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# Southern Mosaic: An Italian Journey by Luxury Tour

9 Nights • Luxury Experience

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# Overview

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Fine wines, Majestic views, Rich Culture and History, Iconic Cuisine — The country of Italy is known for many things but above all it is an icon of many wonders, earning the nickname *Bel Paese* which means "The Beautiful Country". Every where you go, there's always something to look forward to.

The Southern part of Italy is a must-visit with the historical sites in Sicily, Rome, Pompei, Naples, and more. There's also the breathtaking coasts of Capri and even the Vulcano Island where one can bathe in the thermal water. Visitors can taste the best cuisines and even learn how to make them from cooking lessons down to wine tasting sessions.

# Your Itinerary

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## DAY 1

### ARRIVE AT ROME

Arrive at FCO Airport - According to the time of arrival, we will determine if there is still chance for a sightseeing tour of the Eternal City or whether you'll transfer to the hotel for rest.

*Accommodation: Dinner and Overnight in Hotel Indigo St. George 5\* in Rome or Similar.*

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## DAY 2

### DISCOVER THE HISTORICAL CENTER OF ROME

After Breakfast, depart to the spiritual center of Catholicism — St. Peter's Basilica — where the large square welcomes everyone with open arms. Continue by foot to visit the historical center of Rome starting from Coliseum Roman forum and Capitoline hill without forgetting the most beautiful squares in Italy like: Piazza Venezia, Piazza Navona, and Piazza Spagna at the foot of the stenographic steps of Trinità dei Monti.

Optional in the afternoon: Underground Rome (We will send to you all the possible routes at a later stage, however, you consider that one of the routes could be underground TrasTevere which starts from Tiberina island, it follows towards TrasTevere bridge and it could be possible to finish the visit with an aperitif in TrasTevere area).

Dinner and Overnight at hotel.

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#### DAY 3

## EXPLORE THE CULTURE AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES OF POMPEI

You will journey to the Campania Region. The tour will begin from Pompei with the famous archaeological sites which might take around 2 hours; it follows towards the Mount Vesuvius to discover the natural aspects and geomorphology of the “sleeping giant” where we can admire the panorama that extends over Naples which will last for about an hour and half; finally, transfer to the accommodation in Hotel Romeo 5\* in Naples or Similar.

After Dinner, there will be an excursion in Naples which is a short night sightseeing tour, around an hour and half, of the main attractions in the historical centre of the city such as the Plebiscito Square and Ovo Castle.

Please take note that this visit is also possible to arrange just after Vesuvius and so before the dinner.

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#### DAY 4

## SAVOR THE FLAVORS AND LEARN NEW RECIPES

After Breakfast at the Hotel, there will be an Optional Cooking Class: An experience in the historical center in Naples that follows the tradition inspired by the recipes of Edoardo De Filippo, it includes a pizza experience with tasting (note: during the cooking class, domestic instruments will be used so that it will be easy for you to repeat the recipe at your own home)

This excursion will begin by tasting food and soft drinks about h 10:00 a.m. and it will finish around the h 01:00 p.m.;

Afterwards, depart to Calabria Region and head to Pizzo Calabro. There, you will explore the historical centre and the Piedigrotta Church close to the main centre. A demonstration of the famous ice cream, Tartufo, is provided before the tasting.

*Accommodation: Dinner and Overnight stay at Porto Pirogias Hotel 5\* or Similar around Tropea area.*

## DAY 5

# A BREATHTAKING ADVENTURE IN VULCANO ISLAND

Today you will embark towards Aeolian Islands, a Volcanic Archipelago is visible from Calabria and Sicilian coasts when the view is clear. Depart from the harbour of Tropea for an entire day to explore Lipari and Vulcano. After landing at the Port of the Main Island, visit the Historical Center with the possibility of shopping in the town. Afterwards, you will depart to Vulcano Island, where it is possible to bathe in thermal water in the area of Sulphur's mood. The Boat Trip will end with a visit of Vulcano Island, an active Volcano where you can admire the colors of the beautiful beaches with black sands.

In the evening, return to the hotel in Tropea are for dinner and overnight stay.

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## DAY 6

# AN EXCURSION TO SICILY

Today you will head to Taormina for an excursion to Sicily; well known for its natural landscapes, beautiful sea, and historical monuments. Here you will visit the Ancient Greek Theatre from where it is possible to admire the summit of the Etna Volcano. You will walk through the main streets until you reach the magnificent square of the Cathedral where you can taste an ice cream in front of the spectacular bay. There is a passage to a panoramic point which is Castelmola, an old village that dominates Taormina where the group can enjoy the view and take photos together.

At the end of the day, transfer back to the Accommodation for Dinner and Overnight stay.

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#### DAY 7

## EXPLORE TROPEA AND TASTE THE FINEST WINES AND OTHER CUISINE.

After Breakfast, explore the historical centre in Tropea while walking through a lot of narrows around the old palaces to reach the balcony which overlooks the Church of St. Mary's Islands. In the early afternoon, transfer towards the winery "Statti" where you will be introduced to the company, visit the oil mill and winery, walk through the oil grove, and taste a wide selection of Wines combined with the typical cheeses, cold cuts, and extra virgin olive oil. This particular visit will take around 2 hours.

Afterwards, transfer towards Sorrento for Dinner and Overnight stay.

*Accommodation: Hotel La Favorita 5\* in Sorrento or Similar.*

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#### DAY 8

## HEAD TO THE ISLAND OF CAPRI AND VISIT ITS MOST BEAUTIFUL GARDENS

Transfer to Capri for a sightseeing tour including Marina Grande and Anacapri — a location well known around the world. You will arrive in the Sorrento Harbor by Hydrofoil boat and as you arrive in Marina Grande, you will reach Anacapri by Microbuses (Maximum of 26 passengers). Head to St. Michele's Villa and afterwards, visit St. Augustus' Gardens in Capri where you can admire the famous Faraglioni at Marina Piccola, then there will be time for shopping. You will then visit the famous square of Capri, a symbol of elegance and glamour.

By the end of the day, transfer to Sorrento for dinner and overnight accommodation.





#### DAY 9

## VISIT THE ROYAL PALACE IN CASERTA

Head to the City of Caserta where the famous Royal Palace Reggia is located. The whole day is dedicated to the outlet La Reggia McArthur Glen Designer for shopping. Here it will be possible to take a shuttle in order to visit the Royal Palace Reggia which is also known for being a UNESCO Heritage site.

By the end of the day, you will head back to Rome.

*Accommodation: Fiumicino airport at Hotel Hilton Rome Airport 4\* or similar.*

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#### DAY 10

## YOUR TOUR ENDS ON THIS DAY

After Breakfast at the hotel in Rome, proceed to airport for return flight home.

# Terms & Conditions

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**The rate includes:**

- Transfer by bus as per program indicated;
- Accommodation provided in hotel 5\* on double basis;
- HB Treatment Continental breakfast and dinner; beverage excluded;
- Private tour guide for visits as per program;
- Globy insurance (insurance for people and medical expenses);
- Group Tour assistance H24;
- VAT.

**The rate does not include:**

- Tips, portorage, entry tickets, lunches at restaurant.

**Additional services:**

- Lunches in all locations;
- Earphones compulsory in S. Peter's Basilica;
- Excursion Underground Rome;
- Entry tickets, archaeological sites in Pompei;
- Entry ticket Vesuvius;
- Cooking class Naples with tasting (Pizza experience);
- Entry ticket Piedigrotta Church in Pizzo Calabro;
- Tasting ice cream Tartufo with demonstration in Pizzo Calabro;
- Daily excursion to Aeolian Islands;
- Daily excursion in Taormina/Castelmola;
- Entry ticket Ancient Theater Taormina;
- Visit and tasting in Statti Winery in Lamezia Terme;
- Hydrofoil Sorrento/Capri/Sorrento (landing tax included);
- Excursion Capri Island;
- Cable railway Capri;

# Ready to Book Your Journey?

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