

Item: Fast Lane News #48 in 2024 (Issue #248 since 2020) On Saturday, November 30, 2024, I'm writing from our family home in the historic steel town of Steubenville, along the Ohio River, home of Dean Martin and my American "birthplace".



<u>To: Our Fast Lane Travel Family</u> in Australia, Canada, Dubai, Europe, Iceland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa and the USA!

Subjects: 2025 TUSCANY; Million Dollar Highway; My Final Thoughts:

I. OK, OK... thank you for your e-mails, I get the message: We will conduct our renowned TUSCANY trip in 2025. YES, for the 15th year, we will be enjoying your favorite estate: Casali di Bibbiano, now under new ownership and re-named to the charming Ombroneta, translated: the place with shade trees, i.e., to relax and unwind with a glass of the delightful Casalone Estate wine. Yes, of course, we'll also have our special wine tasting AND our famous Tuscan Cooking class. The good news is that the new American owners have invested well into seven figures to upgrade the estate. For example, there



is a fabulous new bar, and the rooms and suites have been upgraded. As one of the participants exclaimed: "This is like living in a painting!"

You must come with us to this wonderful estate in Tuscany. Furthermore, the charming medieval little town of **Buonconvento** alone is worth the visit. It has charming little bistros, shops, and a market square. The small leather factory for the **Pianigiani Bags in Buonconvento** is 10 minutes from the shop – you'll love their tour; You'll fall in love with the **Susy Sartoria Artigianale Shop** where a mother and daughter create handmade scarves, blouses, and women's clothing. Look them up on the web.

About **300** elated **customers** have been on our legendary **Tuscany Porsche Fest** since 2010. About 16% of them had been on three or more Fast Lane Porsche tours before they came with us to Tuscany. Of the same group, 47% returned for more Fast Lane Porsche Tours.

TUSCANY trip 2025: Sunday, Oct. 12th to Friday, Oct. 24th. Please register ASAP – it usually fills up by the end of December to mid-January. Limited to 12 couples.

https://fastlanetravel.com/2025-tuscany-porsche-fest/

Here is just an example of a couple's reaction after their first trip with Fast Lane which was in Tuscany in 2011.

Hi Peter, Gail and I are practically back to reality in Connecticut. I don't think that before the tour, I appreciated how wonderful it would be. We had a great time and our expectation, of what "your" Tuscany would provide was far exceeded. I was not ready for how wonderful Tuscany would be. I will send you some pictures that I took on the tour and please feel free to use them in any advertising or publication that you chose. The weather was wonderful and the company was excellent. Gail and I will never forget some of the scenery we saw. Gail and I would very much like to return on



another Fast Lane Porsche tour. Please let us know if you are planning to be in New York and we will have to get together again. With best regards, Gail and Peter **My Comment:** Dr. Peter and Gail Byeff have been back since then <u>for another 14 Porsche trips with us.</u> We are so very grateful for our many loyal repeat customers. Thank you very much.



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Addendum: Discovering the Million Dollar Highway: A II. Scenic Adventure Through the San Juan Mountains, by April After I published this article last week, I received this e-mail from one of our attentive customers, Bill Ainsley. My Comment: Thank you, Bill! I found your information on the Colorado trip interesting. Peter/April: However, you left out one of the most intriguing answers to the "Where did the Million Dollar Highway get its name" question. Having lived in Boulder and traveled to that area because of the scenery you very accurately The one you did not mention described, I heard the legends very early. was that while blasting and carving the rock out of the mountains, the workers noticed a fair amount of shining metal in the blasted rockslides. It was reported to be silver, but the small concentrations made it impractical to mine. So, the legend was born that there is over a million dollars in silver ore in the roadbed. Pick your favorite, or make up a couple of new ones, the Colorado Department of Tourism will thank you.

- **III. My Final Thoughts:** I hope you are having a thankful, enjoyable, and relaxing **Thanksgiving Weekend**. Please review our trip options for you in 2025. It's time you come back to Colorado, or if you haven't been, come to Tuscany with us THE best time of the year. See you in 2025!
- IV. SOME OF MY HAPPY MEMORIES: Yes, we have done a Porsche trip in China, all the way to Dali and the Himalayas' foothills.











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