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Southern Mosaic: An Italian Journey by Luxury Tour

9 Nights • Luxury Experience

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ABOUT THIS TOUR

Overview

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.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

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.*

DAY 2

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.



DAY 3

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.

DAY 4

NAPLES



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 Pirgos Hotel 5 or Similar around Tropea area.*



DAY 5

TROPEA

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.

DAY 6

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 sum point 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.



DAY 7

TROPEA

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.*

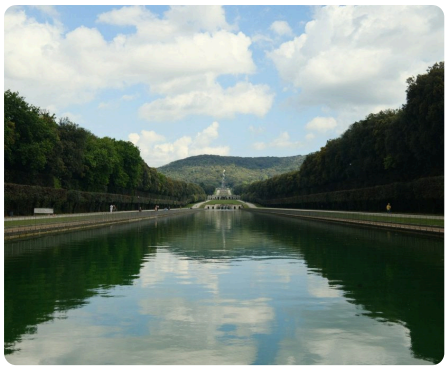
DAY 8

NAPLES



Transfer to Capri for a sightseeing tour inluding 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

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.*

DAY 10

ROME

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



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Terms & Conditions

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, porterage, 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;

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

How long is the Southern Mosaic Italian luxury tour?

> Southern Mosaic is a 10-day, 9-night group tour of southern Italy that starts and ends in Rome. The route takes in Rome, Pompei and Mount Vesuvius, Naples, Pizzo Calabro, Tropea, the Aeolian Islands, Taormina in Sicily, Sorrento, Capri and Caserta.

What is the day-by-day route of Southern Mosaic?

> You begin with two nights in Rome, then visit Pompei and Vesuvius on the way to Naples. Next you head to Calabria via Pizzo Calabro, with a base in Tropea for day trips to Lipari and Vulcano and to Taormina in Sicily. The tour continues to Sorrento and Capri, then Caserta, ending with a night near Rome's Fiumicino airport.

Which hotels are used on Southern Mosaic?

> Hotels listed in the itinerary include Hotel Indigo St. George 5-star in Rome, Hotel Romeo 5-star in Naples, a hotel in the Tropea area, Hotel La Favorita 5-star in Sorrento and the Hilton Rome Airport 4-star at Fiumicino, or similar.

What do I see in Rome on Southern Mosaic?

> On day 2 you visit St. Peter's Basilica, then continue on foot through the historic centre to the Colosseum, the Roman Forum and the Capitoline Hill, and some of Italy's finest squares: Piazza Venezia, Piazza Navona and Piazza di Spagna below the Spanish Steps. An optional Underground Rome visit can be added in the afternoon.

Does Southern Mosaic visit Pompei and Mount Vesuvius?

> Yes. On day 3 you tour the archaeological site of Pompei for about 2 hours, then continue up Mount Vesuvius for about an hour and a half to learn about the volcano and enjoy the panorama over Naples. That evening includes a short night sightseeing walk in Naples to Piazza del Plebiscito and Castel dell'Ovo.

Is there a cooking class on the Southern Mosaic tour?

> Yes, as an option on day 4 in the historic centre of Naples. The class follows traditional recipes, includes a pizza-making experience with tasting and soft drinks, and uses domestic equipment so you can repeat the recipes at home. It runs from about 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

What is special about Pizzo Calabro?

> On day 4 you travel to Calabria and explore the historic centre of Pizzo Calabro and the Piedigrotta Church nearby. The town is famous for its ice cream, and the visit includes a demonstration of it.

What happens on the Aeolian Islands day trip?

> On day 5 you sail from Tropea harbour for a full day on the volcanic Aeolian Islands. You visit the historic centre of Lipari with time for shopping, then Vulcano Island, where you can bathe in thermal waters and admire black sand beaches beside an active volcano, before returning to Tropea.

Does Southern Mosaic include a visit to Sicily?

> Yes. On day 6 you cross to Sicily for Taormina, where you visit the Ancient Greek Theatre with views towards Mount Etna and walk to the Cathedral square overlooking the bay. The day also includes the hilltop village of Castelmola for panoramic views, before returning to your hotel.

What is there to see in Tropea?

> On day 7 you explore the historic centre of Tropea, walking narrow lanes past old palaces to a balcony overlooking the Church of Santa Maria dell'Isola. In the afternoon you visit a family estate to see its olive oil mill and olive grove, with a tasting of local cheeses, cured meats and extra virgin olive oil.

What does the Capri excursion include?

> On day 8 you take a hydrofoil from Sorrento to Marina Grande, then minibuses up to Anacapri to visit Villa San Michele. You continue to the Gardens of Augustus to see the Faraglioni rocks, with time for shopping and a visit to Capri's famous Piazzetta before returning to Sorrento.

Does Southern Mosaic visit the Royal Palace of Caserta?

> Day 9 is spent at Caserta, home of the Reggia, a UNESCO World Heritage royal palace. The day is based at a designer outlet next to the palace, with a shuttle available so you can visit the Royal Palace, before driving back to Rome for your final night.

Is Southern Mosaic a group tour?

> Yes, Southern Mosaic is listed as a group tour, travelling together between regions with sightseeing and transfers arranged. Some visits, such as the Naples cooking class and Underground Rome, are optional so you can tailor the pace.

Which meals are included on Southern Mosaic?

> The itinerary describes breakfast at your hotels and dinner on most evenings, including in Rome, Naples, Tropea and Sorrento. Please ask us for the full list of included meals for your departure, as optional experiences such as the cooking class are priced separately.

Which airport do I fly into for Southern Mosaic?

> The tour begins at Rome Fiumicino (FCO) airport on day 1, and depending on your arrival time you may have a sightseeing tour or go straight to the hotel to rest. The last night is at a hotel at Fiumicino airport, making it easy to catch your flight home on day 10.

How much walking is involved on Southern Mosaic?

> Expect a good amount of walking on uneven ground, including the Rome historic centre on foot, the archaeological site at Pompei, the Vesuvius visit and hilly towns such as Taormina, Castelmola and Tropea. Boat days to the Aeolian

How much deposit is required for Southern Mosaic?

> A 25% deposit confirms your booking, and the balance is due 65 days before departure. The fare for each departure is shown on this page or confirmed in your quote.

Can children travel on Southern Mosaic?

> Yes. Child pricing uses two bands based on age at departure: 0 to under 5, and 5 to under 12. Share the children's ages when you enquire and we will confirm their rate and rooming.

Can a single traveller book Southern Mosaic?

> Yes, single occupancy is available on request. Contact us with your preferred departure and we will quote the single supplement for the hotels on this tour.

How do I ask a question or book Southern Mosaic?

> Email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610, where a travel specialist or our AI assistant will answer. Any departure dates listed on this page can be booked directly online; if none suit you, tell us your preferred dates and we will send a quote.

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