



MEZZANOTTE LUXURY TOURS

## SOUTHERN ITALY AND SICILY 2023



**September 16 – October 1, 2023**

**16 Days / 15 nights**

## **SOUTHERN ITALY AND SICILY 2023**

Join us as we explore Southern Italy and amazing sites in Sicily on this gastronomy, culture, art, history and leisure adventure. Our Journey will start in the magnificent city of **NAPLES** (Napoli), where we will visit the ruins of **POMPEII** and enjoy time in **SORRENTO** and the spectacular **AMALFI COAST**. In the neighboring Basilicata, we'll spend time in **MATERA**, which in 1993 was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. **MATERA** is made up of ancient cave dwellings stacked up on the hills. We will leave Basilicata on our way to **SICILY**, a beautiful island with its own special character - a combination of elegant Baroque cities, ancient Greek ruins and amazing coastline of the Mediterranean, Ionian and Tyrrhenian Seas. Our **SICILY** adventure will start in the beautiful seaside city of **TAORMINA** with its fascinating amphitheater. We will explore the **MT. ETNA** Volcano area and enjoy a visit to a great local winery. We will also visit archeological sites in **SYRACUSE**, home to Archimides, and Villa Romana del Casale in **PIAZZA ARMERINA**. From there our tour will continue to **AGRIGENTO** where we'll explore the Valley of the Temples, a spectacular collection of Greek temples strung along rocky crests. **PALERMO** is our final stop.

**Gerry and Adriana Sarmiento**

"To have seen Italy without having seen **Sicily** is not to have seen Italy at all, for **Sicily** is the clue to everything." Goethe 1787

## **ITINERARY**

### **Day 1 –Napoli (Naples)**

Afternoon City Tour visiting the most important sites of Napoli

4\* Hotel- Napoli

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### **Day 2 –Napoli (Naples)**

Morning City Tour – we will continue visiting this exciting city,

Afternoon at Leisure

4\* Hotel- Napoli

BLD

### **Day 3 –Pompeii - Sorrento**

We will travel south to Pompeii for morning tour. After our visit to the ruins, we will visit a local winery where we will have lunch, we will enjoy some free time in Sorrento, before returning to Napoli, rest of the evening at Leisure

4\* Hotel- Napoli

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### **Day 4 –Amalfi Coast**

We will spend the day touring the Amalfi Coast. We'll be back in Napoli for our last dinner in this beautiful city

4\* Hotel- Napoli

BLD

### **Day 5 – Napoli – Matera**

We will leave Napoli on our way to Matera in the Basilicata Region, we will have an afternoon at leisure in this beautiful city.

5\*L Hotel – Matera

BLD

### **Day 6 – Matera**

Matera City tour

5\*L Hotel – Matera

BLD

**Day 7 - Matera – Taormina**

Early departure from the charming town of Matera in mainland Italy to go to our first destination in Sicily – Taormina

We will travel 280 miles on our bus, crossing to Sicily on a ferry.

4\* Hotel- Taormina

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**Day 8 – Taormina – Etna – Taormina**

Day tour in the Mt. Etna Volcanic Area

4\* Hotel- Taormina

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**Day 9 – Taormina**

We will visit Taormina and the surrounding area

4\* Hotel- Taormina

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**Day 10 – Taormina – Catania - Siracusa**

We will leave Taormina in the morning; we will visit Catania before arriving in the beautiful city of Siracusa.

5\* Deluxe Hotel – Siracusa

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**Day 11 - Siracusa**

City tour in Siracusa

5\* Deluxe Hotel – Siracusa

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**Day 12– Ragusa & Modica**

We will have the opportunity to visit the charming towns close to Siracusa, we will enjoy visits to their historical buildings as well as their culinary traditions of chocolate, gelato, pastries and many others.

5\* Deluxe Hotel – Siracusa

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### **Day 13 – Agrigento**

We will depart from Siracusa going west to visit Piazza Armerina and its wonderful archeological site of Villa Romana del Casale, we will continue to Agrigento after the visit

4\* Hotel -Agrigento

BLD

### **Day 14 – Agrigento – Palermo**

In Agrigento we will visit the Valley of the Temples, a spectacular collection of Greek temples strung along rocky crests before arriving to Palermo.

4\* Hotel -Palermo

BLD

### **Day 15 – Palermo**

We will have Palermo city tour in the morning, Palermo is Sicily's capital and one of its most important cities. In the afternoon we will visit Monreale, a historic hill-town just outside Palermo, very famous for the fine mosaics in the town's great Norman cathedral.

4\* Hotel -Palermo

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### **Day 16 – End of the trip**

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