

Pienza

Thank you all for your wonderful birthday wishes! I am here in Pienza eating a lunch of pecorino cheese and wild boar looking out over the beautiful Val D'Orcia. I'm really tired and the multiple cups of espresso aren't working. I had a great stay in Montipulciano. Here is a shot of my room and the private garden.

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Montipulciano is a wonderful town filled with wineries. I had dinner at the Borgo Buio, across the street from my B&B. The food was spectacular starting with a collection of local pecorino cheese and jam, I then ate Pici pasta, hand made by the chef, Richard. He came to my table frequently to drop off samples of his best Grappa, wine, and aperativos. I was well taken care of. I then had the most tender cheek as my main, followed by a chocolate dessert that I fell in love with. My hosts were the best and, to be frank, I expected (and was quite willing) to pay a lot more than what my bill was. Kudoes to the chef!

Luckily I was across the street from my B&B because I would have definitely gotten lost being in the state I was! I slept sparingly hence my dismal state today. It was the best dinner that I have ever had!

I wandered to Pienza and fell in love, again. Where Montipulciano was short streets and narrow alleys, Pienza is open and, while small, quite spacious. Here are a few from along my stroll. Note that all of these from my posts are from my iPhone to make it easy to update. I have given both cameras quite the workout and I am up over 1000 images thus far!

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