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Beautiful Puglia, Southern Italy and Sicily

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NAPLES/ITALIA

01 - FRI.Roma - termoli - monte sant angelo - trani - bari.-
Welcome to your Europamundo journey!

Today we travel towards the Adriatic Sea, the landscapes of the Apennine Mountain range are magnificent. **TERMOLI**, a charming city by the sea whose beach is dominated by the walled old town and where its 13th century castle and Romanesque cathedral stand out. Time for lunch and a walk. We continue towards **MONTE SANT ANGELO**, a world heritage site and a place of pilgrimage throughout history, its Romanesque sanctuary located in a cave guarding tombs since the 6th century. Have a walk through the medieval center of the town. We continue to **TRANI**, "the pearl of the Adriatic", a magnificent city that embraces the sea and displays its pink Romanesque cathedral. Continuation to **BARI**, accommodation.

02 - SAT.Bari- Brindisi- Lecce- Taranto- Brindisi.-

After breakfast we have time for a walk through the old town of **BARI**, a port city inhabited since before Roman times. Its narrow streets, its churches, its lively life make it a very special city. We later continue to **BRINDISI**, a walled port city, where you can take a pleasant walk along the sea, admire the impressive Roman column and stroll through its old quarter. Our next stop is **LECCE**, a charming city known for its impressive baroque architecture, which has earned

it the nickname "Florence of the South". The historic center is filled with beautifully ornate baroque buildings and churches. Time for a walk and lunch. In the afternoon we visit **TARANTO**, a vibrant city, an image of southern Italy (in its customs, life, people, also in a certain abandonment), with its great Aragonese castle, its old quarter and its cathedral. We return to **BRINDISI** at the end of the day, accommodation.

03 - SUN.Brindisi- Alberobello- Matera- Naples.-

Today we will visit two spectacular and authentic towns. **ALBEROBELLO**, charming town famous for its unique conical-shaped houses known as "trulli". These unique structures, with their stacked stone roofs, are a World Heritage Site and are considered an outstanding example of Italian rural architecture. After that we continue to **MATERA**, located in the Basilicata region, known for its ancient historic center with its "Sassi di Matera", a complex of ancient houses and buildings carved into the rock that date back thousands of years. It is a World Heritage Site and is one of the oldest continuously inhabited human settlements in the world. Time for a walk and lunch. In the afternoon we continue through Basilicata and Campania, admiring their beautiful mountain landscapes. **NAPLES**, arrival in the evening. Free time afterwards.



PALERMO/ITALIA



04 - MON.Naples - Capri - Sorrento - Salerno.

Free time to have a walk in **NAPLES** before boarding. **Boat trip to the ISLAND OF CAPRI included.** You may take a boat to the Blue Grotto or the cable car to Capri city. We will get on board again and continue to **SORRENTO**, a charming, touristic town at the base of a cliff. Free time to stroll around. We will continue to the Gulf of Salerno. Sojourn in **SALERNO**.

05 - TUE.Salerno- Paola- Messina- Taormina.-

We travel to the south of "the boot". Attractive southern Italian scenery as we cross the Cilento National Park. We arrive in **PAOLA**, on the shores of the Tyrrhenian Sea, we visit the sanctuary of **St Francis of Paola** and we have free time for lunch in its pretty historic centre. We go on our way to **VILLA SAN GIOVANNI** where we take a short ferry crossing to the island of SICILY. Arrival in **MESSINA** where we will have time for a stroll and to visit the cathedral before continuing to **TAORMINA**.

NB: Accommodation in the "region of Taormina", the accommodation may sometimes be in Messina.

06 - WED.Taormina.-

At the foot of the Etna volcano, the very beautiful city of **TAORMINA** was defined by Churchill as the prettiest place on earth. Time to stroll around the ancient city centre full of life, its Greek theatre overlooking unforgettable scenery. You can also enjoy the beach. **Lunch and dinner included.**

07 - THU.Taormina- Noto- Syracuse- Agrigento.-

We travel to **SYRACUSE**, a city which for a time rivalled Athens and Rome for its power and splendour. Time to visit its magnificent historic centre. After lunch we go on to **NOTO**, a small city that seems to have stopped in time, the Baroque jewel of Sicily. We carry on towards **AGRIGENTO**. In the coach we see the magnificent temple complex. **Dinner included.**

08 - FRI.Agrigento- Marsala- Erice- Palermo.-

With a local guide we visit the **Valley of the Temples**, an impressive archaeological site considered the most complete complex of Greek temples (**ticket not included**). We travel to **MARSALA**, a historic city with a lot of atmosphere and a famous wine, and time for lunch. We go on around the Marsala salt marshes to **ERICE**, a very picturesque Phoenician town overlooking the sea. Time to stroll. We carry on to **PALERMO**. **Dinner included.**

09 - SAT.Palermo- Monreale- Night crossing

After breakfast **visit of PALERMO** including a transfer to the beautiful village (today outskirts of the city) of **MONREALE**, with its beautiful **Arab-Norman cathedral (entrance included)**, a World Heritage Site, for its impressive golden mosaics that cover the interior. The Sicilian capital is a city full of contrasts with stories of Arabs, Normans and Baroque splendor. Highlights include the **Cathedral (entrance included)** and the Palace of the Normans with its Palatine Chapel. Free time at the end of the visit. In the late afternoon we board a modern **night ferry**. Accommodation in double cabins with en-suite bathrooms.

10 - SUN.Naples- Pompeii- Cassino- Rome.-

Arrival in Naples early in the morning (breakfast not included) and continue to **POMPEII** where you can admire the remains of this Roman city that was covered by the ashes of Mount Vesuvius with a local guide (**entrance and visit with a local guide included**). After that, we visit **NAPLES**, one of the most fascinating cities in Italy and one of the oldest and most continuously inhabited in Europe. The old town of Naples is one of the largest in Europe and has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Time for a walk and lunch. Continuing to **CASSINO**, we will see the immense abbey where one of the toughest battles of the Second World War took place. Arrival in **ROME** at the end of the day.

11 - MON.Roma.-

After breakfast, end of our services.



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Departure Dates

APR24: 12, 19, 26
MAY24: 03, 10, 17, 24, 31
JUN24: 07, 14, 21, 28
JUL24: 05, 12, 19, 26
AUG24: 02, 09, 16, 23, 30
SEP24: 06, 13, 20, 27
OCT24: 04, 11, 18, 25
NOV24: 01, 08, 22
DEC24: 06, 20, 27
JAN25: 10, 17, 31
FEB25: 07, 14, 28
MAR25: 07, 14, 21, 28



Prices per person

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Expected Hotels

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's "My Trip" page.



The price includes

- **Europamundo General Services:** Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance, hotel and breakfast buffet.
- **Includes arrival transfer**
- **City tour in:** AGRIGENTO, PALERMO, POMPEII
- **Transfer:** Monreale in Palermo
- **Ticket admission:** Entrance and visit to the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, Palermo cathedral, Monreale cathedral, Pompey
- **Ferry:** Naples/ Capri/ Sorrento, San Giovanni / Messina in Sicily, Palermo/ Naples
- **2 dinner included in:** AGRIGENTO, PALERMO