

## The beautiful textile heritage of Umbria...

Please join me and other textile lovers as we weave our way through Umbria, paying homage to those who are still mindful of artisan traditions and the techniques of their predecessors, and who set to work with love for their Umbrian land, and with commitment and great skill and passion, to continue those traditions and carry them into the future.

The lovely Villa Gioianna, near Castiglione del Lago, will be our home for a nine-day adventure that will be a sensual and emotional immersion in the textiles, food, wine, arts, culture, and religion of the Umbrian tradition.



## *Highlights of this adventure*

- September 8<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2016.
- **Ten nights at Villa Gioianna**, an extremely fabulous Villa in the Italian Countryside, including **all breakfasts and all dinners**; four at the Villa (wine included), four at charming local restaurants, and one as invited guests of the Panicale Textile Fair organizers and participants.
- Tour and visit **five inspiring weaving/textile workshops**, including a private tour of the stupendous Antique Silk Weaving Workshop in Florence, with option for taking a private weaving or embroidery course at the Perugia weaving studio.
- Visits and special events in **Cortona, Deruta, Assisi, Florence** and several “undiscovered gems” -- small villages and towns that retain their traditional character.
- Meet fellow textile enthusiasts from around the world (and share your own handiwork if you wish) at the **Panicale Lace and Textile Fair**.
- A **pizza lesson** with a wood-fired oven, and a **cooking lesson and demonstration** at Villa Gioianna.
- Two **wine tastings** at family-run wineries, and the **Festa dell’Uva**, the annual harvest celebration in Panicale, with a parade, more winetasting, tasting of local foods, and folk dancing.
- A **free day** to relax by the pool or to visit a town of your choice.
- All **transportation** for the week in private vans/car.
- **Concierge services** to help you coordinate your transportation to and from the Villa and for your Free Day.



*This is going to be a fabulous trip! If you are interested in joining us, please contact Steffenie Kirkpatrick at [steffokirk@gmail.com](mailto:steffokirk@gmail.com) or 610 269-0996 for a brochure and detailed itinerary.*

*Ciao!  
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