

# Il Borgo at Castello Banfi

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**U**nder the guidance of the American Mariani family, Castello Banfi has long been a leading producer of Tuscany's Brunello di Montalcino. But the estate, which is large, lovely and historic, offers much more than wine.

Il Borgo is an 18th-century hamlet transformed into a 14-room hotel that's both luxurious and charmingly traditional. Guests can take guided tours of the vineyards and winery. An enoteca offers estate-produced olive oil, balsamic vinegar, grappa and wine. Also located on the property are two restaurants, a wine-centric glassware museum and, for Il Borgo guests, an outdoor swimming pool.

The wine-and-dining package, "Extraordinary Tuscan Experience," is available until Sept. 30 and streamlines the best of the estate's offerings into a three-night itinerary, with highlights such as a sunset picnic,



Castello Banfi and its hotel, Il Borgo (foreground)

a Sangiovese tasting and a five-course wine dinner at the La Sala dei Grappoli (begins at \$3,358 per room). Or, dive into the kitchen with the three-day "Chef for a Day" (begins at \$3,537 per room).

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