

# Flavors of Southern Italy & Puglia

II Days from \$2,432

(3) Sorrento • (1) Matera • (2) Lecce •

(2) Selva di Fasano • (2) Bari

ESCORTED TOUR PROGRAM



#### PREFERRED HOTELS (OR SIMILAR)

THE ENTED HOTELS (ON SIMILAR)							
City	Nts.	Hotels	Cat.				
Sorrento	3	Grand Hotel La Pace	First class				
Matera	1	Palace Hotel Matera	First class				
Lecce	2	President	First class				
Selva di Fasano	2	Tenuta Monacelle	First class				
Bari	2	Victor	First class				

## **INCLUDED FEATURES**

- First class hotel accommodation for 10 nights
- 18 included meals consisting of:
- 10 buffet breakfasts
- 1 gourmet lunch with mini a-la-carte menu at local restaurant
- 2 gourmet dinners with mini a-la-carte menu at local restaurants
- 5 dinners with mini a-la-carte menu at hotels
- Wine, mineral water and coffee or cappuccino served with meals at hotels and restaurants
- Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows:
- Amalfi coast excursion, including cruise (weather permitting)
- Excursion to Capri and visit of the Gardens of Caesar Augustus
- Guided tour of Matera
- Wine tasting at a local estate
- Guided tour of Lecce
- Guided tour of Otranto
- Olive oil tasting
- Visit of Alberobello
- Guided tour of Bari
- Guided tour of Trani
- Visit of "Castel del Monte" in Andria
- Arrival and departure airport transfers (see restrictions on page 73)
- Baggage handling
- Document holder and luggage tags
- Personalized audio system to hear every word your guide says, even from a distance
- · Hotel taxes and service charges
- City tax

Day 1 Tue Naples/Sorrento Morning arrival into Naples' Capodichino Airport. Here you'll be met and transferred to your hotel in Sorrento, the famous resort town of orange and lemon groves. The balance of the day is at leisure. This evening enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel's restaurant. (D)

Day 2 Wed Sorrento/Positano/Amalfi/Ravello/Sorrento Leave Sorrento in the morning for Positano. Brief stop at the Belvedere to enjoy a unique view of Moorish architecture blended with pastel colored houses. Weather permitting, board a motorlaunch and cruise along the coast to Amalfi for a walking tour of the old town. Continue to Ravello. Enjoy lunch at a restaurant with spectacular views of the Amalfi coast and the Bay of Salerno. Free time for a stroll around the center of town before returning to Sorrento. (B, L)

Day 3 Thu Sorrento/Capri/Sorrento A morning jetfoil whisks you across the blue Bay of Naples to the fabled Isle of Capri, where you will ascend to the Piazzetta, visit the Floral Gardens of Caesar Augustus, and still have free time for lunch and some shopping before returning to Sorrento. Tonight dinner is at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4 Fri Sorrento/Matera This morning we depart for Matera, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1993. Your afternoon tour will guide you through the city of the Caverns, entrenched villages, peasant houses carved in the rock, frescoed rocky churches, grand Romanesque, Pugliese and Baroque churches, and notable noble palaces. Dinner at hotel. (B,D)

Day 5 Sat Matera/Lecce After breakfast, we depart for Lecce a city with few diverting Roman remains and a wealth of fine architecture scattered about an appealing old town. On our way to Lecce, we will stop at a local winery for a wine tasting session at a well renowned estate. Overnight at hotel in Lecce. (B)

Day 6 Sun Lecce/Otranto/Lecce This morning's guided city tour will introduce you to the beauty of Lecce. Built in the local soft creamy limestone with dazzling architectural surprises around every corner, Lecce is a minor Baroque masterpiece. Its spider's web of streets that offer a kaleidoscopic mix of longrange vistas, alluring glimpses and playful perspectives that have long enchanted visitors. In the afternoon we head towards Otranto, for a guided tour of Italy's easternmost town. The imposing castle, thick perimeter walls and robust towers dominate much of the town, giving way to a small port, a series of sea-front promenades with excellent fish restaurants and the town's very own beautiful white sandy beach and turquoise waters. Return to Lecce for dinner and overnight at hotel. (B,D)

Day 7 Mon Lecce/Ostuni/Selva di Fasano After breakfast, we depart for Ostuni. Rising high above the vast olive-carpeted plateau of the lower Murgia, Ostuni has long been an awe-inspiring sight for those travelling across Apulia. Strong defensive walls and tumbling clusters of white-washed houses wind around the hillside, at the top of which, proudly surveying the surrounding land, sits the magnificent Gothic Cathedral. After an olive oil tasting session, you will have time for lunch on own before continuing to Selva di Fasano. Dinner and overnight at hotel. (B,D)

Day 8 Tue Selva di Fasano/Alberobello/Selva di Fasano This morning we visit Alberobello, Puglia's picture-postcard town famous for its conical-roofed houses – "trulli" - and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. With its narrow pedestrian streets, little shops selling local produce, and a few nice cafes and trattorie offering al fresco dining, Alberobello will enchant you. This evening, a wine tasting session will be followed by dinner featuring typical dishes of the Apulian cuisine at your hotel. (B,D)

Day 9 Wed Selva di Fasano/Bari This morning we depart for Bari, where you will be taken on a guided tour of this lovely city in the early afternoon. The tangled network of crooked streets and passageways that make up Bari's old town is commonly known as "Bari Vecchia". Home to many of the city's churches and historic buildings, the area is a beautiful example of ancient Medieval architecture. (B)

Day 10 Thu Bari/Trani/Bari This morning we depart for Trani. Visit of the old town center, a charming Medieval network of streets with plenty of fine architecture arranged around the picturesque fishing port, which is itself flanked by numerous bars, cafés and fish restaurants. During your guided city tour, see Trani's iconic seafront Cathedral, one of the finest anywhere in Italy, before visiting Andria's architectural marvel: "Castel del Monte". Return to Bari in time for your Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)



Day 11 Fri Bari to USA (or extend your stay) Morning transfer to airport for your return flight home. (B)

## **DATES & PRICES**

Tour's Start	Tour's End	Price (*)	Tour's Start	Tour's End	Price (*)
Date	Date		Date	Date	
12-May	22-May	\$2,596	4-Aug	14-Aug	\$2,505
26-May	5-Jun	\$2,596	8-Sep	18-Sep	\$2,590
16-Jun	26-Jun	\$2,576	29-Sep	9-0ct	\$2,584
7-Jul	17-Jul	\$2,485	13-0ct	23-0ct	\$2,432
21-Jul	31-Jul	\$2,485	20-0ct	30-0ct	\$2,432

#### Guaranteed departures in red

Single Supplement: \$754

Reduction for third person sharing twin-bedded room: \$90

(\*) Price is per person based on double occupancy.

Rates for additional nights at first and last city are available.



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