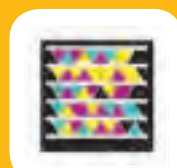


SAN MINIATO AND VOLTERRA ROADBOOK

0,000 →	Starting point from Piazza del Popolo, San Miniato . Go along the street in the only direction possible and at the end of the square turn right towards “ Montaione ”
0,150	Turn left towards “ Montaione/Centro ” and after a few metres turn left again (give the right of way)
0,300 ○	At the STOP sign turn right and pass through the town of San Miniato . At km 0.700, at the crossroads, take the street on the left that leads out of town and continue towards “ Montaione ”
3,000	Turn left towards Montaione . Pass through the hill and the town of Moriolo
5,700 ○	At the STOP sign take the road turning left towards “ Corazzano ” and cross a flat area, with some old disused tobacco mills that evidence a recent past economic activity. At Km 9.0 on the left there is the Pieve di Corazzano (Parish Church of Corazzano)
14,300	Keep to the right towards “ Sughera ” and pass the hamlet of Alberi
17,150	At the yield sign turn left towards San Vivaldo and continue along the street for a long road section that passes through a shady wood
22,450	At the end of the street, at the STOP sign, turn right taking the SP26 road
23,550	Turn left towards San Vivaldo-Volterra
23,800 ○	Arrival at San Vivaldo . On the left there is a large parking area, we recommend a tour of the town! To continue the tour, turn right towards “ Villamagna ” and pass through the town of Iano: at km 26.80, at the Church, continue keeping to the right on the road that descends and continue on the SP13 – a long section of the road is unlevelled, but the discomfort is compensated by the beautiful panoramas. At Km 33.0, in Villamagna keep to the right . Then continue straight ahead towards Volterra
27,750 ○	At km 27.75 on the left there is a deviation for Santuario della Pietrina (at about a distance of 1 km, very narrow uphill street)
36,800	At the STOP sign turn right towards Volterra
37,150	At the yield sign turn right and go over the bridge

37,450 ○	Turn left towards Volterra and continue straight ahead on the SP15 road. At about 42 Km, view of the crags, a particular geological formation on which Volterra is located, from a lower position. Continue and always follow the street that runs along the city walls
46,750 ⛛	Petrol station at Km 46.75
46,550	Turn left , towards the “ Centro ”
47,200 ○	Turn left . At km 47.80, arrival at Volterra in Piazza Martiri della Libertà. On the left of the square there is a motorcycle parking area. To continue the itinerary, go back over the same street until reaching the STOP sign
48,450	At the STOP sign turn left , and go along the SR68 road
51,500 ○	Turn left towards “ Pisa/Villamagna ”, on the SR 439 road Dir. At Km 55.80 on the right possible deviation for Pieve della Nera – a section of the street is a dirt road
61,550	Turn right towards Castelfiorentino . At Km 72.35 continue along the SP4 road towards Castelfiorentino-Gambassi
77,350	Turn left towards Montaione
79,200	Turn left towards Montaione . Continue straight ahead towards the centre
81,000 ○	At the STOP sign turn right and you arrive in Montaione . There is the possibility to park in the square and along the street. To continue the tour, proceed along the street following the directions for “ San Miniato/Alberi ”
94,800	Turn right , towards “ San Miniato ” and pass the hill of Moriolo
97,500	Turn right at the STOP sign, always towards San Miniato
100,000 →	Arrival in Piazza del Popolo in San Miniato



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SAN MINIATO AND VOLTERRA

The itinerary runs through two historical hamlets among the most interesting in the province of Pisa – the medieval hamlet of San Miniato, entirely located on a ridge between the Arno and Egola Valleys, and the city Volterra, of Etruscan origin – passing through panoramic countryside roads and charming landscapes. Along the itinerary there is the San Vivaldo place of worship, the *Tuscan Jerusalem*, of great historical and artistic interest, and the city of Montaione, famous for its “green tourism”, whose historical centre is of medieval origin.

TOTAL LENGTH OF THE ITINERARY: **100.0 km**

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: **average-easy**

TYPE OF STREET SURFACE: **The majority are asphalted, in good conditions except for some uneven road sections between Iano and Villamagna**

TRAVELLING TIME: **only the itinerary about 2 hours and 30 minutes, stops excluded**

MINIMUM ALTITUDE RANGE: **36 m above sea level**

MAXIMUM ALTITUDE RANGE: **: 518 m above sea level**

SAN MINIATO

San Miniato is a characteristic medieval hamlet, rich in history and art. It is also famous for its wine and gastronomy products such as precious wines and white truffles. Regarding these latter, unmissable is the White Truffle Exhibition Market, which is held every November, when the city becomes a real open air market, rich in colours and perfumes. Its Sistema Museale (Museum System) is noteworthy, it is a kind of “diffused museum” whose art collections are exhibited in interesting architectural structures, such as the Museo Diocesano (Diocesan Museum), Conservatorio di Santa Chiara (Saint Chiara Academy of Music), and the Accademia degli Euteleti, just to mention a few. Unmissable is the Rocca federiciana (the Fortress of Frederick II), which characterises the city’s profile.

PIEVE DI CORAZZANO

Corazzano, near San Miniato, is a typical truffle area, show-piece of local gastronomy. The Parish Church dates back to 892, and was declared World Heritage by UNESCO. Open only upon request; for an internal visit contact Agenzia Entroterra Viaggi & Turismo, tel. +39 0571/417175.

SAN VIVALDO

San Vivaldo, hamlet of Montaione, is one of the most famous places of worship in Italy, recognised as national monument. Apart from the church and convent the innumerable chapels are very interesting, the oldest one dates back to 1325, they are located in the surrounding wooded area. This place is also called Small Tuscan Jerusalem, since the small churches and chapels built by the Grey Friars in that period were arranged

exactly as the sacred places of Jerusalem: the purpose was to allow the local people to make a pilgrimage without having to go to the Holy Land. The chapels aren’t always open to visitors, to book a visit contact Agenzia Entroterra Viaggi & Turismo, Tel. +39 0571/417175.

SANTUARIO DELLA PIETRINA

The Santuario della Pietrina is a charming country church that rises on the remains of the ancient Pietra castle. It is possible to visit the church, the towers in ruin, a small permanent nativity, and the wine-cellar. Next to the church there is a scenic area from which it is possible to see Volterra in the distance and, if the days are particularly clear, even the sea can be seen.

VOLTERRA

Volterra is one of the most important cities of Tuscany, thanks to its artistic and cultural treasures, evidence of the civilisations that followed each other during thirty centuries of history. It is a city that maintains its ancient atmosphere, with the alleys of the medieval hamlet and trades coming from Etruscan past. In fact, Volterra is famous for the workmanship of Tuscan alabaster, whose artefacts are still one of the most typical and traditional export products of Tuscan handicraft.

PIEVE DELLA NERA

It is a Parish church built around the year 1000 and is dedicated to San Giovanni Battista. It was a very important centre in the ancient and large diocese of Volterra. The Parish Church is on the ancient Via Salaiola that in the Middle Ages was an important communication and commerce way, above all for salt transport.

MONTAIONE

It is a hamlet of medieval origin, in ancient times walls surrounded it; in its historical centre there is the Church of San Regolo,

where it is possible to admire the painting of the “Madonna col bambino” (Madonna with Child) and the Palazzo Pretorio (Municipal Building), which has some stone and terracotta heraldic shields on the external facade.

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ALONG THE ITINERARY

The territory of San Miniato is famous for its precious white truffle, which can be found between September and December; not everyone knows that the truffle, even if of other varieties, can be found almost all year round. To satisfy all the curiosities regarding this precious product, for degustation or purchase of products, there are many companies available in the area .

