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## SICILIAN ESCAPE

7 Day Tour from Palermo to Taormina Riviera



#### VACATION OVERVIEW

Escape to Sicily for seven days of beauty, cuisine, and history—without the crowds you'd find in the high-season. Begin in Palermo and meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. Spend the following day on a guided sightseeing tour of Palermo's ornate Piazza Bellini and Capo Market. See the stunning baroque features of the Church of the Immacolata, and visit the historic Palermo Cathedral. Enjoy the panoramic view of the Conca d'Oro in Monreale, and visit the 12th-century Norman Cathedral with its treasured byzantine mosaics.

Walk through the 24-centuries-old Valley of the Temples with your Local Guide in Agrigento, visit Piazza Armerina's Villa Romana del Casale to admire the world's largest collection of Roman mosaics. In Syracuse, the birthplace of mathematician Archimedes, you'll take a guided visit to the archaeological site of the 5th-century-BC Greek Theater, Garden of Paradise, Ear of Dionysus, Altar of Hieron II, Roman Amphitheater, and the Cordmaker's Cave. Travel to Catania, where you'll sample Sicily's famous Arancino, and spend two nights on the spectacular Taormina Riviera, your base for a fascinating excursion to Mount Etna—the largest active volcano in Europe. Explore Taormina, and complete your Sicilian Escape with a fabulous farewell dinner at a local restaurant. You'll treasure the time spent exploring Sicily's famous sights and stunning scenery—without the crowds of the busy travel season on this spectacular guided tour of Sicily!





#### Four Ways Globus Eliminates the Hassles

#### **VIP** Access

Skip the lines and get special treatment at the must-see attractions.

#### **Perfect Hotels**

We've done the work to find just the right hotels in just the right locations.

#### **Tour Directors**

Take your heads out of the guidebook and let expert guides make every destination fascinating.

#### Transportation

Leave the navigating to us – and just sit back and enjoy the ride. Learn how Globus is <u>reducing</u> <u>transportation-related energy use</u> and greenhouse gas emissions.

#### ITINERARY

#### DAY 1 ARRIVE IN PALERMO, ITALY

Welcome to Palermo! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel.

#### 📥 Dinner

#### DAY 2 PALERMO

Guided sightseeing features the ornate Piazza Bellini, Capo Market, the baroque Church of the Immacolata, and a visit to the CATHEDRAL. In Monreale, enjoy a panoramic view of the Conca d'Oro and a visit to the 12th-century NORMAN CATHEDRAL, famous for its 50,000 square feet of precious byzantine mosaics.

#### Breakfast DAY 3 PALERMO–AGRIGENTO

Arrive in Agrigento, where your Local Guide will take you for a spectacular walk through the magnificent VALLEY OF TEMPLES. Even travelers who have visited Athens and Delphi are awed by the gigantic yet graceful Greek structures that miraculously survived 24 centuries of tormented history.

#### 🖤 Breakfast

#### 📥 Dinner

#### DAY 4 AGRIGENTO–PIAZZA ARMERINA–SYRACUSE

Drive to Piazza Armerina and visit the impressive VILLA ROMANA DEL CASALE, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the largest and most complex collection of Roman mosaics in the world, including the famous "bikini girls." Stay overnight in Syracuse, birthplace of the mathematician Archimedes.

#### 🛡 Breakfast

#### DAY 5 SYRACUSE–CATANIA–TAORMINA RIVIERA

Enter the ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE for a guided visit of the 5th-century-BC Greek Theater, the Garden of Paradise, the Ear of Dionysus, the Altar of Hieron II, the Roman Amphitheater, and the Cordmaker's Cave. Continue to Catania and enjoy some free time in its historic center. You will be treated to **F** an ARANCINO

TASTING. An arancino is a fried stuffed rice ball, one of Sicily's most famous street foods. Spend the next two nights on the Taormina Riviera.

#### Breakfast DAY 6 TAORMINA RIVIERA

In the morning enjoy an included excursion to MOUNT ETNA, the largest active volcano in Europe, followed by an orientation of hill-top Taormina. In the evening, a farewell dinner awaits at a local restaurant, the proper way to say, "Arrivederci, Sicilia!"

Breakfast
Dinner
DAY 7 TAORMINA RIVIERA

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (The nearest airport is Catania.)

🖤 Breakfast

#### VACATION HIGHLIGHTS

### PALERMO

Welcome dinner; guided sightseeing, visit the cathedral and the Norman cathedral in Monreale

AGRIGENTO Guided walking tour of the Valley of Temples

#### PIAZZA ARMERINA

Guided visit of the Villa Romana del Casale

#### SYRACUSE

Guided visit of the archaeological site

#### CATANIA

[LF] Arancino tasting

#### TAORMINA

Mount Etna excursion; orientation of the hill-top town; farewell dinner at a local restaurant Headsets throughout the tour.

• Hotels listed may occasionally be substituted with alternative hotels of equivalent standard.

MEALS

Full buffet breakfast daily; 3 three-course dinners with wine including a welcome dinner in Palermo and a farewell dinner in Taormina

#### HOTELS

#### Palermo



# CENTRAL PALACE HOTEL FEDERICO II

Hotel as shown or similar First-Class

A fusion of classic and innovative design, Hotel Federico II is a family- run 65 room establishment located near the city's most important streets of culture, tourism and shopping, halfway between the Teatro Massimo and the Teatro Politeama. Breakfast is served with a rich buffet while the in-house restaurant offers traditional Mediterranean dishes revisited along with a great wine selection. Free WiFi access is available throughout the property. Agrigento



## **GRAND HOTEL MOSE**

Hotel as shown or similar First-Class

Grand Hotel Mosè is an elegant 2-floor building entirely made of tuff stone, surrounded by a Mediterranean garden with swimming pool and located not far from the Valley of the Temples. The hotel opened in 1993 but it underwent a series of upgrades through the years, until a total refurbishment and expansion of its facilities in 2013. Its rooms are spacious and most of them come with a terrace. La Mimosa restaurant offers menus of local and international cuisine and during Summer meals are served by the pool. A bar for a quick snack or just an espresso is also available. Free Wi-Fi internet access available thoughtout the hotel. Syracuse



# MERCURE SIRACUSA PROMETEO

Hotel as shown or similar First-Class

The modern, comfortable Mercure Siracusa Prometeo offers 93 rooms with all the comforts. The hotel has a bar/bistro, a fitness room and a wellness center. In Summer a roof panoramic outdoor swimming-pool with a solarium area on the 6th floor will be available. Free Wi-Fi connection is available throughout the property. Taormina Riviera



# HELLENIA YACHTING HOTEL

Hotel as shown or similar First-Class

Hellenia Yachting Hotel is an elegant 4-star hotel in Giardini Naxos, the first Greek colony of Sicily. The property is directly overlooking the waterfront and features a private beach, a spa and a pool. There is a piano bar located in the main terrace area and immediatly adjacent to the main in-house restaurants which boasts some of the finest Sicilian cuisine, presenting traditional local dishes with a fresh and original touch.

No Excursions are available at this time.

#### DATES AND PRICES

Find the vacation dates that work for you, click "Reserve Now" for a vacation quote. You'll be able to select the number of people traveling, add Travel Protection, and also get an air-inclusive vacation price. You'll find we offer competitive and hassle-free air-inclusive vacations where you receive free airport transfers and flights coordinated with vacation dates.

The price listed does not include your airfare, taxes or fees. Once you click "Reserve Now", you will be able to receive an air quote and a final vacation quote.

Popular Departure	11/1/2020	11/7/2020	\$949
Popular Departure	11/8/2020	11/14/2020	\$949
Popular Departure	11/15/2020	11/21/2020	\$949
Popular Departure	11/22/2020	11/28/2020	\$949
Popular Departure	11/29/2020	12/5/2020	\$899

Popular Departure - due to itinerary and time of year, this departure historically sells out quickly. Early booking is encouraged.

Prices are per person in single, double, or triple room occupancy.

The single supplement waiver and single room capacity is limited, please call for availability.

All Escapes by Globus tours and departures are excluded from the following Globus discounts: Book Early & Save, Welcome Back Credit, Second Tour discount and Small Group discount.

#### Extra nights per person in Palermo:

in single room \$77, in twin \$77, in triple \$77

#### Extra nights per person in Taormina Riviera:

in single room \$68, in twin \$68, in triple \$68