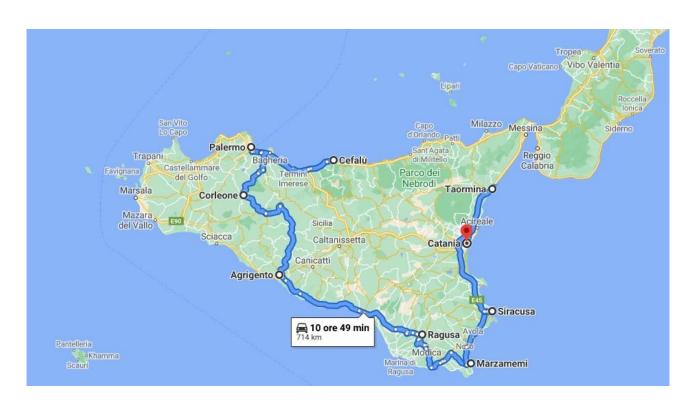


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DAY ONE – Sunday

Welcome to Sicily! Palermo

- 13:00: Arrival and meet up at Palermo Airport
- Transfer to our charming accommodation in the very heart of Palermo welcomed by our wonderful Hosts
- Luxury accommodation **included** in the heart of Palermo:
 - o InSuite Palermo Luxury Apartments: https://www.palermoinsuite.com/
- Alternative accommodation in Palermo recommended by us and **quoted separately:**
 - o Grand Hotel et Des Palmes: https://www.grandhotel-et-des-palmes.com/
 - o Principe di Lampedusa (http://www.principedilampedusa.it/)
 - o Villa Igiea: https://www.roccofortehotels.com/it/hotels-and-resorts/villa-igiea
- Check in and time at leisure
- Dinner and evening in *Palermo* to discover our first Sicilian flavours and wines

DAY TWO - Monday

Monreale - Palermo Quarters & Foodie — Palermo by night

- This morning, after breakfast, our journey of discovery starts with a guided walking experience and visit of **Monreale** and its stunning **Norman-Byzantine Cathedral**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an amazing example of that artistic and architectural fusion of cultures that Sicily is famous for
- Lunch in Monreale will be followed by a guided visit through the fascinating quarters of Palermo, a true cultural immersion in its history spanning over **2700 years!**
- Our walk will include Palermo's mesmerizing architecture and heritage from the *Phoenicians* to the *Romans*, from the *Byzantine* influence to its *Arab and Norman* domination
- Late afternoon *Aperitivo* followed by dinner in *Palermo* arranged by Guests or an evening at the *Opera* (*dependant* of the *Theatre Season Calendar*)



DAY THREE – Tuesday

Private Sicilian Cooking Class I in Palermo with Markets – Palermo with Theatre option

- This morning, a very special treat...sleeves up for a hands-on Cooking Masterclass with *Chef* to disclose the some of the secrets behind a few Sicilian staple dishes!
- Let your Host guide you through the typical and **busy markets of Palermo** before moving on to your very own Cookery Masterclass
- Your class will cover the most delicious Sicilian preparations and recipes under the guidance of our **passionate** Chefs, followed by lunch to sample the fruits of our labour!
- After lunch, we would recommend time at leisure exploring Palermo, an *Art Gallery* or enjoy an opera or concert at the imposing *Teatro Massimo* (dependant of the Theatre Season Calendar)
- Dinner in town arranged by Guests

DAY FOUR – Wednesday

Corleone & Mafia Myth & Legend – Culinary Masterclass II- Agrigento Sports-car option

- 09:30: After breakfast, we say goodbye to our hosts in *Palermo* and start a very special day ahead through Sicily
- Our first destination is the famous (or infamous?!) town of **God Father** memory **Corleone** for a true in-depth experience of Sicily's mafia between myth, legend and reality
- Arrival in *Piazza Falcone Borsellino* to meet with our local guide and start our personal *Walking Tour*
- Introduction to Corleone's intriguing *Mafia* origins with several famous stops along our walk throughout its fascinating historical old town
- We will then take off an a panoramic drive to reach Corleone's highest mountain point and visits to several **Norman and Arab sites**
- Lunch will be at a local *Trattoria*, but our hosts will welcome us to our second **Cooking Masterclass** that will feature Sicily's most traditional dishes!
- After lunch, we head towards the coast and reach Agrigento, among Sicily's most important cultural and historical experiences!
- Take the chance to make your drive today special behind the wheel of an Italian sports
 car waiting for you nearby! Quoted separately
- A Greek settlement dating back millennia, Agrigento was among the wealthiest colonies of Magna Graecia
- Check-in at our lovely hotel followed by dinner with evening at leisure



DAY FIVE – Thursday

Agrigento & The Temple Valley - Wine Tasting Vittoria - Ragusa

- This morning will feature a guided visit through Agrigento's *Valley of the Temples*, a breathtaking visit of Sicily's most notable *Temples*, *Churches and Acropolis*
- Lunch will be excellent fish caught locally at one of Agrigento's best restaurants, well known by the locals!
- Our destination this afternoon is the beautiful Baroque town of **Ragusa**
- En-route Wine Tasting knowledgably paired local delicacies at a famous winery in Vittoria, the famous Donnafugata Winery
- We will then reach Ragusa and after we have checked into our Hotel, a leisurely evening in Ragusa Ibla
- Dinner and evening at leisure arranged by Guests in Ragusa

DAY SIX – Friday

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

- After breakfast, a leisurely guided *Walking Tour* to explore Ragusa's mythological aura and the beautiful architecture enjoying the stunning views that Ragusa offers, departure to reach the nearby town of **Modica**, renowned for its excellent chocolate production
- En-route stop for a lovely local cheese-tasting experience with our Hosts
- Our stroll around *Modica* will be complemented by a local chocolate tasting followed by lunch based on local traditional recipes and native flavours
- We will then reach the beautiful town of **Noto**, that will welcome us with its stunning *Baroque* architecture
- After lunch, time 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*
- Our Hotel will be on the exclusive *Ortigia Island*, the original Siracusa
- Evening at leisure and dinner arranged by Guests in the heart of Ortigia Siracusa



UNIQUE OPTION #2: * Quoted separately **DAY SIX – Friday**

Private Mediterranean Fishing Experience – Siracusa by Boat*

- 06:00: This morning will feature a private fishing experience
- Early morning transfer to *Marzamemi* to meet our local fisherman and his boat
- Full day at sea, hopefully with a good catch and fresh fish lunch onboard
- Time to reach **Siracusa by boat**, the 2,700 year old town founded by the Greeks and the birthplace of famous mathematician and scholar *Archimedes*
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 - * Quoted separately

<u>DAY SEVEN – Saturday</u>

Siracusa Ortigia – Taormina

- After breakfast, morning will feature a lovely evening guided walk of *Ortigia* and the *Neapolis Archeological Park* to discover its intriguing history and stunning architecture
- Lunch will be a spectacular tasting feast amongst the buzz and lively atmosphere of **Ortigia's Farmers' Market**, a truly special celebration of flavours!
- Time in *Ortigia Siracusa* for shopping and relax admiring the beauty of this Greek settlement before departing to reach **Taormina** for the evening
- 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*

DAY EIGHT – Sunday

Option #1: Culinary Masterclass between Taormina and Catania

• 09:30: Morning Culinary Masterclass to explore the flavours and recipes of Sicily's Eastern Coastline under the guidance of our lovely Hosts!

Option #2: Mount Etna Off-Roading Experience

- 09:00: Your Driver will be waiting for you for your private transfer to reach **Mount Etna** this morning!
- 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*
- We will enjoy a frugal lunch at altitude as we approach the craters
- Transfer back to Taormina and rest of the day at leisure



DAY NINE – Monday

Option #1: Mount Etna Off-Roading Experience

- 09:00: Your Driver will be waiting for you for your private transfer to reach **Mount Etna** this morning!
- 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*
- We will enjoy a frugal lunch at altitude as we approach the craters
- Transfer back to Taormina and rest of the day at leisure

* Option #2: Taormina – Helicopter Experience over Mount Etna, Stromboli Volcano and the Aeolian Islands (Vulcano)* (approx 1h 35min)

- 08:30/08:45: Transfer to Giardini Naxos to meet your private helicopter and Captain awaiting you at the helipad to board
- 09:00: Fascinating fly over Sicily's most iconic natural active volcanoes and islands: *Mount Etna* and its several craters, the *Stromboli Volcano* and the *Aeolian Islands* with special attention to the island of **Vulcano**
- Transfer back to **Taormina** and rest of day at leisure or theatre

*quoted separately

<u>DAY TEN – Tuesday</u>

Transfer to Catania Airport

• Transfer to Catania Airport... Arrivederci Sicily!!





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Maserati Gran Cabrio in Sicily (4 seats) & Helicopter over Mt Etna – Stromboli Volcano





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Highlights & What's included for "Sicily Discovery & MasterExperience"

Full Proposal: $\notin 4250$ eur pp $\rightarrow \notin 3995$ eur pp on special arrangements

- Guests: min 4 max 12
- Private Luxury Vehicle and Driver
- Starting point: Palermo Airport on Day One
- Ending point: Catania Airport on Day Ten
- Fully escorted by our Leader and Hosts
- Accommodation 3S & 4S included (please note: the venues listed might be subject to change)
 - 3 nights in the heart of Palermo (https://www.palermoinsuite.com/ or Guests' choice quoted separately)
 - o **1** night in Agrigento (https://www.hotelexclusive.it/home-page-en.html)
 - o 1 night in Ragusa (https://www.itriapalace.it/en/ OR https://www.sangiorgiopalacehotel.it/en/)
 - o 1 night in Siracusa (https://www.domusmariaebenessere.com/)
 - 3 nights in Taormina (www.ilpiccologiardino.it OR https://www.splendidhoteltaormina.com/ OR https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-collection-taormina/ dependant on availability)
- Accommodation type: 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 in: Palermo Corleone Ragusa Modica Noto Siracusa
- Foodie Experiences as per the itinerary
- 3 Cookery Masterclasses in Palermo, Corleone and Taormina
- Meals as per the program with exclusive wines included: 8 Lunches & 4 Dinners. 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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The Financials

Breakdown & Payment

Full Proposal: $\[\[\] \]$ *eur pp* $\[\] \rightarrow \[\] \]$ *eur pp on special arrangements*

Payment breakdown:

- €500pp Eur non-refundable deposit upon booking OR Utilizable within 6 months on any Abruzzo Experience at www.Abruzzo1.com
- Balance as per the following options below

Payment method:

Deposit options:

• Bank Transfer: €500 eur + bank charges

• Credit Card: +2.5%

• Credit Card via Paypal: +4.5%

• Cash: €75 discount

Balance options:

• Bank Transfer: € agreed amount + bank charges

• Credit Card: +2.5%

• Credit Card via Paypal: +4.5%

• Cash: €75 discount

OR Pay in €500 eur Installments:

• We will freeze the funds until full amount is reached : € agreed amount + bank charges

Please note: Cash Amount Required in Italy: €500 per person minimum

Proposal valid and reservable until: ...

Cancellation deadline:

w/ Full refund of Balance: ... w/ 50% refund of Balance: ...

Thank you, Leonardo

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Individual Personal Information Form

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:	Where would you prefer to be contacted?
Relation to You:	WhatsApp Telegram Signal Viber Text Email Preferred Accommodation: Single, Twin, Double?
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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:

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 😊:

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