Arriving In Montepulciano

Thanks to its privileged position near to motorways and train stations, it is very easy to reach Montepulciano either by car or by public transportation.

Arriving by Air

If you're coming by airplane, it's best to fly to Rome (Fiumicino Airport), or Florence (Amerigo Vespucci Airport).

Arriving by Car

If you drive a car (either from Florence or Rome) you should access the A1 motorway, exiting at Valdichiana/Bettole. If you're coming from Florence Airport, you should get on the A1 motorway at Florence North (direction Rome) and exit at Valdichiana/Bettolle. From the airports in Rome, take the G.R.A. (the Ring Road) then get on the A1 motorway - direction Florence - and exit at Chiusi/Chianciano Terme. Follow the signs for Montepulciano.

When you arrive at Montepulciano, leave your car in one of the parking lots outside the town and come to the Fortessa on foot. The historic center of Montepulciano is a pedestrian area. You are not allowed to drive in town. The meeting site (Fortessa) is located on the main street just below the Piazza delle Erbe.

Arriving by Train

If you're coming by train, take the Florence-Rome line and get off at the Chiusi/Chianciano Terme station.

Attention: Although there is a small town called Montepulciano Stazione, it is a small, country station, about 12 km. from Montepulciano with neither bus nor taxi service. Don't choose this station when you are buying your ticket. From Chiusi take the bus for Montepulciano, getting off at the bus station. From there you can come into the centre on foot or take the little orange bus ("Pollicino"). If you take the "Pollicino", get off at the Piazza Grande. Please notice that on Sundays there are only a few buses from Chiusi to Montepulciano.

You can find all information about the Italian train schedules at www.trenitalia.com. For the bus schedules please see www.busfox.com.

Arriving by taxi

If you wish to get a taxi service from the train station, the cost from Chiusi is Euro 45. This is something that Terre Toscane (our Registration Office) can arrange for you in advance. You may also arrange a pick up from the airports. Prices on request (from Euro 200 to Euro 300, one way).

MOST IMPORTANTLY: WHEN YOU REGISTER, <u>Virginia Vannuccini</u> of <u>Terre Toscane</u> will provide specific directions to Montepulciano for you and you group.