

## EXPERIENCES IN FRANCIACORTA

### FOOD & WINE

#### CELLAR VISITS AND WINE TASTING

- See the calendar at <https://www.franciacorta.net/it/cantine/elenco-cantine/>  
Reservation is required by contacting the wineries directly. Some wineries allow online booking.



#### SENSORY WINE TASTING

Let's learn how to taste Franciacorta wine by using the 5 senses:

with our eyes we can scan its colour and perlage, with our sense of smell we let ourselves be inundated by the scents and memories it evokes, with our taste we appreciate its aromas, with our touch we feel the perlage of the bubbles on our tongue, with our hears we hear the sound of the cork when the bottle is opened, the sound of the wine being poured in the glass and the sound of bubbles rising to the surface.

- Bersi Serlini [www.bersiserlini.it](http://www.bersiserlini.it)
- Mirabella [www.mirabellafranciacorta.it](http://www.mirabellafranciacorta.it)

#### BLIND TASTING

It is dark all around. In the silence, only light footsteps and the sound of wine being poured can be heard. Then a hand guides my fingers towards the goblet. With a slow and somewhat uncertain gesture, I bring the glass closer to me and slowly feel the fear give way to curiosity. Tasting in the dark is a very special experience and initially destabilising because it is difficult to give up all the information that the appearance of the wine can provide. You have to let go of the reins of rationality and let yourself be carried away by instinct, forgetting the parameters of judgement to which we are accustomed when we approach wine.

- Bersi Serlini [www.bersiserlini.it](http://www.bersiserlini.it)
- Clarabella [www.cascinaclarabella.it](http://www.cascinaclarabella.it)
- La Fiòca [www.lafioca.com](http://www.lafioca.com)
- Marzaghe [www.marzaghefranciacorta.it](http://www.marzaghefranciacorta.it)
- Tenuta Moraschi [www.tenutamoraschi.it](http://www.tenutamoraschi.it)



#### VINEYARD TOUR WITH THE AGRONOMIST

The agronomist, i.e. the person who looks after the vineyard on a daily basis, will accompany you through the rows of Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc and Pinot Noir to show you how the vines that will give life to Franciacorta are cultivated. Followed by a visit to the winery and a tasting of Franciacorta wine.

- Bellavista [www.bellavistawine.it](http://www.bellavistawine.it)
- Lantieri de Paratico [www.lantierideparatico.it](http://www.lantierideparatico.it)
- Clarabella [www.cascinaclarabella.it](http://www.cascinaclarabella.it)

#### VISITS TO DISTILLERIES WITH GRAPPA TASTING

An itinerary through the stills, including historic ones, to discover first-hand how Grappa di Franciacorta is made, produced using the residual grape marc collected in the Franciacorta cellars after the grapes have been pressed.

- Borgo Antico San Vitale [www.borgoanticosanvitale.it](http://www.borgoanticosanvitale.it) artisanal distillery with the possibility of a guided tour of the production areas and final tasting of grappas and distillates

#### VISITS TO PRODUCERS OF TYPICAL CHEESES AND COLD CUTS WITH TASTING

The pork-butchers and cheesemakers will be waiting to tell you how the cured meats and cheeses (made from cow's milk and goat's milk) are produced in their workshops. A tasting session follows.

- Farm Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it), breeding, production and sale of goat cheese, cold cuts and fruit/vegetables.
- Cascina La Benedetta [www.cascinalabenedetta.it](http://www.cascinalabenedetta.it), breeding, production and sale of typical cheeses
- Butchery Polastri Maceler [www.polastrimaceler.it](http://www.polastrimaceler.it), production and sale of typical cold cuts

### TYPICAL CHEESE-MAKING CLASSES

- Farm Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it)
- Cascina La Benedetta [www.cascinalabenedetta.it](http://www.cascinalabenedetta.it)

### EDUCATIONAL FARMS/ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

Educational farms are farms engaged in the education of school groups and children in general and offer the opportunity to discover different activities in agriculture. The activities are characterised by a strong emotional and bodily involvement, getting your hands dirty with the soil, listening to the sounds of nature, making products with your own hands, getting to know the animals, plants and vegetables...

- Farmhouse Al Rocol [www.alrocol.com](http://www.alrocol.com)
- Farmhouse Cascina Clarabella [www.cascinaclarabella.it](http://www.cascinaclarabella.it)
- Farmhouse Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it)
- Farmhouse La Fiorita [www.lafioritafranciacorta.com](http://www.lafioritafranciacorta.com)
- Museum of Agriculture and Wine and Ricci Curbastro Farmhouse [www.riccurbastro.it](http://www.riccurbastro.it)
- Cascina La Benedetta [www.cascinalabenedetta.it](http://www.cascinalabenedetta.it)

### PICNICS IN THE VINEYARDS

An opportunity to taste Franciacorta in the midst of nature, surrounded by vineyards, in total relaxation. The winery provides a picnic basket with everything you need: Franciacorta, glasses and food pairings.

- At Rocol [www.alrocol.com](http://www.alrocol.com)
- Bellavista <http://www.bellavistawine.it>
- Bersi Serlini <http://www.bersiserlini.it>
- Borgo La Gallinaccia <http://www.borgolagallinaccia.it>
- Clarabella [www.cascinaclarabella.it](http://www.cascinaclarabella.it)
- La Montina [www.lamontina.it](http://www.lamontina.it)
- Lantieri de Paratico [www.lantierideparatico.it](http://www.lantierideparatico.it)
- Massussi [www.massussifranciacorta.it](http://www.massussifranciacorta.it)
- Mosnel [www.mosnel.com](http://www.mosnel.com)

A picnic basket service is also provided by some restaurants:

- Al Malò <https://it-it.facebook.com/al.malo.cucina.e.miscelazione/>





## COOKING CLASSES

An experience to rediscover the pleasure of cooking and conviviality: under the guidance of a chef, you will prepare together simple and tasty dishes that are part of the gastronomic history of Franciacorta. Once the dishes have been prepared, the food is enjoyed with Franciacorta wine.

- Farmhouse Al Rocol [www.alrocol.com](http://www.alrocol.com)
- Farmhouse Quelli che il Vino [www.mosnel.com](http://www.mosnel.com)
- Cuisine San Francesco - Cappuccini Resort [www.cappuccini.it](http://www.cappuccini.it)
- Villa Calini Restaurant [www.villacalini.com](http://www.villacalini.com)
- Trattoria del Gallo [www.trattoriadelgallo.it](http://www.trattoriadelgallo.it)
- Castelveder [www.castelveder.it](http://www.castelveder.it)
- Clarabella [www.cascinaclarabella.it](http://www.cascinaclarabella.it)

## CULTURE

The name Franciacorta, the land between Brescia and Lake Iseo, appeared for the first time in 1277, as a reference to the 'curtes francae', the Frankish courts exempt from duties or taxes.

## MUSEUMS

The museums in Franciacorta can be seen at

[https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/2\\_Musei/](https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/2_Musei/)

In particular, we would like to mention

- Borgo del Maglio e Casa Museo Pietro Malossi [www.valtrompia.cosedafare.net](http://www.valtrompia.cosedafare.net)
- Casa Museo Fondazione Zani per l'arte e la cultura [www.fondazionezani.com](http://www.fondazionezani.com)
- Museo Agricolo e del Vino Ricci Curbastro [www.riccurbastro.it](http://www.riccurbastro.it)
- Museo d'Arte Contemporanea Remo Bianco [www.lamontina.it](http://www.lamontina.it)

- Museo d'Arte Orientale – Collezione Mazzocchi [www.fondazione-mazzocchi.it/museo/](http://www.fondazione-mazzocchi.it/museo/)

## MONASTERIES AND CHURCHES

Franciacorta is rich in monasteries and abbeys, the famous *curtes francae* that gave rise to the name Franciacorta. For visits to these places and to the various churches and parishes, see [https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/1\\_Abbazie\\_e\\_Chiese/](https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/1_Abbazie_e_Chiese/)

## HISTORICAL RESIDENCES

From the 16th to the 18th century, Franciacorta was a favourite holiday resort for many noble families from Brescia and Milan, who built villas of delight and fine palaces here. Some of them can be visited or are available for events and weddings. See the page [https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/3\\_Palazzi\\_e\\_Luoghi\\_Storici/](https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/3_Palazzi_e_Luoghi_Storici/)

Qualified tourist guides associated with the Franciacorta Wine Route can be contacted at [https://www.franciacorta.net/it/enoturismo/servizi/22\\_Guide\\_turistiche/](https://www.franciacorta.net/it/enoturismo/servizi/22_Guide_turistiche/)

## SPORT & OUTDOOR

### CYCLING TOURS

Franciacorta is a paradise for lovers of two wheels and can be explored by bike, allowing you to enjoy suggestive views in places otherwise unreachable by car. There are 6 routes and each is dedicated to a different type of Franciacorta. However, our professional guides are available to create ad hoc itineraries.

- Iseo Bike [www.iseobike.com](http://www.iseobike.com)
- Remo Lucia Sport RLS Movement [www.remoluciasport.it](http://www.remoluciasport.it)

If you want to explore Franciacorta on your own, you can hire bicycles (city bikes, mountain bikes or e-bikes) or use your own and follow our routes in KML and GPX format, which can be downloaded from <https://www.franciacorta.net/it/enoturismo/itinerari-sport/>

Some wineries and accommodation facilities provide bicycles for guests.

### HIKING TOURS ON FOOT/WINE TREKKING/NORDIC WALKING

Step by step along original itineraries to discover Franciacorta in its most intimate side, among rows of vines with their perfect geometries, through villages of ancient origins. There are 6 signposted routes, one of which is a 2-day trek. However, our professional guides are available to create ad hoc itineraries.

- Millemonti Outdoor [www.millemonti.it](http://www.millemonti.it)

### HORSE RIDING AMONG THE VINEYARDS

Horseback riding in small groups through the vineyards of Franciacorta with a stop at a winery for a guided tour and tasting.

- Circolo Ippico Al Burnec [www.burnec.it/circolo-ippico/](http://www.burnec.it/circolo-ippico/)

### HIKING WITH DOGS THROUGH THE VINEYARDS

An extra opportunity for wine lovers who really love their four-legged friends and want to offer their dogs the opportunity to run around off-leash and do some healthy hiking.

- Castelveder [www.castelveder.it](http://www.castelveder.it)

### PERSONAL WINE TRAINER/VINEYARD GYMNASTICS

In the silence and greenery of nature, among the rows of vines, guided by a personal wine trainer to rediscover the harmony of body and spirit. Specially designed exercises aim to restore mobility and range of motion, which are generally lost during a sedentary lifestyle. They are inspired by the activities carried out in the vineyard, from hoeing to harvesting the grapes.

- At Rocol [www.alrocol.com](http://www.alrocol.com)

### YOGA

- Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it) - yoga in the fields
- Vigna Dorata [www.vignadorata.com](http://www.vignadorata.com) – yoga in the vineyards
- Villa Crespia [www.arcipelagomuratori.it](http://www.arcipelagomuratori.it) – yoga in the vineyards
- Villa Fassati Barba - [www.villafassati-barba.com](http://www.villafassati-barba.com) – yoga in villa

### CARRIAGE RIDES

Admiring the landscape of Franciacorta from a carriage, at a slow pace, is an experience that takes us back in time, when the relationship between man and nature was more intimate.

- Az. Agr. Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it)

### TREKKING WITH DONKEYS

Slow, knowledge and adventure are the watchwords for this experience. Donkeys are tame and friendly animals and lend themselves well to human contact, even with young children.

- Az. Agr. Il Colmetto [www.ilcolmetto.it](http://www.ilcolmetto.it)

### LOW ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT QUAD TOURS

For those who like to explore nature in safety, comfort and without giving up a bit of adrenaline, a quad bike tour through the hills and vineyards of Franciacorta is ideal.

- Quad Tour Franciacorta [www.quadtourfranciacorta.it](http://www.quadtourfranciacorta.it)

### VESPA TOURS

A fun and peaceful way to explore Franciacorta with the symbol of Italianness: the Vespa!

- Moto Lake Tour Franciacorta [www.quadtourfranciacorta.it](http://www.quadtourfranciacorta.it)



## GOLF

Golf in Franciacorta is played on a green with three 9-hole courses, each dedicated to a different type of Franciacorta: Brut, Satèn and Rosé.

- Franciacorta Golf Club [www.franciacortagolfclub.it](http://www.franciacortagolfclub.it)

## WATER SPORTS ON LAKE ISEO

Sailing, wind surfing, canoeing and stand-up paddle boarding are some of the sporting activities that can be done on Lake Iseo, also accompanied by an instructor. We also organise sunset sailing trips with an aperitif, night-time tours by canoe or stand-up paddle, and company incentive days.

- Sportaction [www.sportaction.it](http://www.sportaction.it)

## BOAT TOUR ON LAKE ISEO

- Bellini Nautica [www.bellininautica.it](http://www.bellininautica.it) - boat and speedboat tours of various sizes
- Nautica Bertelli [www.nauticabertelli.it](http://www.nauticabertelli.it) - tour with Riva Aquarama boat and visit to the Riva Collection, the collection of vintage Rivas

## FLIGHT TOURS OVER FRANCIACORTA AND LAKE ISEO

Motorised flight over Franciacorta and Lake Iseo is a unique and unforgettable experience. In just a few dozen kilometres you can admire natural landscapes rich in history and tradition.

The aircraft used is that of the flight school, an advanced aircraft equipped with the best European safety standards. This experience is the first step towards enrolling in a flying school.

- Sportaction [www.sportaction.it](http://www.sportaction.it)

## NATURE

Various places to walk and observe nature, first and foremost the Torbiere del Sebino Nature Reserve, can be found at [https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/27\\_Natura/](https://www.franciacorta.net/it/territorio/luoghi/27_Natura/)

## FRANCIACORTA CELLAR FESTIVAL

It takes place every year on the 3rd and 4th weekend in September.



## INFO

Franciacorta Wine Route

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