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# Experience the ultimate house party in Tuscany

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Complete The Telegraph Travel Awards 2017 survey and you could win a week-long stay for 30 guests at a stunning villa, courtesy of Tuscany Now & More

A luxury villa rental company devoted to providing a portfolio of exclusive properties and experiences, plus an expert concierge service, Tuscany Now & More is offering seven nights at one of its most impressive properties, the Estate of Petroio, for a group of 30 people. Prepare for an idyllic week, where the fortunate winner plus guests will experience authentic Italian cooking lessons, daily tennis coaching, an exclusive wine tasting as well as the services of a private chef (breakfast and dinner) and maid. The prize is also inclusive of return airport transfers for 30 people and 12 bottles of Chianti each day.

### The prize

Culture, countryside and a superb climate make Tuscany a fantastic destination. And with facilities to suit everyone the sensational Estate of Petroio is perfect for a large group. A secluded hideaway set within a 900-acre estate in the hills above Rufina, the Estate of Petroio features three stunning residences, the elegant 12th century La Villa di Petroio and two stone farmhouses, Il Borgo di Petroio and Casa Arianna.

The Villa di Petroio is the centrepiece of the wine and olive oil producing estate and boasts two self-sufficient wings, one suitable for



Wine and dine in style: complete The Telegraph Travel Awards 2017 survey for the chance to win a Tuscan house party experience to treasure at the Estate of Petroio

people with restricted mobility. Modern en-suite bathrooms and air-conditioned bedrooms combine with a large open plan living/dining room with a central fireplace and panoramic windows, offering breathtaking views. A professional kitchen and dining area have just been added.

Borgo has been lovingly restored and offers air-conditioned bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms, large, bright and airy living areas not to mention the all-important area for al fresco dining. Casa Arianna lies about half way between La Villa and Il Borgo.

It is full of rustic Tuscan charm with spacious living areas, terracotta floors, two sitting rooms and large air-conditioned bedrooms with parquet flooring each with an en-suite bathroom complemented with beamed ceilings.

The Estate has two large private swimming pools, a football pitch and an astro-turf tennis court to ensure everyone has fun. Surrounded by stunning unspoilt countryside and in close proximity to Florence, the Estate of Petroio is truly the most fantastic setting and the perfect venue for



### The Estate of Petroio features three stunning residences

celebrations and shared experiences. Tuscany Now & More, the dedicated villa specialist, is offering one lucky winner a seven-night stay at the Estate of Petroio for a group of up to 30 people. Return airport transfers will be included as well as the services of a

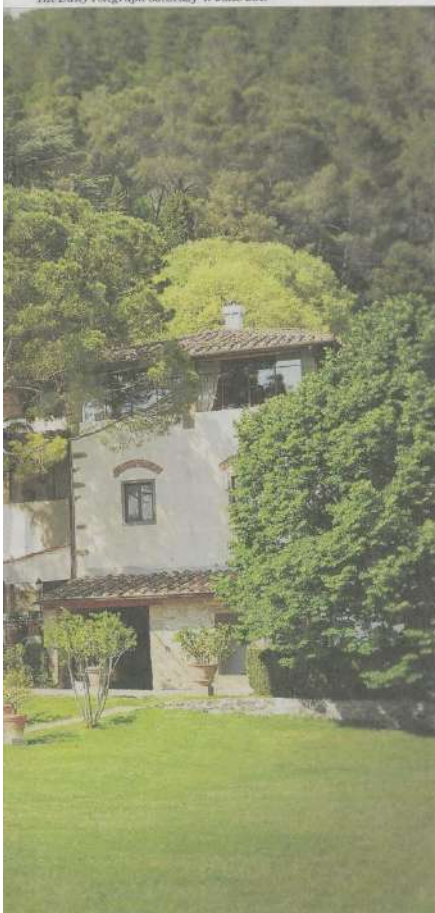
private chef (breakfast and dinner) and maid for the week. Every day four hours of private tennis coaching and 12 bottles of Chianti will also be provided. There will also be three authentic Italian cooking lessons for up to 10 people at a time, and an exclusive wine tasting event at the villa.

### The provider

Tuscany Now & More (020 7584 8884; tuscanynowandmore.com) offers some of the most exquisite rental properties

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in Tuscany, Umbria, Verona and Venice. With a fantastic array of specially curated experiences, they provide the ultimate in service, ensuring a care-free, memorable holiday. With more than 25 years of experience, the UK teams have visited the properties and are supported on the ground by a local concierge team who know the properties and their surrounding areas first-hand. The Estate of Petrolo holds three residences, the elegant 12th century Villa and two stone farmhouses, Il Borgo di Petrolo and Casa Ariama.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The prize is subject to availability and stays must be taken in 2018, excluding July and August. The reservation must be made by December 15, 2017. Prize includes a stay at La Villa di Petrolo and Il Borgo di Petrolo for 30 people from Saturday to Saturday. Flights and travel insurances are not included. For full terms and conditions, see [telegraph.co.uk/tt-travelprizes](http://telegraph.co.uk/tt-travelprizes)

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Tell us what's important to you as a traveller by completing this year's Telegraph Travel Awards survey – and you could win one of 20 ultimate bespoke holiday experiences worth more than £650,000.

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- Best ski holiday company
- Best city
- Best country



*The prizes*

- 1 A 12-day luxury tour of India with Oberoi Hotels & Resorts and Ampersand Travel ([oberoihotels.com](http://oberoihotels.com); [ampersandtravel.com](http://ampersandtravel.com)), worth £20,000
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- 4 Private jet memberships plus flights to or from New York with JetSmarter ([jetsmarter.com](http://jetsmarter.com)), worth £33,000
- 5 A seven-night Ultimate Tuscan Villa Experience for 30 guests with Tuscan Now & More ([tuscanynowandmore.com](http://tuscanynowandmore.com)), worth £31,000
- 6 A 15-day tour of New Zealand with Red Savannah and Air New Zealand ([redsavannah.com](http://redsavannah.com); [airnewzealand.com](http://airnewzealand.com)), worth £25,000
- 7 A luxurious eight-night itinerary with Four Seasons Resorts ([fourseasons.com/thailand](http://fourseasons.com/thailand)), worth £35,000

- 8 A seven-day trip to the Canadian Rockies plus a 14-day "Cruising the Seine, plus Versailles, Paris & London" itinerary from Tauck ([tauck.co.uk](http://tauck.co.uk)), worth £25,000
- 9 The ultimate family holiday at Forte Village in Sardinia ([fortevillage.com](http://fortevillage.com); [ta.com](http://ta.com)), worth £32,000
- 10 Sleep your way around the world in style with Six Senses ([sixsenses.com](http://sixsenses.com)), worth £30,000
- 11 Cycle like a pro with seven friends on a four-night luxury trip to Alta Badia, with La Perla, Pinarello, InGamba and Skyscamer ([altabadia.org](http://altabadia.org); [skyscamer.net](http://skyscamer.net); [in-gamba.it](http://in-gamba.it); [ingamba.pro](http://ingamba.pro)), worth £24,000
- 12 The highlights of Southern Africa on a six-night safari with Africa Albida Tourism and Ethiopian Airlines ([africaalbidatourism.com](http://africaalbidatourism.com); [ethiopianairlines.com](http://ethiopianairlines.com)), worth £20,000
- 13 A 14-night twin-centre Caribbean escape at the Sandpiper, Barbados & Sugar Beach, A Viceroy Resort, St Lucia ([sandpiperbarbados.com](http://sandpiperbarbados.com); [viceroysresorts.com/en/sugarbeach](http://viceroysresorts.com/en/sugarbeach)), worth £28,000
- 14 Travel beyond Florence by Ferrar during a five-night stay at Il Savatino, with Red Travel ([salvatino.com](http://salvatino.com); Red-Travel.com; [preferredhotels.com](http://preferredhotels.com)), worth £30,000
- 15 Discover Ireland on a nine-night luxury train voyage and stay with Belmond and Ballyfin ([belmond.com](http://belmond.com); [ballyfin.com](http://ballyfin.com)), worth £25,000
- 16 A four-night stay at Jumbi Bay, A Rosewood Resort, Antigua ([rosewoodhotels.com/en/jumbi-bay-antigua](http://rosewoodhotels.com/en/jumbi-bay-antigua)), worth £40,000
- 17 A week-long stay for 12 guests in Chalet Merlo with the Ultimate Multi-Resort Ski Safari Experience from Premiere Neige ([premiere-neige.com](http://premiere-neige.com)), worth £31,000
- 18 The best of the Indian Ocean on an eight-day luxury trip from Shangri-La and Destinology ([destinology.co.uk](http://destinology.co.uk); [shangri-la.com](http://shangri-la.com)), worth £25,000
- 19 The ultimate sporting thrill: experience the F1 Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne, with Visit Melbourne, Bridge & Wickers and Qatar Airways ([visitmelbourne.com](http://visitmelbourne.com); [qatarairways.com](http://qatarairways.com); [bridgeandwickers.co.uk/victoria](http://bridgeandwickers.co.uk/victoria)), worth £25,000
- 20 A 14-night stay at Coco Bodu Hids in the Maldives with Coco Collection ([cococollection.com](http://cococollection.com)), worth £30,000

**5** A seven-night Ultimate Tuscan Villa Experience for 30 guests with Tuscany Now & More ([tuscanynowandmore.com](http://tuscanynowandmore.com)), worth £31,000