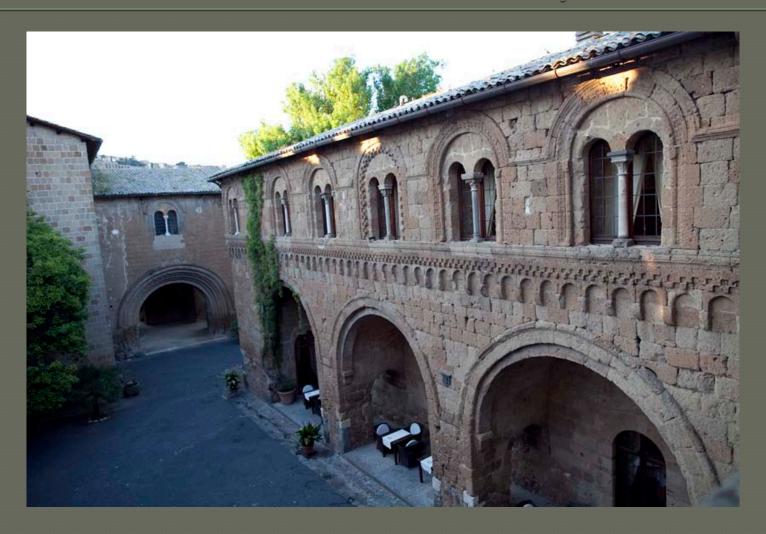
La Badia Hotel @ Orvieto

Our first night of the tour (Friday, May 21st) – fortunately not Friday the 13th!! – the Abbey has been around from even before people have heard of the crusades, and is only a mere 1,400 years old....

The view from the road......



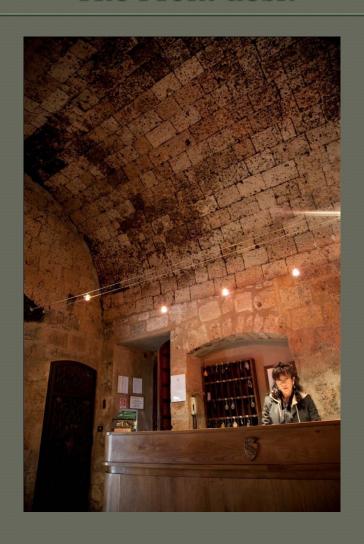
Built at the end of the 6th century as a church......



....the website says that the Pope's footsteps echo through the halls.....



The Front desk



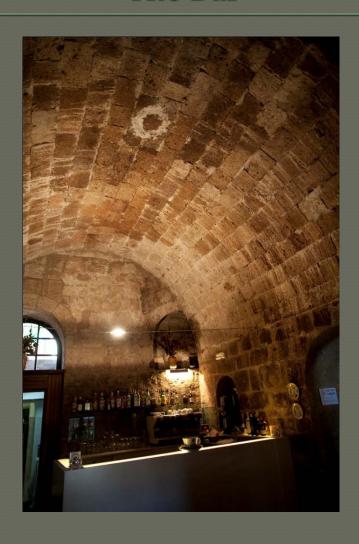
I have to carry my luggage up where??



The Reception area



The Bar



The ristorante



Our private dining room



Thank goodness we don't have to burn candles in our rooms....



....and we even have running water in our rooms....



At least we didn't have to spend 2 hours looking for the place this time....



Outdoor bathing.....



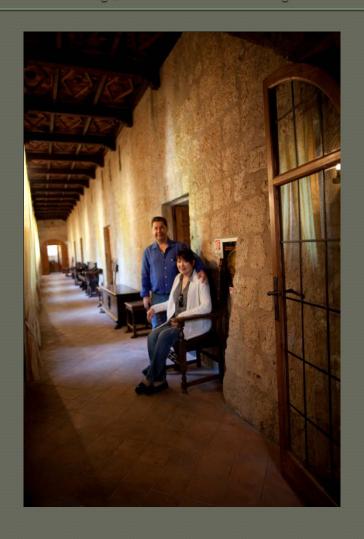
The tower for those who don't pay.....or if you don't carry a DBS card.



You can camp here if you're on a budget.....



For those with money, this is the way to their rooms.....



Did any of you hear strange noises last night??



Looking good......



The grand function room for events like weddings. How about the next IWFSS President's dinner?





• The End