1. Galleria dell’Academia. Home to Michelangelo’s world-famous David
2. This is an unfinished sculpture. Pretty cool to put into perspective that all these awesome works of art start out as block of marble like this one
3. David. Everything about it is so incredibly realistic
4. Galleria dell’Academia
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8. Galleria dell’Academia also had a very cool musical instruments exhibit
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12. Galleria dell’Academia
13. The bust room in Galleria dell’Academia. That’s a lot of heads
14. Palazzo Vecchio
15. Palazzo Vecchio
16. The Arno River
17. The Arno River
18. The Arno River and Ponte Vecchio
19. Italians love their mopeds
20. The Arno River and Ponte Vecchio
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22. This bridge had 360 degrees of something awesome to look at. Loved the river coming from the mountains in the background
23. The crew
24. The Arno River and Ponte Vecchio
25. Ponte Vecchio. Lots of jewelry shops on this bridge
26. The Arno River
27. El Duomo. Built in the thirteenth century with some very impressive colorful architecture. We got a ticket that got us into the museum, dome, tower, and baptistery
28. The tower
29. El Duomo
30. El Duomo
31. El Duomo
32. The museum at El Duomo
33. The museum at El Duomo
34. The museum at El Duomo
35. From the balcony at the museum
36. The museum at El Duomo
37. Inside the baptistery. It was a smaller building outside the main entrance to the cathedral, and has some really impressive ceiling art
38. Baptistery
39. Inside the cathedral
40. Inside the cathedral
41. An archaeological museum under the cathedral
42. An archaeological museum under the cathedral
43. One of the probably ten large cups of gelato I ate throughout the week in Italy. Absolutely fantastic
44. Heading up into the main dome
45. The main dome
46. Stain glass of the main dome
47. Looking down from the rim of the dome
48. Looking down from the rim of the dome
49. Climbing up higher to the top of the dome
50. Top of the dome
51. Top of the dome
52. Top of the dome
53. Top of the dome
54. Looks like the dome needs a little bit of landscaping
55. Top of the dome
56. Inner rim of the dome
57. About to climb the tower now
58. Climbing up the tower
59. Climbing up the tower
60. Long way down
61. Top of the tower. I think we were higher up on top of the dome over there
62. Top of the tower
63. Top of the tower
64. Basilica of Santa Croce on the other side of town looks like a much smaller scale version of the cathedral at El Duomo
65. Hiked up to Piazzale Michelangelo
66. Piazzale Michelangelo
67. Giardino Bardini
68. Giardino Bardini
69. Giardino Bardini
70. Giardino Bardini
71. Giardino Bardini
72. A nice little waterfall at Giardino Bardini
73. Pitti Palace and Giardino di Boboli
74. Pitti Palace and Giardino di Boboli
75. Pitti Palace and Giardino di Boboli
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79. Several different museums at Pitti Palace. Love the dog in the sculpture