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# ***FROM FLORENCE TO ROME ALONG THE VIA CASSIA***

***Take a scenic drive through Tuscany and Lazio, discover charming  
medieval towns and quaint villages.***

The ancient **Via Cassia** (II century BC) was built by the Romans on pre-existing Etruscan routes in order to connect **Rome** with [Florence](#). This must not be confounded, as is sometimes done, with the former highway **2 Via Cassia (SS2)** – now called **Via Cassia 2 (SR 2)**, for the ancient Roman Consular Road passed through [Arezzo](#), the other runs across [Siena](#) and a number of splendid medieval towns and villages.

The route can be done in a single day (approximately a 6-hour drive) or you can take it slowly and stop along the way.

Just in case, these are the places you shouldn't miss: **Castellina in Chianti, Monteriggioni, Siena, Buonconvento, San Quirico d'Orcia, Bagno Vignoni, Castiglione d'Orcia, Radicofani, Abbadia San Salvatore, Acquapendente, Bolsena, Montefiascone** and **Viterbo**.

If you have only one day, you can consider a [Tuscany tour](#) and visit Monteriggioni, Radicofani and Abbadia San Salvatore. If you have a weekend, you can spend a whole day in Siena or in Val d'Orcia.