

# ON THE FOOTSTEPS OF LEONARDO

## A TRIBUTE TO 500 YEARS OF UNRIVALLED GENIUS

Follow the footsteps of one of the world's greatest artists, dive into Leonardo's life and heritage, unveil the breadth of his knowledge and grasp the extent of his polychrome talent. Especially designed to pay a tribute to the memory of one of the most exceptional geniuses of all times on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of his death, our signature "on the footsteps of Leonardo" tour escorts you through the Tuscan countryside to discover the places that saw the birth and growth of this illustrious artist's brilliant mind.

Depart Florence in full comfort aboard our state-of-the-art minivan, enjoying a voyage off-the-beaten-tourist-track to Leonardo's birth-town. Largely unexplored and simply charming, the whole area offers splendid views of pristine rolling hills dotted by quaint parish churches and picturesque farmhouses.

Among these one does stand out, proud and beckoning: the typical rural house where the artist was born and took his first steps. Explore Leonardo's first home, wander through the rooms where he lived and imagine him as a boy. And discover the drawings of his famous inventions and outstanding artwork, displayed within the house, now transformed into an interactive museum.

After visiting the house proceed on to the village of Vinci, meet your local dedicated English-speaking guide and set off to discover this exquisite town, where each and every street and building boasts a unique and peculiar connection with Leonardo's life. Follow your guide through town, learn more about the artist's daily life and admire the wooden sculpture that reproduces the study of the Vitruvian Man. Imagine Leonardo a baby as you view the baptismal font where he was baptized, and visit the enlightening Leonardo Museum. Admire the Museum's inspiring collection: comprising a great variety of reproductions of machines, clocks and instruments designed by the artist, the Museum itinerary also allows you to enter the Conti Guidi's Castle, and see exactly how Leonardo's studies ranged from anatomy to mechanics and from optics to civil engineering. For a picture-perfect crescendo end to your day we suggest savoring mouth-watering typical Tuscan cuisine at a charming local restaurant (we will be pleased to book on your behalf. Lunch is not included in the tour cost and is to be settled directly on site).

After lunch relish the views, and reminiscences of a memorable day spent in the birthplace of Leonardo, journeying comfortably back to Florence

**DURATION** 8 hours

### INCLUSIONS

- Private Mercedes Sedan or Minivan at disposal 8 hours
- Local English-speaking guide in Vinci
- Walking tour in Vinci
- Entrance fees for Leonardo's House
- Entrance fees for Leonardo Museum