



# LANDSCAPE PAINTING

Workshop  
With Lori Putnam  
At Rignana Estate

7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2027

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# COURSE DESCRIPTION

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For five days, participants will paint on the beautiful grounds surrounding the estate and in quaint nearby towns. (Studio space is available in case of inclement weather.) An optional mid-week day-trip to Florence is also being planned for an additional fee. Itinerary subject to change.

Lori has been teaching retreat-style workshops for a very long time. One of the things she has learned from 20+ years of experience is that sometimes, in a beautiful place like this, you just want to paint while the light is good! Rather than attending a long demonstration every morning as your beautiful light transitions into mid-day, Lori's retreats give you the option to craft your perfect learning experience. This is a flexible painting retreat. You get to decide how much or how little instruction you need. Paint on your own, or paint near her as she paints. (Ultimately, Lori wants what is best for you, so she will speak with you individually if she observes that you need more her time and less your time.)



For anyone deciding to paint near her, Lori will share her every thought, demonstrate her techniques, and answer questions. She believes that strong paintings come from strong starts. So even if you only watch and listen briefly, and then decide you just have to go paint, she is fine with that! You will still have the opportunity to have your work critiqued later.

Other group workshop activities include painting together in a predefined location, attending Lori's mini-lessons and demos, joining in relaxed, "aperitivo" critiques, and exploring art and the artist's career through discussion.

Painting from life outdoors is fundamental to becoming a master artist. This flexible yet focused retreat will leave participants more confident in their skills and more intuitive in their process. Come, deepen your understanding of light and landscape, and focus on your artistic growth.

While demonstrations and advice on technique will be geared toward oil or gouache painters, artists who are more comfortable working in other mediums are welcome. Plein air experience is strongly recommended.

# ABOUT LORI PUTNAM



Lori Putnam OPAM is recognized for her fresh and engaging oil paintings. Working in today's new impressionist style, she illustrates nature's intrinsic beauty and light.

Having traveled to paint, research, lecture, and teach in over 30 countries, she believes exposure to other lives and geographic locations has been her greatest teacher.

Rather than relying on photographs, the artist works from her notes and sketches back home in her Tennessee studio. There, she paints large-scale pieces, often combining multiple studies in her creative process.

Putnam is a Signature Member of the California Art Club, American Impressionist Society, Laguna Plein Air Painters Association, and American Women Artists, and is a Master Signature Member in the Oil Painters of America and International Plein Air Painters.

In 2021, she won the international Plein Air Salon Grand Prize. Her painting was chosen from more than 12,000 entries.

# DAILY SCHEDULE

## Daily Rhythm

### Each day includes:

**8:30– 9:30** Breakfast

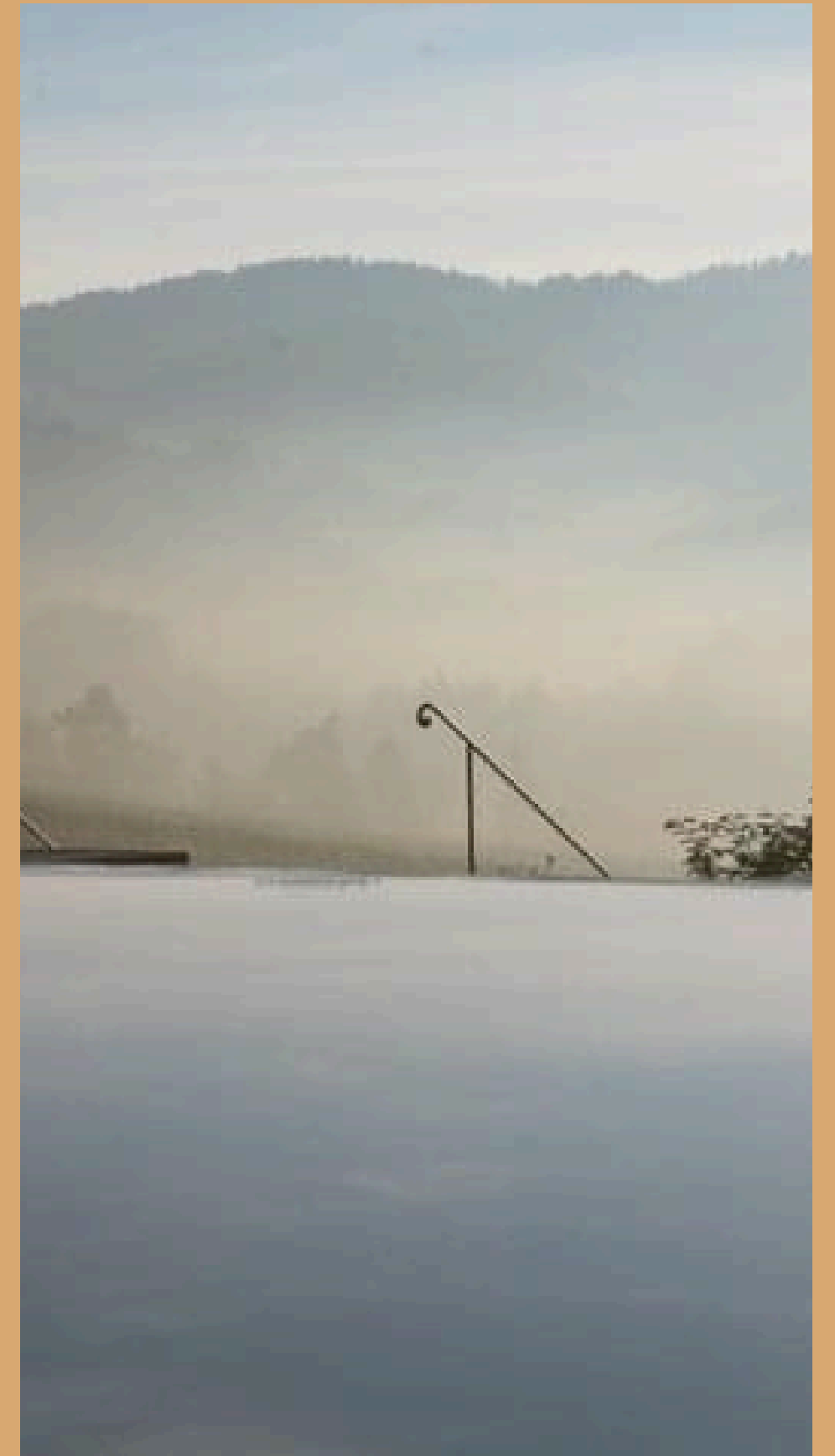
**10:00-13:00** Workshop Session

**13:00–14:00** Farm to table lunch at Rignana

**14:30-16:30** Workshop Session

**19:00** Wine Aperitivo followed by dinner

Wednesday is a Class break, where you can Stay at Rignana and relax or explore the towns and cities of Tuscany.



# ACCOMMODATION



RIGNANA ESTATE

# IN THE HEART OF TUSCANY

We would be delighted to welcome you to our home, **Rignana Estate**, an 150-acre estate surrounded by **vineyards** and **olive groves**, where **alpacas** and **horses** graze freely. Our retreats are an immersive experience where you can cultivate your creativity with like minded people, connect with the natural world and taste the flavours of Tuscany through our **farm-to-table meals** paired with wine from our vineyards.



# THE ESTATE MAP

Pool



Tiki Bar



Church House



Dining Area



Church Courtyard



Tennis Court



Art Studio



Stone Cottage Horses & Machu and Picchu





FACILITIES

# RENAISSANCE CHURCH

Refine your technique in our  
Renaissance church.



## FACILITIES

# TENNIS COURT

An astroturf tennis court with a view, providing the perfect opportunity for both recreational and competitive play. Sit on the stone wall and watch a tennis tournament.



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# INFINITY POOL

The 18x8m marble pool with large spaces to sunbathe or practice yoga, a vine pergola that provides ample shade. By the pool, a Tiki bar offers a relaxed setting for refreshments.



THE KITCHEN

# ORGANIC LIVING

Authentic Tuscan meals are prepared by Alessandra using organic ingredients from Rignana Estate's garden and local farms. Enjoy seasonal, farm-to-table dishes alongside organic wine, olive oil and fresh eggs, produced on-site.

Experience the art of pizza making with a pizza party by the pool.





# BEDROOMS

August 7<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> 2027 (7 nights)

**Suite** - Master bedroom, Living room, mezzanine bedroom & bathroom:

**Two people:** €4,150

**Extra person:** €1,000 each

**Superior bedroom with ensuite:**

**Single occupancy:** €2,890

**Shared occupancy:** €3,890 for two people

**Bedroom with ensuite:**

**Single occupancy:** €2,590

**Shared occupancy:** €3,590 for two people

**Bedroom with shared bathroom:**

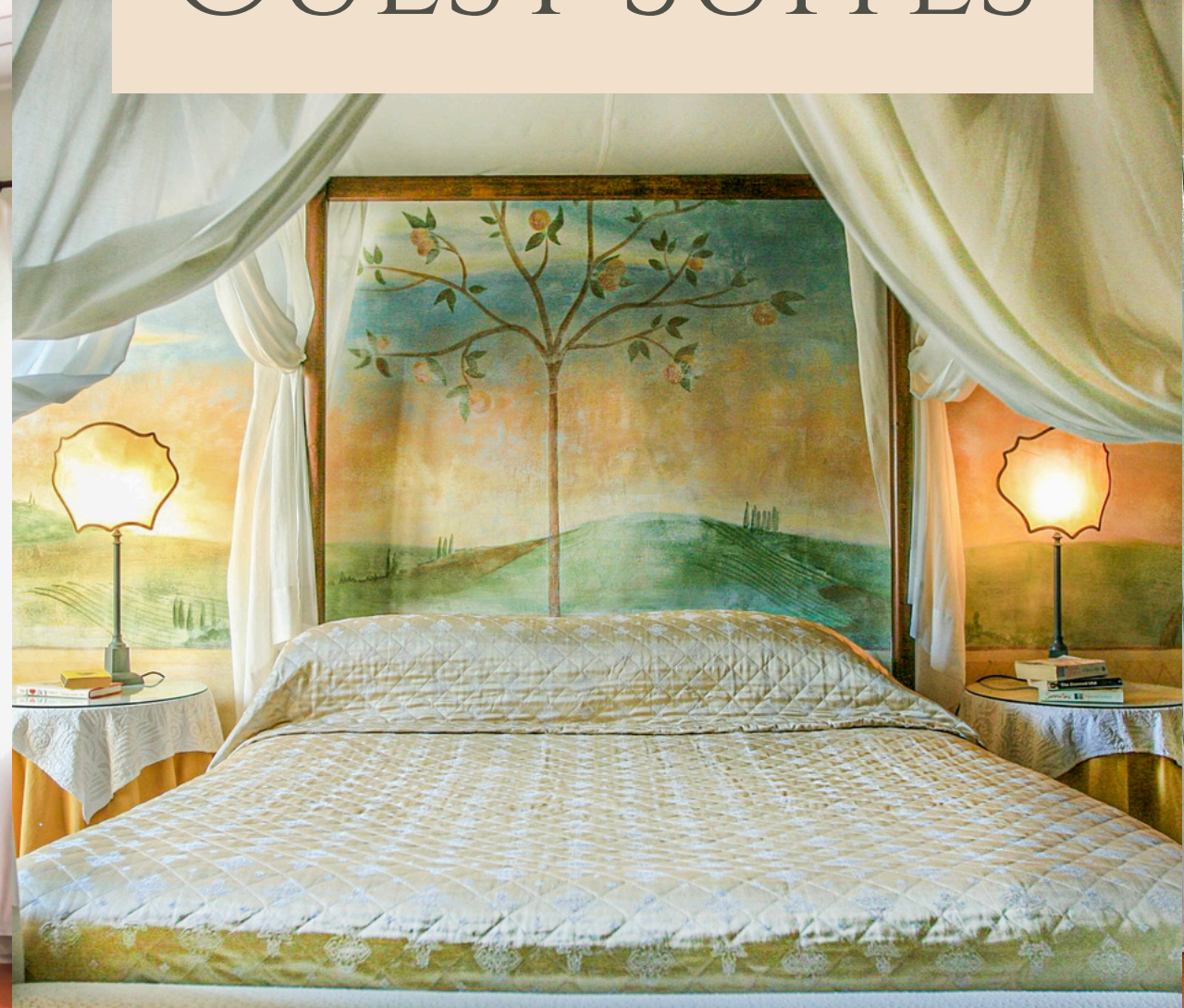
**Single occupancy:** €2,295

**Shared occupancy:** €3,295 for two people

**Workshop fee for participants:** €1,000



# GUEST SUITES



# WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 7 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfast, 5 lunches, 6 dinners
- Daily Aperitivo
- Pizza making experience
- Towels & Linens
- Transfers
- Infinity pool
- Tennis court
- Wifi
- Laundry facilities
- VAT tax



# WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- City tax (€2.50 per person per day to be paid in cash on arrival)
- Materials

# OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

- Treatments (Massage) - these can be requested
- Wine Tours

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## Dates

7 - 14 August 2027

## Check-in and check-out

On 7 August you are very welcome at Rignana Estate from 16:00.  
Check-out on 7 August is before 10:00.

## Address

Rignana Estate, Rignana 8, Greve, in Chianti  
Toscana, Italy 50022 Firenze

## Travel

Our transfer to the venue will collect you on the first day of the workshop from Florence Santa Maria Novella train station between 15:00 & 16:00. You must confirm in advance if you plan to meet the transfer. Our transfer from the venue will take you back on the final day of the workshop to Florence Santa Maria Novella train station, departing from the venue before 10am.



# HOW TO GET TO RIGNANA ESTATE

## Travel to Italy

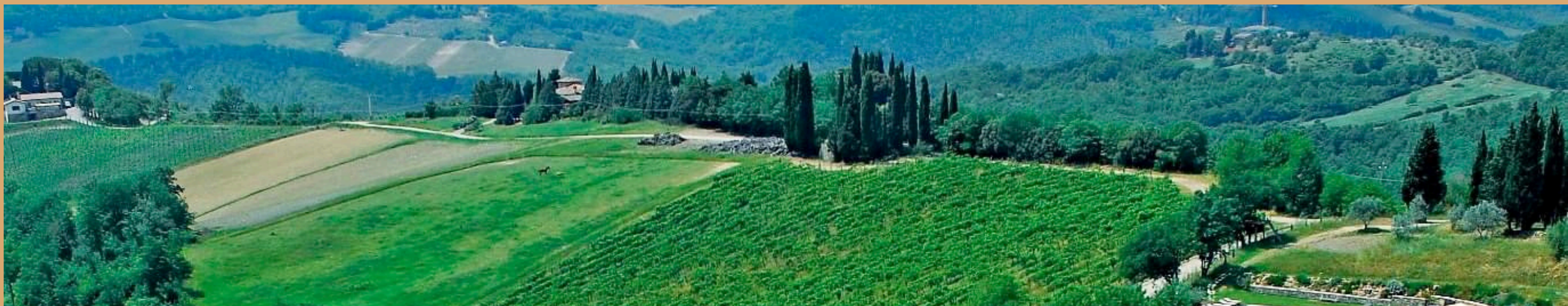
By Air to **Florence**: Florence Airport (Peretola) is the closest airport to Rignana Estate. The estate is a 50minute drive from Florence airport

By Air to **Pisa**: Alternatively, you can fly into Pisa International Airport. From Pisa, you can connect to Florence by bus, train, or taxi.

## From Florence to Rignana Estate

By Car: Renting a car is the most convenient way to reach Rignana Estate. From Florence, it's an approximately 40-minute drive to the Estate.

Alternatively, we can search for the most convenient price for a taxi or minibus taxi service for you.



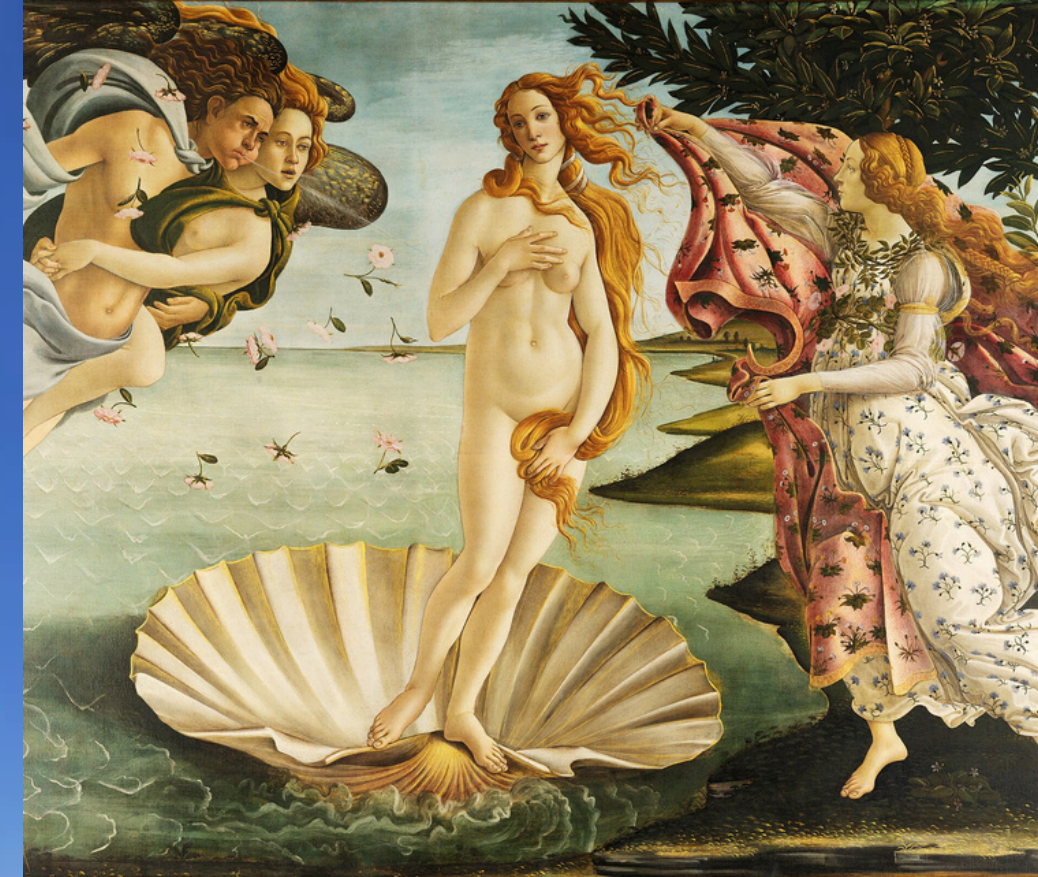
# PRIME LOCATION HIGHLIGHTS

Just 40 minutes from Florence, Rignana Estate offers the perfect balance of tranquility and accessibility.

Nearby, charming villages like Greve and Panzano invite exploration, while world-class wineries such as Antinori nel Chianti Classico provide unforgettable tasting experiences.

We highly recommend a visit to the monastery of Badia A Passignano, home to Ghirlandaio's Last Supper. A tour with one of the monks is a must!

Walking and cycling is popular in the area. The primary walking route passing through the Rignana area is the historic Via Sanese, a leg of the ancient pilgrimage route leading to the Via Francigena, offering hilly treks through vineyards and olive groves.







WE HOPE TO WELCOME YOU SOON

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