

INSIGHT VACATIONS

Sicily in Depth





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Day 1 | Welcome to Palermo



Relax and settle in before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Palazzo Liberty Unique

Day 2 | Palermo & the Golden Age of the Normans



Discover Palermo on a walking tour featuring a visit to the stunning 12th-century Palatine Chapel with a Local Expert. This afternoon, enjoy leisure time exploring Palermo Cathedral, a fascinating site with its unique blend of architectural styles reflecting centuries of history. For your dining pleasure, you can try the foods the locals like to eat and experience how they like to eat it on your Dine-Around Evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Palazzo Liberty Unique

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Hidden Palermo - Step into the charm of this captivating city as your Local Expert unveils its hidden corners and untold stories. Immerse yourself in its vibrant atmosphere—a true melting pot of cultures—where diverse traditions and unique ambiances seamlessly intertwine. From ancient churches to magnificent palaces, every step of your journey will transport you through centuries of history, revealing fascinating tales of past civilizations. Conclude your exploration with a delightful local treat, the perfect finishing touch to your adventure.

Adult: 58.00 EUR

Day 3 | Trapani and Marsala



Nestled along its crescent-shaped coastline, Trapani is embraced by the Mediterranean Sea. Discover the age-old tradition of salt production when you visit the colourful salt pans and an ancient stone windmill during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to see where sea water is transformed into salt crystals. Then, savour the flavours of Marsala with a tasting at a local winery, where you can enjoy the town's renowned wine in beautiful surroundings.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Seawater, Marsala

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Marsala Dinner - This evening we head along the coast to savour the local specialities of the most westerly part of Sicily at a charming restaurant with panoramic sea views. Marsala is renowned for its rich gastronomic tradition, celebrated for its authentic cuisine that beautifully blends Mediterranean and Arab influences, creating an extraordinary array of flavours and delightful dishes. You'll have the pleasure of choosing from a menu filled with fresh, regional ingredients while overlooking the Mediterranean Sea.

Adult: 81.00 EUR

Day 4 | Explore the Valley of the Temples



Travel along the southern coast of Sicily en route to Agrigento. In Agrigento, explore the Valley of the Temples with a Local Expert. Recognised by UNESCO, these temples are exceptional examples of ancient Greek architecture. Marvel at the imposing Temple of Concordia and the cliff-top Temple of Juno, both overlooking the sea. Reflect on this unforgettable day with your fellow travellers over dinner at the hotel, sharing insights and experiences.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: The Scala dei Turchi Resort, Agrigento

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Discover Medieval Erice - Our drive is extremely panoramic as we reach Erice, high above Sicily's Tyrrhenian coastline, facing the salt pans and the Aegadian Islands. It boasts ancient origins and it is famed for its narrow streets, picturesque squares, charming shops, and some fine viewpoints such as the Norman Castle, built on the site of the temple where the Goddess Venus was worshipped. A local lady, Maria Grammatico, stole with her eyes the recipe for the much loved 'Genovese cakes' and at her successful patisserie, you'll have the chance to savour them.

Adult: 40.00 EUR

Day 5 | Discover Villa Romana del Casale and Ragusa



Travel inland to the Villa Romana del Casale, a luxurious Roman villa renowned for its rich and intricate mosaics. This UNESCO World Heritage Site, inscribed in 1997, showcases the opulence of ancient Rome. Continue to Ragusa and explore the labyrinthine alleyways of Ragusa Ibla with your Local Expert. The town, with origins dating back to the Bronze Age, was once inhabited by the Sicels tribe, who gave their name to Sicily. Admire the remarkable Sicilian Baroque architecture that has earned Ragusa UNESCO recognition. In the evening, savour the rich flavours of locally sourced ingredients with a delicious Farm-to-Table dinner at a charming local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Mediterraneo Palace, Ragusa

Day 6 | Modica



Enjoy a Relaxed Start this morning or join an Optional Experience to the Val di Noto and the town of Noto. Later, explore the town of Modica, rebuilt after the 17th-century earthquake, and discover its artisanal techniques used to create the town's celebrated handmade chocolate.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mediterraneo Palace, Ragusa

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Discover Noto the Capital of Sicilian Baroque - Explore the UNESCO World Heritage city of Noto with a Local Expert, a town that epitomizes the grandeur of Baroque design. Rebuilt after the devastating earthquake of 1693, it stands as a testament to resilience and artistic vision. Wander through its golden-hued streets, where the sun's rays dance on the soft limestone buildings, casting a warm, enchanting light unique to this captivating town. You'll also indulge in the local tradition of 'cappuccino ghiacciato', a refreshing blend of almond and coffee-flavoured granita ice, offering a delightful taste of Noto's rich culinary heritage.

Adult: 44.00 EUR

Dinner In Ragusa - Indulge in the varied and complex flavours of Sicily, at this evening's dinner. Sicilian shores are washed by three different seas, so fish is a must (meat alternative available). The large greenhouses around Ragusa also produce a wide range of fruit and vegetables to enjoy. Arabian settlers brought sugar with them and now the island's dolci are considered among the best in Italy. Of course, any Italian meal wouldn't be complete without the wonderful local wine. Buon Appetito!

Adult: 69.00 EUR

Day 7 | Ancient Syracuse



Discover Syracuse through Insight Choice. Opt for sightseeing with your Local Expert at Syracuse's Paradise Quarry, home to the unique Ear of Dionysius, an ear-shaped grotto with remarkable acoustics. Next, visit the impressive Greek theatre, carved from solid rock, and one of the largest of the ancient world. Alternatively, take time to explore the atmospheric Old City on the island of Ortigia, a labyrinth of narrow streets lined with palaces. This historic area is where the famed mathematician Archimedes famously ran through the streets, exclaiming 'Eureka!' Continue your journey along Sicily's picturesque Ionian Riviera to the charming resort of Giardini Naxos or Marina Forza d'Agrò (departure dependent).

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Hellenia Yachting, Giardini Naxos/Baia Taormina, Marina Forza d'Agrò

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Dinner in the Clouds - With one of the most incredible rides of your lives, you will arrive high above the sea, a world apart from the areas that tourists tread. You'll arrive in your terraced authentic local restaurant for a truly educational meal of delicious regional specialities, with accompanying local wines.

Adult: 93.00 EUR

Day 8 | Taormina and the Dawn Coast of Europe



Your hotel faces east, offering early risers a glimpse of why D.H. Lawrence dubbed this 'The Dawn Coast of Europe'. After breakfast, consider an Optional Experience through the vineyards to Mount Etna, Europe's largest active volcano. Journey to the charming old town of Taormina, perched on Mount Tauro with views of the Ionian Sea and Mount Etna. With your Local Expert, visit the ancient Greek theatre, set on a cliff and open to the sky. Sit and absorb the breath-taking view through the crumbling arches to Mount Etna. Stroll along the elegant Corso Umberto and enjoy panoramic views from Piazza IX Aprile. Celebrate your time in Sicily with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant, savouring Sicilian cuisine with exquisite Italian wines.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Hellenia Yachting, Giardini Naxos/Baia Taormina, Marina Forza d'Agro

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Mt. Etna - Where myth and legend merge to reality! With a Local Expert we'll drive up Mt. Etna, Europe's largest active volcano. Ascend through the fertile foothills, bypassing small villages, lush forests, ancient craters and lava flows to see amazing lunar landscapes and houses surrounded by lava. Admire astonishing panoramic views over the eastern Sicilian coast and Ionian Sea whilst discovering the history of Sicily's most popular attraction and its eruptions. (*Footwear such as trainers or boots advised*)
Adult: 65.00 EUR

Day 9 | Depart Catania



Your Sicily tour has now come to an end. Appreciate views of Mount Etna on your way to the airport.

Meals: Breakfast

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