

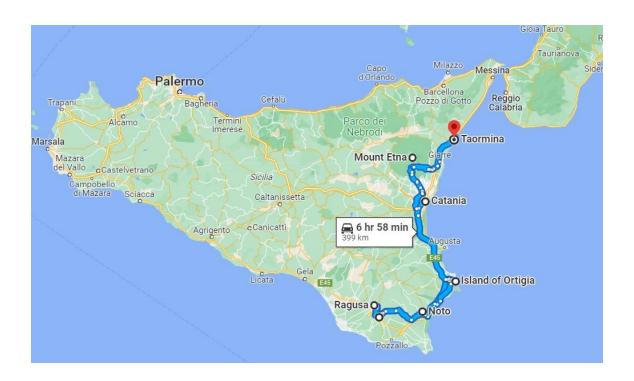
## Eastern Sicily Discovery Experience

Elegance, History, Culture & Flavours of Eastern Sicily

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History | Art | Culture | Cookery | Foodie

8 Days / 7 Nights (Sunday to Sunday)





## Eastern Sicily Discovery Experience

### **Programme & Itinerary**

8 Days / 7 Nights
Date: .....

### <u>DAY ONE – Sunday</u>

#### Welcome to Sicily! Catania - Siracusa

- 11:00: Arrival and meet at Catania Airport in the Arrivals Hall
- Private transfer to reach **Siracusa**, the 2,700 year old town founded by the Greeks and the birthplace of famous mathematician and scholar *Archimedes*
- Extremely rich in history, Siracusa offers an amazing combination of *Greek and Roman Amphitheatres* and *Catholic Basilicas*
- Check in at our Hotel on the exclusive *Ortigia Island*, the original Siracusa, followed by leisure time in *Ortigia Siracusa* for shopping and relax admiring the beauty of this Greek settlement
- Evening at leisure and dinner in the heart of Ortigia Siracusa
- ACCOMMODATION for 2 NIGHTS:
  - o *Grand Hotel Ortigia 5\*\*\*\*\**: <a href="https://www.grandhotelortigia.it/en/homepage/">https://www.grandhotelortigia.it/en/homepage/</a> CLASSIC DOUBLE ROOM



• **Dinner Included:** *A Putia di Giugio:* a nice and cozy venue to start tasting Sicilian flavours. 7 minutes on foot from the Grand Hotel Ortigia. Meet at the restaurant at 19:00. Link: <a href="https://aputiadigiugio.it/">https://aputiadigiugio.it/</a>



### DAY TWO – Monday

### Ortigia Market - Siracusa History & Sites - Art & Baroque - Ortigia

- 10:00: After breakfast, short transfer with your Host to meet your Guide for a guided visit of Siracusa's *Neapolis Archeological Park* to discover its intriguing history
- Morning will continue as you explore the lively local morning markets of the island leading to lunch
- 12:00: Meet your Host at "Fratelli Burgio" for lunch, a spectacular tasting feast amongst the buzz and lively atmosphere of **Ortigia's Farmers' Market**, a truly special celebration of flavours!
- 13:15/13:30: Afternoon will feature a guided walk of *Ortigia* to discover its stunning Baroque architecture
- Evening at leisure and dinner arranged by Guests
  - o *Grand Hotel Ortigia 5\*\*\*\*\**: <a href="https://www.grandhotelortigia.it/en/homepage/">https://www.grandhotelortigia.it/en/homepage/</a> CLASSIC DOUBLE ROOM

**Recommended Dinner Reservation:** *Taverna Giudecca*. Real Sicilian flavours and a lovely venue. 9 minutes on foot from the Gran Hotel Ortigia. Booked for **19:00**. Link: https://www.antoniorizza.com/

## **DAY THREE – Tuesday**

#### Noto - Modica & Chocolate Tasting - Cheese Tasting - Ragusa

- 10:00/10:15: After breakfast, meet your Host in the lobby to reach the beautiful town of **Noto**, that will welcome us with its stunning *Baroque* architecture of its monumental sites on our guided walk
- Our journey through Baroque Sicily in its South-Eastern corner continues with the nearby town of **Modica**, renowned also for its excellent organic chocolate production
- Typical lunch either in *Noto* or in *Modica*
- After lunch, our destination will be the beautiful Baroque town of Ragusa
- Late afternoon at leisure in Ragusa and dinner in Ragusa arranged by Guests
- ACCOMMODATION for 2 NIGHTS:
  - o *A.D. Boutique Hotel 4\*\*\*\*: https://www.1768iblahotel.it/en/*DOUBLE CLASSIC OR DELUXE ROOM

**Recommended Dinner Reservation:** *That's a Moro.* Traditional gourmet & art in a lovely venue. 2 minutes on foot from the Hotel. Booked for 19:00. Link: https://thatsamoro.it/?lang=en





### **DAY FOUR – Wednesday**

# Ragusa - Wine Tasting Vittoria – Ragusa \*Montalbano Sites\*

- 10:30: After breakfast, a leisurely guided *Walking Tour* to explore Ragusa's mythological aura and the beautiful architecture enjoying the stunning views that Ragusa offers
- Lunch in town will follow
- **16:00:** This afternoon will feature an elegant **Wine Tasting** knowledgably paired with local delicacies at a famous winery in **Vittoria**, the famous *Donnafugata Winery*
- **OPTION:** For Guests familiar with the internationally critically-acclaimed *Commissario Montalbano* books and series, this afternoon may feature a tour of the sites where the author *Camilleri* places his fictitious Commissioner-Detective and that appear in the series, a beautiful excursion through the South-Eastern coast of Sicily and its stunning villages and towns
- Return to Ragusa for a leisurely evening and dinner arranged by Guests
  - o A.D. Boutique Hotel 4\*\*\*\*: https://www.1768iblahotel.it/en/

### **DAY FIVE – Thursday**

# Mount Etna Off-Roading Experience – Taormina \*Ferrari, Lamborghini & Maserati Option\*

- 08:30/08:45: After an early breakfast, we check out and head towards an amazing day of discovery as we head towards the majestic heights of one of the world's most active volcanoes, Mount Etna
- Our appointment is with our SUVs for a **climbing**, **hiking and off-roading experience** near the craters of Etna
- **OPTION: sit behind the wheel** of our *Ferrari*, *Lamborghini and Maserati* to enjoy an epic drive today to reach the summit! Convoy will be entirely controlled by our pace vehicle for pure enjoyment and peace of mind! (Quoted separately)
- We will take on a **short hike** along the ridges of the craters on Europe's largest active volcano climbing as close as possible to the craters or in one of our *Off Road vehicles*
- Lunch will be at a nearby Refuge in a lovely spot
- After lunch, time to reach the famous town of **Taormina** for an afternoon and evening at leisure in this most famous location
- Check-in at our beautiful Hotel followed by an evening at leisure for a spot of people watching and dinner arranged by Guests along the *Corso* 
  - Hotel Splendid Taormina: <a href="https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/">https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/</a> CLASSIC OR DELUXE ROOM WITH SEAVIEW (3 NIGHTS)





**Recommended Dinner Reservation:** *Osteria da Rita* or *Osteria San Nicolo*'. They are both cosy and easy places after a long day. Both places are 14 minutes on foot from hotel and they are both just off the main Corso Umberto in Taormina.

## DAY SIX - Friday

#### Taormina Experience - Greek Theatre - Italian Opera

- 10:00/10:30: After breakfast, meet your Guide in your Hotel lobby for a guided walk through Taormina's fascinating *Greek Theatre* followed by lunch
- Afternoon at leisure leading up to an evening with a spot of *Italian Opera* at the lovely *Nazarena Theatre* staring at 21:15
- VIP ticket: early entrance at 20:30 with Welcome Drink and choice of seating
- Early dinner arranged by Guests
- The evening will feature the most beautiful arias and duetts from famous operas:
  - o Don Giovanni by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
  - o **La Traviata** by Giuseppe Verdi
  - o Cavalleria Rusticana by Pietro Mascagni
  - o **Tosca** by Giacomo Puccini
  - o Il Barbiere di Siviglia by Gioachino Rossini
  - o **Norma** by Vincenzo Bellini

Hotel Splendid Taormina: <a href="https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/">https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/</a>

Recommended Dinner Reservation: *Ristorante and Pizzeria Tiramisu*' (19:30) or Arco Dei Capuccini (19:00): these venues are a few minutes from the Hotel and near the Nazarena Theatre (1 minute away) for this evening, Nice selection of food and very good. Links: <a href="https://tiramisutaormina.it/">https://tiramisutaormina.it/</a> & <a href="https://www.arcodeicappuccini.com/">https://www.arcodeicappuccini.com/</a>

## **DAY SEVEN – Saturday**

### Culinary Masterclass & Taormina

- 10:00: Meet your Chef Host at *Porta Messina* (historical entrance to Taormina) to reach the local market to pick up fresh fish, vegetables and all ingredients for your morning *Culinary Masterclass* to explore the flavours and recipes of Sicily's Eastern Coastline under his guidance!
- Sleeves up!... Today's class will be unique, as your Hosts will guide through a hands-on preparation of the finest, yet simple, traditional Sicilian and fish dishes from the Mediterranean Sea ... a tantalizing gastronomic experience!!
- Return to Taormina for an evening at leisure in town and dinner arranged by Guests *Hotel Splendid Taormina:* <a href="https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/">https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/</a>

**Recommended Dinner Reservation:** *Osteria Villa Zuccaro:* along Corso Umberto in the heart of Taormina. Very nice restaurant for a romantic dinner booked for **19:00.** Link: https://www.villazuccaro.com/en/osteria-villa-zuccaro/

## DAY EIGHT – Sunday

## Transfer to Catania Airport

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Highlights & What's included for "Eastern Sicily Discovery Experience"

Eastern Sicily Discovery Experience (8 days/7 nights): €3500 Eur pp

- Guests: 2 to 7
- All Transfers included by Private Luxury Vehicles and Drivers
- Starting point: Catania Airport on Day One
- Ending point: Catania Airport on Day Eight
- Fully escorted by our Leader and Hosts
- Accommodation 5S & 4S <u>included</u> (please note: the venues listed might be subject to change and proposal re-quoted)
  - o **2** nights in the heart of Ortigai (Siracusa) *Grand Hotel Ortigia* **5**\*\*\*\*\*\* https://www.grandhotelortigia.it/en/homepage/
  - 2 nights in Ragusa A.D. Boutique Hotel 4\*\*\*\*: <a href="https://www.1768iblahotel.it/en/">https://www.1768iblahotel.it/en/</a> OR Itria Palace 4S <a href="https://www.itriapalace.it/en/">https://www.itriapalace.it/en/</a> OR Palazzo San Giorgio 4S <a href="https://www.sangiorgiopalacehotel.it/en/">https://www.sangiorgiopalacehotel.it/en/</a>
  - 3 nights in Taormina Hotel Splendid Taormina 4S:
     https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/en/

     OR NH Hotel Taormina 5S: <a href="https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-collection-taormina/">https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-collection-taormina/</a>
     OR Piccolo Giardino 4S
- Accommodation type: Double or Single Room at Hotels, Luxury B&Bs and Special Venues.
- An exciting and unique journey of discovery through the very best of Sicily
- Guided walks and Cultural Experiences arranged on a comfortable schedule and roll-out (private vehicle)
   with personal Guides
- Foodie Experiences as per the itinerary
- 1 Cookery Masterclasses in Taormina
- Meals as per the program with exclusive wines included: 7 Lunches & 1 Dinner. All restaurants and venues are highly selected and offer the most special Abruzzo1 & ItaliaSpeciale Experiences!

#### A word on Tipping

At *Italia Speciale and Abruzzo1* our mission is to assure only the best experiences possible around Abruzzo and Italy through our highly selected network of Partners and Hosts, all committed to delivering the highest standards of knowledge and service to our guests. We do this by nature and soul, as proud as we are of our proposals and our people. Tips are never expected and always come as a nice bonus for our partners.

A token of gratitude. Ideally your Host should collect €75 eur in cash per guest on Day 3 to cover all tips that deserve to be shared among all Partners.

Tips are not compulsory by any means, and should be given exclusively for high quality service.

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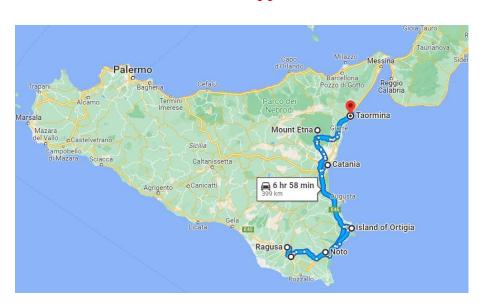


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#### **BUSINESS ADDRESS**

#### GlobalMente.biz SRLS

Via Gran Sasso, 25 65010 Spoltore (PE)

Italy

T: +39 328 4838954 E: info@GlobalMente.biz

#### **BANK DETAILS for Bank Transfers**

Name: GlobalMente.biz SRLS Bank name: UniCredit (00789)

**Address:** Viale Abruzzo -66010 Chieti (Ch) **IBAN:** IT20 H 0200 8155 0200 1037 08183

**BIC/SWIFT**: UNCRITM1789

Alternatively: UNICRITMM789 (dep on Bank)

#### **BANK - FULL ADDRESS**

#### UniCredit S.p.A.

00789 Chieti Viale Abruzzo Viale Abruzzo, 281-287 - 66013

Chieti Scalo (CH) - Italy T: +39 0871 076089 Fax +39 0871 530205

#### Please Note: €500 per person Euros in Cash required in Italy

**Downpayment:** €500 non-refundable deposit upon booking **OR** Utilizable within 6 months on any Abruzzo Experience at <a href="https://www.Abruzzo1.com">www.Abruzzo1.com</a>

#### **Payment options:**

• Bank Transfer: €uros agreed amount (must clear in full)

Credit CardPaypal: +4.5%

• Full Cash: €50 discount

OR Pay in €500 eur Installments over a 3-month period.







Italia Speciale is pleased to welcome you to Italy! To ensure your comfort and security, please complete the below form and send via email to either <a href="Italia@ItaliaSpeciale.com">Italia@ItaliaSpeciale.com</a> or <a href="hello@Abruzzo1.com">hello@Abruzzo1.com</a> as soon as possible. All information in this form will be treated in the strictest confidence.

#### **Individual Personal Information Form**

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Name:	
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Abruzzo & ItaliaSpeciale Experience of Interest: Sicily Discovery & MasterExperience	
Dates of Interest:	
Accommodation Details in Italy (where and if not arranged by us):	
Details of Next of Kin	Will you have an International Phone & Data plan in Italy? Yes   No
Name: Relation to You:	Where would you prefer to be contacted? WhatsApp   Telegram   Signal   Viber   Text   Email
Address:	Preferred Accommodation: Single, Twin, Double?
Email:	Preferred water: still or fizzy?
Phone Number:	
Medical & Dietary Requirements	
Please list any medical conditions:	
Please list any medication that you take:	
Please list any foods that you cannot eat:	
Please list anything else you feel the Organizers should be aware of:	

## aware of: Travel Details

Please provide full details, with dates and flight numbers, of your international transfers (below or separate attachment / email is also fine):

Are you travelling with a partner/spouse/relative/friend in the group? Please specify full Name.

**Trivia:** Favourite Song/s & Band/s 😊:

#### Photo Release

We occasionally like to use photographs of guests on holidays for promotional purposes. Is this Ok? Yes | No

