

The Italian Cultural Society of Sacramento Presents:

Springtime in Sicily and Sorrento

Taormina, Agrigento, Etna, Siracusa, Ortigia, Forza d'Agro, Savoca, Sorrento, Pomepii, Amalfi, Ravello !



HOSTED BY
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31 March to 9 April, 2019 -10 days
\$2,999/*double occupancy

☆☆ Tour Includes:☆☆

- ♥ 5 Nights First Class Sicily Hotel
- ♥ 3 Nights in 1st class Sorrento
- ♥ All buffet breakfasts
- ♥ All Multi Course Dinners
- ♥ Full time Tour Manager
- ♥ English speaking local guides
- ♥ Deluxe Motor-Coach
- ♥ Sightseeing Tours and Museum Admissions
- ♥ Flight from Catania to Naples
- ♥ Welcome Cocktail Party
- ♥ Porterage of one large case
- ♥ Tour Orientation and much more



Price is per person double occupancy. Single Supplement fee for Private Room is \$500. Price includes internal tour flight from Catania to Naples. NOT INCLUDED: international Airfare to Italy and tips of 150 Euro per person.



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Italian Cultural Society Exclusive Sicily and Amalfi Coast Tour: “Springtime in Sicily and Sorrento”



Join us on this spectacular tour of Southern Italy. See Sicily, Sorrento, Ravello, the Amalfi Coast, the incredible city of Pompeii, Amalfi and much more. Sicily is unbelievably rich in natural beauty, history, arts, culture and cuisine. You will walk among the greatest Greek ruins, see incomparable Roman and Norman mosaics, and explore remote hilltop villages and spectacular landscapes. Visit the Sicilian cities of Siracusa, Agrigento, Taormina, Mount Etna, Forza d’Agro, and Savoca. We will fly from Catania to Naples and then transfer to the enchanting city of Sorrento. We will enjoy the breathtaking “Amalfi Drive” with its stunning views. This drive is said to be the most spectacular road in Europe. We will visit the partially buried Roman city of Pompeii which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is one of the most popular tourist attractions in all of Italy. Come discover Southern Italy with us!

ITINERARY Sicily and Amalfi Coast Tour 10 day tour – 31 March to 9 April, 2019

Day 1: 31 March 2019 -Depart the USA for Sicily

Airfare is not included in this package and travelers have flexibility to arrive in Italy when they wish.

Day 2: 1 April 2019 - Arrive at the Catania Airport

Today travelers arriving at the Catania Airport in Sicily will be transferred to romantic Taormina. Time to settle in your hotel and enjoy a delicious, welcome and orientation dinner.



Day 3: 02 April 2019 - Taormina

After breakfast, we will explore beautiful Taormina with our private, local guide. Taormina’s history dates back to the 4th century B.C. Perched on the edge of a cliff overlooking the Ionian Sea, Taormina boasts an incredibly spectacular setting and breathtaking views. You’ll view medieval buildings and ancient ruins amid a fertile oasis of olive groves, grape vines and orchards. In the Old Town, stroll along Corso Umberto, filled with trendy shops offering everything from fashionable clothing to antique jewelry and furniture. Visit Teatro Greco (Greek Theatre) and the enjoy the incredible views of the bay.

We will drive to the famous Mount Etna for an unforgettable visit to the volcano. The rest of you day is free to explore and enjoy the unspoiled charm of the area with its shops and restaurants. Enjoy incredible restaurants, caffès, bars and elegant shops. Dinner is included at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 4: 03 April 2019 - Agrigento

Today, we enjoy a full day excursion to Agrigento to visit the Valley of the Temples. These fabulous archaeological ruins are set amid a breathtaking landscape and are considered by many experts to be the best-preserved collection of buildings from Classical Greece in existence today. You’ll marvel at the Temple of Hercules, the well preserved Doric Temple of Concord, and the Temple of Jupiter. Optional country lunch in authentic farm before we return to Taormina where dinner is included at your hotel. (B, D)





Day 5: 04 April 2019 - Siracusa and Ortigia

This morning, we'll depart for Siracusa, one of the world's most important archaeological centers in the world. You'll visit the Greek Theatre, the Roman Amphitheatre which dates back to 5th century B.C. and the Ear of Dionysius. Almost every person visiting Ortigia falls in love with this island, the beautiful piazza, the hospitable people, the sea, the views. We will enjoy an afternoon in Ortigia which is the oldest part of the city and was chosen by the Greeks for their first settlements to found their colony on. Dinner at our hotel. (B, D)



Day 6: 05 April 2019 - Taormina/Forza D' Agro and Savoca/Taormina

This morning, we'll discover the charming hilltop medieval villages of Forza d' Agro and Savoca. These charming little towns are full of local culture. We will see the locations used in filming the Godfather movies. Dinner is included at the Hotel (B, D)

Day 7: 06 April 2019 - Catania to Naples to Pompeii Sorrento

This morning we will be travel by private motor coach to Catania where we'll make the short flight to Naples (this AIRFARE IS INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE). Upon arrival to Naples we will meet our local guide and go to visit Pompeii with a special Pompeii guide who will show us this incredible city and Ruins. Tonight we check into our Sorrento hotel with free time to freshen up before a special welcome dinner hosted by your tour escort. (B, D)



Day 8: 07 April 2019 - Sorrento

Few resorts in the world match the very special charm of Sorrento. A favorite with the international jet set, the resort on the bay of Naples boasts an exquisite climate, beautiful beaches, trendy shops and boutiques, museums and galleries. Enjoy time on your own. Optional concerts and live entertainment this evening. Enjoy Dinner at our Sorrento Hotel. (B, D)

Day 9: 08 April 2019 - Amalfi Coast/Sorrento

Today is a day you will remember for a lifetime. Our local guide will take us on a breathtaking drive along the Amalfi Coast, called il "Nastro Azzuro" (the Blue Ribbon) and considered one of the most beautiful drives in the world. Each winding turn reveals a dazzling and unforgettable view of the coastline and sea. The villas are perched into the rocky coastline and seem to hang from the heavens. Stop in Amalfi, one of the four "Republiche Marinare" of Italy. Celebrate Mass at St. Andrew, the Amalfi dome, dedicated to St. Andrew is located at the end of steep stairs. Continue to Ravello, which is nestled 1,110 feet above the sea. Visit Villa Rufolo, which gave the musician Richard Wagner the inspiration to create his most famous works. Farewell Dinner and overnight in Sorrento. (B, D)

Day 10: 09 April 2019 - Sorrento/Naples/USA

This morning after enjoying breakfast, we will check-out of our hotel and transfer to the NAPLES airport for the flight home. Say "Arrivederci" (see you again!)

*** All Sightseeing subject to changes* *When necessary hotels may be substituted with similar properties"**

Italy is a dream that keeps returning for the rest of your life – Anna Akhmatova

Nota Bene: Guest must be able to walk approximately 1.5 miles over uneven and cobble stone surface, inclines and 40 to 65 steps. Comfortable walking shoes are essential! Due to the nature of this tour, it is not recommended for guests using walkers or wheelchairs or with mobility issues.

Travel Tip: Whether traveling with us, or considering any international travel within the next year, now is the perfect time to make certain your passport is valid for 180 days after your return date.

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Terms and Conditions

Terms and Conditions: Walking is required as part of this excursion. All trip members are expected to be active, in good health, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences with grace and good manners.

Passports and Visas: U.S. Citizens must be in possession of a passport which must be valid for at least six months after the return date. All other nationalities must check with the Italian consulate for proper papers. NO VISA REQUIRED for U.S. Citizens staying less than 90 days, others check with your local Consulate. This is your responsibility. Passport and visa information may be obtained by contacting the Travel Advisory Section of the U.S. State Department at 202.647.5225 or by visiting the State Department's Web site at travel.state.gov. To obtain medical information, you may contact the Centers for Disease Control at 404.332.4559 or visit the CDC's Web site at www.cdc.gov.

Reservations: I understand that a deposit of \$300 per person is required at booking to secure a reservation. All deposit payments must be made payable to Ships and Trips Travel by check. **(Please note that Credit card payments have a 3% charge.)**

Balance Tour Fees: The balance of the tour cost is due 90 days prior to departure on or before January 01, 2019. If final payment is not received by due date the reservation is subject to cancellation and **deposit will be forfeited.**

Validity: Tour Price and terms are based on a minimum of 12 participants. In the unlikely circumstance where Italian Cultural Society cancels tour your entire deposit will be refunded. All rates are based on the current value of the US Dollar and are based on double occupancy. A one time charge of \$500 for single supplement applies to travelers in private rooms.

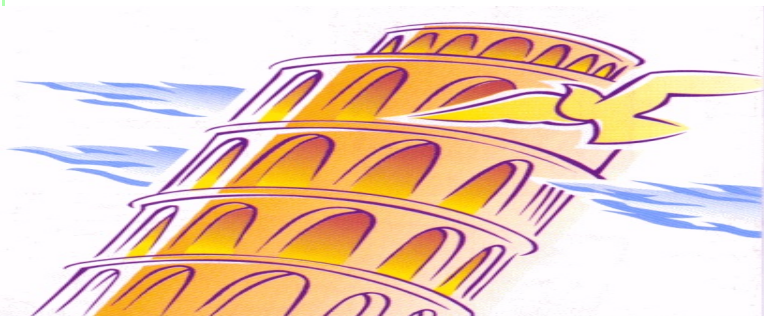
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Insurance: **We strongly URGE** that all passengers have comprehensive insurance. (Health, accident, baggage and trip cancellation) the Italian Cultural Society and Ships and Trips Travel shall not be responsible for any personal injuries, personal and or property damages, or losses caused by and to any traveler. Including, but not limited to inability to travel due to medical or personal emergency, terrorist activities, social or labor unrest, mechanical or construction difficulties, diseases, local laws, climatic conditions, supplier bankruptcy, abnormal conditions or developments, or any other actions, and omissions. By embarking upon his/her travel, the traveler voluntarily **assumes any and all risks** involved with such travel, whether expected or unexpected. Traveler is hereby warned of such risks, and is strongly advised to obtain appropriate insurance coverage against them.

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DEPOSIT AND TOUR APPLICATION: SICILY AND SORRENTO 31 March to 09 April , 2019

IMPORTANT: Please print your name EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT!

First:	Middle:	Last:	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Nickname:
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Phone: ()		Cell: ()	email:	
Emergency Contact: person not traveling with you		Phone: ()	Cell: ()	Relationship:
If you are sharing a room with someone not named on this form: Rooming with: Name:		Middle:	Last:	Bed Preference: Please circle one: one large bed Two Twin Beds

PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF THE PHOTO PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT!!

The tour will include:

Daily buffet breakfasts, and all daily dinners for entire tour
 Full time English and Italian Speaking tour manager and guide
 English speaking licensed local city tour guides
 Private Motor coach transportation
 Air travel from Catania to Naples airport
 8 nights lodging in premium Hotels and Historic Inns
 Accommodations based on double occupancy (single supplement is \$500 for private room)
 Sightseeing, tours, museum admissions and reservation fees
 Porterage fees one large suitcase per passenger
 Ground Transfers from the Catania Airport on tour start date and to Naples Airport on final tour date
 Professionally Planned Tour and Pre-departure information and orientation packet

The tour does not include:

Air transportation (flight to Italy)
 Drinks except where specifically included
 Laundry
 Lunches except where specifically included
 Travel insurance (**STRONGLY URGED!**)
 Telephone charges, incidentals and room service
 Gratuities of 150 euros per person to cover all restaurant staff, bus drivers, local guides, reception and hotel staff, and porters. Tips will be collected in euros in Italy.

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I understand and accept the terms and conditions outlined in this trip proposal, and agree to hold the Italian Cultural Society and Ships and Trips Travel, and its employees harmless for any injury, damage or loss I may suffer traveling on this tour.

Client's Name: (Please Print) 1. _____ 2. _____

Client's Signature: 1. _____ 2. _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

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