

Sicily millennial culture and Mediterranean flavors

Travel programme • 29 October - 9 November 2024

DAY BY DAY PRO

- 29/10 Arrival in Italy and Castellammare del Golfo.

Transfer of the whole group from Palermo airport to Castellammare del Golfo.

Short walk in Castellammare del Golfo.

Lunch at a restaurant.

Transfer to Trapani and check in at the hotel.

Relax and free time in Trapani.

Welcome aperitif at the hotel.

Overnight stay: Room of Andrea - Hotel **** - Trapani

- 30/10 Erice and Pasticceria Grammatico, Saline di Trapani and wine tasting.

Cable car ride from Trapani to Erice.

Experience and tasting in a pastry shop.

Lunch at a restaurant and free time in Erice.

Descent by cable car to Trapani and transfer to the Saline di Trapani Nature Reserve.

Visit of the Trapani Salt Pans.

Transfer from the Saline to a winery for a visit, wine tasting and dinner.

Overnight stay: Room of Andrea - Hotel **** - Trapani

- 31/10 Agrigento Valley of the Temples.

Transfer from Trapani to Agrigento.

Lunch at a restaurant.

Guided tour of the Valley of the Temples.

Transfer from Agrigento to the agriturismo and check in.

Dinner at the internal restaurant of the holiday farm.

Overnight stay: Vecchia Masseria Agriturismo - Caltagirone

- 1/11 Villa Romana del Casale and Caltagirone

Transfer to Piazza Armerina.

Guided tour of the Villa Romana del Casale and its mosaics.

Visit to an oil mill with tasting and lunch.

Transfer to Caltagirone and short walk.

Visit to a ceramics workshop in Caltagirone.

Transfer to the farmhouse and dinner in the internal restaurant.

Overnight stay: Vecchia Masseria Agriturismo - Caltagirone

- 2/11 Donnafugata Castle and Modica

Transfer to Donnafugata Castle.

Guided tour of the Donnafugata Castle.

Transfer to Modica.

Lunch at a restaurant and free walk to visit Modica.

Transfer to the hotel and check-in.

Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight stay: Minareto Resort ***** - Syracuse

- 3/11 Visit to Syracuse

Transfer to Syracuse Ortigia.

Guided tour of Syracuse and the Cathedral.

Free lunch and free early afternoon.

Transfer to the hotel and check in.

Apericena at the hotel.

Overnight stay: Donna Carmela Resort & Lodges - Carruba di Riposto (Catania)

- 4/11 Historical Fish Market of Catania and Taormina

Transfer to Catania's historic fish market.

Street Food walk at the market and lunch.

Free time in Catania.

Transfer to Taormina and short walk to the Theatre of Taormina and free visit.

Dinner at a restaurant.

Overnight stay: Donna Carmela Resort & Lodges - Carruba di Riposto (Catania)

- 5/11 Etna and Bronte Pistachio Tour

Transfer to Etna Volcano.

Excursion to Etna Volcano.

Transfer to a restaurant and lunch.

Visit of a farm that produces pistachios and tasting.

Back to the hotel and dinner.

Overnight stay: Donna Carmela Resort & Lodges - Carruba di Riposto (Catania)

- 6/11 Cefalù and Palermo

Transfer to Cefalù.

Walk in Cefalù and lunch at a restaurant.

Free time in Cefalù.

Transfer to Palermo and check-in at the hotel.

Dinner at a restaurant in the centre of Palermo.

Overnight stay: Grand Hotel et des Palmes ***** - Palermo

- 7/11 Visit of Palermo

Food & History tour in Palermo.

Street Food lunch.

Guided visit to the Norman Palace.

Free time and free dinner.

Overnight stay: Grand Hotel et des Palmes ***** - Palermo

- 8/11 Monreale

Transfer to Monreale.

Guided visit to the Cathedral of Monreale.

Transfer to Mondello and lunch at a restaurant.

Transfer to Palermo and free afternoon.

Final dinner.

Overnight stay: Grand Hotel et des Palmes ***** - Palermo

- 9/11 Departure

Transfer to Palermo airport and end of services.

GENERAL INFORMATION

PRICES AND CONDITIONS NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS, LANGUAGE SPOKEN

The minimum group size is **16 participants**, the maximum 20. With a smaller number of participants, the fee must be recalculated. The common language spoken by the guide, Dr Fu-Ju Yang, will be Chinese, the accompanying person from the Italian agency will speak Italian and English.

INDIVIDUAL FEE

including taxes and fees

Euro 7,400.00 in double room

Euro 8,450.00 in double or single room (supplement Euro 1,050.00)

Euro 1,500.00 deposit to be paid upon booking, no later than 30 January 2024. The balance must be paid by 29 September 2024, and in any case, no later than one month before departure.

The receipt for the down payment will be sent online via e-mail. After payment of the balance, an invoice for the entire amount of the trip will be sent in the same manner.

THE FEE INCLUDES

- Tour accompaniment by Dr Fu-Ju Yang, expert in Italian art, culture and cuisine.
- Italian, supportive, English-speaking tour leader.
- Hire of private minibus with driver for the whole tour with free WIFI service.
- Tip for the minibus driver.
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel.
- Transfer for arrival and departure from Palermo airport, at the time to be indicated.
- 11 Overnight stays with breakfast in four- and five-star hotels (3 hotels) and in a farmhouse and a resort.*
- 11 Visitor's taxes.
- 10 Dinners in restaurants or trattorias with two, three or four courses of typical dishes with drinks included (water and 1 glass of wine or beer).
- 10 light lunches in restaurants or trattorias or combined with tastings, with drinks included.
- Trapani cable car ascent and descent tickets.
- Off-road excursion to Mount Etna volcano.
- Visit and tasting at a pastry shop in Erice.
- Visit and tasting at a farm that produces pistachios.
- Visit to a winery and wine tasting.
- Guided tour and oil tasting at an oil mill.
- Visit to a ceramics workshop in Caltagirone.

- Guided tour of Syracuse and the cathedral.
- Entrance to the Theater of Taormina.
- Entrance and guided tour of the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento.
- Entrance and guided tour of the Villa Romana del Casale.
- Entrance and guided tour of the Castle of Donnafugata.
- Entrance and guided tour of the Norman Palace.

* OVERNIGHT STAYS

2 nights – **Room of Andrea - Hotel ******

Viale Regina Margherita, 31 - 91100 Trapani (TP) | Tel. + 39 0923 365728
www.roomofandrea.it

2 nights – **Vecchia Masseria Agriturismo**

Contrada Cutuminello Km 68, SS117bis - 95041 Caltagirone (CT) | Tel. +39 338 915 5001
www.vecchiamasseria.com

1 night – **Minareto Resort *******

Via del Faro Massolivieri, 26 - 96100 Siracusa (SR) | +39 0931 721222
www.minareto.it

3 nights – **Donna Carmela Resort & Lodges**

Contrada Grotte, 7 - 95018 Carruba di Riposto (CT) | Tel. +39 095 809383
www.donnacarmela.com

3 nights – **Grand Hotel et des Palmes *******

Via Roma, 398 - 90139 Palermo (PA) | Tel. +39 091 804 8800
www.grandhotel-et-des-palmes.com

* The names of the hotels are indicated in the programme, respectively for each day; however, it is possible, for reasons beyond the organiser's control, that some may be replaced with hotels of the same or higher category. It should be noted that the rooms in the various establishments may be of different categories. These are often ancient buildings built for a non-accommodation purpose with different rooms; some are small structures with only a few rooms. An attempt will be made, from time to time, to distribute the rooms of a higher category equally.

THE FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Medical and luggage insurance and travel cancellation.
- Transfer from your place of residence to Palermo.
- One lunch in Siracusa and one dinner in Palermo.
- Extra services, tips not included and anything not expressly provided for in the programme and in THE PRICE INCLUDES

TRAVEL CONFIRMATION

The trip will be confirmed when the minimum number of 16 registrations has been reached. The final date for confirmation of the trip is 30 January 2024.

Once the trip has been confirmed, further entries will be accepted, up to a maximum of 20, by 15 February 2024.

WITHDRAWAL AND PENALTIES

The traveller may withdraw from the contract at any time. In the event of cancellation of the trip by the traveller, the following penalties shall apply

- from booking to 30 April 2024, penalty equal to half of the deposit paid;
- from 1 May to 28 September 2024, penalty equal to the entire deposit paid.
- from 29 September, the final date for payment of the balance, to 29 October, penalty of 100 %.

Travellers who find themselves in the situation of having to cancel their trip must, if necessary, activate the claim with their insurance company, as cancellation insurance is not included in this travel package.

INFO AND PROGRAMME CHANGES

Other useful information about the trip, in particular the names and contact details of the tour leaders and any additional information, will be given by e-mail before departure. The above-mentioned programme may be subject to some changes, before or during the tour, due to technical or organisational reasons, or due to weather conditions that preclude some outdoor activities. Consequently, some of the services planned, such as excursions, visits, tastings or other, may be replaced with other services of the same type, quality or value, at the sole discretion of the tour leaders.

The programme may also be subject to changes or limitations in the event of emergency government regulations regarding public health. The causes cannot be foreseen and are beyond the organiser's control.

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