



Observer report for the 7th San Gimignano Tournament Franco-Italian Cup “In Vino Veritas II” (MCR, MERS 2.5)

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



Date: November 7th – 8th September 2019

Place: Milan, Italy

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Italian Mahjong Federation (registration, program, list of participants and results) with Italian, French and English versions.

Participants: 68 players from 5 countries:

Represented countries

ITA	FRA	NED	GER	ESP
				
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Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 120 minutes

Location: The room was just for host 68 players and enough space between them. The camping which holds the tournament is an unbeatable environment, full of trees and close to San Gimignano.

Equipment: We played with games in good state, rubber mats (in which ones the tiles don't slide enough well) and tables without borders (build walls is not easy mixing tiles is harder, tiles fall to the floor and this causes an unnecessary tiles damaging).

The equipment in the room was a big tv and a bathroom per gender.

Refereeing: Alberto Rosi (not playing) and Marco Montebelli (playing but wasn't needed to interrupt his games).

Information / communication during the tournament: Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. Alberto's voice clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session, and timer during it, were showed in the tv.

Sessions: Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun). One big clock in the room, visible in a TV screen. Alberto announced the start and the end of the time.

Catering: 2 lunches that take place downstairs, in the restaurant of the camping, buffet style in the garden, including Lasagna, roasted meta, several kinds of cheese, salads, and desserts; for drink were water during all moment, during lunches were refreshing drinks and a beer tap for self service. Coffee in the bar and in a machine after the lunches, included. Other drinks and foods were available to buy in the bar during all the tournament.

Prizes: Were prizes for individual ranking (1st to 8th), the best team, 7 highest hands (1 per round), the players closer to 0, the Referees and the Observer (thanks for that tasty beer ;)).

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in San Gimignano, good weather with little rains, awesome place and nice food and tourism options. Maybe the only negative point is the proximity of an airport.