

Postcard 5

Buon Giorgino!

We travelled through Tuscany and visited the fortified hamlet of Montereggioni. A Medieval fair was underway when we arrived. Cousin Claudia would have loved it:) We then drove through the Chianti region - home of the finest wines in Italy. My sister Taryn would have thoroughly enjoyed our wine sampling experience. We then headed north to the city of Modena, the center of the ceramic tile industry in Italy. We toured a tile factory and had an incredible lunch at a very nice restaurant popular with the business crowd. Ciao! - Cheryl and Wayne



The beauty of the hills of Tuscany capture your breath.



All smiles after a few sips of wine and a purchase for my sister



The entrance to Montereggioni.



A view of the interior of Montereggioni and a glimpse of the scenery surrounding the city



Another view of Monteregioni.



The forno (kiln) at the Omega Factory is HUGE, with temperatures reaching 1000C+ degrees.



The tile factory runs with approximately 100 employees and robotics, including robotic forklifts that run around the factory moving racks and pallets of tile.



From left to right: Michele (pronounced Mikele) was our contact in Modena, Massimo our factory tour guide, and me.