

SICILIAN SUNSETS & AMALFI DELIGHTS 2025

VALLETTA TO NAPLES

EXCLUSIVE SHORE EXCURSION PACKAGE

PLEASE NOTE THAT AGRIGENTO (DAY 2) AND ERICE TOURS (DAY 3)
REQUIRE A PRE-BOOKING





DAY 2 PORTO EMPEDOCLE, SICILY

Agrigento & The Valley of the Temples THIS TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING UP TO 10 DAYS AHEAD OF CRUISE

• Duration approx. 4 hours

• Incl. Transportation, English-speaking guide, entrance fees

Per Person: Euro 124

Explore Agrigento, a captivating hilltop city on Sicily's southwestern coast, where ancient history, breathtaking landscapes, and Mediterranean culture converge. Renowned for its rich archaeological heritage, Agrigento invites visitors to wander through ancient ruins, savor panoramic views, and dive into the region's fascinating past.

Departing from Empedocles's port, you'll feel the refreshing sea breeze as you gaze out over the Mediterranean. As you venture inland, the journey takes you through picturesque rural landscapes, quaint villages, and lush olive groves and vineyards that are characteristic of this part of Sicily.

Your first stop is the Valley of the Temples (Valle dei Templi), Agrigento's most famous archaeological treasure and a UNESCO World Heritage site. This vast park showcases some of the most impressive ancient Greek ruins in the world. As you stroll through the Valley, you'll marvel at the towering temples and learn about the history of this sacred site, which dates to the 5th century BCE. The serene atmosphere, set against lush greenery, creates a truly unforgettable experience.

A short drive from the city, you'll discover the Scala dei Turchi (Stair of the Turks), one of Sicily's most mesmerizing natural wonders. This striking limestone cliff, shaped over millennia by the forces of nature, features a series of white, step-like formations that descend toward the turquoise waters below. The view is breathtaking. Finally, relax and enjoy the scenic drive back to the port, reflecting on the unforgettable sights and experiences of your journey through the heart of Sicily.



DAY 3 TRAPANI, SICILY

Medieval Town of Erice THIS TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING UP TO 10 DAYS AHEAD OF CRUISE

- Duration approx. 4 hours
- Incl. Transportation, English-speaking guide, entrance fees
- Per Person: Euro 95

Embark on a scenic and enriching journey from lively Trapani to the medieval hilltop village of Erice. Departing, the coastline unfolds before you, with the Mediterranean Sea's crystal-clear waters stretching endlessly to your right. Along the way, you'll pass the historic salt pans; the area is dotted with traditional salt mills and charming windmills, contributing to the region's distinctive allure.

As the landscape transitions from flat plains and salt pans to lush green hills, the drive begins to wind upward, offering breathtaking views. On clear days, the vistas are particularly striking, with the distant Egadi Islands visible on the horizon.

The picturesque town of Erice, perched at an elevation of 750 meters on top of Mount Erice, retains its medieval charm. Narrow cobblestone streets wind through stone houses, all framed by panoramic views of the surrounding countryside. Notable attractions include the Castello di Venere (Venus Castle), offering stunning vistas of Trapani and beyond, and the Chiesa Madre, a centuries-old church exuding historical beauty. The town's quaint streets are lined with small shops selling local delights such as almond pastries, handwoven textiles, and artisanal ceramics. Erice is also renowned for its medieval walls and towers, further enhancing the town's enchanting, timeless atmosphere.

Finally, as you journey back, the scenic route offers a final opportunity to soak in the stunning landscapes once again.



DAY 5 PALERMO

Food tour. Eating Palermo like a local

• Duration approx. 4 hours

• Incl. Transportation, English-speaking guide, Tasting of typical street food and cannolo

Per Person: Euro 112

On our Food Tour you'll experience the best-known landmarks of this vibrant city, along with hidden gems that offer an authentic, local perspective on Palermo's food culture. Wander through the maze of historic streets, where the air is filled with tantalizing aromas and the promise of delicious discoveries.

Led by your expert guide, you'll navigate Sicily's bustling markets, immersing yourself in the beautiful chaos that defines this region.

By the end of your tour, you'll have savored some of Palermo's most mouthwatering dishes and gained a deeper understanding of its rich culture and heritage.



DAY 6 LIPARI

Lipari City Tour

• Duration approx. 4 hours

• Incl. Transportation, English-speaking guide, entrance fee, local wine treat

• Per Person: Euro 83

Begin your journey in Lipari Town, where the lively atmosphere draws you in. Stroll through the quaint streets of Marina Corta, where you can enjoy the sight of boats drifting out to sea and visiting local shops and delis. The heart of the island, Lipari Town provides a perfect mix of tradition and modern-day vibrancy.

Next, make your way to the Citadel, a historic site rebuilt after the devastating pirate raid by Barbarossa in 1544. This attack destroyed the town, killing locals and leaving much of it in ruins. Although many businesses have since relocated, the Citadel remains a stunning vantage point with sweeping views of the island.

At the Citadel, the Museo Archeologico Regionale Eoliano awaits, housing an impressive collection of ancient artifacts. Admire the intricate theatrical masks from the time of Greek control, and marvel at the mysterious shipwreck cargos dating back to the Roman Empire.

As the tour ends, we will sip a glass of Malvasia delle Lipari wine at a cozy family Bistrot.



DAY 7 SORRENTO

Pompeii Tour

• Duration approx. 5 hours

• Incl. Transportation, English-speaking guide, entrance fee

• Per Person: Euro 128

Step back in time on a captivating tour of Pompeii, the ancient Roman city buried by Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. Explore well-preserved streets, homes, and forums, discover Roman life frozen beneath volcanic ash. As you wander past intact homes, baths, and forums, you'll learn about the vibrant society that flourished here more than two thousand years ago.

Expert guides will lead you through landmarks like the Forum, Temple of Apollo, Basilica, and the lavish House of the Faun. Marvel at the Villa of the Mysteries' stunning frescoes and the Amphitheater, where gladiators once fought. The impressive Amphitheater and Theater offer insight into Roman entertainment, where gladiators fought, and plays were performed.

See haunting human casts and artifacts, offering a poignant glimpse into the city's tragic end. With fascinating insights from your guide, this tour provides a powerful connection to Pompeii's rich history and enduring legacy.

Whether you're a history enthusiast or simply intrigued by ancient civilizations, the Pompeii tour offers an unforgettable glimpse into the past, showcasing the enduring legacy of this once-great Roman city.





IMPORTANT NOTE:

Our curated tours are prearranged, therefore we kindly ask you to pre-book your tours marked with "prebooking required" at least 10 days before your cruise. No prepayment is required, but please note that pre-bookings will be binding. Prices are valid for a minimum of 14 guests; for smaller groups, a 10% surcharge may occur depending on the tour. Cancellation fees apply for cancellations received less than 48hrs before each tour

REMARKS:

The tours are exclusively run for our Variety small groups and require a minimum of 14 guests. If a tour cannot operate due to low occupancy <u>our staff will suggest alternative options.</u>

Our tailor-made tours do perfectly match with our cruise itinerary timings and are led by local certified English-speaking guides or professional escorts. Let us take you to the "must see" sites and show you some hidden spots at the same time.

The tours are subject to changes due to site restorations, weather, heavy traffic or other conditions. Should sites or museums be closed on our visiting days, alternative visits will be offered instead.

All tours are quite active and require good physical condition. Due to slippery sites, we recommend comfortable shoes, sun tan lotion, a hat and water. Dress code for Church and Monastery visits.

Gratuities for drivers and guides are not included.

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