



Domus Comeliana



Triangolo Verde di Peccioli

Head to the hills of Pisa for the pinnacle in destination weddings.

Leaning towards Pisa and the surrounding area as a wedding destination region? High-calibre hospitality options, suppliers and experience makers make it a superb choice. We took some journalists on a press tour organized by Tuscany for Weddings on behalf of Toscana Promozione Turistica.

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An amazing event location situated right in the heart of the old town of Pisa, literally in the shadow of the famous Leaning Tower. **Domus Comeliana** (www.domuscomeliana.com) is highly flexible, including halls, terraces and gardens that communicate the historical value of such a location, whilst modern facilities like a catering kitchen, air con, audio visual equipment, fully controllable lighting and a fibre-optic internet connection provide everything required for a seamless wedding experience. Tall garden walls, lush flora, superior interior finishes, bronze and marble statues, and water features make this a one-of-a-kind wedding venue.

A five-star spa within a spectacular historical building, **Bagni di Pisa Palace & Thermal Spa** (www.bagnidipisa.com) was once the preferred thermal baths of the Grand Duke of Tuscany and was visited by timeless celebrities, such as Mary Shelley and Lord Byron. Full hotel facilities, including bar and restaurant services, are available alongside unique thermal spa amenities. A variety of both internal rooms and outdoor spaces for small and large events alike ensure an entirely unique wedding experience. **Borgo di Colleoli** (www.borgocolleoli.com) is a very different wedding venue made up of a main building and a number of nearby structures, including what was once

the granary, a workshop and other farm outbuildings (now converted to top grade apartments), all located in the midst of olive groves and atop lava rock formations typical

of the area, known as tuff. Terraces and pools overlooking breathtaking views complete the picture of the perfect wedding destination.

Just 30 minutes by car from Pisa, **San Miniato** (www.discoversanminiato.it) is famous for its landscape, history, cuisine and truffles, and is also perfectly located for easy access to Pisa, Lucca, Pistoia, Florence and Siena. The medieval town lies in the heart of the Valdarno valley and on the renowned pilgrimage road, Via Francigena. The town hall boasts a stunning location for a civil ceremony in the highly decorated and sumptuous Sala delle Sette Virtù. Based just outside the town of San Miniato, **Truffle in Tuscany** (www.truffleintuscany.com) offers opportunities to walk through the woodland, while having contact with experts not only of the human kind, but also the canine kind, as you learn about eco-sustainable farming methods and find some of those highly prized white truffles. Local tour guide **Sara Morini** provides in-depth tours of the San Miniato area, adding knowledge and flair to our visit.



Borgo Colleoli



Le Palaie



Villa Scorzi



Bagni di Pisa Palace & Thermal Spa

Local tour operator **Arianna & Friends** (www.ariannandfriends.com) guides wedding guests through just about every local culinary experience imaginable in the hills near Pisa and Volterra: not only cooking classes with a variety of focal ingredients, but also the opportunity for wine tasting, food and wine tours, personalised chef services, and much more besides. The food experiences are matched with a range of venues, complimentary services, and the sheer delight of spending quality time together.

With a focus on the green economy, **Belvedere Spa** (belvedere.peccioli.net) is an innovative concept, where

a landfill site becomes the backdrop for art, landscapes, cultural activities and learning centres. Within what is called the “Green Triangle”, couples can tie the knot in a civil ceremony within an unconventional context. Works by renowned artists such as David Tremlett bring together the apparently separate worlds of natural beauty and human refuse in a positive experience. This is an adventure that will not be forgotten in a hurry. The nearby old hilltop town of **Peccioli** (www.comune.peccioli.pi.it), with its narrow winding streets, bell towers, hill views of olive groves and vineyards, both directly contrasts with and complements the modern art installations

that are displayed across the urban centre. Alicja Kwade and Patrick Tuttofuoco are the artists behind the vibrant permanent artistic works, whilst the decorated house fronts bear the signature of David Tremlett. Don't miss Palazzo Senza Tempo with contemporary viewpoint affording vast vistas.

Le Palaie (www.lepalaie.it) is an extensive wine estate and it is exactly the sounds, sights and indeed smells of such a splendid location that make it such a one-of-a-kind wedding venue. The cavernous wine cellar, the terrace perched on the hillside, not forgetting the large pool, are all areas that are available to guests. Naturally there is also

a range of accommodation, which ensures an equal balance of privacy and togetherness for the wedding party.

Lying between the Pisan hills and the Tyrrhenian Sea, layers of history are incorporated within the buildings and lands of **Villa Scorzi** (www.villascorzi.com), with its gardens, grotto and fully renovated outbuildings. The ambience is a mix of colours, perfumes, locations, views - all of which are centred on the land and its produce. Licensed to conduct marriage civil ceremonies, ample sleeping facilities and indoor and outdoor large-scale event options make Villa Scorzi an ideal venue for weddings.