



BUILDING REALISM WITH COLOURED PENCIL

Workshop
With Megan Seiter
At Rignana Estate

3rd to 10th April 2027

COURSE DESCRIPTION



Spend a week immersed in the Tuscan countryside with Megan, exploring a calm and thoughtful approach to working with coloured pencil. This course offers space to slow down, observe closely, and develop your work in a supportive and inspiring environment.

Each day will begin with a demonstration, followed by guided working time with individual support. We'll focus on building form through light pressure, gradual layering, and careful observation, learning how depth and softness emerge over time. Subjects are inspired by the natural surroundings and are intentionally simple, allowing you to work with clarity and intention.

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The pace is steady and unhurried, with time to refine your work and ask questions as you go. Along the way, you'll develop a more intuitive understanding of color, value, and how to approach a drawing as a whole.

No prior coloured pencil experience is required, and the course is best suited for those who are interested in developing their skills in a focused and meaningful way. By the end of the week, you'll leave with a stronger understanding of the medium and a more confident, considered approach to your work.



ABOUT MEGAN SEITER



Megan Seiter is an American artist known for her highly detailed colored pencil drawings. Originally from Rhode Island, she received her BFA from Maryland Institute College of Art and now lives and works in California.

Her work focuses on subtle shifts in color, light, and texture, built through a slow and layered process using colored pencil and pastel. Through this approach, she creates drawings with a quiet intensity and a strong sense of depth and atmosphere.

Megan has presented solo exhibitions with Dolby Chadwick Gallery and Meyer Gallery, and her work has been exhibited internationally, including at Saatchi Gallery. Her drawings have been featured in publications such as *Fine Art Connoisseur*, *American Art Collector*, *International Artist Magazine*, and *Artists Magazine*.

She has received numerous awards for her work, including recognition from the International Guild of Realism, Colored Pencil Society of America, American Women Artists, and the Art Renewal Center.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Daily Rhythm

Each day includes:

8:30– 9:30 Breakfast

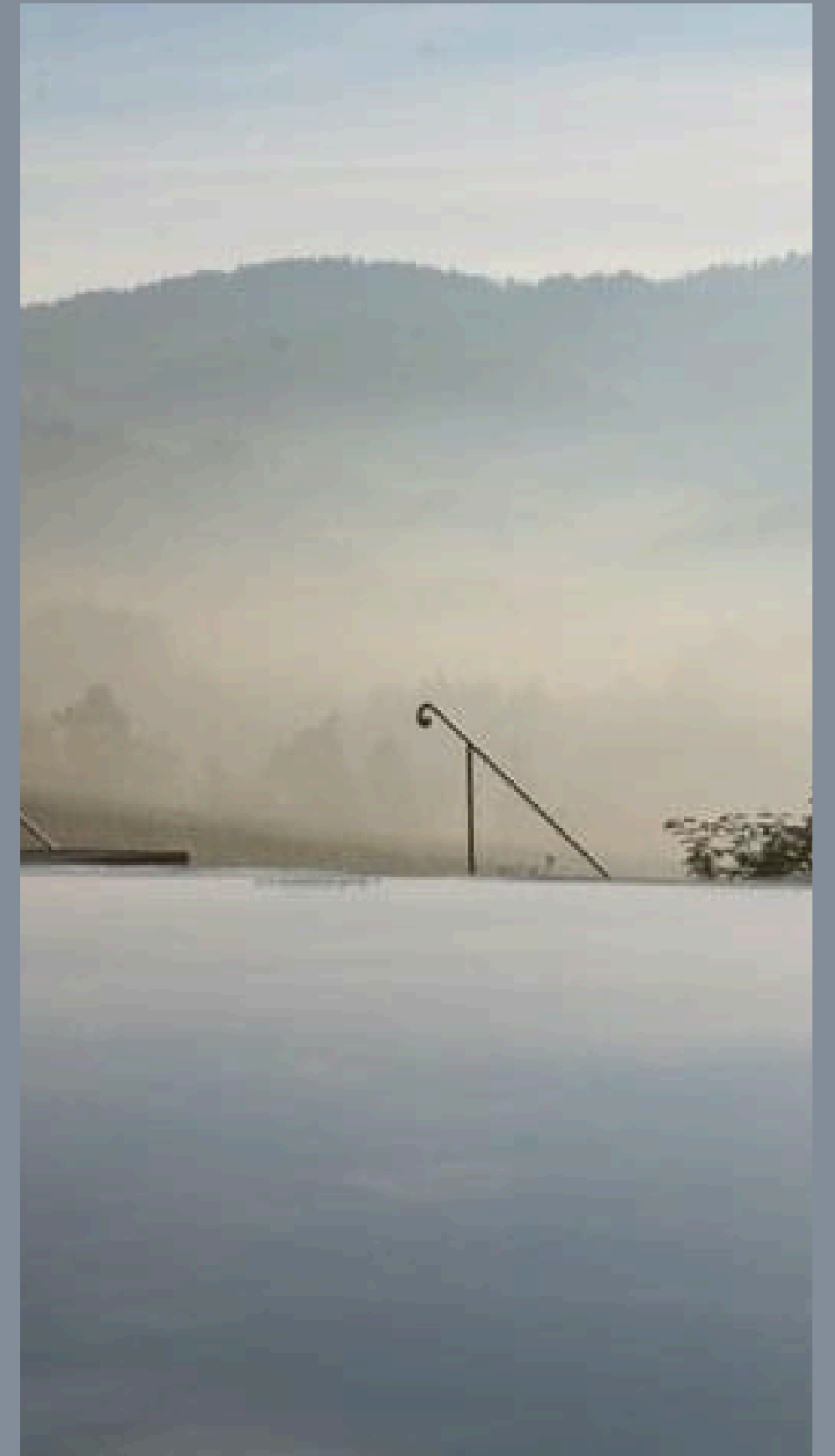
10:00-13:00 Workshop Session

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.



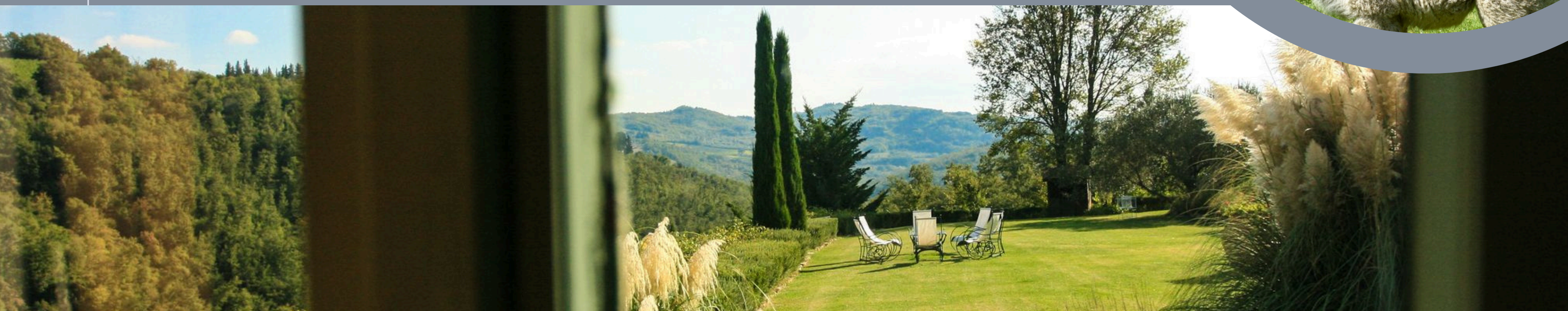
ACCOMMODATION



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.



FACILITIES

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

April 3rd - 10th 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

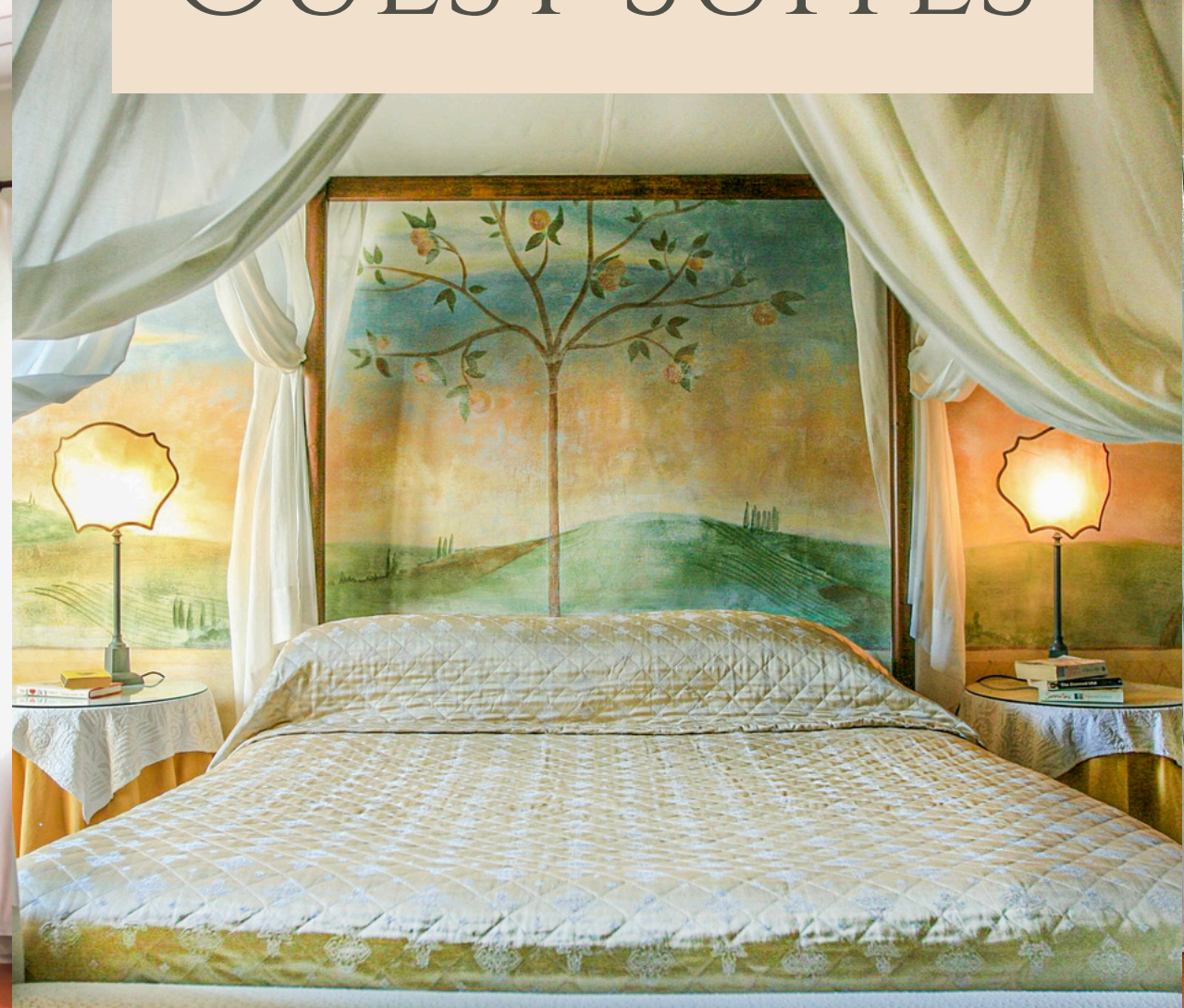
Shared occupancy: €3,295 for two people

Workshop fee for participants: €1,000

Important Note: The accommodation fee and the tuition fee are separate.



GUEST SUITES



WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 7 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfast, 5 lunches, 6 dinners
- Daily Aperitivo
- Pizza making experience
- Drawing materials
- 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)

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

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

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Dates

3 - 10 April 2027

Check-in and check-out

On 3 April you are very welcome at Rignana Estate from 16:00.
Check-out on 10 April 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 at 10am.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Course tuition is managed separately by the artist. After registering with the estate, participants will receive a welcome email with a payment link. A 50% deposit is required to secure their place, with the remaining balance due 90 days before the retreat.

Materials

A curated selection of materials will be provided, including colored pencils, paper, and tools. Participants are welcome to bring any personal materials they enjoy working with, though everything needed for the week will be available.



HOW TO GET TO RIGNANA ESTATE

Travel to Italy

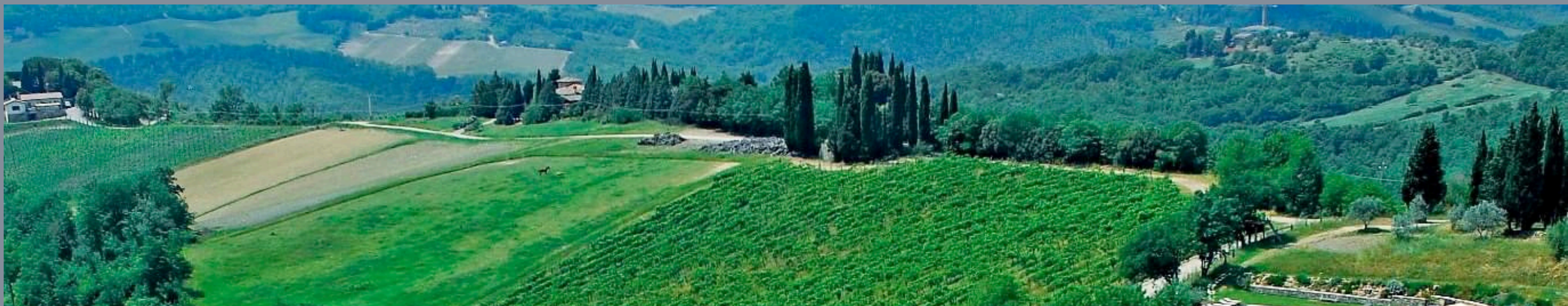
By Air to **Florence**: Florence Airport (Peretola) is the closest airport to Rignana Estate. The estate is a 50minute drive from Florence airport

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.



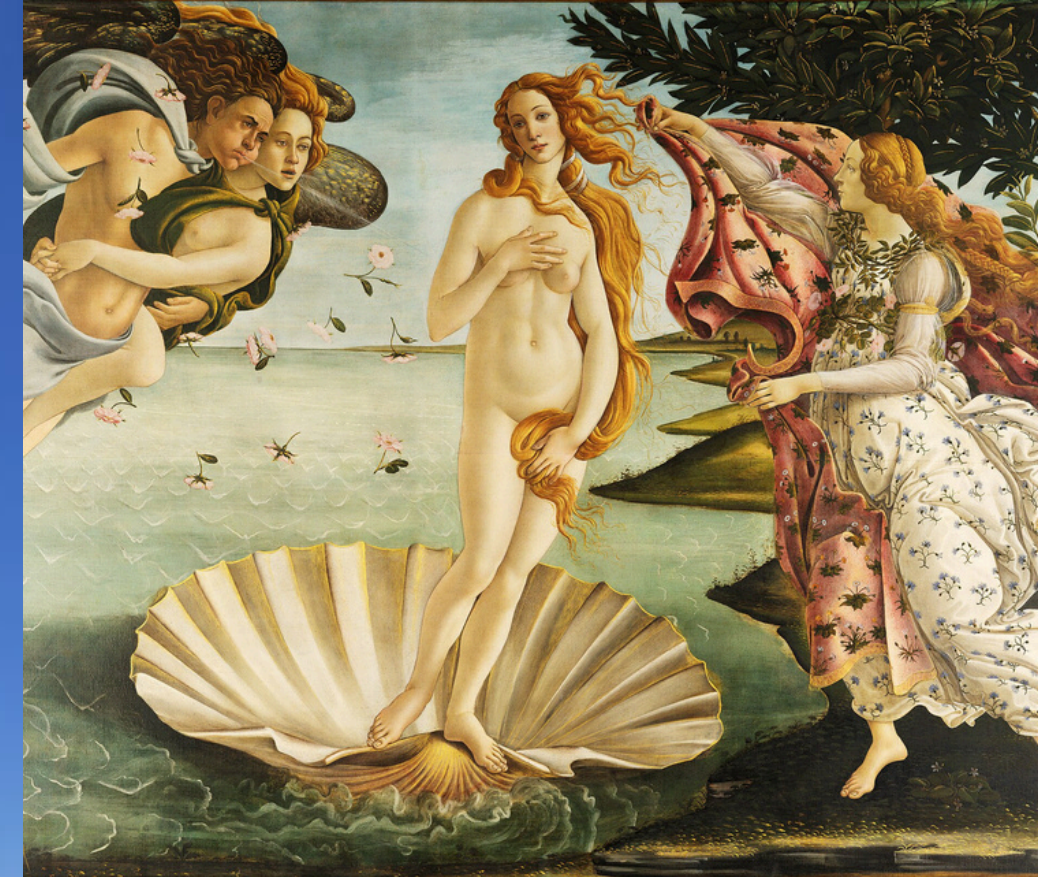
PRIME LOCATION HIGHLIGHTS

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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