink stone buildings with flowers in window boxes and on balconies.

Gubbio, once dubbed the ‘city of silence’, is a delightful, historic hill town and lies at the mouth of a gorge on the steep slopes of Mount Ingino. The town seems hardly to have changed for centuries, the medieval buildings forming a fitting backdrop to ancient ceremonies and traditions still performed with enthusiasm by the town's inhabitants. There is much to see in Gubbio itself and, outside the town walls, is a first century Roman theatre.

Montemelino, a tiny, ancient hilltop hamlet, just 11km from Lake Trasimeno (Italy's fourth-largest lake) and 14km from the medieval university town of Perugia (the cultural

centre of Umbria) is set amidst olive trees, vineyards and woods. The village church is the Sanctuary of ‘Our Lady of Lourdes’ a destination of pilgrims for over one hundred years. Montemelino serves as an ideal base from which to explore the town of **Orvieto**, a medieval town built on a plateau and dominating the surrounding valley. Famous for its wine, the **Duomo** and the Etruscan necropolis, the city is rich in historic buildings, good restaurants and bars. Rome can easily be reached on day trips by train from Montemelino.

South of the region lies the medieval town of **Spoleto**, one of Umbria's most enchanting treasures. Its grandeur dates back to the 9th century when the Lombards, the early rulers, had laid claim to the Imperial throne, making Spoleto, for a short time, the capital of the whole Roman Empire. Today, the historic town is known more for its impressive 240 metre span bridge, designed by the Gubbian architect Gattapone and extending across a beautiful panorama of Umbrian countryside. Another attraction is the annual arts festival ‘**Festival dei Due Mondi**’ which is comparable to the Edinburgh ‘Fringe’ Festival, drawing crowds from near and far throughout early July. Visit Spoleto at the end of May and you will find vast poppy fields surrounding the town.



Hotel Relais San Clemente, Perugia

- Airports: 10km Perugia/186km Florence/ 208km Rome Fiumicino
- 4-star hotel ■ Bed & Breakfast ■ Outdoor swimming pool ■ Air-conditioning

Relais San Clemente became the family home of the Simonetti family in 1875, who after years of cultivating the land, decided to transform the family Villa into a country guesthouse. This elegant property is set within a beautiful 5-hectare park, which also boasts a small train station where guests can board the daily train to Perugia (c.4 Euros return). Recommended!

Accommodation: 64 air-conditioned rooms ■ All rooms have bathroom (bath and shower, few with shower only), hairdryer, satellite TV, telephone, safe deposit box, minibar, internet connection and garden views ■ Some rooms have a private balcony, others have direct access to the park.

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Gastronomic restaurant ■ Games room (card tables) with large TV screen on the 1st floor ■ Billiards room ■ Bar ■ Chapel ■ Lift ■ Volleyball court ■ Two tennis courts (payable locally) ■ Swimming pools, one for adults (18 x 10m) and one for children (10 x 5m) open Jun-Sep ■ Pool bar ■ Mountain bikes (c.5 Euros per hour) ■ Table tennis ■ Free parking ■ An 18 hole golf course can be reached within a few minutes' drive ■ 5-minutes' drive to Bosco.

Minimum stay: 5 nights between 22-26Apr11 and 7 nights between 06-27Aug11.
Open: 01Mar11

Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Standard room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Relais San Clemente	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£646	£649	£684	£649

Please refer to page 9 for details of pricing structure or telephone us for a quotation.



Hotel Fortuna, Perugia

- Airports: 14km Perugia/171km Florence/210km Rome Fiumicino
- 3-star hotel ■ Bed & Breakfast ■ Air-conditioning

The Hotel Fortuna is well situated off Corso Vanucci in the heart of the historic centre of Perugia. Housed within an historic building dating back to the 14th century, the hotel has been carefully renovated and still retains some of the original architectural features including the beautiful arched windows and carved balconies. The bedrooms are tastefully decorated and equipped with modern amenities.

After a day's exploration guests can unwind on the delightful roof garden terrace and enjoy the impressive views over the red rooftops of the medieval city. This charming, character hotel has been popular with Sunvil clients for many years.

Accommodation: 52 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms and standard rooms (different sizes/shapes) ■ All rooms have bathroom (shower, few with bath), hairdryer, satellite TV, radio, telephone, minibar, complimentary WIFI internet connection and safe deposit box.

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Reading room with frescoed ceiling dating back to the 18th century ■ Bar and frescoed lounge with small panoramic terrace ■ Lift ■ Internet point ■ Valet parking ■ Garage (50m) payable locally c.25 Euros per day.

Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Standard room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Hotel Fortuna	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£645	£648	£593	£648

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Hotel Borgobrufa Spa Resort, Torgiano

- Airports: 16km Perugia/164km Florence/199km Rome Fiumicino
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Indoor swimming pool
- Air-conditioning

Hotel Borgobrufa Spa Resort is perched on a hillside 295m above sea level and affords stunning panoramic views over the Umbrian countryside and the hilltop towns of Assisi, Spello and Perugia.

Accommodation is provided within various low rising buildings each with views over the surrounding olive groves and vineyards. The bedrooms are generally rustic in style with wood beamed ceilings and conservative furnishings.

At the 'Four Senses' restaurant guests can choose from an assortment of regional cuisine, from the very best of local delicacies to the most beautifully presented creative dishes. Live musical performances are often arranged in the bar as well as afternoon wine tasting sessions.

This hotel offers an ideal location for those who want to relax in a quiet and hospitable setting yet with the chance of exploring the charming villages and medieval towns of the region.

Accommodation: 50 air-conditioned rooms including executive rooms, superior rooms, junior suite and suites ■ All rooms have a bathroom (bath and shower), hairdryer, telephone, satellite TV, minibar, safe deposit box, WiFi internet connection (payable locally) and balcony or terrace ■ Some superior rooms have a panoramic balcony or terrace ■ The suites are located in the main Villa and are individually decorated with custom made furnishings. Each suite comprises of a bedroom, two bathrooms (one with Jacuzzi) and a separate living room ■ Some rooms interconnect.

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Two restaurants each with panoramic terrace ■ Bar ■ Salt water swimming pool ■ Pool bar ■ Tennis court ■ Free bike hire ■ Spa and wellness centre including gym, Jacuzzi, sauna, Turkish bath, indoor heated pool and treatment rooms ■ Outdoor evening events organised twice weekly ■ Private parking ■ c.5-minutes' walk to the nearest village which has a small snack bar and grocery shop ■ 15km to Assisi, 12km to Perugia and 47km to Gubbio.

Minimum stay: 2 nights between 15Jul-10Sep11, 28Oct-01Nov11 and 22-28Dec11.

Open: 5Apr11.

Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

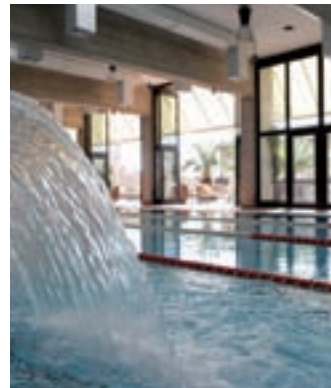
Prices based on 2-sharing an Executive room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Hotel Borgobrufa Spa Resort	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£1023	£1028	£1147	£1118

Special Offers: Stay 4 nights pay 3 nights (Sunday, Monday and Tuesday arrivals only) ■ Stay 7 nights pay 6 nights ■ Clients staying a minimum of 7 nights receive complimentary treatments, in the Borgobrufa wellness centre, up to the value of 80.00 Euros per person. ■ Clients staying a minimum of 8 nights receive complimentary treatments, in the Borgobrufa wellness centre, up to the value of 110.00 Euros per person. Please refer to page 9 for details of pricing structure or telephone us for a quotation.



Gubbio



Park Hotel ai Cappuccini, Gubbio

- Airports: 40km Perugia/186km Florence/239km Rome Fiumicino ■ 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast ■ Indoor swimming pool ■ Air-conditioning

The Park Hotel ai Cappuccini, originally a 17th century monastery, has been beautifully restored to provide a quiet and relaxing haven from which guests can experience the wonders of Umbria, especially the fabulous medieval city of Gubbio. The interior has been stylishly furnished with many pieces of art, antiques and modern comforts. Some of the original monastic features have been preserved from the building's rich historic past. Surrounded by its own park, the hotel is located just outside the city walls of Gubbio, only 10-minutes' walk from the historic centre.

Accommodation: 95 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms, superior rooms and junior suites ■ All rooms have bathroom (bath and shower), hairdryer, satellite TV, minibar, telephone and safe deposit box ■ Rooms are divided between the cloister wing (traditional antique furnishings) and the new hotel wing (modern decor and furnishings).

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Restaurant serving regional and national cuisine ■ Wine cellar with the finest selection of Italian and international wines ■ Banqueting

- suites ■ American bar ■ Gym (free of charge)
- Rooftop terrace and tennis court (payable locally – equipment also available to hire)
- Billiard room ■ Hairdresser (payable locally)
- Lift ■ Indoor heated swimming pool (24 x 10m) open all year ■ Snack bar open in summer
- Sun terrace ■ Wellness centre and spa: Finnish sauna, Turkish bath, massage and treatment rooms (payable locally) ■ Consecrated chapel
- Mountain bikes (free of charge) ■ Free parking.

Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Standard room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Park Hotel ai Cappuccini Jan-Apr May-Jun Jul-Aug Sept-Dec

Studio – Morino £799 £803 £793 £803

Special Offers: Stay 7 nights pay 6 nights all year

■ Stay 14 nights pay 12 nights all year

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Hotel Umbra, Assisi

- Airports: 13km Perugia/191km Florence/ 213km Rome Fiumicino
- 3-star hotel ■ Bed & Breakfast ■ Air-conditioning

Hotel Umbra, centrally located off Piazza del Comune, affords excellent views over the rooftops of Assisi towards the beautiful Umbrian valley. The hotel is housed within a charming old building and is furnished in traditional period style with modern comforts. The Hotel Umbra has been popular with our clients over the last twenty years. Recommended.

Accommodation: 25 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms and triple rooms (of different sizes/shapes) ■ All rooms have bathroom (bath or shower), hairdryer, satellite TV, telephone and minibar ■ Some rooms have valley view and balcony.

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Restaurant (evening only). Dinner can be taken on the pergola terrace in summer ■ Bar and lounge with internet access ■ Small panoramic terrace ■ Lift ■ Valet parking on request.

Minimum stay: 2 nights

Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Standard room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Hotel Umbra	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£706	£709	£711	£709

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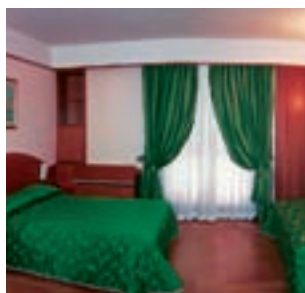


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Hotel La Terrazza, Assisi

- Airports: 13km Perugia/191km Florence/213km Rome Fiumicino
- 3-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Air-conditioning



La Terrazza, set amidst the cascading green olive groves of Mount Subasio, is located on the outskirts of Assisi, near the Porta Nuova gate. This friendly, family-run hotel offers simple yet comfortable lodgings in peaceful and scenic surroundings (the sunsets are quite spectacular from here) and is within a 2-minute drive of Assisi.

Accommodation: 31 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms, triple rooms and family rooms (different sizes/shapes) ■ All rooms have bathroom (bath or shower), hairdryer, satellite TV, telephone and minibar ■ Most rooms have balcony or terrace.

Amenities/Leisure: Buffet breakfast ■ Bar ■ Restaurant (open daily) serving regional and International cuisine ■ Lift ■ Swimming pool (18 x 9m) open May-Sep ■ Children's play area ■ Outside terrace with tables and chairs ■ Wellness centre including a sauna, Jacuzzi and area for beauty treatments (payable locally) ■ Free parking ■ Daily bus service (07:30-19:30) every half hour from outside the hotel to Piazza del Comune, Assisi's central square (c.1 Euro each way).

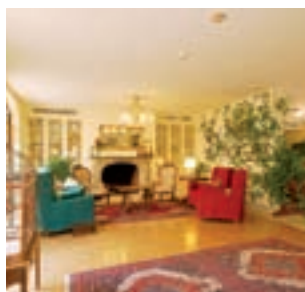


Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Standard room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Florence (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Hotel La Terrazza	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£680	£683	£703	£683

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Hotel San Luca, Spoleto

- Airports: 58km Perugia/166km Rome Fiumicino/236km Florence
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Air-conditioning

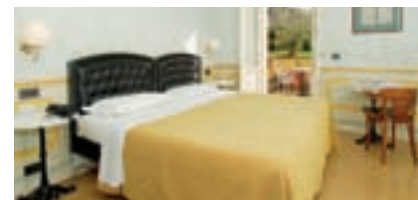


The luxurious Hotel San Luca enjoys a prime position within the city walls of historic Spoleto, one of the most beautiful cities in Italy. This charming property, owner-managed by the Zuccari family, has been lovingly restored to its former glory and today offers guests a high standard of accommodation in a relaxed and homely environment. Attention to detail is apparent throughout and none more so than in the tastefully decorated bedrooms where hand painted vines adorn the walls. Highly recommended!

Accommodation: 34 spacious, air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, classic rooms, comfort rooms, superior rooms, junior suite and a suite ■ All rooms have bathroom (shower, some with Jacuzzi), hairdryer, telephone, complimentary WIFI internet connection, satellite TV, safe deposit box and minibar ■ Many rooms have a balcony or terrace ■ The suite has a beautiful hand painted ceiling.

Amenities/Leisure: Breakfast room ■ Italian styled courtyard where breakfast can be taken during the summer months ■ Lounge with antique furniture and an 18th century fireplace ■ Bar ■ Roof-top

garden ■ Two lifts ■ Private parking ■ This property may be unsuitable for the elderly or those with walking difficulties, as the walk into town is steep.



Guideline price £ per person - 7 nights

Prices based on 2-sharing a Classic room, flights to Rome Fiumicino with British Airways and car hire (Group A – see page 108). Single room supplement on request. Alternative flights to Rome (direct) or Perugia (indirect) available on request.

Hotel San Luca	Jan-Apr	May-Jun	Jul-Aug	Sept-Dec
	£650	£735	£672	£739

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Lake Trasimeno

Umbria

Landlocked between Tuscany, Le Marche and Lazio, Umbria is familiarly known as the 'green heart' of Italy and with its landscape of undulating countryside, fields of beet, wheat, grapes, olives and tobacco and high, verdant peaks it is easy to see why. Austere medieval walled cities and hilltop towns, historic treasures, delicious local produce and wine and Italy's fourth largest lake – Lake Trasimeno, complete the scene.

Perugia

At the heart of the region, the hilltop town of Perugia dominates the landscape. From its historic centre, up high, breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape unfold, and inside its museums and churches marvellous art works can be found. As with all ancient walled towns, the best way to explore Perugia is on foot – as much of the city is pedestrianised – and to wander through the winding lanes and squares.

Perugia is a wonderful base from which to explore the region with good transportation and local train services linking the towns of Assisi, Spello, Citta di Castello, Foligno, Orvieto and Terni; the Tuscan towns of Florence and Pisa as well as the capital, Rome.

Festivals in Perugia

Between 08 and 17 July Perugia hosts the annual Umbria Jazz Summer Festival. The festival is one of the oldest Jazz festivals in Italy dating from 1973 and includes performances in the historical Teatro Morlacchi, medieval palaces and National Gallery of Umbria as well as in the town's arena and in a number of local restaurants, hotels, historic squares and public gardens. With its incredible historic backdrop, special party atmosphere which absorbs the whole town and variety of performances (many of which are free), this event is a treat for any visitor. For further information, please visit: <http://www.umbriajazz.com/mediacenter/FE/home.aspx>

In autumn the city of Perugia (14-23 October) comes alive with the annual 'Euro chocolate Festival'. During the 10-day event, stalls selling hot chocolate and chocolate bars – some familiar, others with exotic flavours, ingredients and nuts, line the narrow, cobbled streets of the historic centre attracting thousands of chocoholics and travellers. Presentations and workshops about chocolate production also take place.



Assisi

To the south of Perugia, the medieval town of Assisi is worthy of a visit. For a small town there is much to see, including the wonderful Basilica of San Francesco dotted with frescos by Martini and Giotto, an imposing and striking vision. Other sites of interest include the Roman temple of Minerva and the 12th century fort of Rocca Maggiore.

Lake Trasimeno

To the west of Perugia, the beautiful Lake Trasimeno, located in a National Park, is surrounded by a landscape of rolling hills, woods, vineyards, olive groves and plains. Visitors can swim, fish, take a boat tour or just relax in tranquillity whilst cormorants, kites, sparrows and osprey glide by.

Orvieto

Perched on the top of a dormant volcanic peak, whose sides drop 325m to the vineyards and countryside below, the dramatic position of Orvieto needs to be seen to be believed. Famous for its wine, the Duomo and the Etruscan necropolis, the city is rich in historic buildings, good restaurants and bars.

At its centre, the cathedral is one of the greatest Gothic buildings in Italy. Its façade is adorned with magnificent carvings, bas-reliefs and colourful mosaics.

Another dimension of the city is the labyrinth of 1200 subterranean caverns which covers approximately a third of Orvieto. Guided tours are available locally.

Tailor-made holidays in Umbria

Less explored than neighbouring Tuscany, Umbria has much to offer the discerning and independent visitor. No matter where you travel ancient treasures, great food and wine and glorious landscapes are waiting to be discovered.

We have outlined two itineraries below, but remember that these are merely suggestions and can be modified to suit individual requirements. Please feel free to construct your own itinerary from our featured properties and telephone us for a quotation. It is even possible to combine Umbria with the Veneto, Tuscany, Lazio and beyond.

Tuscany and Umbria - 7 nights

Using direct scheduled flights from London Gatwick to Rome/returning from Pisa and including car hire (airport to airport).

Nights	Accommodation	Location
4	Hotel San Luca	Spoletto (p 47)
3	Park Hotel Ai Cappuccini	Gubbio (p 46)
3	Hotel Villa Marsili	Cortona (p 32)

Lazio, Umbria and Tuscany by train - 10 nights

Train travel is one of the easiest and most economical ways of travelling within Italy especially between the major cities. The following itinerary incorporates Rome, Assisi – home to the magnificent Basilica of San Francesco, Perugia – the regional capital, and Florence.

Using direct scheduled flights from London Gatwick to Rome/returning from Pisa and including rail transfers.

Nights	Accommodation	Location
3	Hotel Imperiale	Rome (p 53)
2	Hotel Umbra	Assisi (p 46)
2	Hotel Fortuna	Perugia (p 44)
3	Hotel Paris	Florence (p 32)

