



Amalfi Coast, Campania

# SOUTHERN ITALY

CAMPANIA | PUGLIA | BASILICATA | CALABRIA | SICILY & AEOLIAN ISLANDS | SARDINIA

The south of Italy is from **Campania** to the toe of Italy's boot in **Calabria**, including the lesser known regions of **Basilicata** and **Puglia** and its many well known islands, both big (**Sicily** and **Sardinia**) and small (**Aeolian**, **Capri** and **Ischia**). From Rome, head south to bustling **Naples**, home of the pizza and gateway to the beautiful region of **Campania** with its picture perfect **Amalfi Coast** and spectacular seaside towns of **Sorrento**, **Positano**, **Praiano**, **Ravello**, **Salerno** and the enchanting islands of **Capri** and **Ischia** off the coast.

South of **Campania** lies the less discovered southern regions, Italy's boot heel, **Puglia** and toe, **Calabria** and **Basilicata** in between.

The **Basilicata** region boasts two coastlines, mountain ranges, dark forested valleys and villages melded to rugged rockfaces. Its location is remote yet strategic, linking ancient Rome to the eastern Byzantine empire. Over time it has been successively invaded, pillaged, plundered, abandoned and neglected. Today, its star attraction is undoubtedly **Matera** with its famous *sassi*, former ancient cave dwellings. **Maratea** is surprisingly one of Italy's most chic seaside resorts and **Potenza**, its capital, is a major transport hub connecting neighbouring regions by rail and road.

The region of **Puglia**, with its kilometres of spectacular Adriatic Sea coastline, is the real Italy - less tourists, unique cultural treasures of its own and amazing regional food and wine. Its famous round *trulli* are both mysterious and distinctive of this region.

The southern most region is **Calabria**, separated from Sicily by the Strait of Messina. This is sun-baked, Italian Mafia country and for travellers, an adventure into the unknown. Rich in rugged natural landscapes, stunning coastline and beaches and lapped by the splendid crystal blue Ionian and Tyrrhenian seas. Experience the full flavours of the south; discover pretty coastal **Tropea** with its lanes and piazzas and the *coast of the gods* in **Vibo Valentia**.

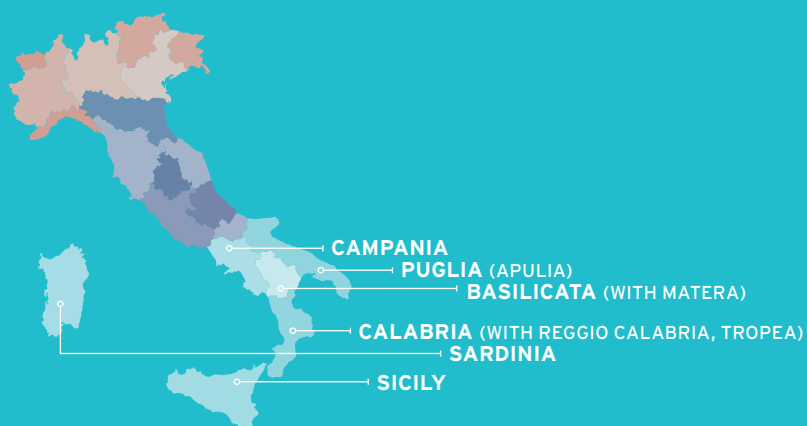
Venture even further south to find Italy's largest island, **Sicily**. This unique land has volcanoes (some active), archaeological sites, magnificent white sandy beaches and spectacular scenery, with its own cosmopolitan culture built from many influences over time. And last, but certainly not least, don't miss **Sardinia** and the **Aeolian Islands** off the coast of southern Italy.

**The food of the south** is the soul of Italy, with its rich spicy tomato sauces and almost exclusive use of olive oil in cooking. The south is home to citrus fruits, fields of durum wheat, olive groves and vineyards. Seafood is in abundance from tuna to anchovies, from clams to sea urchins. There is so much to love about Southern Italy.

## Getting There

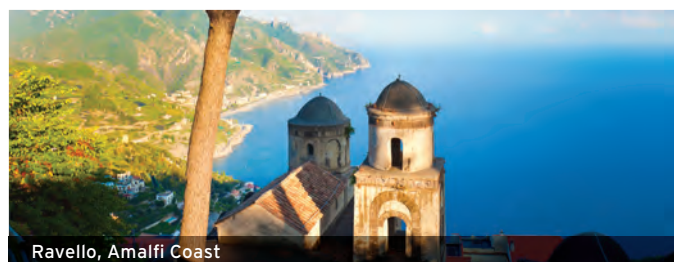
The southern regions are easily accessible by car, rail, bus or on a small escorted or self drive tour showcasing the best of each area including food and wine!

Travel to Sicily by rail, car ferry or domestic air from Reggio di Calabria or from Genoa or Naples and Palermo.



## THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- Eat a real pizza in bustling **Naples**.
- Drive the **Amalfi** coastline.
- Explore ancient **Pompeii** - beware of scalpers and pick pockets at the entrance and wear comfortable shoes.
- Climb **Mt Vesuvius** in Campania.
- Drink limoncello in **Sorrento**.
- Swim or just relax on an Italian beach in **Sorrento** or **Positano**.
- Experience **Capri** and the *Blue Grotto* (overpriced but worth it at least once).
- Visit the *Grotta dello Smeraldo* (Emerald Grotto) on the **Amalfi Coast**.
- Stay in a *trullo* in **Puglia**.
- Explore the *sassi* of **Matera** in **Basilicata**.
- Taste unique southern **Italian food and wine**.
- Visit all **Sicily UNESCO World Heritage sites** - the largest concentration in any Italian region.
- Venture beyond **Sicily** to the UNESCO listed **Aeolian Islands** - stay on **Lipari** and watch the 'fireworks' from volcanic **Stromboli**.



Ravello, Amalfi Coast

## Southern Italy boasts many lesser known treasures and unique UNESCO World Heritage sites including:

- Archaeological sites of Pompeii, Herculaneum (Ercolano) and Torre Annunziata (Campania).
- Naples historic centre (Campania).
- The Royal Palace of Caserta with its park and aqueduct (Campania).
- Picture perfect Amalfi Coast (Campania).
- National Park of Cilento and Valle of Diiano with archaeological site of Paestum, Velia and Ia Certosa (ancient Greek towns) - Salerno (Campania).
- The *trulli* of Alberobello and *Castel del Monte* (Puglia).
- The beautiful Baroque city of Lecce (Puglia).
- The *sassi* and the Park of the Rupestrian Churches of Matera (Basilicata).
- The Aeolian Islands.
- Sardinia with its Nuragic Complex of Barumini prehistoric ruins.

## And in Sicily

- Archaeological area of Agrigento.
- Roman Villa del Casale in Piazza Armerina with its stunning mosaics.
- Late Baroque towns of the Val di Noto in south eastern Sicily: Caltagirone, Militello Val di Catania, Catania, Modica, Noto, Palazzolo, Ragusa and Scicli.
- Historic centre of Siracusa and the necropolis cave of Pantalica.
- Mt Etna - active volcano on the east coast between Messina and Catania.

# NAPLES & SORRENTO



Marina di Coricella, Naples

## As they say in Italy, 'Vedi Napoli e poi muori!' ('see Naples and die'.)

This fittingly describes the bustling town of **Napoli** with its chaos and rough charm typical of the Southern Italian way of life. Situated on the **Neapolitan Coast** with castles and noble palaces, the streets of **Naples** are also the birthplace of modern pizza and the gritty heart of real Italy, gateway to its rustic south.

When life gives Italians lemons, they make limoncello! This citrus-based liqueur originates from **Sorrento** and is one of the most popular in Italy. **Sorrento**, the garden of Italy and the fertile countryside of **Campania**, grow some of the best produce in all of Italy with an abundance of San Marzano tomatoes, peaches, grapes, apricots, figs, oranges and lemons.



01 Hotel location

## The Best of Sorrento & the Amalfi Coast

5 days / 4 nights

FROM \$852\*

### INCLUDES

- Arrival transfer from Naples airport or station
- 4 nights 3-star accommodation (upgrades available on request)
- 4 breakfasts
- Sightseeing as specified with an English speaking bilingual guide

NOTE: entrance fees are not included and are payable locally

### DEPARTURES

Apr - Oct: Mon, Tue, Fri, Sat, Sun

From **\$852\***



Amalfi Coast

Discover the beauty and ancient past of the Sorrento and Amalfi Coast region. Visit Pompeii, the famous Roman city destroyed by the volcanic eruption of Vesuvius, soak up the breathtaking panoramic views of the Amalfi Coast and spend the day on the evocative Island of Capri.

Day 1 Naples - Sorrento Arrival transfer from Naples airport or station.

Day 2 Pompeii Morning visit to the famous ruins of Pompeii. Afternoon at leisure. (B)

Day 3 Amalfi Coast Explore the Amalfi coast visiting the towns of Amalfi and Ravello. (B)

Day 4 Capri and Anacapri Sail across the bay of Naples to Capri and spend the day exploring. (B)

Day 5 Sorrento - Naples Departure transfer to Naples airport or station. (B)

NOTE: the order of the itinerary is subject to change.

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# SORRENTO DAY TOURS

## Pompeii

FROM \$76\*



Apollo statue in Pompeii

**DURATION** Half day, am

**DEPARTS**

Apr - Oct: Mon & Wed

**FEATURES**

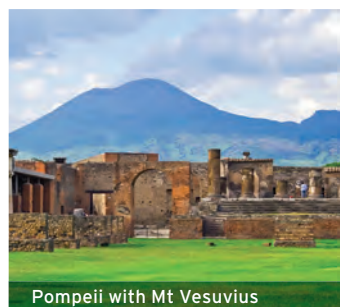
- English speaking guide
- Visit Amphitheatre
- Visit Villa of Mysteries

NOTE: entrance fees to the Pompeii Ruins are not included.

Pompeii is high on the list of Wonders of the World. Following the eruption of the volcano Mount Vesuvius in the year 79 AD, Pompeii lay buried and forgotten for hundreds of years. Your guide will take you slowly through some of the ancient streets of Pompeii where you can see baths, forums and villas built by the prosperous Romans in the year 80 BC.

## Pompeii & Vesuvius

FROM \$98\*



Pompeii with Mt Vesuvius

**DURATION** Full day, am

**DEPARTS**

Apr - Oct: Tue, Thu & Sun

**FEATURES**

- English speaking guide
- Visit the volcano that destroyed Pompeii
- See the preserved Forum, Baths and Villas, built in 80 BC

NOTE: entrance fees to the Pompeii Ruins and Vesuvius are not included.

Your guide will take you slowly through some of the ancient streets of Pompeii, then the coach will drive you within 1,000 metres of the top of Vesuvius. Walk to the very top and admire the splendid panoramic views across the bay. From the blackened crater rises a single plume of smoke, a reminder that the volcano is only sleeping for now.

## Capri & Anacapri

FROM \$156\*



View of Faraglioni Rocks

**DURATION** Full day, am

**DEPARTS**

Apr - Oct: daily

**FEATURES**

- Return boat transfer to Capri
- English speaking bilingual guide
- Island tour by private mini bus

NOTE: entrance fees to Villa San Michel and Augusto Gardens are not included.

Sail across the bay of Naples to Capri and visit the fabulous villa of Dr. Axel Munthe. See Capri town and admire the colourful gardens of Augustus, overlooking the famed Faraglioni Rocks and Marina Piccola where Gracie Fields once lived. There is free time to admire the elegant boutiques, stroll along the cobbled streets or simply relax on the beach. Optional visit to the Blue Grotto and chair lift to Mount Solaro (extra cost).

## Amalfi Coast

FROM \$74\*



Amalfi Drive

**DURATION** Full day, am

**DEPARTS**

Apr - Oct: Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Sat

**FEATURES**

- English speaking guide
- Visit Amalfi cathedral dedicated to St. Andrew.
- See Villa Rufolo in Ravello where Wagner composed his opera.

NOTE: entrance fees to Amalfi Cathedral and Villa Rufolo are not included.

The *Amalfi Drive* is said to be the most spectacular in Europe and, from Sorrento, the winding cliff top road offers breathtaking panoramic views at every turn. Once a prosperous Marine Republic, Amalfi is now a thriving holiday resort. After Amalfi, visit Ravello which nestles over 300 metres above the sea in the mountainside. Optional boat trip to admire different views of the coastline (extra cost).

## Da Nonna IDA Cooking Class

FROM \$264\*



**DURATION** Half day, am

**DEPARTS** Apr - Oct: daily

**FEATURES**

- 3 hour cooking class
- Wine tasting
- Nonna's breakfast
- Cooked lunch

The cooking lesson takes place in Sorrento in an amazing setting on private grounds. Learn to cook delicious, traditional Italian cuisine with a particular emphasis on Neapolitan recipes. During the class you will take a break to visit to the wine cellar to sample homemade wines and local cheeses.

## Ischia

FROM \$156\*



Ischia

**DURATION** Full day

**DEPARTS**

Apr - Oct: Thu

**FEATURES**

- English speaking guide
- Thermal spa
- Mortella Gardens

NOTE: entrance fees to the Thermal Spa and Mortella Gardens are not included.

Enjoy a hydrofoil journey across the Bay of Naples to Ischia. On your arrival you will have free time to enjoy the shops, followed by a coach tour around the island, stopping at Picco San Angelo. You will also have the opportunity to experience the thermal park, where you can take a dip in the therapeutic water in temperatures ranging from icy-cold to bubbling hot, or visit Mortella Gardens (extra cost).

**Transfers:** We can organise a range of transfer options from the airports, train stations and ports to and from your Sorrento or Amalfi Coast accommodation and beyond. **Extra tours:** we also offer many more scheduled and private tour options, including a range of similar day tours from Naples and the Amalfi Coast. **Contact us for details.**

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# NAPLES HOTELS

## Grand Hotel Europa ★★★

FROM  
\$69\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

Situated in a perfect position close to the central railway station of Naples and to the historical centre. All sound proofed rooms and service areas are equipped with all modern comforts. All rooms are decorated with frescos from the Pompeian age to nowadays. The hotel restaurant offers typical Neapolitan dishes, as well as an international cuisine. Free internet connection in the rooms.

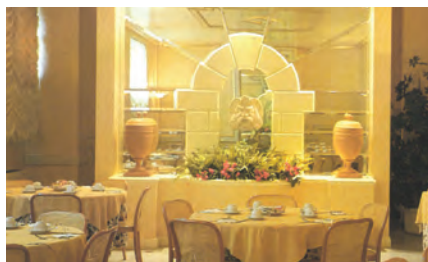
Corso Meridionale, 14

**LOW SEASON** from \$69\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$80\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Nuovo Rebecchino ★★★

FROM  
\$103\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Bar  
Lift  
Parking

In the heart of the city and just a few steps from Naples *Centro Direzionale*. The hotel has a large comfortable breakfast room. Garage nearby (extra charge). The air conditioning is on from June to September from 4.00pm to 2.00am. Quad rooms are suitable for two adults and two children only.

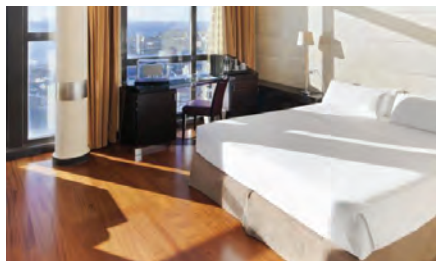
Corso Giuseppe Garibaldi, 356

**LOW SEASON** from \$103\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$184\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## NH Ambassador ★★★★

FROM  
\$99\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

The NH Ambassador is located in the historic heart of Naples and close to many of the city's most famous sights, such as Maschio Angioino, Palazzo Reale, Piazza del Plebiscito and Teatro San Carlo. The hotel is also located just 700 metres from the Beverello Pier. All of the hotel's 230 spacious rooms are decorated in warm, natural colors.

Via Medina, 70

**LOW SEASON** from \$99\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$129\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Best Western Hotel Paradiso ★★★★

FROM  
\$117\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Garden  
Parking

This stylish hotel is situated high above the Bay of Naples, offering spectacular views of the sea and distant Mount Vesuvius from both the hotel's bar and restaurant. All 78 rooms are attractively decorated and have private facilities. Sea view rooms available in twin/triple.

Via Catullo, 22

**LOW SEASON** from \$117\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$154\*

Includes buffet breakfast



Piazza del Plebiscito, Naples

## Grand Hotel Parker's ★★★★★

FROM  
\$269\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

Located in Corso Vittorio Emanuele, not far from Piazza Amedeo, this hotel was built in 1870 and was once a small villa belonging to Prince Grifeo. The hotel restaurant, George's has a unique view of Naples and offers guests an exceptional dining experience in this exclusive location. Bidder's Bar offers a spectacular view of the gulf and has a magical atmosphere.

Corso Vittorio Emanuele, 135

**LOW SEASON** from \$269\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$372\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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# CAPRI | ISCHIA HOTELS

## CAPRI

### Hotel La Floridiana ★★★★★

FROM  
\$149\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift

Ideal for those who want to relax in a central but quiet position (5 minutes from the famous little square), La Floridiana is surrounded by greenery and faces south in a marvellous triangle of sky, sea and pine trees. It's just a few minutes from the Gardens of Augustus, and near a public swimming pool, tennis courts and disco. A large and welcoming hall with colour satellite TV and an American bar is available, where guests can spend happy, relaxing evenings.

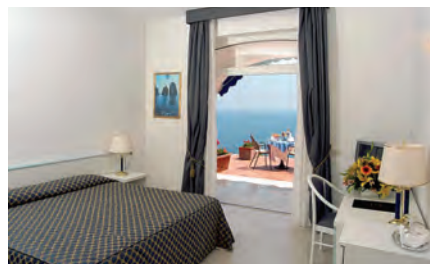
Via Campo Di Teste, 16

LOW SEASON from \$149\* HIGH SEASON from \$264\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Weber Ambassador Hotel ★★★★★

FROM  
\$154\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

Located on the Marina Piccola Beach on the Island of Capri. Special discounts are offered to guests for car and boat rentals, wind surfing, kayaking, water scooters, sailing lessons and scuba diving. All guests have free access to a fully equipped gym with trainer. Prices are based on superior rooms with sea view and balcony.

Via Marina Piccola 118, Capri

LOW SEASON from \$154\* HIGH SEASON from \$257\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## ISCHIA

### Hotel Europa ★★★★★

FROM  
\$93\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Restaurant/bar  
Swimming pool

This hotel is in a privileged position, close to the historic and renowned Ischia Bridge and within walking distance of the Aragonese Castle, about 500 metres away. Pescatori Beach is accessible on foot, since it is only 200 metres away. The bus stop that will serve guests to discover the whole city is just on the doorstep of the hotel. In the surrounding areas, guests will find a variety of bars restaurants and shopping sites. Rooms have a balcony.

Via Antonio Sogliuzzo, 25

From \$93\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Hotel Miramare E Castello ★★★★★

FROM  
\$249\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Located at the beginning of the ancient village of Ischia Ponte, the old town centre on Ischia island, the hotel is an exclusive complex with its own private beach and breathtaking views of Ragona Castle and the Phlegrean coastline. Only 200 metres from the main shopping area and 1km from the harbour. There are two restaurants, one indoor overlooking the sea and the other the *Miramare* located on the terrace at sea level. Prices include the use of the private beach, sun beds and umbrellas.

Via Pontano, 5, Ischia

From \$249\*

Includes buffet breakfast



Capri Island

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# SORRENTO HOTELS

## Hotel Savoia ★★★

FROM  
\$85\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Lift

The Hotel Savoia is a family-run hotel with 16 recently renovated rooms where you will feel comfortable and at home, more like a guest than a client. Thanks to its favourable position, located in the centre of Sorrento, the hotel is only 150 metres from the main square, Piazza Tasso and only a few metres from the port, railway station and bus terminal.

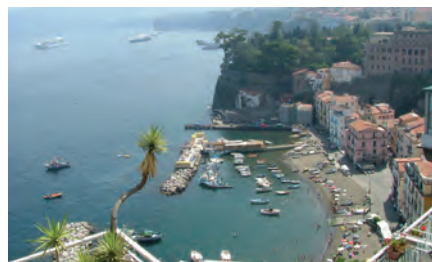
Via Fuorimura, 48 + map ref **01**

**LOW SEASON** from \$85\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$108\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Settimo Cielo ★★★

FROM  
\$115\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

An attractive hotel in a fabulous position with sea views and a majestic view of the Sorrentine Peninsula. 850 metres walk from the centre and 1.5km from the bathing platforms at the Marina Grande. A swimming pool, a sun terrace and an attractively furnished reception area are at your disposal. A supplement is payable for room with balcony.

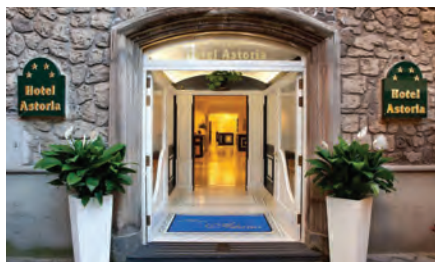
Via Capo, 27 + map ref **02**

**LOW SEASON** from \$115\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$126\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Astoria ★★★

FROM  
\$86\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

The hotel, located in the historical centre of Sorrento, is a few minutes walk from the main square, the port and the railway station. The tradition of hospitality, family environment and friendly staff make the Astoria a place where a stay becomes a real pleasure. Completely renovated in a modern style, all rooms have balcony.

Via Santa Maria Delle Grazie, 24 + map ref **03**

**LOW SEASON** from \$86\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$110\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Del Corso ★★★

FROM  
\$90\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

Recently renewed, the hotel is located in an 18th century building in the centre of Sorrento. This is a great spot to explore Sorrento and surrounding areas. It is on the main street, close to train/bus station and port for Capri and islands of the gulf. Nearly all rooms face on to the historical centre, away from the traffic and noise of the main street.

Corso Italia, 134 + map ref **04**

**LOW SEASON** from \$90\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$126\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Gardenia ★★★

FROM  
\$80\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Garden  
Parking

Situated 10 - 15 minutes walk to the centre of Sorrento. The hotel is managed by the owners and has a friendly atmosphere. Breakfast consists of an amazing selection of homemade baking.

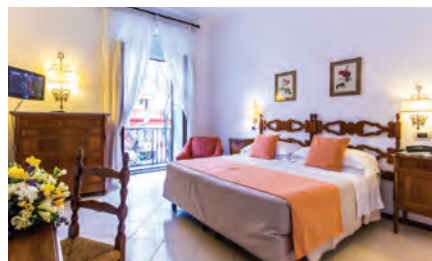
Corso Italia, 258 + map ref **05**

**LOW SEASON** from \$80\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$138\*

Includes American breakfast

## Hotel Villa Di Sorrento ★★★

FROM  
\$112\*



### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Garden  
Parking

A small property, located in the centre of town, just off Piazza Tasso. Guest rooms are furnished with modern comforts in a typical Mediterranean décor and the hotel is distinguished by the courtesy and efficiency of its staff. Rooms have terraces or a small balcony facing the colourful piazza. Free wifi throughout.

Viale Enrico Caruso, 6 + map ref **06**

**LOW SEASON** from \$112\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$160\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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# SORRENTO HOTELS & APARTMENTS

## Hotel Minerva ★★★★★

FROM  
\$179\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Situated in one of the best positions overlooking the sea. There is lift access to the bathing establishment of the hotel. All rooms have private facilities, balconies and terraces. Private beach with chairs and umbrella.

Via Capo, 30 + map ref **07**

**LOW SEASON** from \$179\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$225\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Antiche Mura ★★★★★

FROM  
\$112\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Garden  
Parking

Antiche Mura combines elegance, style and comfort. The hotel has views dominated by the ancient *Valley of the Mills*. All rooms are tastefully decorated with stylish décor.

Via Fuorimura, 7 + map ref **08**

**LOW SEASON** from \$112\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$280\*

Includes American buffet breakfast

## Grand Hotel Capodimonte ★★★★★

FROM  
\$197\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Garden  
Parking

One of the best hotels in Sorrento, only 400 metres from the town centre, overlooking the Bay of Naples and with a view of Mount Vesuvio. The hotel has gardens of orange, lemon and olive trees. There are five fresh water swimming pools with a jacuzzi linked by a water cascade. There are three restaurants, three lounges and two bars and a private beach *La Tonnarella*, 300 metres away for guests to use (charge payable locally).

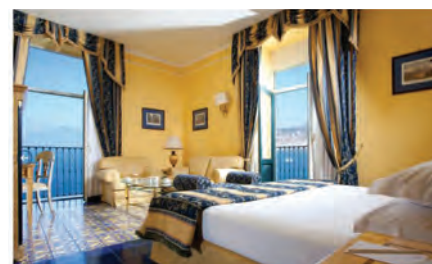
Via Capo, 14 + map ref **09**

**LOW SEASON** from \$197\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$322\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Imperial Hotel Tramontano ★★★★★

FROM  
\$180\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Very centrally located, situated high on the cliff top with views over the Bay of Naples and Vesuvius. Only a 5 minute walk from the main square with its boutiques, bars and restaurants. The swimming pool is enclosed by a subtropical garden with snack bar and terraces. The bar with terrace and restaurant *Belvedere* also offer magnificent views. A lift takes you to a partnered beach with free entry, open mid May to the end of September. Car parking available. Free wifi throughout.

Via V. Veneto, 1 + map ref **10**

**LOW SEASON** from \$180\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$275\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Tasso Suites

FROM  
\$62\*



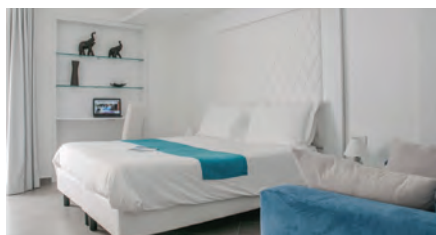
Tasso Suites is located just a few steps away from Piazza Tasso, the main square in Sorrento. All rooms are equipped with satellite TV, mini bar, air conditioning, free wifi, safe and direct dial telephone. All bathrooms have a chromotherapy shower, smart TV connectable via wireless to any device. Some apartments have a balcony overlooking the street, others have a balcony with an internal view. Tasso Suites is located on 5 floors with elevator.

The central location of Tasso Suites is its strength. All amenities can be found within walking distance: restaurants, pharmacies, shops, cinema etc.

Studio, one, two and three bedroom apartments available.

Via Luigi De Maio, 13 + map ref **11**

**LOW SEASON** from \$62\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$149\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
Kitchenette  
Wifi  
Lift

**GUEST CAPACITY**  
2 - 8 persons

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# AMALFI COAST

Bay of Naples, Amalfi Coast

If there is one place to experience beyond the main art cities of Italy, the Amalfi Coast is certainly it.

The magical seaside and cliff top towns of **Positano, Praiano, Ravello** and **Salerno** offer magnificent panoramic views over the sparkling blue ocean, and their distinctive townscapes are the scene of many famous movies and paintings. In the beautiful region of **Campania**, discover the Amalfi Coast on a short guided tour from Rome or stay a while and simply soak up the atmosphere. And don't miss the enchanting islands of **Capri** and **Ischia** off the coast, both a quick ferry ride from **Naples** or **Sorrento**.



Miniature village in the cliff of Praiano, Italy



## Amalfi Coast Walking Tour

6 days / 5 nights

SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR - GRADE 4

FROM  
\$1590\*



### HIGHLIGHTS

- The Amalfi Coast
- Spectacular coastal walk

### INCLUDES

- 6 nights 3-star accommodation
- Breakfast daily
- Maps and detailed walking instructions
- Daily transfers of baggage between hotels
- 24 hour back up from local manager

### DEPARTURES

Daily on request

**3-STAR** from **\$1590\***  
with breakfast

**3-STAR** from **\$1830\***  
with breakfast & dinner

**4-STAR** from **\$1990\***  
with breakfast

**4-STAR** from **\$2200\***  
with breakfast & dinner

### CAPRI EXTENSION

3 days / 2 nights from **\$850\***



Ravello



Path of Gods, Amalfi Coast

The Amalfi Coast is one of the most spectacular parts of the Mediterranean. The whitewashed houses of the villages and towns strung along the coast seem to have tumbled down the sheer mountainsides to the water's edge. Witness vibrant colours, lush vegetation and warm, boisterous people. The walks meander high above the coastal towns following centuries-old stone paths and pass through shaded forests, remote farming communities and ancient terraces with spectacular views over the coastline.

### ITINERARY

Day 1 Naples - Ravello Transfer to Ravello.

Days 2 - 5 Ravello - Positano Walk between 8 to 14 km (approx. 3-5 hours) each day along ancient pathways that have linked villages for centuries. Pass towering cliffs, aquamarine sea, lush forests, quaint villages and hamlets, a monastery and churches. **(B)**

Day 6 Positano - Naples Transfer to Naples. **(B)**

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# AMALFI COAST TOURS

## Essential Amalfi

3 days / 2 nights

Explore Pompeii, the famous Roman city destroyed by the volcanic eruption of Mt Vesuvius, en route to the Amalfi Coast, a 50km stretch of coastline along the southern edge of Italy's Sorrentine Peninsula. Admire the rugged coastline with sheer cliffs dotted with small beaches and pastel-coloured fishing villages.

**Day 1 Naples - Pompeii - Amalfi Coast** Arrival transfer from Naples airport or station with stop en route at Pompeii.

**Day 2 Amalfi Coast** Day at leisure to discover this beautiful area. **(B)**

**Day 3 Amalfi Coast - Naples** Departure transfer to Naples airport or station. **(B)**

NOTE: the order of the itinerary is subject to change.

**DEPARTS** Apr - Oct: daily

**LOW SEASON** from \$634\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$780\*

FROM  
\$634\*

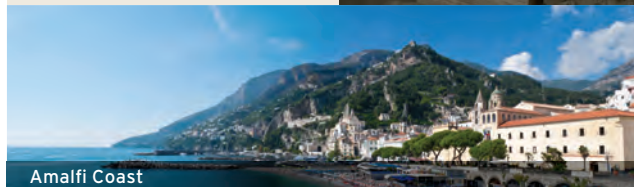
### INCLUDES

- Arrival transfer from Naples airport or station
- 2 nights 3-star accommodation (upgrades available on request)
- 2 breakfasts
- Sightseeing as specified with an English speaking guide

NOTE: entrance fee to Pompeii is not included and must be paid locally.



Pompeii



Amalfi Coast

## Amalfi Coast Uncovered

5 days / 4 nights

Uncover the must-see attractions of the Amalfi Coast, including Pompeii, once a thriving Roman city buried in ash and pumice after the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius, and the Island of Capri, famed for its rugged landscape, upscale beach resorts and up-market shops.

**Day 1 Naples - Amalfi Coast** Arrive and transfer to your hotel.

**Day 2 Amalfi Coast** Visit the vast archaeological site of Pompeii. **(B)**

**Day 3 Amalfi Coast** Day at leisure. **(B)**

**Day 4 Capri** Enjoy a full day excursion to the captivating Island of Capri. **(B)**

**Day 5 Amalfi Coast - Naples** Transfer to the station or airport. **(B)**

**DEPARTS** Apr - Oct: daily

**LOW SEASON** from \$1083\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$1377\*

FROM  
\$1083\*

### INCLUDES

- Return transfers from Naples airport or station
- 4 nights 3-star accommodation (upgrades available on request)
- 4 breakfasts
- Pompeii excursion with an English speaking guide
- Capri Island boat tour



Cobblestone street in Pompeii



Beach in Capri

## Buon Appetito Amalfi Coast

5 days / 4 nights

Learn to cook like a local and discover some long held family secrets of Italian cuisine. Enjoy classes and tasting experiences in a local family-run restaurant, in a wine cellar of an ancient countryside estate and on a buffalo farm specialising in first class mozzarella.

**Day 1 Naples - Amalfi Coast** Arrival transfer from Naples airport or station with stop en route at Pompeii.

**Day 2 Amalfi Coast** Enjoy an entertaining cooking class in a small, family-managed restaurant. Favoured dishes include homemade pasta, Neapolitan ragout sauce, stuffed ravioli and much more! **(B,L)**

**Day 3 Amalfi Coast** Travel to an ancient estate in the countryside and learn to make homemade pasta, accompanied by Neapolitan ragout and desserts, followed by lunch, a walk in the vineyards and wine tasting. **(B,L)**

**Day 4 Amalfi Coast** Travel to an estate principally devoted to raising buffaloes and horses. Meet the Baronessa and learn to prepare a full Italian menu based on dairy specialties, followed by lunch. **(B,L)**

**Day 5 Amalfi Coast - Naples** Transfer to the station or airport. **(B)**

**DEPARTS** Apr - Oct: daily

**LOW SEASON** from \$1887 **HIGH SEASON** from \$2180\*

FROM  
\$1887\*

### INCLUDES

- Return transfers from Naples airport or station
- 4 nights 3-star accommodation (upgrades available on request)
- Breakfast daily
- 3 cooking classes with transport, lunch and drinks
- Vineyard visit & wine tasting
- Mozzarella tasting
- 2 hour Pompeii excursion with an English speaking guide



Homemade pasta



Vineyard overlooking Amalfi Coast

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# AMALFI HOTELS

## Hotel Fontana ★★★

FROM \$67\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Lift  
Parking

Located in the historic centre of Amalfi in Piazza Duomo square which is the main meeting place. Only 20 metres from the beach, the hotel has 21 rooms and suites. Parking is available 300 metres from the hotel, to be paid locally.

Piazza Duomo, 7

**LOW SEASON** from \$67\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$118\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel La Bussola ★★★★★

FROM \$148\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

The hotel has a restaurant, bar and roof garden. It also has bathing facilities with beach equipment available mid June to mid September. Air conditioning on request, not available in all rooms. Half board basis: prices include breakfast plus one meal.

Lungomare Dei Cavalieri, 16

**LOW SEASON** from \$148\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$210\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Miramalfi ★★★★★

FROM \$115\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

One of the best panoramas of Amalfi. There is a private lift down to the sea water swimming pool. Concrete platform on the sea offering sun beds, umbrellas and beach towels available from May to October. Open area parking and private garage available for an extra cost.

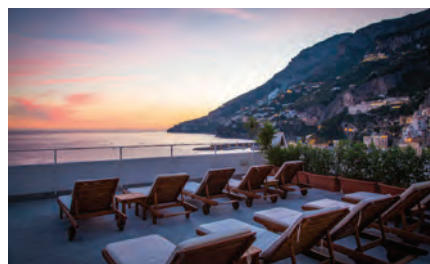
Quasimodo, 3

**LOW SEASON** from \$115\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$298\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Marina Riviera ★★★★★

FROM \$202\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Bright and Mediterranean in style, the Marina Riviera is a converted old noble villa. All rooms are spacious, tastefully furnished, most with windows or balconies facing the sea front. The hotel's terrace is the ideal place for relaxing and boasts great views. Prices are based on a room with sea view. A supplement is payable for a room with balcony. Beach charges to be paid locally.

Via P.Comite, 19

**LOW SEASON** from \$202\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$271\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Luna Convento ★★★★★

FROM \$308\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

This former convent converted to a residence and hotel has a mystical atmosphere and is peacefully quiet. The rooms are thus provided with modern comforts, without losing their centuries-old charm. Compulsory New Year's Eve dinner, supplement payable. Half board basis: prices include breakfast plus dinner.

Via Pantaelone Comite, 33

**LOW SEASON** from \$308\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$374\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## GH Convento Di Amalfi ★★★★★

FROM \$414\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Situated in a 12th century monastery featuring a 13th century Norman-Arab cloister, the Grand Hotel Convento di Amalfi has been totally refurbished and reopened in 2010. It seems suspended in mid air between the blue sky and the dark blue sea with its 53 intimate and quiet rooms, suites, panoramic restaurant, outdoor swimming pool, wellbeing oasis, fitness area, private chapel and private parking.

Via Annunziatella, 46

**LOW SEASON** from \$414\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$549\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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## POSITANO HOTELS

## Hotel Il Gabbiano ★★★

FROM  
\$109\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Bar  
Parking

With a modern atmosphere, located in the pearl of the Amalfi Coast, Il Gabbiano offers an agreeable location for a holiday stay. All rooms are equipped with modern facilities, from which one can admire the landscape. Air conditioning is available on request and supplement payable.

Via Pasitea, 310

LOW SEASON from \$109\* HIGH SEASON from \$168\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Reginella ★★★

FROM  
\$120\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Bar  
Parking

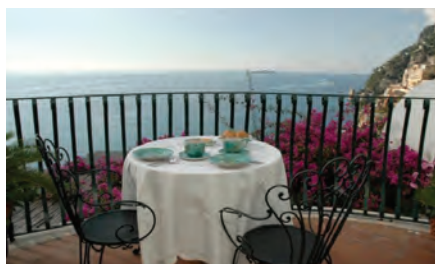
A typical Mediterranean building situated in the heart of Positano. It is surrounded by the spectacular Amalfi Coast landscape, with characteristic houses perched along the mountainside. Whilst boasting stunning views, it is also very convenient for the unique local shops. The beach can be reached easily on foot. Rooms overlook *Spiaggia delle Sirene*, the sea and the wonderful scenery.

Viale Pasitea, 154

LOW SEASON from \$120\* HIGH SEASON from \$177\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Residence Alcione ★★★

FROM  
\$116\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Parking

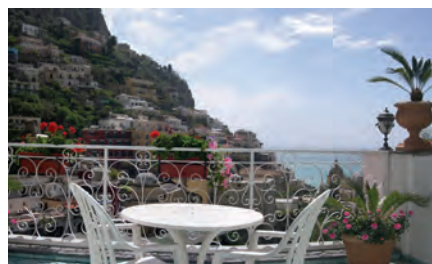
Ideally positioned, Residence Alcione is across the street from the Le Sirenuse Hotel, therefore enjoys the same view. Located in the centre of Positano it is the ideal place for relaxing. Rooms are on the first floor with sea view and balcony. Parking is available 300 metres from the property (to pay locally).

Via C. Colombo, 135

LOW SEASON from \$116\* HIGH SEASON from \$145\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Royal Prisco ★★★

FROM  
\$122\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Bar

This newly built hotel offers all the hospitality and courtesy typical of Positano. Within this wonderful setting all rooms are large and spacious, full of light, each with their own character and view of the surrounding village. Deluxe single and triple rooms are also available.

Via Pasitea, 102

LOW SEASON from \$122\* HIGH SEASON from \$145\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Savoia ★★★

FROM  
\$99\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Bar  
Lift  
Garden

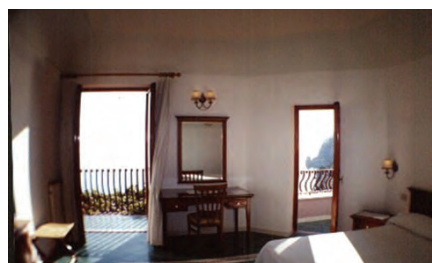
The hotel is family-run and situated in the heart of the town, only a short walk from the sea. Constructed in the local style with ceramic majolica floors and domed ceilings, all rooms have views and the hotel has a welcoming atmosphere. Standard rooms with panoramic view and balcony; Deluxe rooms with seaview; Junior suites with sea view plus balcony.

Via C. Colombo, 73

LOW SEASON from \$99\* HIGH SEASON from \$172\*

Includes cold buffet breakfast

## Hotel California ★★★

FROM  
\$133\*

## FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Bar  
Parking

Situated in the centre of Positano, the hotel has a large terrace where breakfast is served and with a magnificent view of the Amalfi Coast. Rooms are fully equipped with all conveniences and have balconies with sea views. Guests will receive a warm welcome and hotel staff will endeavour to make your stay the most enjoyable.

Via C. Colombo, 141

LOW SEASON from \$133\* HIGH SEASON from \$145\*

Includes continental breakfast

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# POSITANO HOTELS

## Hotel Vittoria ★★★

FROM  
\$117\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift

The Hotel Vittoria is situated in the quarter of Fornillo, one of the oldest parts of Positano. From the heights of its panoramic position, the hotel enjoys a spectacular view over the coast and the surrounding area. Guests will find a friendly atmosphere and warm hospitality typical of a family-run hotel. The beach of Fornillo is located just a few minutes from the hotel. The center of the town of Positano is 15 minutes walk.

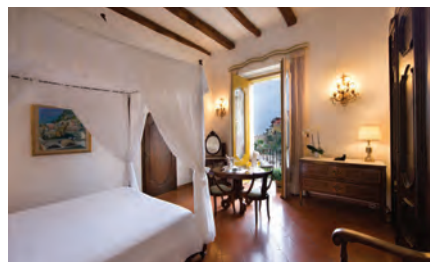
Via Fornillo, 19

**LOW SEASON** from \$117\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$147\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Palazzo Murat ★★★★★

FROM  
\$209\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Swimming pool  
Garden  
Parking

Situated in the pedestrian area of the town, near Piazzetta dei Mulini, the sea and the beach Spiaggia Grande is reached via a small street. It is an elegant hotel, restored from a 17th century palace. The garden, a unique green island in the centre of Positano with its colours and the citrus tree scents, creates a relaxing atmosphere. Rooms are spacious and airy, all with terrace overlooking the botanic gardens. The hotel restaurant, Al Palazzo, is also uniquely located.

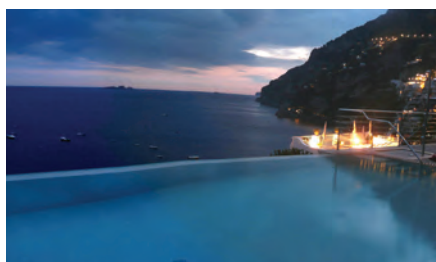
Via Dei Mulii, 23

**LOW SEASON** from \$209\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$310\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Marincanto ★★★★★

FROM  
\$190\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Garden  
Swimming pool  
Parking

In the heart of Positano, a charming stairwell connects to the hotel's private, beachside area. All rooms are equipped with all modern commodities and all feature stunning picturesque seaside scenery. Standard rooms with side sea view and balcony. Superior rooms have front sea view plus balcony.

Via C. Colombo, 50

**LOW SEASON** from \$190\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$239\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Buca Di Bacco ★★★★★

FROM  
\$266\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

The hotel is in the heart of Positano, steps away from beach, shopping boutiques, local restaurants and clubs. Start your day with breakfast on the large terrace overlooking the sea and the Islet of Galli. All rooms are comfortably appointed, some offering either a terrace or balcony, overlooking the beach.

Via Rampa Teglia, 4

**LOW SEASON** from \$266\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$304\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Punta Regina ★★★★★

FROM  
\$227\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

A charming, romantic hotel in the heart of Positano, walking distance to the town centre, shops, restaurants and beaches. Originally a private villa, this carefully restored 18 room hotel combines original characteristic charm with the best contemporary features and offers breathtaking sea views from the terraces. All rooms are elegantly furnished. Some rooms have jacuzzi and solarium.

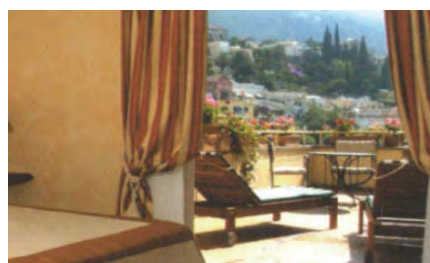
Via Pasitea, 224

**LOW SEASON** from \$227\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$248\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Hotel Posa Posa ★★★★★

FROM  
\$133\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

The hotel is situated in the centre of Positano, a 10 minute downhill walk to the beach. The décor is romantic and original, with old style furniture, classic Vietri hand-painted floor tiles and Mediterranean colours on white backgrounds. Superior rooms upwards have seaview and a balcony or terrace.

Via Pasitea, 165

**LOW SEASON** from \$133\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$280\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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**Hotel L'Ancora ★★★★★**
**FROM  
\$190\***

**FEATURES**

 Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Lift

This hotel is perfectly situated for excursions along the coast. It overlooks the long beach nearby and is very close to the shopping centre which is within walking distance. The hotel combines luxury and exclusivity with the pursuit for absolute quality. Each of the eighteen rooms is unique in its elegant design and spacious layout with large bathrooms, private terraces and breathtaking views. The hotel offers double classic rooms, superior rooms and two suites with private terrace.

**Via Cristoforo Colombo, 36**
**LOW SEASON from \$190\* HIGH SEASON from \$275\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**Hotel Eden Roc ★★★★★**
**FROM  
\$218\***

**FEATURES**

 Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

The Eden Roc Suites Hotel is aptly named, for you will surely feel you have discovered Eden as you are walking through the arched entryway, covered in lush bougainvillea. You will find the traditional architecture of Positano but with a modern touch; cool ceramic tiled floors, graceful arches, detailed ceilings, relaxing colours, lovely furniture and silky linens. Enjoy a delicious breakfast of fresh fruit, an assortment of cereals and fresh pastries in the attractive dining room.

**Via G. Marconi, 110**
**LOW SEASON from \$218\* HIGH SEASON from \$360\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**Hotel Le Agavi ★★★★★**
**FROM  
\$301\***

**FEATURES**

 Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Le Agavi is a deluxe hotel built high on the hillside. The beach can be reached by cable car and lift. The hotel is stylishly decorated and landscaped terraces rise above the swimming pool (open May to September). The hotel operates a courtesy minibus service into town. Air conditioning is on during July and August. Standard rooms and Junior suites with sea view and balcony.

**Via Belvedere Fornillo, 127**
**LOW SEASON from \$301\* HIGH SEASON from \$450\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**Le Sirenuse ★★★★★**
**FROM  
\$425\***

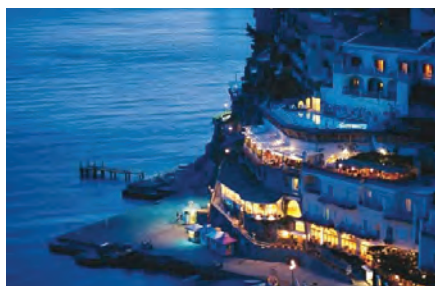
**FEATURES**

 Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

This historic building is set in the centre of Positano, overlooking the bay. The dining room extends onto the principal terrace with panoramic views. All bedrooms are luxuriously appointed, most with jacuzzi baths, facing the sea and islands of the Galli.

**Via C. Colombo**
**LOW SEASON from \$425\* HIGH SEASON from \$988\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**Covo Dei Saraceni ★★★★★**
**FROM  
\$301\***


The Covo dei Saraceni, just steps from the beach, in the heart of Positano's lively shopping area, enjoys a privileged location to experience the atmosphere of the bay by day or night. Crowned by its splendid pool on the sea and by a unique view of Li Galli and the bay of Positano, it is the most exclusive place on the coast, crossroads of every destination or excursion.

The 66 rooms, from Classic to Suite, finely furnished in Mediterranean style, are well-lit, furnished with every convenience, all with a sea view, large bathrooms made with colorful Vietri ceramics and very soft, pure cotton towels. The room service, discretion and privacy are exclusive and make the Covo dei Saraceni the ideal place to stay in Positano.

The restaurant, also with enchanting view, offers a traditional Positano menu; the careful presentation of every dish will make your gastronomic experience unforgettable. The pool bar offers guests a selection of cocktails and snacks, while the beach bar is ideal for a quick coffee break.

**Via Regina Giovanna, 5**
**LOW SEASON from \$301\* HIGH SEASON from \$330\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**FEATURES**

 Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool


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# PRAIANO | RAVELLO HOTELS

## PRAIANO

### Hotel Il Pino ★★★

FROM  
\$118\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

Located in the centre of Praiano, this hotel is the result of a mediterranean villa conversion. The hotel offers a spectacular view over Positano. The à la carte restaurant *L'Hosteria* (open to the public) is well known in the area, offering great local food, fresh products and a fantastic view. Rooms are located on three different floors, each having a sea view terrace furnished with table and chairs. There is a small bar and breakfast terrace.

Via Gennaro Carpiiglione, 13

**LOW SEASON** from \$118\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$140\*

Includes continental breakfast

### Hotel Tramonto D'Oro ★★★★★

FROM  
\$109\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Situated in a beautiful position, the hotel has been run by the same family for over forty years. It has 40 rooms all with bathroom, and direct phone, a lot of them with terrace and sea view. The restaurant offers excellent regional fish dishes. The hotel has a swimming pool and sauna, plus tennis court nearby. Private parking is available. Superior rooms have sea view and balcony.

Via G. Capriglione, 119

**LOW SEASON** from \$109\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$172\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## RAVELLO

### Hotel Parsifal ★★★

FROM  
\$120\*



#### FEATURES

TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Garden  
Parking

Built in an ancient convent, founded in 1288, this little hotel enjoys superb views of the coastline from its terrace and pretty patio garden. This genuine hotel has been run by a local family for many years and offers an attractive price, in a good position for exploring the town. 19 rooms, situated 5 minutes walk from Ravello's main square. Rooms have bath or shower.

Viale Giacchino D'anna, 5

**LOW SEASON** from \$120\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$171\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Villa Fraulo ★★★★★

FROM  
\$188\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Villa Fraulo distinguishes itself from the other 4-star hotels with its exclusive comforts and its unique location. Just a few steps away from the marvelous Villa Rufolo, in the heart of Ravello. The medieval villa has been refurbished several times during the centuries but its original splendour and charm have been preserved. All 26 rooms and suites have a private terrace or balcony and all rooms offer a breathtaking view on the intense blue of the Mediterranean Sea and the green of the mountains.

Via S. Giovanni del Toro, 18

**LOW SEASON** from \$188\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$234\*

Includes buffet breakfast



Villa Rufolo gardens, Ravello

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# AMALFI AREA APARTMENTS

## POSITANO

### Residence Alcione



Ideally located on the main road of Positano, only a few metres away from the main square (Mulini Square). A short walk leads through the pedestrian area to Positano main beach. The residence has been recently refurbished and all units are equipped with all modern comforts. The interiors of the units are well maintained and fully air conditioned. Besides quality, comfort and spectacular views, the central position makes this property an ideal base from which to explore the entire Amalfi Coast.

The apartments consist of one bedroom, kitchen with dishwasher, living room with double sofa bed, bathroom with jacuzzi bath and balcony with sea view.

Prices are based on 3 to 4 persons sharing an apartment with option of 6 to 8 persons with two one bedroom apartments interconnecting.

Via C. Colombo, 135

**LOW SEASON** from \$172\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$212\*

FROM  
\$172\*

#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
Kitchen  
Dishwasher  
TV  
Safe

#### MINIMUM STAY

3 - 7 nights

#### GUEST CAPACITY

2 - 8 persons

## Caldiero Apartments



Casa Caldiero is a private property located in a quiet and peaceful area of Positano surrounded by green areas and five minutes from the beach and colourful shops. The apartments are a walking distance from the little port of Positano with its daily services to many tourist destinations. Every apartment has a terrace which offers privacy and a glorious view of the sea and the coast.

The spacious and tastefully furnished apartments sleep from 2 to 6 people. Each has a living room, one to three bedrooms, two baths, and a kitchen or a kitchen area. In addition each has a washing machine. Rates include water, electricity, gas, linen and final cleaning. All the apartments have a terrace with sea view. (Supplement payable for cot).

Via Positanesi d'America, 8

From \$149\*

FROM  
\$149\*

#### FEATURES

Kitchen/kitchenette  
Washing machine  
TV

#### MINIMUM STAY

3 nights

#### GUEST CAPACITY

2 - 6 persons

## AMALFI

### Mare Blu Apartment



Mare Blu is a high standard one bedroom apartment on the first floor looking down to the sea. The nearest grocery shop is 200 metres, restaurants 500 metres. Across the road from the apartment and 400 steps down, is the beach, the famous *Santa Croce* little bay. Stone steps (68) lead from road level to the gardens surrounding the building. The entrance leads to a lounge/dining room with double divan bed, doors open to a balcony. Separate kitchen with fridge/freezer, gas cooker and oven. Double bedroom with doors to terrace. Bathroom with shower. Also washing machine, barbeque, air conditioning, central heating, colour TV and cell phone. The public bus stop is just around the corner. Parking on the road side is available most of the year.

Amalfi

**LOW SEASON** from \$76\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$117\*

FROM  
\$76\*

#### FEATURES

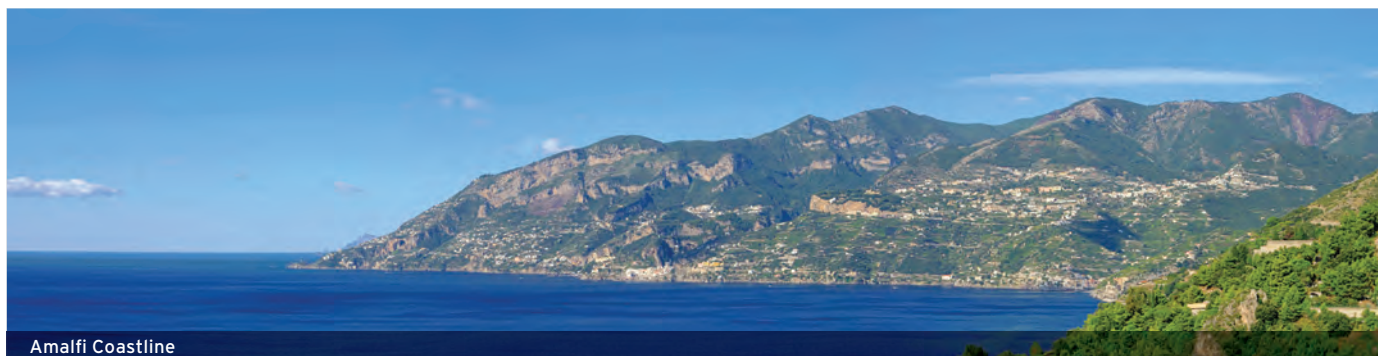
Air conditioning  
Kitchen  
Washing machine  
TV  
Wifi

#### MINIMUM STAY

Weekly Sat to Sat

#### GUEST CAPACITY

2 - 4 persons



Amalfi Coastline

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# PUGLIA



Trulli of Puglia

**Apulia**, in Italy's rustic south, is the *heel of Italy's boot*. It is full of sunshine with the brightest seas, kilometres of spectacular Adriatic coastline, whitewashed hill towns, distinctive Baroque architecture, hidden art treasures and mouthwatering southern cuisine.

The region is perhaps best known for its characteristic UNESCO protected *trulli* of **Alberobello** scattered across the fertile **Valle d'Itria** and the historic town itself. These stone huts, with conical roofs, are built from limestone, stacked without mortar.

The **Salento Peninsula**, the most southern part, is home to small, charming towns such as **Gallipoli**, **Otranto** and **Lecce** and some of Italy's best beaches.

**Lecce** is known as the *Florence of the south* for its beautiful classic Baroque architecture, which is splendid and distinctive. The limestone churches and noble palazzos make for a relaxed pace.

## THINGS TO SEE & DO:

- **Stay in traditional trulli and masserie** farmhouses and country estates
- **Dine in a cave** - the Grotta Palazzese in Polignano a Mare has earned itself a reputation as one of the most amazing places in the world to visit.

- **Dance the pizzica**, a typical Pugliese tarantella dance.
- **Learn how to make orecchiette** (small ears) pasta.
- **Eat Pugliese cuisine** - taste fresh *burrata* (sweet, milky, cheesy heaven), Pugliese bread, traditional *taralli*, *friselle* and *focaccia* and drink *Negroamaro* - a unique full bodied Pugliese red wine.
- **Explore Otranto**, with its Norman cathedral and intricate *Tree of Life* mosaics and sit in a seaside café with *aperitivo* and watch the evening *passaggiata*.
- **Sip iced coffee in Lecce** - *latte di mandorla* (with almond syrup) is a favourite drink of the locals.
- **Discover the Tremiti Islands** with their unspoilt natural beauty and crystalline archipelago waters.
- **Visit the sassi of Matera** - it's an easy drive to the ancient cave dwellings in neighbouring Basilicata region or join a small group, guided tour.
- **Go on a self drive** food and wine tour with charming hotels and Slow Food meals included.
- **Join a small group regional tour** with walking, cooking and guided visits.

## Tastes Of Puglia

4 days / 3 nights

FULLY ESCORTED BOUTIQUE TOUR

FROM  
\$2800\*



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Small group tour - maximum 12 guests
- Baroque splendor of Lecce
- Meet traditional artists
- Otranto, the white city

### INCLUDES

- 3 nights accommodation in boutique hotels
- Meals as per itinerary
- English-speaking guide, Fabio
- Transport from/to Lecce



Vineyard in Puglia

### DEPARTURES

2016: 21 May | 27 Aug | 1 Oct

From **\$2800\***

### OTHER TOURS AVAILABLE:

#### Back Roads of Puglia

8 days / 7 nights, from \$5640\*  
Departs Brindisi 21 May & 27 Aug

#### Treasures of Puglia

10 days / 9 nights, from \$7050\*  
Departs Brindisi 24 Sep

Ask us for details

**This small group tour journeys through the undiscovered gem of southern Italy. Based amongst the baroque splendour of Lecce, enjoy the traditional way of life in Puglia. Travel off the beaten track, taste sensational regional dishes and meet true artisans working with traditional weaving, jewellery, ceramics and paper maché.**

### ITINERARY

**Day 1 Lecce** This morning you will be met by your guide Fabio and transferred to your accommodation in the heart of old Lecce. Explore Lecce's historical centre with Fabio and enjoy a traditional Pugliese lunch. **(L)**

**Day 2 Galatina** Visit Galatina with its medieval basilica church of Santa Caterina. Learn about the tarantella dance. Stay on for lunch and the rest of the day is at leisure. **(B,L)**

**Day 3 Lecce - Leuca - Gallipoli - Lecce** Morning at leisure and return to Rome in the afternoon. **(B)**

**Day 4 Lecce - Otranto - Lecce** Travel to Otranto, known for its whitewashed houses and visit the tiny Byzantine church of San Pietro. Enjoy lunch at a traditional masseria or country farmhouse. Return to Lecce and visit several artisans. Tour ends at the train station in Lecce. **(B,L)**

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# Living Puglia

7 days / 6 nights

FULLY ESCORTED BOUTIQUE TOUR

FROM  
\$3305\*



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Small group experience of up to 12 guests
- *Trulli* houses of Alberobello
- Baroque splendour of Lecce
- Short daily trips allowing for more time in the towns

## INCLUDES

- 6 nights accommodation
- Meals as per itinerary
- Return transfers from Bari airport
- Guided visits in Trani, Castel del Monte, Alberobello, Lecce and Ostuni
- English speaking tour leader

## DEPARTURES

2016: 3 Jan | 7 Feb | 20 Mar | 10 Apr  
8, 22 May | 5, 26 Jun | 24 Jul | 14 Aug  
11, 18 Sep | 2 Oct | 13 Nov | 4 Dec

From **\$3305\***

**Puglia has some of the brightest seas, most diverse art and architecture and mouth-watering, peasant cuisine.**

The characteristic *trulli*, rural homes resembling a whitewashed cone made of small limestone slabs, are scattered among olive groves in and around Alberobello. Marvel at the whitewashed houses in Ostuni and admire the baroque splendour of Lecce.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 Bari - Giovinazzo** Transfer from Bari airport to nearby Giovinazzo. Stay in a delightful hotel, once a monastery overlooking the sea. Meet for an introductory talk and welcome dinner in a local restaurant. **(D)**

**Day 2 Trani - Castel Del Monte** Visit the Romanesque cathedral at Trani and enjoy lunch by Trani's pretty port. Continue to Castel del Monte, a Medieval masterpiece. **(B,L)**

**Day 3 Polignano al Mare - Martina Franca** Polignano al Mare is one of Puglia's most evocative seaside towns. After a seafood lunch visit Martina Franca, a gracious town with gems of southern Italian Spanish influenced Baroque architecture beautifully presented in the labyrinthine streets. **(B,L)**

**Day 4 Alberobello - Locorotondo** Drive to Alberobello and see the famous conical stone Trulli, which dot the landscape. Enjoy a wine tasting and lunch at a local *Masseria*. Visit the all-white town of Locorotondo in the afternoon. **(B,L)**

**Day 5 Lecce** Visit Lecce, a historic Baroque city, known for its abundance of art and culture. **(B)**

**Day 6 Ostuni** Explore Ostuni, known as the *white fortress*. Afternoon is at leisure. Farewell cocktails and dinner tonight. **(B,D)**

**Day 7 Bari** Morning transfer to Bari airport. **(B)**



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# Puglia & Matera Food & Wine Self Drive

6 days / 5 nights

SELF DRIVE TOUR

FROM \$1730\*



Ostuni, the White City

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Sampling Slow Food Presidia products - delicious and authentic traditional foods
- Wine and produce tastings
- Grotte di Castellana caves, with its amazing stalactites, stalagmites, huge caverns and hidden pools of water
- Alberobello, with the traditional trulli homes
- Ostuni, the white village
- Lecce, the baroque pearl
- Matera, to see the oldest sassi (ancient homes carved right in to the rock)

## INCLUDES

- 6 days category A car hire
- 5 nights 4-star charming hotels and/or historical residences
- Buffet breakfast daily
- 1 Slow Food welcome dinner at *Osterie d'Italia* typical Slow Food restaurants
- 2 lunches at *Osterie d'Italia* typical Slow Food restaurants
- 3 guided tastings of foods and/or wines
- Guided sightseeing tour of Matera (2 hours)

## Experience a multitude of emotions in a region of overwhelming beauty, blessed by nature and full of history.

Enjoy the pleasant countryside and imposing castles, including noble palaces and ancient cathedrals, olive groves, old stone *trulli* and white baroque buildings, stunning caves and historic *masserie* farmhouses.

Puglia is also a land of flavours and fragrances where bakers, dairymen and farmers turn fruits into products that owe their rich flavours and fragrances to their simplicity, and a place with a world-famous winemaking tradition as well. Last but not least there is the stunning Matera which is considered a World Heritage site by UNESCO since 1993 for the particular conformation of its buildings.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 Martina Franca** Collect your car and drive to the Hotel Masseria Chiancone, near Martina Franca. Enjoy a welcome dinner. **(D)**

**Day 2 The Murgia: Grotte di Castellana, Alberobello - Martina Franca** Visit the Grotte di Castellana and enjoy lunch in Alberobello. Take a walk around the *trulli* and then visit Martina Franca for an evening stroll. **(B,L)**

**Day 3 The Murgia: Cisternino and Ostuni** Drive to Cisternino and visit the old town. Have lunch at the Taverna della Torre where the delights of Capocollo will be served. Continue to the white

village of Ostuni. Stop at the Masseria Ferri to try some of their cheeses. **(B,L)**

**Day 4 Lecce - Manduria** Depart for Lecce, the Baroque Pearl. In the afternoon proceed to Manduria to visit the wine museum and taste the local wine called Primitivo. **(B)**

**Day 5 Matera** Continue to Matera, known as the *City of Stones*, for a guided visit. Here the oldest *sassi* are about 7,000 years old. In the afternoon visit Azienda Dragone and taste their extraordinary wines. **(B)**

**Day 6 Martina Franca** Departure. **(B)**

**DEPARTURES** Apr – Oct: daily

From **\$1730\***



Caciocavallo Podolico



Ancient town of Matera

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# PUGLIA DAY TOURS

## Trulli of Alberobello & Itria Valley

FROM \$392\*



Trulli houses, Alberobello

- DURATION** Full day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Bari or Alberobello  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting of local products
  - Entrance fee

Explore the *Trulli* of Alberobello (UNESCO World Heritage site) on a guided tour with an exclusive visit to a farmhouse breeding endangered species of animals like donkeys and horses. There is an option to participate in a cooking lesson (extra cost and booked on request).

## Sassi of Matera & Altamura

FROM \$413\*



Sassi of Matera

- DURATION** Full day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Bari or Alberobello  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting of local products
  - Entrance fee

Visit to the *Sassi*, the ancient quarters of Matera where the Mel Gibson movie *The Passion of the Christ* was produced. Transfer to Altamura, the *City of Bread*, and visit an old bakery and mill to taste bread and focaccia.

## Villas of Salento

FROM \$392\*



Sassi of Matera

- DURATION** Full day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Lecce, Otranto or Gallipoli  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting of local products
  - Visit an Arabian style villa
- NOTE: entrance fee is not included.

"Exclusive" route among villas, historical palaces and gardens situated in the beautiful area of Salento, south of Puglia.

## Ostuni the White City & Brindisi

FROM \$392\*



White City, Ostuni

- DURATION** Full day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Ostuni or Lecce  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting of local products
  - Visit of an ancient olive oil mill and a famous Farmhouse of Puglia

Visit the old town of Ostuni, a white and utterly charming city with breathtaking views across the landscape to the sea. Continue to Brindisi with its Roman Column built at the end of the Appia Way.

## Otranto, the Eastern Door of Southern Italy

FROM \$227\*



Otranto seaside

- DURATION** Half day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Lecce or Otranto  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting local produce
  - Visit of an ancient olive oil mill
  - Entrance fee

Enjoy a guided tour through the amazing seaside village of Otranto, the eastern door of southern Italy. Transfer along the Adriatic Coast to the Bauxite Caves and fishing village of Porto Badisco, the landing harbour of legendary Aeneas.

## Wineries Tour

FROM \$258\*



Vineyard near Puglia

- DURATION** Half day  
**DEPARTS** Daily from Lecce or Otranto  
**FEATURES**
- Transfer fee
  - English speaking guide
  - Tasting local produce
  - Visit of an ancient olive oil mill
  - Entrance fee

Discover ancient cellars surrounded by more than 20 hectares of vineyards. Enjoy tasting of DOC wines in the farmhouse. There is an option to participate in horseback riding (extra cost and booked on request).

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**ALBEROBELLO**  
Hotel Ramapendula ★★★

FROM  
\$125\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Ramapendula Hotel is situated 5 minutes walking distance from the monumental trulli area. The property, surrounded by the greenery of the olive trees, provides every modern comfort for a pleasant stay, such as an outdoor swimming pool, restaurant, bar and wellness area. The hotel has 41 single, double and triple rooms. Three rooms are specially equipped for disabled guests.

Via Locorotondo - Contrada Popoieto

LOW SEASON from \$125\* HIGH SEASON from \$137\*

Includes buffet breakfast

**BARI**  
Palace Hotel Bari ★★★★★

FROM  
\$98\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Parking

Since 1956 the Palace Hotel has been the landmark of hospitality in Bari. It is situated right in the city centre, a few minutes walk from Petruzzelli theatre, Saint Nicola's cathedral and the train station. All of the 195 rooms, which include 18 suites, offer the best comforts in terms of space and technology. Many rooms are modern in style, others are classic, furnished with antique furniture.

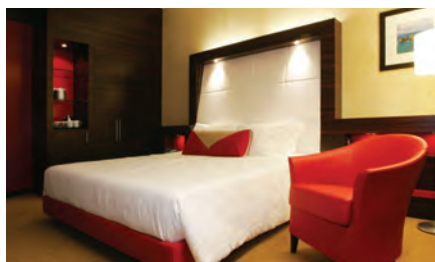
Via Francesco Lombardi, 13

From \$98\*

Includes continental buffet breakfast

**LECCE**  
Hilton Garden Inn ★★★★★

FROM  
\$94\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

Located 10 minutes from the historic city center of Lecce, cited among the Lonely Planet's 'Best in Travel 2010' list and an area rich with baroque monuments, the Hilton Garden Inn can be easily reached from main roads. All of the spacious accommodation at this Lecce hotel features Garden Sleep System beds and complimentary internet access.

Via Cosimo De Giorgi, 62

LOW SEASON from \$94\* HIGH SEASON from \$110\*

Includes buffet breakfast

**OTRANTO**  
Villa Rosa Antico ★★★

FROM  
\$77\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Parking

The Hotel Rosa Antico has been recently renovated maintaining its original characteristic charm of a 16th century villa. The property boasts stylishly decorated rooms, all different from each other, all with private facilities. Internal parking available.

s.s.16, Oranto

LOW SEASON from \$77\* HIGH SEASON from \$103\*

Includes continental breakfast

**OSTUNI**  
Masseria Il Frantoio ★★★

FROM  
\$115\*



Masseria Il Frantoio, in the heart of Apulia, stands in the countryside of Ostuni only a few minutes by car from the seaside. The guest rooms are located in the 19th century part of the *masseria*, with antique furnishings and equipped with all comforts. The farm is surrounded by centuries-old olive trees that produce excellent virgin oils and an extraordinary unique liquor, the Rosolio of olives.

**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Garden  
Parking

SS16 km 874, Ostuni

LOW SEASON from \$115\* HIGH SEASON from \$191\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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**MATERA**  
**Hotel Sassi ★★★**

FROM  
**\$83\***



- FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Parking

The Hotel Sassi, recently restored, reveals the magical atmosphere of an enchanting 18th century complex, located within the Sasso Barisano. The hotel rooms, all different from one another, are provided with terraces and balconies where you can admire the Romanesque cathedral and enjoy the panorama of the Sasso Barisano. All rooms are equipped with modern comforts and have private facilities.

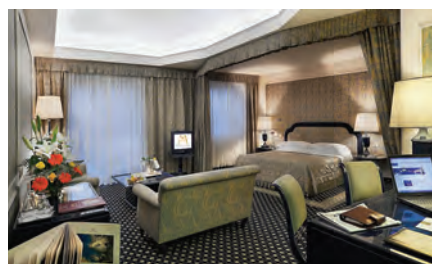
Via San Giovanni Vecchio 89

From **\$83\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**REGGIO CALABRIA**  
**Grand Hotel Excelsior ★★★★★**

FROM  
**\$143\***



- FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar

Located in the city centre, just opposite the National Museum of Magna Greece, where the famous *Riace Bronzes* are housed. Most rooms overlook the promenade and the Messina Channel and have every comfort. The restaurant *Gala*, situated on the terrace of the hotel, is the most prestigious in the town, known for its delectable regional and international dishes and its position facing Mount Etna.

Via Vittorio Veneto, 66

From **\$143\***

Includes continental breakfast

**TROPEA**  
**Blu Tropea Maison B&B**

FROM  
**\$80\***



- FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
Mini bar  
Safe

Offering air conditioned rooms with free wifi, Blu Tropea Maison is in the heart of Tropea. It is only 250 metres from the staircase leading to the beach and boasts free bike rental. Housed in the Gabrielli historical palace, the Blu Tropea B&B features en suite rooms with a safe and mini bar. A continental buffet breakfast is served in a dedicated area or in the comfort of your room. The property is in an area restricted to traffic, 200 metres from the nearest public parking.

Largo Migliarese

**LOW SEASON** from **\$80\*** **HIGH SEASON** from **\$195\***

Includes buffet breakfast

**Cannamele Resort ★★★★★**

FROM  
**\$73\***



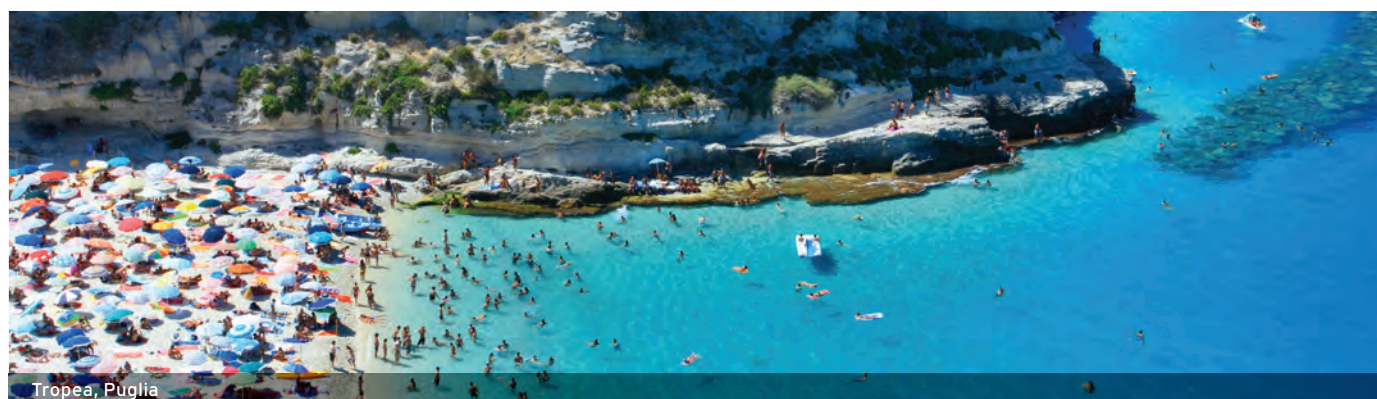
- FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Swimming pool  
Parking

This Mediterranean-style resort is located in Parghelia, 1km from the city centre and 3km from Tropea. The hotel has a terrace, solarium and outdoor swimming pool with scenic sea views. A complimentary shuttle bus to Tropea and the beach is offered. The hotel's restaurant, as well as serving continental buffet breakfast, is open for evening meals and offers Italian cuisine. The 17 air conditioned, modern guestrooms offer balconies or patios.

Localita Parghelia Cannamele

**LOW SEASON** from **\$73\*** **HIGH SEASON** from **\$184\***

Includes buffet breakfast



Tropea, Puglia

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# SICILY



Scopello, Sicily

**Sicily, the island in the sun, is home to heavenly beaches, majestic mountains and Europe's greatest natural wonder (and tallest active volcano), Mount Etna.**

The largest Italian island and one of the pearls of the Mediterranean, with its crystal clear waters and archaeological ruins, full of cultural treasures, folklore and traditions, breathtaking scenery and age-old heritage. And of course, great food and wine.

The writer Goethe's once said, "To have seen Italy without having seen Sicily is not to have seen Italy at all, for Sicily is the clue to everything."

The world's first multicultural society, Sicily is Italy's most historically cosmopolitan region with influences from the Arabs, Greeks, Romans and Normans. It is a mixing pot of cultures that have created a unique historic legacy and is home to the most UNESCO World Heritage sites in Italy.

The warm Mediterranean climate of Sicily makes it an ideal, year round, holiday destination and perfect for walking, outdoor living and eating your way across this gastronomic hotspot.

## GETTING THERE

Jump on a (car) ferry from **Reggio Calabria**, at the tip of Italy's toe, across to the port of **Messina** on Sicily's eastern corner.

## THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- **Marvel at the amazing architectural influences** throughout Sicily, from Arab-Norman (Byzantine culture) in **Palermo** to the Roman and Greek temples and amphitheatres scattered across the island.
- **Visit the eight late baroque towns** of the **Val di Noto** in south eastern Sicily including Catania, Ragusa and Modica.
- **Climb Mt Etna**, Sicily's natural volcanic wonder.
- **Visit the Villa Romana de Casale** in **Piazza Armerina** with its stunning mosaics.
- **Learn some Sicilian words** and sample uniquely Sicilian flavours, especially sweets at the **Capo Market**.
- **Shop and people watch** on the Corso Umberto in sparkling **Taormina**.
- **Visit evocative Selinunte** on the south east coast with its beautiful Greek temples.



# Sicilian Carousel

8 days / 7 nights

FULLY ESCORTED GROUP TOUR

SHORTER SECTORS AVAILABLE 5 days/4 nights Catania - Palermo ✦ 5 days/4 nights Palermo - Taormina

7 NIGHTS  
FROM \$1824\*



### HIGHLIGHTS 8 DAY TOUR

- Archaeological area of Siracusa
- Sicilian product tasting in Ragusa
- Agrigento & the Valley of the Temples
- Views of Mount Etna
- Charming city of Taormina

### INCLUDES 8 DAY TOUR

- 7 nights 4-star accommodation
- Meals as per itinerary
- Transportation by deluxe coach or minivan
- English speaking tour escort
- Local guides where necessary

### DEPARTURES - GUARANTEED

#### Sicilian Carousel

8 days Catania - Taormina  
2016: 16 Apr | 7, 14, 21, 28 May  
4, 11, 25 Jun | 9, 23 Jul | 27 Aug  
3, 10, 17, 24 Sep | 1, 8, 15 Oct

From \$1824\*

#### Highlights Carousel mini-tour

5 days (itinerary days 1 - 5)  
Catania - Palermo  
2016: 16 Apr | 7, 14, 21, 28 May  
4, 11, 25 Jun | 9, 23 Jul | 27 Aug  
3, 10, 17, 24 Sep | 1, 8, 15 Oct

From \$1151\*

#### Highlights Carousel mini-tour

5 days (itinerary days 4 - 8)  
Palermo - Taormina  
2016: 19 Apr | 10, 17, 24, 31 May  
7, 14, 28 Jun | 12, 26 Jul | 6, 13, 20, 27 Sep  
4, 11, 18 Oct

From \$1381\*



### Sicily, the island of the sun, is home to heavenly beaches, majestic mountains, fiery Mount Etna and a superb collection of ancient ruins.

Journey from Catania to Taormina admiring the Baroque and Moorish architecture, beautiful mosaics, ceramics and pottery and impressive temples. There will also be opportunities to savour local Sicilian specialties along the way.

It is possible to participate in some shorter sections of this tour.

Please ask us for details.

### ITINERARY

**Day 1 Catania** Arrive and make your own way to the hotel. Welcome cocktail and dinner. **(D)**

**Day 2 Catania - Siracusa - Ragusa** Drive to Siracusa to visit the marvellous archaeological area, then continue to the island of Ortigia, to see the magnificent cathedral and Arethusa Fountain. Travel to Ragusa to admire its stunning baroque buildings. Enjoy a tasting of typical Sicilian products. **(B,D)**

**Day 3 Ragusa - Caltagirone - Piazza Armerina - Agrigento** Drive to Caltagirone, famous for its ceramics and pottery. Continue to Piazza Armerina to marvel at the Villa Romana del Casale's rich mosaics. After lunch, continue to Agrigento and visit the Valley of the Temples. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 4 Agrigento - Palermo - Monreale** Travel to Palermo with time at leisure. Continue to Monreale and visit the cathedral and the Benedictine cloister. Enjoy a city tour of Palermo. **(B,D)**

**Day 5 Palermo - Segesta - Erice - Trapani - Palermo** Depart to Segesta to visit the temple and the theatre. Continue to the medieval village of Erice and the Egadi Islands before returning to Palermo via the unique salt windmills at Trapani. **(B,D)**

**Day 6 Palermo - Cefalu - Nebrodi Park - Taormina** Drive to Cefalu to admire its well-preserved Arab-Norman cathedral. Drive through the Nebrodi Park and enjoy lunch in the Miraglia Forest. Continue to Cesarò and Randazzo to visit the north part of Mount Etna. Continue to Taormina, the *Pearl of the Ionian Sea*. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 7 Taormina** Day at leisure or take an optional excursion (extra cost) to Mount Etna, Europe's highest active volcano. **(B,D)**

**Day 8 Taormina** Tour ends after breakfast. **(B)**



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# SICILY TOURS

## Jolly Sicily

8 days / 7 nights

FULLY ESCORTED GROUP TOUR

FROM  
\$1434\*



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Palermo, the capital of Sicily
- Archaeological area of Siracusa
- Specially chosen meals in typical restaurants/farmhouses
- Agrigento and the Valley of the Temples
- Mount Etna, Europe's highest active volcano
- Charming city of Taormina

### INCLUDES

- 7 nights 4-star accommodation
- Meals as per itinerary
- Transportation by deluxe coach or minivan
- Multilingual tour escort
- Local guides where necessary

### DEPARTURES - GUARANTEED

Nov 2015 - Mar 2016: selected Saturdays  
Apr - Oct 2016: every Saturday

NOTE: another version of this tour is available from Catania to Palermo departing on Mondays from Apr - Oct 2016. Ask us for details.

**LOW SEASON** from \$1434\*

**HIGH SEASON** from \$1700\*

**Discover Sicily, the pearl of Southern Italy, with its beautiful baroque palaces and churches, dazzling mosaics and spectacular scenery.**

Visit Monreale and see the most breathtaking example of Moorish architecture and enjoy panoramic views of the fiery Mount Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe. Experience the hospitality and savour authentic Sicilian speciality meals and produce from this extraordinary location.

### ITINERARY

**Day 1 Palermo** Arrive and make your own way to the hotel. Welcome cocktail and dinner. **(D)**

**Day 2 Palermo - Cefalu - Castelbuono - Catania** Travel to the coastal town of Cefalu, home to a breathtaking Norman Cathedral with dazzling mosaics. Proceed to Castelbuono and admire the church and castle. Stop at a renowned pastry shop to taste some authentic Sicilian products. Enjoy lunch in a farmhouse and proceed to Catania. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 3 Catania - Siracusa - Noto - Catania** Depart to Siracusa, the most beautiful Greek colony of Sicily. Visit the archaeological park and the island of Ortigia. In the afternoon, proceed to Noto, renowned for its baroque style. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 4 Catania - Mount Etna - Taormina - Catania** Weather permitting, enjoy an excursion to Mount Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe, for spectacular panorama over the Ionian Sea. Continue to Taormina, the *pearl of the Ionian Sea*, for some leisure time. **(B,L,D)**

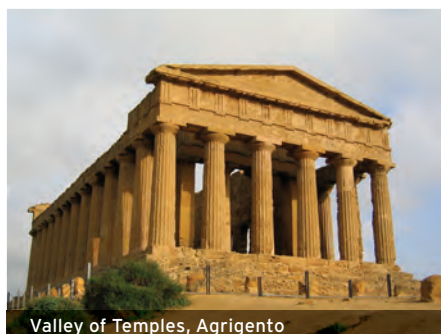
**Day 5 Catania - Piazza Armerina - Agrigento**

Proceed to Piazza Armerina to visit the Villa Romana del Casale boasting the most complex collection of late Roman mosaics in the world. Continue to Agrigento, for a guided tour of the magnificent Valley of Temples. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 6 Agrigento - Selinunte - Palermo** Visit the Archaeological Park of Selinunte, the largest in the Mediterranean area with the impressive Temples and Acropolis. Stop in a local farmhouse famous for olive oil tasting. Proceed to Palermo. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 7 Palermo - Monreale - Palermo** Morning at leisure or take an optional excursion to Monte Pellegrino. Explore Palermo's most colorful market, before proceeding to Monreale to admire the cathedral with its mosaics. Continue with a panoramic tour of Palermo, one of the richest towns on the island for history and art. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 8 Palermo** Tour ends after breakfast. **(B)**  
NOTE: entrance fees and city taxes are not included.



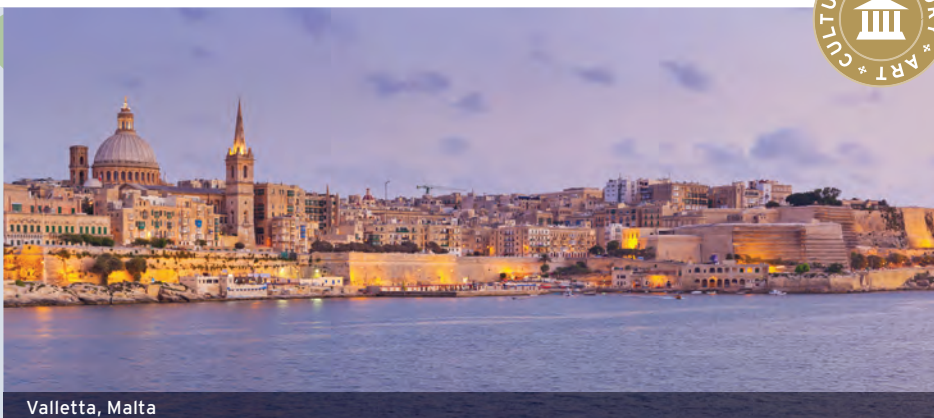
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# Best of Sicily & Malta

12 days / 11 nights

GROUP TOUR

FROM  
\$3098\*



Valletta, Malta

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Archaeological area of Siracusa
- Sicilian product tasting in Ragusa
- Agrigento and the Valley of the Temples
- Valletta, Malta's heritage-rich capital

## INCLUDES

- 11 nights 4-star accommodation
- Meals as per itinerary
- Transportation by deluxe coach or minivan
- English speaking tour escort
- Ferry from Catania to Valletta
- Return airport transfers in Malta
- Regular sightseeing with multilingual local guides (days 9 - 11)

## DEPARTURES - GUARANTEED

2016: 16 Apr | 7, 14, 21, 28 May | 4, 11, 25 Jun  
9, 23 Jul | 27 Aug | 3, 10, 17, 24 Sep | 1, 8, 15 Oct

**LOW SEASON** from \$3098\*

**HIGH SEASON** from \$3258\*

Enjoy a week in Sicily, exploring all the most important and beautiful sites of the island. Visit three UNESCO World Heritage sites before discovering the rich heritage of Malta, one of Europe's most enchanting islands.

This tour offers a unique blend of escorted and independent touring and stays in charming hotels situated in the historical centres of the main Sicilian towns and a centrally located hotel in the lively resort of Qawra in St. Paul's Bay in Malta.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 Catania** Arrive and make your own way to the hotel. **(D)**

**Day 2 Catania - Siracusa - Ragusa** Drive to Siracusa to visit the marvellous archaeological area, then continue to the island of Ortigia, to see the magnificent cathedral and Arethusa Fountain. Travel to Ragusa to admire its stunning baroque buildings. Enjoy a tasting of typical Sicilian products. **(B,D)**

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the Miraglia Forest. Continue to Cesarò and Randazzo to visit the north part of Mount Etna. Continue to Taormina, the *Pearl of the Ionian Sea*. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 7 Taormina** Day at leisure or take an optional excursion (extra cost) to Mount Etna, Europe's highest active volcano. **(B,D)**

**Day 8 Taormina - Catania - Pozzallo - Malta** Travel by land and sea to the delightful island of Malta. **(B,D)**

**Day 9 Malta** Discover Malta's historical highlights on a morning tour. Visit the imposing Church of St. Lawrence and the Maritime Museum in Vittoriosa before continuing to Senglea for a panoramic view of the Grand Harbour and its fortifications. **(B,D)**

**Day 10 Malta** Enjoy a tour of Valletta - Malta's heritage-rich capital. Highlights include the Upper Barracca Gardens and St. John's Cathedral. The excursion ends with a visit to the Grandmaster's Palace. **(B,D)**

**Day 11 Malta** Visit Mosta Church, renowned for its magnificent dome and the Botanic Gardens of San Anton. Continue to a craft village, Wignacourt Museum and St. Paul's Grotto in Rabat. Enjoy a walk through the medieval walled city of Mdina, situated in the centre of the island. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 12 Malta** Tour ends after breakfast with a private transfer to the port or airport. **(B)**



Caltagirone Villa



Cefalu, Old Town City, Sicily

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# Sicily Food & Wine Self Drive Tour

7 days / 6 nights

SELF DRIVE TOUR

FROM \$2243\*



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Sampling of Slow Food Presidia products - delicious and authentic traditional foods
- Wine tastings in the vineyards of Mount Etna
- Palermo, the majestic Sicilian capital
- Ragusa Ibla, a UNESCO World Heritage site
- Valley of the Temples, Agrigento

## INCLUDES

- 7 days category A car hire
- 6 nights 4-star charming hotels and/or historical residences
- Buffet breakfast daily
- 4 meals based on traditional regional dishes
- 4 guided tastings of foods and/or wines from the Sicily region
- Guided tours of the Valley of the Temples Archaeological Park, Agrigento and Taormina
- Entrance fees to the Valley of the Temples Archaeological Park, Agrigento and the Greek theatre, Taormina

## DEPARTURES

Apr - Oct: daily

**LOW SEASON** from \$2243\*

**HIGH SEASON** from \$2386\*

**Sicily is a melting pot of cultures, where Greek and Arab influences can be found in the architecture, the ancient ruins and in the unique cuisine.**

Visit a land where the earth spills fire from ancient volcanoes and the sun warms the emerald waters of the Mediterranean sea; a region of archaeological wonders, marvellous baroque towns and rich, ancient traditions. But Sicily is not only a place of extraordinary monuments, enchantingly beautiful scenery and beautiful towns, it is also a land that offers an incredible variety of excellent vintages, ancient cellars and vineyards, typical dishes and traditional foods rediscovered in their original style.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 Palermo** Collect your car and drive to your hotel in Palermo. Enjoy a welcome dinner. **(D)**

**Day 2 Palermo - Marsala - Erice** Depart for Marsala, the city renowned for its production of the wine of the same name. Enjoy a wine tasting, followed by lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon proceed to Erice and try some of the typical local delights. **(B,L)**

**Day 3 Pollina - Palermo** Morning departure for Pollina to visit Agriturismo La Manna. Have lunch based on the local Madonie cuisine and visit the farm. Return to Palermo and explore the city at your leisure. **(B,L)**

**Day 4 Agrigento - Siracusa** Visit the old city of Agrigento and enjoy lunch at the typical Trattoria Terra. In the afternoon take a guided tour of the Valley of the Temples, testament to the ancient Greek civilisation in Sicily. **(B,L)**

**Day 5 Ragusa - Noto - Siracusa** Visit Ragusa and proceed to Noto, the architectural capital of the baroque cities and famous for the high quality of its almonds. Visit a local producer to learn how the almonds are processed and sample their excellent flavour. Depart for Siracusa and enjoy dinner in the historical town centre of Ortigia. **(B,D)**

**Day 6 Siracusa - Mount Etna - Taormina** Continue to Taormina, stopping en route for a wine tasting accompanied by local produce. **(B)**

**Day 7 Taormina** Enjoy a guided tour of Taormina and visit the Greek theatre. Rest of the day is at leisure. **(B)**

**Day 8 Taormina** Tour ends. **(B)**



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# Sicily Flavours Cooking Week

8 days / 7 nights

BOUTIQUE GROUP TOUR

FROM  
\$3407\*



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Staying in a gorgeous 19th century farmhouse on a private estate
- Exotic, culinary heritage of Sicilian cuisine
- Day trips exploring some of Sicily's most historic and beautiful towns
- Learning how to make authentic Sicilian dishes such as *pasta con le sarde* and *cassata*

## INCLUDES

- 7 nights villa accommodation
- All meals and wine including 2 at local restaurants
- 5 cookery lessons with an Italian chef
- Wine tasting at a local winery
- Visits to local towns of Modica, Siracusa, Ragusa
- Transport by minibus
- Transfers from/to Catania airport at specific times

## DEPARTURES

2016: 27 Mar | 3, 24 Apr | 1, 8, 15 May  
5, 12, 19, 26 Jun | 3 Jul | 21, 28 Aug  
4, 11, 18, 25 Sep | 2, 9 Oct

From **\$3407\*** No Single Supplement



## Sun, sea, sand - and a hint of the exotic: Sicily teeters on the edge of Europe and its flavours are tinged with the culinary heritage of North Africa.

Moorish invaders introduced spices such as cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and saffron along with citrus fruits to the island. The Byzantines, Romans, Greeks and Spanish also left their mark on the architecture and cuisine.

This tour explores Sicily's south east, surrounded by the crumbling grandeur of historical sites such as Siracusa's Greek Theatre and the baroque towns of Noto and Ragusa - and within easy reach of some of the region's best local produce.

Nearby Avola produces almonds, Ragusa wine, Caciocavallo cheese and Pachino, sweet, ripe, cherry tomatoes. Fresh fish is, of course, a highlight of this Mediterranean island: think grilled swordfish, tuna and anchovies along with regional specialties such as *spaghetti con le sarde* (a sardine and pasta dish) and *pasta con le sarde e finocchio* (with fennel).

Then there's sheep's milk ricotta, also used to make one of Sicily's signature sweets: cannoli are fried pastries stuffed with sweet ricotta and sugar and dipped in chocolate. The island is famous for its sweets: cassata is a delicious ice cream dish while granita, a semi-frozen dessert, was invented here.

Staying in a gorgeous old 19th century farmhouse (*masseria*) on a private estate surrounded by lovely gardens and with a fabulous pool, it's the perfect place to kick back and relax after a morning in the kitchen. Or to enjoy a pre dinner prosecco on the terrace.

## ITINERARY

**Day 1 Catania - near Ragusa** Arrive and enjoy welcome drinks and dinner prepared by the resident chef. **(D)**

**Day 2 Near Ragusa** First cookery lesson, followed by lunch. Afternoon is at leisure to relax at the beautiful villa. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 3 Near Ragusa** Today enjoy a private tour, lunch and wine tasting at a local vineyard. In the late afternoon, participate in a second cookery lesson, followed by dinner. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 4 Siracusa** Visit the coastal town of Siracusa and have lunch. Travel to Noto to taste local ice cream at a classic gelateria. Tonight's dinner will be at the villa. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 5 Near Ragusa** After breakfast, enjoy another cookery lesson and lunch at the villa. This afternoon is free to relax by the pool. Dinner this evening is at the villa. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 6 Modica - Ragusa** Another cookery lesson this morning before heading to Modica to taste its famous chocolate. The afternoon will be spent exploring the stunning town of Ragusa and have an evening meal at a favourite local restaurant. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 7 Near Ragusa** Following breakfast, a cookery lesson and lunch. The afternoon will be spent at leisure. In the evening, enjoy a final meal at the villa. **(B,L,D)**

**Day 8 Near Ragusa - Catania** Tour ends after breakfast. **(B)**

NOTE: the itinerary is subject to change depending on the weather and allowing for the Italian ways!



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# CATANIA | PALERMO | SIRACUSA HOTELS

## CATANIA

### Excelsior Grand Hotel ★★★★★

FROM  
\$120\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

The Excelsior Grand Hotel of Catania is considered, without any doubt, one of the most prestigious hotels of the city. Opened in 1953 and completely restored in 2001, it offers 176 rooms and different types of suites: 6 regular suites and 6 junior suites. All rooms have an internet connection. Other services offered: conference rooms, a banquet room, meeting rooms, a restaurant, an American bar, a fitness centre and a Turkish bath.

Piazza G. Verga, 39

LOW SEASON from \$120\* HIGH SEASON from \$147\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Hotel Il Principe ★★★★★

FROM  
\$131\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

The hotel, located in the baroque heart of the historical centre of Catania on Scalinata Alessi steps, was a former aristocratic building, recently restored. The hotel's suites, deluxe and comfort rooms, elegantly furnished, have been designed to offer maximum comfort to guests. All of them have private bathroom, with jacuzzi bath or shower, air conditioning, television set with satellite channels, internet ADSL connection, mini bar and safe.

Via Alessi, 24

LOW SEASON from \$131\* HIGH SEASON from \$142\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## PALERMO

### NH Palermo Hotel ★★★★★

FROM  
\$69\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Restaurant/bar

Modern hotel, conveniently located in the city centre and close to the central railway station. Convenient to shopping, art galleries and historical places of interest. Parking available at additional charge.

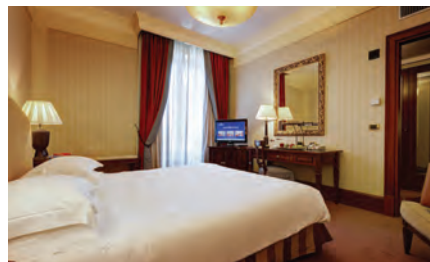
Foro Italico

LOW SEASON from \$69\* HIGH SEASON from \$87\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Excelsior Mercure Hotel ★★★★★

FROM  
\$108\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

Situated in the heart of Palermo, the hotel offers elegantly decorated rooms with all the necessary features, some superior, deluxe and suite rooms. The restaurant is famous for its cosmopolitan tone and gastronomic specialities.

Via Marchese Ugo, 3

LOW SEASON from \$108\* HIGH SEASON from \$133\*

Includes buffet breakfast

### Villa Igea ★★★★★

FROM  
\$152\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Swimming pool

The Villa Igea is one of the most famous. It overlooks the sea and is surrounded by a park. The hotel's restaurant has a summer verandah, and other facilities include a tennis court and reading room. Prices are based on superior rooms; for deluxe rooms with sea view and balcony or sea view and terrace, higher rates apply. A supplement is payable for New Year's Eve dinner (compulsory).

Salita Belmonte, 43

LOW SEASON from \$152\* HIGH SEASON from \$180\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## SIRACUSA

### Hotel Roma ★★★★★

FROM  
\$126\*



#### FEATURES

Air conditioning  
TV  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift

In the centre of the island of Ortigia, a stone's throw from the cathedral, an ancient and sacred area, and the historical centre of Siracusa. The hotel offers a warm and friendly ambience. Elegantly furnished rooms with all modern comforts (45 rooms in total).

Via Roma, 66

LOW SEASON from \$126\* HIGH SEASON from \$184\*

Includes continental breakfast

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## Hotel Isabella ★★★

FROM \$89\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
Wifi  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

This friendly hotel stands on the main street of traffic-free Taormina. The hotel has a roof top terrace with wonderful views. Guests have the chance to admire the ancient Roman and Greek theatre, the Bay of Naxos or the lively Corso Umberto with its shops and cafes. The hotel has a small bar, cosy lounge and restaurant.

Corso Umberta, 58

**LOW SEASON** from \$89\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$129\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Villa Bianca Resort ★★★★★

FROM \$147\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Parking

Centrally located on the Mazzaro Bay, near the cableway station that links to the centre of Taormina. Just a few minutes walk down to the sea and beach at Mazzaro, the Villa Bianca Resort offers charming accommodation with a homely and relaxed atmosphere and spectacular views of the bay. The complex consists of three buildings: the newly refurbished *Villa Bianca Principe*, the *Villa Bianca* and the *Maison Jolie*.

Piazzale Funivia, Mazzaro

**HIGH SEASON** from \$147\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Atahotel Capotaormina ★★★★★

FROM \$204\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Garden

Atahotel Capotaormina is located at the bottom of Taormina, on a high, rocky cliff that spectacularly drops off over the headland, providing its guests with exceptional panoramas and breathtaking views. The private beach, the saltwater pool, 3 restaurants, 3 bars/cafés and banquet halls, all with panoramic views, are available for the guests. Only 3km from the centre of Taormina, which can be reached with the free shuttle bus.

Via Nazionale, 105

**LOW SEASON** from \$204\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$333\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Baia Taormina Grand Palace Hotel & Spa ★★★★★

FROM \$99\*



**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Safe  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool  
Parking

This hotel looks out to the Bay of Taormina. It is characterised by a traditional yet contemporary style with stone facing, wide arches and pergolas. A truly panoramic position, near the wonderful beaches of Taormina. The swimming pool with snack bar and spacious sun terrace has a view over Spisone Bay. The hotel restaurant serves typical cuisine, as well as international.

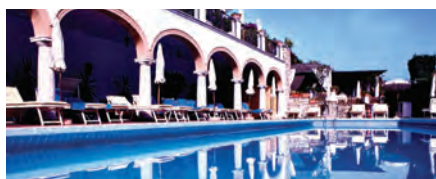
Stalale dello Jonio, 39

**LOW SEASON** from \$99\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$165\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## San Domenico Palace Hotel ★★★★★

FROM \$229\*



Located in Taormina, this luxurious five-star hotel commands a stunning position on the Ionic coastline, with views over Mount Etna and Taormina Bay, on the east coast of Sicily not far from Messina. Room types and suites available include Classic rooms which overlook the Cloisters or the town of Taormina. Spacious, bright and sunny, they have classical furniture and every modern comfort. Superior, Executive and Deluxe rooms also have views of the Mediterranean Garden, Taormina Bay and Mount Etna, or the Greek-Roman theatre. Superior rooms are in the Old Monastery. Deluxe or Executive rooms have balcony or private terrace. The Garden Room, situated in the Grand Hotel wing, offers a unique and luxurious Mediterranean feel and jacuzzi pool with a panoramic view. The hotel has 3 restaurants, including the 2 Michelin star Principe Cerami run by chef Massimo Mantarro, presenting a Sicilian touch to refined haute cuisine.

**FEATURES**  
Air conditioning  
TV  
Mini bar  
Restaurant/bar  
Lift  
Swimming pool

Piazza S. Domenico, 5

**LOW SEASON** from \$229\* **HIGH SEASON** from \$352\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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# AEOLIAN ISLANDS

Bay of Panarea

The archipelago of the Aeolian Islands is UNESCO Heritage listed and consists of seven magnificent (still active) volcanic islands off the north east coast of Sicily.

The islands of **Lipari**, **Panarea**, **Vulcano**, **Stromboli**, **Salina**, **Alicudi** and **Filicudi** rise from the sea and are blessed with rugged natural beauty and crystalline waters.

**Lipari** is the largest Aeolian island and perhaps the best place to stay. Visit Lipari Castle on the island's eastern bay, a Greek acropolis and a Norman cathedral and take a boatride of the island's coasts, admiring its splendid inlets and amazing beaches.

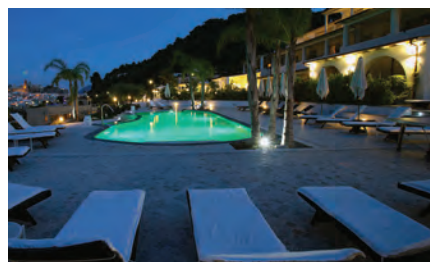
**Stromboli** is the most active volcano in Europe and boasts frequent, spectacular eruptions including the Sciara del Fuoco, the lava flow that runs down into the sea.

According to Greek mythology, the active volcanic island **Vulcano**, was the location of the blacksmiths of Hephaestus, the god of fire, metal work and the art of sculpture. Observe volcanic phenomenons from smoke clouds, vapour spouts and therapeutic sulphuric mud holes.

**Salina**, the second largest Aeolian island, is home to a beautiful wooded area of ferns (*la Fossa delle Felci*), located on jagged cliffs above the island's gorgeous beaches. Don't miss a visit to the house where the beloved *Il Postino* (Italian movie starring Massimo Troisi) was filmed, and be sure to taste the renowned granita, a local crushed-ice treat.

## Hotel Mea ★★★★★

FROM  
\$90\*



### FEATURES

- Air conditioning
- TV
- Wifi
- Mini bar
- Safe
- Restaurant/bar
- Lift
- Swimming pool
- Garden
- Parking

Hotel Mea is 500 metres from the port, in the centre of Lipari. It offers an Aeolian restaurant and a seaview swimming pool with hydromassage jets. The Moorish-style rooms come with a furnished patio or balcony. Rooms at the Mea are air conditioned and decorated with bright colours and tiled floors. All include free, high speed internet access. The restaurant serves local cuisine and specialises in fish dishes.

Via Falcone e Borsellino

LOW SEASON from \$90\* HIGH SEASON from \$235\*

Includes continental breakfast

## Hotel Villa Enrica

FROM  
\$90\*



### FEATURES

- Air conditioning
- TV
- Wifi
- Mini bar
- Safe
- Restaurant/bar
- Lift
- Swimming pool
- Garden
- Parking

Hotel Villa Enrica Country Resort is a boutique hotel located on the island of Lipari. Enrica has unforgettable panoramas and colours that vary from the deep blue of the sea to the immensity of the sky. The villa, which follows the Aeolian style architecture, is just 10 minutes walk from the centre of Lipari, surrounded by a park with Mediterranean vegetation, rich in lemons, oranges, almond and olive trees. The hotel is equipped with a bar, breakfast terrace with sea view, swimming pool, pool bar and free internet wifi.

Via Serra, 11

LOW SEASON from \$90\* HIGH SEASON from \$199\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Angie House & Teresa House

FROM  
\$80\*



### FEATURES

- Air conditioning
- Kitchen
- Washing machine (Angie house)

### MINIMUM STAY

Weekly Sat to Sat

### GUEST CAPACITY

2 - 4 persons

Angie House is 3km from Canneto and 5km from Lipari Port. Canneto is the main beach area on the island of Lipari. The house comprises a kitchen/dining area, a large terrace with outdoor furniture and barbeque area, 1 double bedroom, 1 twin bedroom, bathroom with shower, laundry with shower and washing machine. Other facilities include air conditioning, TV, radio and hairdryer. No phone. Teresa House is at Canneto Beach, 200m from the water. Also with 2 bedrooms.

Angie House, Canneto Lami

LOW SEASON from \$80\* HIGH SEASON from \$175\*

\*All from prices shown are per person per night based on twin/double share occupancy in lead-in rooms. Seasonal surcharges, event supplements and minimum stays may apply. A city tax is payable direct to all properties at time of check out. Villas & Apartments: a security deposit and additional charges for power, air conditioning, heating, linen and final cleaning may apply and are payable locally.

# SARDINIA



Spargi Isle, Sardinia

The second largest island in the Mediterranean, Sardinia has incredibly rugged highlands and kilometres of beautiful unspoilt coastline with stunning crystal clear water.

The beautiful **Costa Smeralda**, and **Porto Cervo** in particular, is a hot spot for the rich and famous and favourite holiday spot for Italians. Sardinia or *Sardegna* is known for its sandy beaches, charming sea towns and archeological ruins.

For a more relaxing and less crowded holiday, visit Sardinia's less known south western sandy beaches and beautiful unspoilt coastline, including Cape Teste lighthouse and Stintino, a small seaside town.

Sardinia's claim to UNESCO Heritage fame is the Nuragic Complex of Barumini (*Su Nuraxi di Barumini*), the most complete and best preserved archaeological site of prehistoric tower fortresses built by the ancient Nuraghi civilisation from around 1800 BC to 200 AD.



## Hotel Balocco ★★★★★

FROM \$103\*



- FEATURES**
- Air conditioning
  - TV
  - Wifi
  - Mini bar
  - Safe
  - Restaurant/bar
  - Lift
  - Swimming pool
  - Parking

A charming hotel, located along a main road at the heart of Porto Cervo, just a few minutes walk from the nearest beach and 800 metres from the town centre. This hotel features a total of 42 double rooms with a balcony or terrace. Other features include a 24-hour reception desk, a swimming pool equipped with sunbeds and umbrellas, an American bar and parking facilities.

Localita Liscia Di Vacca, Porto Cervo

From \$103\*

Includes buffet breakfast

## Blu Hotel Morisco Village ★★★★★

FROM \$108\*



- FEATURES**
- Air conditioning
  - TV
  - Wifi
  - Mini bar
  - Restaurant/bar
  - Swimming pool
  - Parking

The Blu Hotel Morisco Village is located in the centre of Cannigione, 200 metres away from the sea and about 30km away from the harbour and the airport of Olbia. The hotel is very close to the most exclusive places of the Costa Smeralda and it is the perfect place for those who want to live the nature and the clear sea of Sardinia. The 164 elegant rooms are also equipped with a balcony or terrace.

Via Amalfi, 7021, Cannigione Di Arzachena

From \$108\*

Includes buffet breakfast

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# THE STORY OF CIT

*A long time ago in a boot-shaped country far away in Europe, CIT stood for ‘Compagnia Italiana Turismo’ – or the ‘Italian travel company’.*

*Today in Australia, CIT are the original **Italy Travel Specialists**, now with the best of Europe too. Still family owned and operated, still known for quality and a passion for Italy.*

*And so the story continues...*



Peter Newsom, Managing Director & Kate Newsom, General Manager | Rome



*Dream, discover...experience Italy*

## The CIT Travel Experience

### ITALIAN DESTINATION SPECIALISTS

CIT know **Italy** because we go... again and again. We draw on our personal **Italy travel experiences**, our travel teams' Italian (and European) heritage and ongoing destination training. We share our love of Italy with you and recommend the best way to discover and experience the *Bel Paese* (beautiful country)... plus the **best of Europe**.

### FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED BUSINESS FOR 45 YEARS IN AUSTRALIA

That's good for you because **CIT understand** the value of people and long term relationships. We have stood the test of time by giving personal service, building trust and strong supplier and client partnerships. You can rest easy knowing that we get what's important when planning **your dream Italian holiday**.

### BOOK BEFORE YOU GO

Plan and secure your **Italian travel experience** before you leave home. With easy CIT online quotes and bookings with guaranteed hotels and tour departures across Italy, even in high season. That means **no waiting** in queues for rail tickets or must-see sights, day tours and taxis. Now, all you need to do is sit back and **enjoy the journey**.

### ONE STOP SHOP FOR ITALY

Of course, being **Italian experts**, CIT has the **best available air, hotel, tour, car and Europe rail rates** and the **most extensive product range on Italy**. Feel like cycling or walking... or even cooking in Italy? We can do all that... and more. And that's good news because you don't need to go anywhere else when planning and booking your next **Italian travel experience**.

ITALY  
SPECIALISTS







Castel Sant'Angelo, Rome

# CIT'S ITALY

Introducing our new style 'Italy' brochure, designed to help you plan your dream Italian holiday experience. Here's a few tips on how it works.

## Choose Your Own Adventure

Mix and match your accommodation style with your preferred mode of transport, then add extras like transfers, day trips and tours. There's a **travel experience for everyone** - from independent travellers to groups and families.

## CIT Recommends

We can tailor the perfect holiday just for you - from budget to luxury to family-friendly, from activity-packed adventure to 'stay a while' relaxation.

If you need a recommendation, talk to one of our Italy specialists today.

## CIT Experiences

Italy has so much to offer whether it is art, history and culture, a walking adventure, a foodie encounter or a combination. Our travel experts are committed to **tailoring your perfect holiday**. Use the helpful icons to work out what style of travel suits you.



## Tours Italian Style

**Discover Italy on an escorted tour** with frequent departures from Rome and Milan, showcasing the highlights of the Italian islands (Capri and Ischia), Tuscany, Amalfi Coast, north and south Italy, Italian Lakes, Dolomites, Liguria and Sicily.

If you seek more authentic local experiences, culinary treats and characteristic accommodation, **boutique regional Italian tours** might be for you. Check out our range of smaller, more intimate and personalised tours of Umbria, Tuscany, Abruzzo and Puglia with **food, wine, walking and cooking** options included.

And if do-it-yourself is more your travel style, look no further than our range of **self drive and walking tours** that take you to the heart of Sicily, Tuscany, Umbria, Lazio, Emilia Romagna, Cinque Terre and the Italian Riviera.

Remember, if you have a small amount of time (or a lot) there are plenty of exciting and **affordable city and day tours** to add to your travel itinerary. These include: food, cooking, history, walking, shopping and key highlights of major Italian cities and their surrounds.

## Getting There

### OUR AIRLINE PARTNERS

Fly to Italy (and Europe) with our preferred premium airline partners including: Emirates, Qantas, Singapore Airlines, Etihad and Cathay Pacific. Ask for our best available air and land deals and save.

### STOPOVERS

With our best available airfares to Europe, we can also book your stopover holiday along the way. Hotels, transfers, tours and packages in all major European stopover cities including: Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Singapore, Hong Kong and Bangkok. Ask for details.

### TRANSFERS

In all major Italian cities we can arrange transfers from the airport or main train station to your hotel and vice versa. Booking your transfers before you travel not only saves time and effort when you arrive after a long international flight, it also gets you straight to your hotel door, with all your luggage in one piece. So you can begin your holiday straight away - without navigating public transport with

heavy luggage, negotiating taxi fares in a foreign language or getting lost before your adventure even begins!

## Beyond Italy

We understand that you may be combining your Italy experience with other European destinations. Whether you want to explore Paris, London, Switzerland or more we can assist with all your arrangements.



Cinque Terre, Liguria



Venice

## Accommodation

CIT hotels, apartments and villas across Italy are small to medium sized, sometimes family-run, often centrally located and in historic buildings. They are chosen for their charm and style, Italian hospitality and the relationship built with them over time.

This means we can personally recommend the accommodation that best suits you. Fear not. You won't find yourself in a large, impersonal, modern hotel that caters for large coach groups and conferences.

As a rough guide, the following hotel star ratings are a good indication to the facilities and standard you can expect.

**All CIT hotel rates include breakfast.**

- ★★ A moderate property with private facilities, centrally located or close to public transport.
- ★★★ A standard property offering clean and comfortable rooms. Affordable and suitable for a family.
- ★★★★ A superior hotel offering above average to very good facilities.
- ★★★★★ A luxury hotel offering a full range of facilities and exceptional service.

**NOTE:** an Italy City Tax applies on hotels depending on star ratings and is payable direct per person per night.

### APARTMENTS AND VILLAS

Apartments and villas usually have self-contained cooking and laundry facilities and are ideal for families and groups. Live like a local in a city apartment. Stay one night or base yourself in a villa in the Tuscan countryside for a week. And for freedom to explore the local area we recommend renting a car. Look for our villa deals inclusive of car hire or ask for our best available car rates.

### CHILDREN

We understand that travelling with children can be difficult and often means "hidden" costs. To assist, we have negotiated special family discounts in various hotels throughout Italy; children stay free or at 50% of adult rates. Ask us for details.



Fiat fun

Italy is a dream destination that travellers return to again and again.

People travel to this beautifully diverse country to:

- **discover the Italian way** of living
- **explore its rich cultural treasures** and ancient civilisations
- gaze upon **timeless picture-perfect landscapes** and
- **savour world-loved Italian food** and wine.

Italy is... the past and present juxtaposed in one incredibly diverse 'boot shaped' country with its timeless beauty, remains of ancient civilisations and wonderful art and architecture around every corner.

**Discover Italy** from north to south... region by amazing region (there are 20!). Immerse yourself in the **local traditions**, converse with the **Italian people** and learn the **Italian way** - with a touch of *la lingua Italiana* (Italian language) and a whole lot of *cucina Italiana* (Italian cuisine)!

There are so many things to love about Italy... and your Italian journey starts here.

# WHEN IN ITALY

**Have you ever pictured yourself in Italy? Pizza, pasta and piazze... Aperitivo, cheese and vino... Narrow winding alleyways, rolling green hills with olive groves and vineyards, ancient ruins and cultural masterpieces... and the sparkling waters of the sun-kissed Mediterranean.**

## Do:

- **BE YOURSELF AND BE AWARE** There are pickpockets targeting tourists everywhere across Italy and particularly around tourist hot spots. So, it's a good idea to blend in.
- **TRY OUT A FEW ITALIAN WORDS** Buongiorno, per favore, grazie, buonasera and arrivederci are all helpful greetings. 'ciao' is used willy-nilly in Italy especially by younger folk but, it is a casual greeting, so only use it when it has been used by a local first.
- **STAY COOL IN SUMMER** Book a hotel with A/C (or a fan) or even a villa with pool and plan to visit outdoor tourist attractions in the cooler parts of the day. Rest indoors or in a gallery, church, museum or shady park during the heat of the day.
- **EAT GELATO** every day, especially in summer.
- **LEAVE A TIP WITH YOUR MEAL OR APERITIF** Being a waiter is a respected career choice in Italy and not a casual job. 15% is usually added to your bill in restaurants, cafes and hotels to cover service charges.
- **RESPECT A DIFFERENT CULTURE** Wear comfortable and appropriate clothes. Italy is a Roman Catholic country and, despite what you believe, it is respectful to cover your shoulders and knees when in a church or sacred place.
- **KEEP AN OPEN MIND** There are lots of Italians living in a very old country with lots of visitors, every day, in their backyards so to speak. There are often crowds - people trying to enjoy their holidays and locals going about their daily lives. It's good to stay calm and be flexible. And respectful. After all, you are on holiday.
- **LIVE LA DOLCE VITA** Ah the sweet life. Relax and savour your Italian experience. As they say, when in Rome...

## Don't:

- **LOOK LIKE A TOURIST** No visible bum-bags, passport neck wallets or a camera slung over your shoulder. There are far better and more stylish options available these days.
- **BUY WATER BOTTLES IN ROME** Buy one then use the many natural spring water fountains around the city, and other Italian cities too. You won't get sick and you will help the environment.
- **DRIVE LIKE A TOURIST** Italians drive assertively and don't follow the same road rules as in Australia. Be confident, stay on the right (overtake on the left) and keep calm. If there are no signs, go straight ahead until otherwise indicated. And don't forget to take out insurance on your rental car!
- **EXPECT THE SAME AS HOME**  
**Pasta** is an entrée not a main meal. It's not drowned in sauce or liberally seasoned. Pizzas (thin crust) are often eaten whole. That's one per person not a share experience for the whole family.  
**Café the Italian way.** Milky lattes and cappuccinos are enjoyed before 11am. Espressos are taken after meals and throughout the day, usually standing at the bar (it's cheaper too!). There is no skinny, soy, flat white, so save your special order for home.  
**Wine (vino)** is generally enjoyed with food, not on its own. **Aperitivo** is a pre-dinner drink, from 5pm and usually a *biere* or spirit mix enjoyed seated with a little (complimentary salty) snack. A liqueur like *grappa* or *limoncello* (or sambucca or Frangelico!) is taken after the meal as a digestive.  
**Italians observe lunch** as their main daily meal, take a siesta (nap) in summer during the heat of the day and eat dinner late... often walking, chatting and eating gelato in the cool of the evening. What a great idea!
- **TRAVEL WITH TOO MUCH LUGGAGE** There are many old cobbled streets, lots of stairs to climb and small lifts. Car boots are small, train compartments are crowded so if you want to save your back and energy, pack smart and light.



# AN ITALIAN ROAD TRIP EXPLORE BY CAR

**Staying in a villa in the Italian countryside? Looking for authentic local food and long lunches as you go? Want to linger longer in a beautiful village or hill town? No problem. Self drive holidays give you the freedom to explore your own way in your own time. No early starts, no crowds or being herded around. And many roads to discover off the beaten tourist track with only you in charge of your dream Italy travel experience.**

## The Best Car For You

Remember to consider your travel needs before choosing the best car for you. How much luggage will you have? Are you more comfortable driving manual or automatic? If you are driving for more than 21 days, car leasing a brand new vehicle might be a better, more affordable option. The choice is yours.

### ITALIAN EXPERIENCES

- The best way to discover Tuscany, Umbria and other, less-travelled regions is by car. The good news is many CIT villa stays include car rental in the price. Ask for details.
- Our Slow Food self drive itineraries include Italian regional highlights, seasonal food and wine and charming pre-booked hotels. All you need to do is drive and follow the map!
- CIT can tailor a self drive itinerary to suit your needs and book your accommodation in various locations along the way.

**NOTE:** driving in Italy and Europe is on the right hand side, overtaking on the left. Carrying an international driving licence is recommended.

**We offer competitive car hire rates and can let you know about the latest early bird deals or special offers. Contact us for more information.**

## Car Rental

For total freedom and independent travel, why not hire a car and experience the picture postcard countryside first hand, and at your leisure. In some Italian (and European) cities, vehicular access is limited. We can advise the best hotel choice and car parking options available across Italy. We offer the best Avis and Maggiore Italy (and Europe) car rental prices available.



## Car Leasing

If you are travelling to Europe for over 3 weeks, car leasing is an affordable (tax free) transport option, allowing you the freedom to travel all over Europe, hassle free from 21 to 170 days. The longer you lease, the lower the daily rate. We have great car leasing deals/rates with Renault Eurodrive.

**RENAULT EURODRIVE**  
Established since 1955  
TAX FREE EUROPEAN CAR LEASING





# EXPLORE EUROPE BY RAIL

Book all your Italy and Europe travel in the one place with CIT. Combine your rail travel with hotels and city tours, day trips and something uniquely Italian. From Rome to Venice to Sorrento... and everything in between, rail travel in Italy (and across Europe) really is the easiest way to travel.

## Rail Passes & Tickets Across Europe

- Point to point rail tickets
- Italian train travel - Trenitalia and Italo NTV
- High speed European trains - Eurostar, TGV, Thalys
- European passes - Eurail, BritRail, German Rail, France Rail
- Multi country passes and Open tickets
- Swiss Travel System
- Venice Simplon-Orient-Express

Don't forget, some of the world's great rail journeys are in Italy and Europe.

## CIT Recommends

- **France and Italy** - Paris to Rome via the Swiss Alps
- **Two Rivas** - Nice (France) to Liguria (Italy) via Cinque Terre
- **Italian Art Cities** - Milan/Rome - Florence - Venice (via Italian Lakes and Alps)
- **South of Rome** - to Naples - to Amalfi Coast - to Sicily
- **Scenic Rail Journeys** of Switzerland

## Highlights of Italy by Rail

9 days / 8 nights

FROM \$799\*

### INCLUDES

- 8 nights 3-star accommodation
- Breakfast daily
- Standard class rail tickets Rome/Florence/Venice
- Ancient Rome walking tour
- Welcome to Florence tour
- Gondola tour



Explore the magnificent art cities of Italy - Rome, Florence and Venice, staying in centrally located 3-star hotels and travelling between cities by rail.

Discover ancient Rome on foot and enjoy priority entrance to the archeological area. Immerse yourself in the Renaissance architecture and impressive artwork in Florence and soak up the romantic atmosphere of Venice on board a gondola.

**NOTE:** upgrades to 4-star and 5-star hotels and 1st class rail travel are available at a supplement.

For more information and prices on these products, and other rail packages please refer to our Europe Rail brochure and/or [www.cit.com.au](http://www.cit.com.au) or contact us for details.



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## 5 reasons to travel by train

- 1 The most affordable, efficient (and green!) way to travel. Rome to Milan in only 2 hours 55 minutes.**
- 2 Arrive in city centres ready to explore. No waiting at airports or in taxi queues.**
- 3 Flexible and stress free - all you have to worry about is making your next train connection!**
- 4 Rail networks link Italy with neighbouring European countries - Switzerland, France and Spain are just across the border (and mountains). Why drive when you can go by rail and enjoy the view?**
- 5 Quick and easy to plan ahead. Book online at [cit.com.au](http://cit.com.au)**

Welcome aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express, undeniably the world's most famous train. Journey to and from Italy in classic style on board this magnificent train. Travel through the changing landscapes of Europe, surrounded by the lavish décor of each vintage carriage and your cabin accommodation. Sample stunning cuisine and experience the romance and glamour of the Golden Age of Travel on board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express.

### RETURN TRIPS

Return/multi-sector combinations with any other overnight sectors: 15% saving.

### INFORMATION

With a Bellini in hand, depart London Victoria aboard the cream and umber carriages of Belmond British Pullman. Enjoy a delicious brunch as the train wends its way to Folkstone. Join your fellow passengers on the luxury coach transfer to take you across the Channel on the Eurotunnel. Arrive in Calais to relish your first glimpse of the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express. Once settled in to your plush cabin, toast your arrival in the Bar Car before your first magnificent dinner.

### WHAT TO WEAR

In keeping with the spirit of the occasion, you can never be overdressed on board. Many gentlemen choose to wear black tie for dinner, with ladies opting for stylish cocktail or evening dresses, which enhances the atmosphere for all passengers. At the very least, we ask gentlemen to wear a jacket and tie for dinner. During the day, smart casual clothing is the norm, excluding jeans and trainers.

### ADJOINING SECOND CABIN

For additional comfort, you may choose to book an adjoining cabin. The supplement shown is for two people sharing. Waiting list for an adjoining cabin is available within 7 weeks of departure date only. Please ask to be added to the waiting list at the time of booking. Special booking conditions and cancellation fees apply as per the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express policy.

### LONDON/PARIS TO VENICE (OR V.V.) 2 days / 1 night

Departing London or Paris on Thursday or Sunday.

Departing Venice on Wednesday or Saturday.

A journey through southern England to France, Switzerland, Austria and Italy.

### Price per person one-way

#### Departing London

From **\$3440\***

#### Departing Paris

From **\$2880\***

### OTHER JOURNEYS AVAILABLE

Budapest - London

2 days / 1 night

Budapest - Paris

2 days / 1 night

Istanbul - Bucharest -

Budapest - Venice

6 days / 5 nights

Paris - Budapest -

Bucharest - Istanbul

6 days / 5 nights

Venice - Budapest - London

5 days / 4 nights

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Colosseum, Rome



# ITALY'S TREASURES ART, HISTORY & CULTURE

**Age old traditions, awe-inspiring art and architectural masterpieces that have influenced western civilisation and the greatest number of UNESCO World Heritage sites in the world. Italy is full of cultural riches, ancient ruins and the famous names of Michelangelo, da Vinci and the Renaissance.**

From pre-Roman times to the present, Italy holds the key to ancient times and civilisations, its history preserved in town centres (*centro storico*) and unique landscapes across the country. From Greek temples and Roman cities, Etruscan walls and Norman cathedrals, Italy is full to the brim of world famous art, architectural and historic masterpieces.

The major art cities of **Rome**, **Venice** and **Florence**, and many smaller towns, are open air museums full of cultural treasures and recognised heritage sites themselves.



Fresco in Abruzzo

## Italian Treasures Not To Miss

- **When in Rome** Visit the ancient Roman Colosseum, Forum and the Pantheon, Bernini's magnificent fountains in Piazza Navona, artist Rachael's paintings and sculptures in Borghese Gallery and of course, the iconic baroque-style Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps. And don't miss the Capitoline Wolf, a world famous bronze sculpture inspired by the founding of Rome legend and located at the Musei Capitolini.
- **Vatican City** Take in the smallest city state in the world, surrounded by Rome. See St. Peter's Basilica and Square, the Vatican Museums full of ancient archives, Roman sculptures and Renaissance frescos, baroque gardens and of course, the Sistine Chapel, famous for Michelangelo's ceiling paintings including *The Creation of Adam*.
- **Renaissance Florence** is set alongside the River Arno spanned by picturesque Ponte Vecchio. It is home to Michelangelo's much loved sculpture of *David* at Galleria dell'Accademia, Botticelli's Renaissance masterpiece *Birth of Venus* and other masterpieces in the Uffizi Gallery. Visit Brunelleschi's iconic Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral with its magnificent green and red marble façade and the largest brick dome in the world. Don't miss the fascinating Vasari Corridor, Giotto's Florentine-Gothic style Campanile Tower and St. John's octagonal Baptistry, with its *Gates of Paradise* by Michelangelo, an example of Florentine Romanesque architecture and one of the oldest buildings in the city.



Florence



Statue of David, Florence



Italian art



Greek ruins, Sicily

- **Cultural wonders of Milan** See Leonardo da Vinci's world famous mural, *The Last Supper* in the refectory of the Convent of Santa Maria della Grazie and marvel at the Duomo Cathedral, one of Italy's only examples of late Gothic architecture. And the world famous Teatro alla Scala, Milan's must visit opera house.
- **Ancient Greek temples and theatres** scattered across Sicily, Puglia and Calabria regions in the south.
- **Norman cathedrals** in Monreale, Cefalu and Palermo in Sicily.
- **Etruscan architecture** Walls, city gates and arches - some of the best remaining examples of this pre-Roman civilisation found in Volterra and the Maremma in Tuscany and Perugia in Umbria.
- **Mosaic and fresco masterpieces** found in churches, caves and ancient Roman ruins and cities across Italy, from Pompeii in Campania to the early Christian mosaics in Rome's catacombs.
- **Baroque city of Lecce in Puglia** in Italy's south, largely influenced by ancient Greek, Arab and Norman civilisations and a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- **Venice and its Carnevale** Art city extraordinaire with its Byzantine inspired St. Mark's Basilica, Doges Palace and ornately decorated buildings and bridges. Visit the Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice Biennale and the famous La Fenice Theatre - an entire city full of art masterpieces including the stunning 16 foot high Renaissance painting *Madonna di Ca' Pesaro* by Titian.

And much, much more...

## Language Classes

To really embrace the culture and customs of Italy, why not learn a little *lingua Italiana*? We can arrange your study and stay at various language courses across Italy - choose from **Florence, Rome, Siena, Milan** and **Verona**.

## Painting Holidays

What could be more idyllic than sitting in front of an easel, paintbrush in hand, as you attempt to capture the landscape before you? The classic cityscapes, and natural beauty of Italy's diverse landscapes, with the almost translucent light of **Tuscany, Venice** and **Sicily**, provide inspiration for budding and accomplished artists alike. Add a variety of sightseeing excursions into the mix and some delicious Italian food and wine, and you've got the recipe for a relaxing and enriching holiday.

## Guided Tours with Art, Culture & History

Experience iconic Italian landmarks and hidden gems on **escorted or boutique regional tours** through the diverse regions of Italy. Or do-it-yourself, walking or self drive, following a travel plan designed just for you.

**Ask for details.**



Sicilian cannelloni



# BUON APPETITO TASTES OF ITALY

**Eat and drink your way around Italy - savour Italian flavours and experience some of the world's best food and wine.**

Italian food is made and eaten with love. Traditional recipes are passed on from generation to generation, eaten and enjoyed *al fresco* with family and friends. A celebration of seasonal produce, which pays homage to the traditional ways of eating and drinking - simple and authentic flavours, a feast for the five senses!

From north to south, the flavours of Italy are as diverse as they are famous. In **Northern Italy** rice, polenta, butter and game feature heavily due to availability of local produce and proximity to neighbouring countries with their rich mountain-inspired cuisines.

The popular digestive *grappa* is from the northern Alps and has traditionally been used for all types of ailments... and perhaps also for warmth!

**Turin** and the **Piedmont** region is known for chocolate, including much loved Nutella, truffles and *agnoletti* pasta and home of the famous aperitifs, *Campari* and *Martini* and *Rossi* vermouth. It's also the birthplace of the now worldwide Slow Food movement.

From **Veneto** comes the magnificent Italian sparkling wine, *prosecco*, enjoyed on its own or in popular cocktail, the *Bellini*. A classic Venetian dish is *risi e bisi* (rice and peas) and arguably the world's favourite Italian dessert, *tiramisu*, is also Venetian.

In **Lombardy**, the specialties are *minestrone risotto alla Milanese* and hearty *Osso Buco*, best enjoyed with an aged local red wine like *Valtellina Superiore*.

The **Ligurian** region's food is all about the sea and quite distinct from the other northern regions. *Pesto di Genovese*, basil pesto sauce, is the region's claim to fame.

The **central and southern regions of Italy** have their own flavours and specialties. The food of **Abruzzo** and **Puglia** is *cucina povera*, peasant food, with simple seasonal ingredients cooked into hearty dishes that embody the produce of the land.

**Emilia Romagna** is a food lover's paradise with world famous bolognese sauce, aged balsamic vinegar, and *parmigiano reggiano*, real parmesan cheese found throughout the region.

When in **Tuscany**, try a famous *Florentina steak* and go wine tasting in the classic wine regions of *Chianti* and *Montepulciano*. In **Umbria**, try local delicacy, *tartufo nero*, black truffles, with their distinctive earthy flavour used in many dishes.

**The food of the south** is the soul of Italy with rustic Mediterranean flavours, rich spicy tomato sauces and almost exclusive use of olive oil in cooking. A must try dish from **Campania** is *spaghetti puttanesca*, made from olives, tomatoes, anchovies and capers, and the most loved Italian cheese of all, *mozzarella di bufala*, made from the milk of local water buffaloes. **Sorrento** is home of delicious *limoncello* liqueur made from abundant lemons grown along the **Amalfi Coast**.

**Sicilian food** has been influenced by diverse cultures over many centuries and is rich in the fruits of the land and sea. Best known dishes are *vitello al Marsala* and *arancini*, deep fried rice balls and sweet fortified **Marsala** wine from the west coast town of the same name. Sicilian sweets based on almonds include sweet pastry *cannoli* and *cassata*. Don't miss Sicilian ice cream, or *granita*, enjoyed at any time of the day.

The **Island of Sardinia** has its own flavours and even a liqueur of its own. *Mirto*, made from local berries is best enjoyed after a full Sardinian feast.



Parmigiano Reggiano from Emilia Romagna



Cafe in Tuscany



## Italy Cooking Holidays

The recipe for an Italian cooking holiday is a combination of amazing private villas in Italy's most beautiful regions, learning and perfecting Italian dishes from some of the best local chefs, while having fun and experiencing Italy.

Relaxed and hands-on, the cooking lessons take place in the villa kitchen. Work in small groups with local chefs who are passionate about cooking and sharing their knowledge. Learn new skills and create traditional regional recipes using fresh, seasonal ingredients. Italian food is simple and tasty and you will take home recipes to create and enjoy in your own kitchen.

Join a small group cooking week in **Tuscany, Venice, Puglia** and **Sicily**.

**See pages 53 and 127 or ask us for details.**

*If you prefer a more independent style of travel, consider one of our food and wine self drive tours.*

## Food & Wine Self Drive Tours

With Slow Food Italy, these carefully crafted self drive itineraries combine charming accommodation with regionally grown ingredients and locally made dishes. Discover ancient traditions together with local hosts to create a unique regional food and wine experience. Choose from **Lazio, Umbria, Tuscany, Emilia Romagna, Puglia** and **Sicily** self drive tours.

**See pages 52, 118 and 126 or ask us for details.**

## Foodie Tours

Want to cook *la cucina Italiana* with locals in a country farmhouse or join a regional cooking school, experiencing the passion and tastes of Italy? For more cooking and tasting experiences, check out these tours scattered throughout the brochure:

**Buon Appetito Rome** (page 28), **Buon Appetito Florence** (page 41), **Walks and Tastes of Tuscany** (page 50), **Umbrian Appetites** (page 65), **Tastes of Abruzzo** (page 68), **Back Roads of Abruzzo** (page 69) and **Buon Appetito Amalfi Coast** (page 109).

And as they say in Italy, *buon appetito* (good appetite) and *salute* (cheers).

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## General Information & Booking Conditions

### HOW TO BOOK

A non-refundable deposit of \$150 per person is required within 7 days of booking confirmation. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure from Australia unless otherwise specified on your invoice. All rates shown are per person, in \$A, unless otherwise specified.

**Late bookings:** Full payment must be made at time of booking for bookings made 21 days prior to check in.

### CANCELLATION

**Cancelling your accommodation or other services (including transfers, tours, car hire, rail etc.)**

All cancellations or amendments for accommodation or other services must be made via your travel agent or through CIT Holidays. No responsibility can be taken for any cancellations for accommodation or other services which are cancelled direct by the client or direct by the client's travel consultant, regardless of whether written proof is given.

### Accommodation or other services

- Cancellations made 15 days or more prior to arrival will incur \$150 per person, in addition to any fees charged to us by our Supplier.
- 100% cancellation fee applies for cancellations made within 14 days prior to arrival.
- No shows - if you fail to check in at the designated hotel or service on the day booked with CIT Holidays, 100% 'no show' fee will be charged.
- Early departure after check in incurs a 100% penalty of remaining unused days.

Cancellation fees for villas/apartments and CIT Holidays experiences (including tours and packages) differ - please refer to the special policies for each in this section.

## Booking Conditions for Villas & Apartments

The following conditions apply for all villa and apartment properties unless otherwise specified at time of booking.

### BOOKINGS

Check in/Check out times will be advised in documentation and may differ between properties.

### CANCELLATION/AMENDMENT FEES

**Villas:** 100% cancellation applies within 30 days prior to rental commencement period.

**City Apartments:** 100% cancellation applies within 14 days prior to rental commencement period.

### CLEANING

All villas and apartments are not cleaned daily during rental and final cleaning charges apply locally.

### SECURITY DEPOSIT

A deposit as listed, must be paid in local currency to the key holder on arrival. This amount will be refunded, less extra charges as indicated.

### ADDITIONAL CHARGES

Additional charges for linen, power and heating for each villa are payable in local currency.

As a guide:

- Security deposits are payable from Euro 160 per apartment/villa.
- Power cost charges are levied from Euro 60 per apartment, per week.
- Bed and bathroom linen charges are levied from Euro 10 per person.
- Final cleaning charges are levied from Euro 30 per apartment, per week.

### KEY COLLECTION

Full details of key collection will be confirmed with vouchers once documentation has been issued.

## CIT Experiences

### DEPOSIT

A non-refundable deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to secure a reservation and full balance is payable 8 weeks prior to departure from Australia.

### CANCELLATION/AMENDMENT FEES

- 25% 63-49 days prior to commencement.
- 55% 48-23 days prior to commencement.
- 100% within 24 days prior to commencement.

Tour Operator reserves the right to cancel any departure date due to lack of numbers.

### CAR RENTAL IN EUROPE

Once a vehicle is collected, no refunds will be given for any unused car rental days. Car rental prices do not include fuel, oil, extra charges for additional drivers or young driver surcharges, airport and/or railway station pick up surcharges or one way fees, unless specified.

Specific car types cannot be guaranteed; all vehicles are reserved by group only. If a specific group is not available from the depot upon pick up, then the next available group will be provided, at no additional charge.

Additional items such as GPS, roof racks or baby seats must be reserved at the time of booking and paid direct. By law, in certain countries children up to the age of 12 years must have a baby/child seat.

Upon collection, a refundable security deposit by credit card to cover unauthorised rental extension and petrol deposit. You are liable for petrol charges if you do not return your vehicle with a full tank - petrol rates from the car rental company may be higher than those available outside their depot. Car rental companies will hold a deposit for all rentals to be paid locally.

### DRIVING IN EUROPE

Vehicles rented cannot be taken into Eastern Europe and Croatia (additional conditions apply to car rental in Austria). Cars collected on mainland Britain, but delivery is in Northern Ireland - a one way drop off fee will apply. A one way from Britain to Europe is not allowed. A one way from Britain to the Republic of Ireland is not allowed. In Ireland one way drop off fees apply to certain locations. In Europe no one way fees apply when collection and delivery of the vehicle is within the same country. One way rentals are allowed between countries but are subject to additional fees.

## Important Information

### AMENDMENTS

CIT Holidays recommend that you plan your requirements carefully, and avoid changes to your itinerary once lodged with your travel agent, airline provider or CIT Holidays. Such amendments would involve additional charges, namely cancellation and handling fees wherever applicable. For each amendment or cancellation a fee of \$30 will be charged. These rates are the minimum charges as they may also be affected by cancellation fees. See "Cancellation" clause.

### CLAIMS OR REFUNDS

We endeavor to ensure that all your arrangements proceed smoothly. However, should a problem occur during your travels it is essential to try and resolve the matter locally with the service provider. If this is not possible, please inform us immediately. No claims or refunds will be considered unless submitted in writing with supporting documentation, via your travel agent, within 30 days of the date of service. In order to facilitate the investigation of claims it is advisable to bring the matter to the attention of CIT Holidays prior to departing Europe including the efforts that were made with the local operator to resolve the issue. No refund will be made for any unused service (or portion thereof) for any reason once the client has departed from Australia, unless otherwise specified i.e. rail tickets.

### RAIL PASSES

Completely unused non-validated passes may be eligible for a refund less a cancellation administration fees. Lost, stolen or partially used passes may not be refunded. Passes submitted for refund after first day of validity or after 6 months from date of issue cannot be refunded. Any booking conditions set by Rail Europe also apply.

### NOT INCLUDED IN COSTS OF TOURS OR SERVICES

Cost of passports, and visas where required, items not specified as being included, airport taxes where applicable, laundry, telephone calls, food not included on regular menus and any other item of a personal nature, transportation to and from Australia are not included in the cost of tours or services.

### PRICES

Prices in this brochure are based on costs and exchange rates as at 31 August 2015 and are subject to change without notice. Should these costs change it may be necessary to make a surcharge on the price of your holiday which will be advised to you at the time you book. However no surcharge in respect to cost or currency fluctuations will be made to your arrangements of your holiday once full payment has been received by CIT Holidays, unless any changes are made to your booking in accordance with these terms and conditions. This price guarantee does not apply to: (i) fares, charges or levies imposed by airlines up until ticketing; or (ii) any taxes, charges or levies imposed by any government or their agencies.

A city tax is payable direct to all properties at time of check out.

### BROCHURE ERROR AND OMISSIONS

Whilst every effort is made to ensure the accuracy and currency of the information in the brochure, errors or omissions may occur. CIT Holidays disclaims all liability to any party for loss or damage resulting from such errors and omissions.

### INVOICE ERRORS OR OMISSIONS

The right is reserved to correct any errors in rates quoted or calculated for any service notwithstanding that the invoice may have been paid in full. It is the responsibility of the travel agent that all services booked are correct.

### VALIDITY

Prices in this brochure are valid for travel from 01 November 2015 to 31 December 2016, unless superseded or otherwise indicated.

### AIRFARES

Airfares to and from Australia are not included in the cost of any holiday package shown.

### ACCEPTANCE OF BOOKINGS

Bookings are accepted subject to the services or accommodation applied for being available. CIT Holidays and/or its agents reserve the right, without notice, to modify, cancel or withdraw any of the arrangements and, in this event, the full amounts paid will be returned to the customer, and upon rendering the same, all liability of CIT Holidays and/or its agents in respect thereof shall cease. CIT Holidays and/or its agents reserve the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of any party at any time. Bookings with Carriers are also subject to the Carriers' terms and conditions, as printed or referred to in their tickets, and/or timetables, and/or regulations.

## OPTIONAL TRANSFERS

These services include transportation by standard car, minibus or by taxi from arrival point to the hotel or vice versa. Porterage and the service of a representative/assistant are also available at an extra cost. In some cities a supplement will apply for transfer provided between 8.00pm and 8.00am and on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

In some cases, particularly in the main Italian cities, due to traffic restrictions and one way systems, it may not be possible for transport to draw up at the front entrance of hotels and some distance may therefore have to be covered on foot. It is also possible, especially in the cases of smaller or family-run hotels, that porters may not be able to carry luggage. If you so choose, you may make your own way by catching a taxi to and from your hotel, when arriving or departing from each city.

## TOURS/EXCURSIONS

These are provided by motor coach (regular services) and include the services of a tour escort when indicated and/or local tourist guides whenever necessary. Both the tour escort and the local guides may conduct the tours in more than one language. The tour company reserves the right to make changes to the itineraries in this brochure without notice, if any of the places to be visited should not be open or owing to rules or prescriptions concerning motorcoach transit. Visitors in shorts and uncovered shoulders are not admitted into churches.

## TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

All travel documents will be provided to you by your travel agent or CIT Holidays, prior to departure from Australia. Documents are to be exchanged locally at check in or your service.

## PASSPORTS & VISAS

It is your responsibility to arrange all necessary passports and visas. All travellers must have a valid passport for international travel and many countries require 6 months validity from the date of return, and some countries require a machine readable passport. If you need information regarding visa and other travel document requirements for your holiday, please ask your travel agent.

## LUGGAGE

Luggage, including personal articles, is at all times and in all circumstances at owners' risk except to the extent of any insurance purchased by the customer.

## INSURANCE

CIT Holidays strongly advise that travel insurance is taken out on payment of deposit to avoid unnecessary losses. Passengers on some tours may require an international health certificate. If you need information regarding travel insurance for your holiday, please ask your travel agent.

## HOTELS

Hotel categories indicated as star ratings in this catalogue are according to the classifications approved by the Local Authorities of each country. Therefore, comparisons of hotel standards within different countries should be avoided.

**Hotel locations and descriptions:** Please note that maps in this brochure are not to scale and are provided only as a guide to locations.

**Conditions of hotel 'Special Offers':** All special offers indicated are provided by individual hotels, subject to the manager's discretion.

**Free nights:** Where 'free nights' are offered, for example - stay 4 nights, pay 3 - only 1 'free' night is applicable per stay. Free nights are not accumulative and must be consecutive nights (unless otherwise stated).

**Special offers:** Where different 'special offers' are stated against an individual hotel, only one of these offers can be applied.

**Honeymooners/anniversary offers:** Details of honeymooners or anniversary stays must be provided at the time of booking. No special offer benefits will be received should these details not be included in the original booking details from CIT Holidays.

**Hotel check in/check out times:** Check in times are from 2.00pm subject to your room being available upon arrival. If you wish to check in earlier, we suggest that you pre-book your accommodation from the night prior to your arrival. Check out time is usually between 10.00am and 11.00am.

**Fair Dates:** During Fairs higher rates usually apply. Fair dates are also subject to change and if a booking is subsequently affected because of a change in date, higher rates will apply.

## HOTEL ROOM BEDDING CONFIGURATION

Usually the following bedding configuration applies: a single room can be a single bed in a small room or a double or twin bed arrangement, depending upon the hotel.

A twin room can be either a twin bedded room or a room with 1 double bed - double beds must be requested and are subject to availability. A triple room can be either a double or twin room with an additional bed, which is usually a temporary, roll-away bed. A quad room can be either a twin or double room with two temporary roll-away beds, or a room with two double beds or, in some cases, 4 separate beds. Specific room types and specific bedding arrangements cannot be guaranteed and are subject to the hotel's availability at the time of check in.

**Bedding configuration in apartments & villas:** Bedding configurations given for apartments or villas may be subject to change and variation, depending upon the apartment.

**MEALS:** Where meals are included, for example breakfast or on a half board basis, menus are available from the hotel's set menu and not from the A la Carte menu. No refunds for unused menu services.

Breakfast is included in the rates as where specified and is of no set monetary value therefore cannot be refunded if not taken. Breakfasts will vary in content between properties.

## TRAVELLING WITH CHILDREN

**Child sharing a room with adults:** Most hotels offer a child policy. It is important that all details of children travelling and their ages are given to CIT Holidays at the time of booking. Where hotels featured state that a child to a certain age stays free when sharing with 2 adults, in most cases, the hotel will not provide an additional bed and the child is expected to share the same bed as parents.

**Child discounts:** Where a discount price is featured, the child will receive an additional bed, which in most cases will be a roll-away bed. Hotels cannot make any allowances for larger rooms, should you be travelling with children. To ensure an additional bed for your child or children, a triple room rate should be used for 2 adults and 1 child or a quad room (where applicable) for 2 adults and 2 children.

**Child meals:** Where meals are included in the adult prices featured in this brochure, additional charges may be levied for meals for children staying with adults in the same room. This is particularly the case where a child is free in the room. All charges are payable direct to the hotel by you upon departure.

**Car rental:** Please see car rental conditions when travelling with children, as certain countries require that all child/baby seats must be reserved at the time of booking.

## BEACH CHARGES & FACILITIES

Where it is indicated that the hotel arrangements include free beach facilities, this signifies that a deckchair is provided for each person, together with a place under the beach umbrella/shade shared by up to 4 persons. During peak season separate parties may be asked to share the same umbrella/shade. Charges are to be made locally for any additional facilities.

## NOISE

In early and late summer season resorts are less busy and consequently less noisy. It is not that Italy is an excessively noisy country, but traffic and other sounds (e.g. marble floors without carpets which tend to exaggerate noise) can present problems in most places in the world today. Make sure you read the resort and hotel descriptions carefully to help you identify those which are stated to be in quiet locations and those which may not be (e.g. hotels in or close to town centres, or near to main roads or railway lines).

## RESPONSIBILITY

Your travel agent or CIT Holidays do not, by virtue of its endorsement of this brochure, represent itself either as contracting with any purchaser of a holiday from CIT Holidays or as having any other legal relationship with any purchaser aside from the liability as may be incurred as the carrier. CIT Holidays and/or its associated Companies or Agents give notice that they act as Booking Agents only for the persons or companies providing or offering the means of travel, conveyance, transport, accommodation or other services and all receipts, tickets, vouchers, coupons or exchange orders are issued subject to the terms and conditions under which transportation and other services are provided. CIT Holidays shall not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity that may be caused to person or property however caused or arising, during any tour under its management, sponsorship, procurement or otherwise, notwithstanding that the Company's principal may be a foreign Company, corporation or person. So far as the Company shall not be acting as such Booking Agent it shall be deemed to be acting as Agent for the person making the booking.

It is the responsibility of the passenger to ensure that they are in possession of the proper travel documents and that they are in compliance with the current government and transportation companies' regulations. The right is reserved to modify the itinerary in any way considered necessary or desirable or to change any reservation, and/or means of conveyance, without notice and for any reason whatsoever and without allowance or refund but the extra cost, if any, resulting therefrom must be paid by the passenger.

The right is also reserved to cancel or withdraw any tour, or any booking made for a passenger, or to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of a tour for any reason whatsoever. No refunds can be made in respect of accommodation and meals not utilised and under no circumstances can refunds be made for tours and sightseeing excursions not undertaken. The transportation companies or firms shall be exempt from all liability in respect of any detention, delay, loss, damage, sickness or injury however and by whomsoever caused and of whatever kind occurring of or to the passenger at any time when the passenger is not on board a carrier or conveyance used or operated by the transportation companies or firms. Passage contracts in use by the transportation companies or firms concerned shall constitute the sole contract between the transportation companies or firms and the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers. All fares are subject to change without notice. The issuance and acceptance of receipts, tickets, vouchers, coupons or exchange orders shall be deemed consent to the above conditions.

## PRIVACY

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