

**ITINERARY**



| DATE  | PORT                 | ARRIVAL | DEPARTURE |
|-------|----------------------|---------|-----------|
| 03/14 | Dubai                | -       | 0000      |
| 03/15 | Dubai                | 0000    | 1200      |
| 03/16 | Fujayrah Khor Fakkan | 0700    | 1900      |
| 03/17 | Muscat               | 1000    | 0000      |
| 03/18 | Muscat               | 0000    | 1800      |
| 03/19 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/20 | Salalah              | 0900    | 1800      |
| 03/21 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
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| 03/23 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/24 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/25 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/26 | Aqaba (Jordan)       | 0800    | 2200      |
| 03/27 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/28 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/29 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 03/30 | Piraeus/Athens       | 0800    | 1700      |
| 03/31 | Heraklion/Creta      | 0700    | 1600      |
| 04/01 | ...CRUISING...       | -       | -         |
| 04/02 | Catania              | 0800    | 1800      |
| 04/03 | Naples               | 0800    | 1800      |
| 04/04 | Civitavecchia        | 0800    | 1800      |
| 04/05 | Savona               | 0800    | -         |



## AVAILABLE EXCURSIONS

### Dubai - 15/03/2020

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### Fujayrah Khor Fakkan - 16/03/2020

6951 THE HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF FUJAIRAH

6952 JEEP DESERT AND WADI SAFARI

6954 A DAY AT THE BEACH

000C PREMIUM - VISIT AT A LOCAL HOUSE, ARABIAN HOSPITAL

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### Muscat - 17/03/2020

00KA BEAUTIFUL MUSCAT AND ITS FRAGRANCES

00KB RELAX IN THE SUN AND SHOPPING IN MUSCAT

000Y HOP-ON/HOP-OFF MUSCAT

00K8 MYSTICAL MUSCAT AND RELAXING AT A RESORT

02JE VISIT TO MUTTRAH SOUK

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6260 EXPERIENCE - HIGHLIGHTS OF MUSCAT AND NAKHL

6016 OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ADVENTURE TO THE WADI BANI KHALID

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### Salalah - 20/03/2020

006R THE MARVELS OF SALALAH, AMONGST ARCHAEOLOGY AND RELAXATION

6021 RELAX ON THE PURE WHITE BEACH OF SALALAH

6022 RELAXATION AND PEACE IN SALALAH

6024 THE TREASURES OF SALALAH AND THE ALLURING GEYSERS BY THE SEA

6025 ARCHAEOLOGY AND SEA GEYSERS BOTH TO THE EAST AND WEST OF SALALAH

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### Aqaba (Jordan) - 26/03/2020



- 6233** COMFORT PETRA: THE PINK CITY, AMIDST MAGIC AND FLAVOURS
  - 6234** CASUAL PETRA: THE PINK CITY, AMIDST CHARM AND DISCOVERY
  - 6235** 4X4 ADVENTURE IN THE WADI RUM DESERT
  - 6236** EXPERIENCE - TREKKING AT THE MONASTERY OF PETRA
  - 6237** RELAXING ON THE BEACH
  - 00KK** PREMIUM TOUR: PETRA
  - 02KJ** STEAM TRAIN AND 4X4 ADVENTURE IN THE WADI RUM DESERT TO EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF THE ARAB REVOLT
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**Piraeus/Athens - 30/03/2020**

- 0839** PANORAMAS AND FLAVOURS OF ATHENS
  - 0875** PREMIUM TOUR: ACROPOLIS, THE BIRTHPLACE OF GREEK CIVILISATION
  - 0898** A WALK THROUGH THE HEART OF ANCIENT ATHENS
  - 0903** THE CANAL AND ANCIENT CORINTH
  - 0937** EXPLORE ATHENS ON YOUR OWN (Half Day)
  - 0940** ATHENS, THE ACROPOLIS AND THE NEW ACROPOLIS MUSEUM
  - 0941** THE ACROPOLIS AND PLAKA
  - 0949** PANORAMIC TOUR OF ATHENS – EASY TOUR
  - 01FV** BUS TRANSFER TO ATHENS (Full Day)
  - 01QV** ATHENIAN RIVIERA AND CAPE SOUNION
  - 01QW** THE SITES AND FLAVOURS OF ATHENS
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**Heraklion/Creta - 31/03/2020**

- 01J3** KNOSSOS ON YOUR OWN
  - 00KN** EXPERIENCE: THE ARKADI MONASTERY AND RETHYMNO
  - 00KF** PREMIUM TOUR: PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND AROLITHOS VILLAGE
  - 0821** THE WONDERS OF KNOSSOS AND THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM
  - 0822** DISCOVERING KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS
  - 0825** DISCOVERING KRITSÀ, AGIOS NIKOLAOS AND KNOSSOS
  - 0827** THE ENCHANTING PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND HERAKLION CITY CENTRE
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**Catania - 02/04/2020**

- 0148** ON THE FOOTSTEPS OF SAINT AGATHA, PATRON SAINT OF CATANIA
  - 0151** BAROQUE CATANIA
  - 0152** TAORMINA AND ITS ENCHANTING HISTORICAL CENTRE
  - 0154** MOUNT ETNA AND THE CRATERI SILVESTRI
  - 0157** THE ROMAN VILLA OF PIAZZA ARMERINA AND THE FLAVOURS OF SICILY
  - 0159** OFF-ROAD ADVENTURE ON MOUNT ETNA VOLCANO
  - 1055** THE RIVIERA OF THE CYCLOPS AND TAORMINA
  - 1057** CATANIA AND THE TENUTA DEL GELSO
  - 1059** SYRACUSE AND THE ISLAND OF ORTIGIA
  - 1060** THE RIVIERA OF THE CYCLOPS
  - 02GW** DISCOVER CATANIA WITH TASTING SESSION
  - 02H3** IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE GODFATHER: SAVOCA AND FORZA D'AGRÒ
  - 0245** ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - CASTIGLIONE DI SICILIA
  - 02G1** ETNA & TAORMINA
  - 02G2** SYRACUSE AND NOTO
  - 02G3** TAORMINA & CATANIA
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**Naples - 03/04/2020**



- 02GC** TAPSY TOUR - POMPEII
  - 02FW** PIZZA CHEFS FOR A DAY IN THE HEART OF NAPLES
  - 02H1** AROUND NAPLES LIKE TRUE NEAPOLITANS
  - 1885** EASY TOUR OF NAPLES
  - 1892** A TRIP TO SORRENTO
  - 01ZA** ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - ATRANI
  - 0211** NAPLES: A CITY JUST WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED
  - 0212** A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME TO POMPEII
  - 0213** ANACAPRI AND CAPRI
  - 0219** ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS AT HERCULANEUM
  - 0220** TOUR OF NAPLES' MOST ATMOSPHERIC SITES: NAPOLI SOTTERRANEA, VIA SAN GREGORIO ARMENO AND THE SANSEVERO CHAPEL
  - 0226** EXCURSION TO THE CRATER OF VESUVIUS AND TASTING OF TYPICAL PRODUCTS
  - 0227** CAPRI BY FUNICULAR
  - 00G4** A WALK TO DISCOVER NAPLES AND ITS FLAVOURS
  - 00JE** THE ROYAL PALACE OF CASERTA
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**Civitavecchia - 04/04/2020**

- 0114** FREE TIME IN ROME
- 015H** DISCOVERY OF CIVITAVECCHIA WITH TASTING
- 01Z6** ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO
- 2098** TOUR OF ANCIENT AND MODERN ROME
- 2632** THE MEDIEVAL JEWEL OF TARQUINIA AND THE MYSTERIOUS ETRUSCAN CULTURE
- 02Q7** TERME DI SATURNIA
- 02Q8** TERME DI SATURNIA AND CLUB EXCLUSIVE
- 02Q9** TERME DI SATURNIA DELUXE: CLUB EXCLUSIVE AND FACIAL TREATMENT
- 02FY** SUPER ROME
- 0782** THE ODESCALCHI CASTLE AND LAKE BRACCIANO
- 0785** ROME - THE HOLY CITY
- 0787** EXCLUSIVE TRANSFER TO THE CENTRE OF ROME
- 0790** FREE TIME IN TARQUINIA
- 0793** ROME AND ST. PETER

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**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|---|---|--|-------------|-------------|
| 02Y5  | 3 Hours approximately   |  Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |
| <b>Type</b>   |   |  |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Good for shopping |  |             |             |

*Fujairah Khor Fakkan*

**THE HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF FUJAIRAH**

**Description**

The Emirate of Fujairah is relatively unknown, but its long history, traditions and breathtaking scenery on the Gulf of Oman make this excursion an unmissable treat.

**What we will see**






- Fujairah Museum
- Fujairah Fort (photo stop)
- Heritage Village
- Food market
- Coast road
- Al Badiyah Mosque (photo stop)
- Khor Fakkan

**What we will do**

- Our interesting excursion begins at the **Fujairah Museum** which, in addition to archaeological relics from nearby excavations dating back at least 3,500 years, houses a unique **collection of coins** that were in circulation prior to the foundation of the UAE in 1971.
- Our next stop is the enchanting **Fujairah Fort**, the oldest fortress in the Arab Emirates, where we stop to take photographs of the fascinating **structure of rocks and mud**; the colour of the walls varies according to the position of the sun, ranging from bright orange to pale brown.
- We continue our excursion, heading to the **Fujairah Heritage Village**, where we can really step back into the past and immerse ourselves in the lives of the area's ancient residents. Here we discover their distinctive "arish" dwellings, the "shasha" fishing boats they constructed with palm fronds, their work tools and their traditional irrigation system.

- After this step back in time we head to Fujairah's **fish, fruit and vegetable market** where we have some free time to wander around, enjoy a close view of the local way of life and even buy some typical local produce.
- We return to our minibus, which takes us on a captivating drive along the **coast road**, overlooking the Gulf of Oman, past stunning, unspoiled beaches and wild, craggy outcrops, all the way to our next destination, the **Al Badiyah Mosque**, the oldest mosque in the United Arab Emirates. The exact date of construction of the mosque remains unknown with some studies suggesting a date around 1446 BC and others around 640 AD. The two **Portuguese watchtowers** that overlook both the sacred building and the oasis village of Al Badiyah, on the other hand, date back to 1498.
- As we head back to the port of Fujairah, we pass through the city of **Khor Fakkan** in the Emirate of Sharjah, which is home to one of the UAE's main container terminals.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration   | Level   | Adult price   | Child price |
|---|--|---|---|-------------|
| 6951  | 4 1/2 Hours approximately  |  Easy | EUR 49.95   | EUR 34.96   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |   |   |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |  Fun |  Most wanted |             |

*Fujayrah Khor Fakkan*  
**JEEP DESERT AND WADI SAFARI**

**Description**

A thrilling jeep tour, to explore the enchanting desert landscape and broad wadi valleys of the United Arab Emirates .

**What we will see**

- Jeep Tour
- The oasis of Wadi Shawkah
- Fossil Rock
- Camel Rock
- Picnic





**What we will do**

- Our adventure begins as we make our way along the winding road that takes us into the Hajar Mountains as far as Masafi, from where we travel through diverse desert and wadi landscapes to reach the oasis of **Wadi Shawkah**. We make a brief stop to deflate our jeep's tyres and we then head into the **desert**, climbing up and down the towering dunes.
- Our journey continues through this rugged desert and mountain area, with shimmering red sand dunes, until we reach **Fossil**

**Rock** (Jebel Maleihah) a rocky outcrop studded with 80 million-year-old fossils.

- The next leg of our journey takes us to **Camel Rock**, a curiously shaped outcrop that recalls the head of a camel emerging from the sand.
- Before heading back to the port, we enjoy a tasty picnic.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|---|---|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6952  | 7 Hours approximately   |  Easy         | EUR 114.00  | EUR 79.80   |
| <b>Type</b>   |   |  |             |             |
|  Eco Natural Trail |  Fun |  Basket Lunch |             |             |

*Fujayrah Khor Fakkan*  
**A DAY AT THE BEACH**

**Description**

A day of pure relaxation on the beach, just for us, at an exclusive resort.


**What we will see**

- Relax on the beach
- Lunch at the resort restaurant

**What we will do**

- We leave the port and proceed along the eastern coast in the direction of our Resort, an oasis of calm where we are free to spend the entire day completely relaxing.
- All we need to do is choose our own little corner of paradise somewhere along the 500 metres of **beach**, which is fully equipped with towels, sun-loungers and beach umbrellas for our comfort. The resort even provides entertainment for children, with a **play park** overlooking the sea.
- The resort also boasts a beautiful swimming pool for those who prefer to unwind in total comfort.
- A buffet lunch will be served in the resort restaurant.

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| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6954 | 7 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 84.00   | EUR 58.80   |

**Type**


Water Activity



Fun



Recommended to families



Meal Included


*Fujayrah Khor Fakkan*
**PREMIUM - VISIT AT A LOCAL HOUSE, ARABIAN HOSPITAL**
**Description**

In this Tour we visit a local family house for a first-hand experience of Emirati culture and traditions: a warm Arabic welcome by a Khor Fakkan Emirati family, sharing their telling & collections of the past.

**What we will see**

- Visit to a local family house
- Fujairah
- Mosque Sheikh Zayed (photo stop)

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| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 000C | 3 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 89.00   | EUR 62.30   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Fun



Most wanted

*Muscat*
**BEAUTIFUL MUSCAT AND ITS FRAGRANCES**
**Description**

An evocative excursion in search of the treasures of Muscat and the Amouage, a well-known perfume factory. An evocative excursion in search of the treasures of Muscat and the Amouage, a well-known perfume factory.

**What we will see**




- Grand Mosque
- Amouage Perfume Factory
- Bait Adam Museum
- La Corniche, the beautiful coast road
- Muttrah Souk



**What we will do**

- Leaving the port of Mina Qaboos, we will enter the heart of Muscat, home to the Sultan Qaboos **Grand Mosque**, an important religious and cultural centre whose scientific and intellectual influence radiates throughout the Muslim world. The interior is decorated with artistic motifs reminiscent of architectural and cultural styles from around the world, from Andalusia to China. The mosque's exterior is decorated with holy verses, carved to an incredible depth of two centimetres to ensure their relevance endures.
- Our next stop is the **Amouage**, a luxury perfumery founded in Oman in 1983. Amouage is also the name of the first and most prestigious perfume created by the company the following year. A luxury niche perfume brand, Amouage draws its inspiration from the charm of the Sultanate of Oman, instilling all the richness and variety of Oman's cultural heritage into its sensual fragrances.
- After visiting the Amouage, we will continue on to the **Bait Adam Museum**, located on the ground floor of a private house, where we will be able to spend time talking to the owner and admiring his unique collection of *coins, paintings, photographs, pistols* and much more. On arrival, we will be welcomed warmly and offered an Arabic coffee with delicious dates, while the head of the family will talk to us in detail about life in Oman from antiquity to the present day, religious festivals and the month of Ramadan.
- Finally, we will travel along **La Corniche**, the city's captivating coast road. We will eventually reach the souk (old market) in Muttrah, a fascinating blend of ancient and modern surrounded by beautiful merchants' houses dating back to the 18th century. We will spend an hour shopping before returning to the port of Mina Qaboos.

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| Code  | Duration   | Level   | Adult price | Child price |
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| OOKA  | 5 Hours approximately  |  Easy              | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |   |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |  Good for shopping |             |             |

*Muscat*
**RELAX IN THE SUN AND SHOPPING IN MUSCAT**
**Description**

A tour in search of complete relaxation at a luxury resort, followed by an unmissable stop at the impressive Muttrah Souk.


**What we will see**

- Resort visit

- La Corniche
- Muttrah Souk

**What we will do**

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 00KB | 5 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 61.00   | EUR 42.70   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Water Activity



Good for shopping

*Muscat*

**HOP-ON/HOP-OFF MUSCAT**

**Description**

Keyword: total freedom! All the treasures and great monuments of Muscat are within reach by taking advantage of this hop-on hop-off coach excursion thanks to which you can admire unmissable gems such as the opulent Al Alam Palace.


**What we will see**

- Tour of Muscat in a double-decker bus

**What we will do**

- We board a **comfortable double-decker coach**: the first level is fully air-conditioned and its wide windows offer lovely views of the city while the second level is open-top and makes us feel at one with the scenery passing before our eyes.
- There are numerous **"hop-on, hop-off" stops** where we can **get on and off as we please** and choose what sights to see each time. Coaches on our itinerary pass at regular intervals so we can hop back on whenever we want to continue our discovery of Muscat.
- While comfortably seated on the coach, we can listen to the **interesting audioguides** (available in 6 different languages) providing information on the monuments and sights that can be admired on the way.
- One of the unmissable stops of the tour is without doubt the **opulent Al-Alam Palace**, with its richly decorated blue and gold columns, arches, maiolica tiles and carvings, which are truly fit for a sultan. Indeed, all of the gems of the Oman capital are within easy reach on this tour!

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| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 000Y | 2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 65.00   | EUR 43.00   |

### *Muscat*

## **MYSTICAL MUSCAT AND RELAXING AT A RESORT**

#### Description

In search of Muscat's mystical side, from the Grand Mosque to the historic centre, interesting museums and traditional and characteristic architecture: an experience that ends with plenty of relaxation in a beautiful resort.

#### What we will see

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| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 00K8 | 8 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 90.00   | EUR 63.00   |

#### Type

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|  Sightseeing |  Water Activity |  Cultural |  Good for shopping |  Meal not included |
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### *Muscat*

## **VISIT TO MUTTRAH SOUK**

#### Description

An excursion dedicated entirely to one of the most distinctive and traditional places in Muscat and the Arab world: Muttrah Souk. Teeming with colourful goods, fragrant essences and sparkling stones and jewellery, it is an authentic reflection of the city's spirit.

#### What we will see

- Muttrah Souk: wonderful merchant houses from the 18th century
- Stalls selling fruit and veg, herbs and spices, textiles, traditional clothing, incense, pipes, ceramics and arts and crafts
- Bustling life and intoxicating oriental smells of oils and spices
- Antiques, precious metals and gold jewellery

#### What we will do

- We will take a transfer to **Muttrah Souk**, one of the oldest and most famous markets in Oman and the Middle East, and a charming blend of old and modern surrounded by **wonderful merchant houses dating back to the 18th century**. The entrance

to the souk is a kind of cement loggia and also acts as a meeting point for tourists and locals alike.

- For centuries it was the point where goods would be exchanged after coming from the port of Muscat from India, China and the Middle East, and it is still a vibrant, active market today with **stalls** selling locally produced **fruit and veg, herbs and spices, traditional fabrics, clothing, jewellery, incense, pipes, ceramics and arts and crafts**.
- We will join **the bustling activity and intoxicating oriental fragrances** that drift around the stalls brimming with goods on display. Nicknamed "Al Dhalam Souq", meaning "Shaded Market", by the locals, it was formerly made up of narrow alleys with buildings with clay walls and palm trees which acted as a screen from the scorching Oman sun. The souk has since been restructured and decorated in a contemporary Arab style with lead windows and bright lanterns under a robust wooden roof.
- Once we are inside the souk, we will let the intense fragrances from the scented oils and spices guide us. The small shops that open out into the corridors display boldly decorated goods, embroidered fabrics, voile and typical dresses. Some of the shops are brimming with **antiques, precious metals and gold jewellery** from India and Oman, piled up to the ceiling, whilst others offer a spectacular kaleidoscope of multi-coloured fragrant dyes.
- This excursion does not include a guide or a rep.

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| Code        | Duration                | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
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| 02JE        | 1/2 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 15.00   | EUR 10.50   |
| <b>Type</b> |                         |        |             |             |

### *Muscat*

## **THRILLING EXCURSION WITH AN ENCOUNTER WITH DOLPHINS**

### Description

An unforgettable adventure in the crystal clear waters of Oman to meet the dolphins.

### What we will see

- Boat Excursion
- Dolphin sighting

### What we will do

- After leaving Port Sultan Qaboos, we travel to **Marina Bander al-Rowdha**, where we will spend a truly unique day with the dolphins. The dolphin sightings will take place on **speedboats**, on which **water and fruit juice** will be served during the excursion. Although sightings are not one hundred per cent guaranteed, our experienced fishermen sail out to sea every morning to locate the dolphins and inform us of their movements. Furthermore, they are very common in the waters around the Omani coastline and around Al Fahal Island where they often enjoy chasing tuna. Therefore the likelihood of an encounter

is very high.

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| Code  | Duration  | Level   | Adult price   | Child price |
|---|---|---|---|-------------|
| 6014  | 4 Hours approximately   |  Moderate          | EUR 74.95   | EUR 52.46   |
| <b>Type</b>   |   |   |   |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Eco Natural Trail |  Good for shopping |  Refreshments included |             |

*Muscat*
**EXPERIENCE - HIGHLIGHTS OF MUSCAT AND NAKHL**
**Description**

A panoramic excursion to the discovery of the beauties of Muscat and Nakhl.

**What we will see**

- Al-Alam Palace (external visit)
- Bait Al Zubair museum
- The Corniche coast road
- Muttrah Souk
- Buffet lunch at the Al Nahda Resort
- Fort
- Nakhal Springs

**What we will do**

- Leaving the port of Mina Qaboos we travel alongside the majestic Al-Alam palace, the official residence of Sultan Qaboos, situated in the heart of historic Muscat and adorned with columns decorated in gold and blue with arches, majolica tiles and carvings.
- We then head for the Bait Al Zubair museum, built in 1914 as a private residence and inaugurated as a museum in 1998 for the purposes of displaying and rediscovering Oman's cultural heritage.
- We continue along the Corniche to visit the Muttrah souk (the old market), a blend of history and modernity surrounded by magnificent merchants' houses dating back to the 18th century. Here we have some free time for shopping before arrive at the Al Nahda Resort on the coast of Batinah for a buffet lunch.
- In the afternoon we visit the fort and the Nakhal springs before returning to the ship.

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| Code | Duration              | Level    | Adult price | Child price |           |
|------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 6260 | 8 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> | Moderate    | EUR 91.00   | EUR 63.70 |

**Type**

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|  Sightseeing   |  Cultural |  Good for shopping |  |  Most wanted |
|  Meal Included |  |   |   |   |

*Muscat*
**OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ADVENTURE TO THE WADI BANI KHALID**
**Description**

An off-road excursion to discover the evocative Wadi Bani Khalid and the dunes of Oman's desert.

**What we will see**

- Packed lunch at the Wadi Bani Khalid
- The Omani desert known as "Wahiba Sands"

**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Mina Qaboos and we will begin our journey in an off-road vehicle **to the Wadi Bani Khalid**, passing through a series of evocative mountain villages.
- Next, the road takes us in the direction of the wadi, travelling alongside a long shallow pool of water surrounded by vegetation, at the end of which we will arrive in another village.
- We will stop at another wadi where we can have our packed lunch.
- After lunch we will return to our off-road vehicle and proceed towards **Oman's great desert known as the "Wahiba Sands"**. Our expert guides drivers will introduce us to the thrill of driving over sand dunes.
- At the end of the journey through the desert we will return to the port.

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| Code | Duration              | Level    | Adult price | Child price |           |
|------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 6016 | 9 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> | Moderate    | EUR 110.00  | EUR 77.00 |

**Type**



-  Sightseeing
  -  Eco Natural Trail
  -  Cultural
  -  Good for shopping
  -  Sports Lovers
-  Basket Lunch

*Muscat*

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| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| O2XU | 3 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |

**Type**

-  Sightseeing
-  Good for shopping

*Muscat*

**MYSTICAL MUSCAT**

**Description**

An excursion to the most characteristic and traditional corners of Muscat, from souks to museums, discovering the real heart of the city.

**What we will see**

- The Grand Mosque
- The Muttrah souk
- The Bait Al Zubair museum
- Al-Alam Palace (external visit)
- Exterior of the Al-Jalali Fort

**What we will do**

- We leave the port of Mina Qaboos and head for the Grand Mosque.
- We then head for the coast to visit the **Muttrah souk**, the old market, an fascinating blend of history and modernity under a magnificent 18th century merchants' lodge. Here we have the opportunity to do some shopping.
- Our next destination is the **Bait al-Zubair** museum, originally built as a residence in 1914 and converted into a museum of Omani cultural heritage in 1998.
- We leave the museum and head for the **Al-Alam Palace** which we will see from outside. From here we can also admire the **Al-Mirani Fort**, completed in 1587, as well as the **Al-Jalali Fort**. The latter, which has been completely restored and is also

home to a museum of Omani cultural heritage, is reserved to visiting heads of state and members of royal families, and it is not open to the general public.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration              | Level  | Adult price       | Child price   |
|---|-----------------------|--|-------------------|---|
| 6011  | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 56.00         | EUR 39.20   |
| <b>Type</b>   |                       |  |                   |   |
|  | Cultural              |       | Good for shopping |  Disabled friendly |

*Muscat*






**GLIDING OVER THE WATERS OF OMAN ON BOARD A DHOW**
**Description**

A cruise along the coast of Oman to delight our eyes with the majestic mountains on board a Dhow, the traditional Omani wooden boat.

**What we will see**

- Oman's spectacular coastal landscapes
- Cruise on a Dhow
- Dates, tea, coffee

**What we will do**
**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price   |
|---|---------------------------|--|-------------|---|
| 6012  | 3 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 70.95   | EUR 49.66   |
| <b>Type</b>   |                           |  |             |   |
|  | Eco Natural Trail         |       | Fun         |  Recommended to families |
|   |                           |  |             |  Tasting                 |

*Muscat*

**NIZWA AND THE FORT OF JABRIN**



**Description**

An evocative visit to the city of Nizwa and Oman's most beautiful fort.

**What we will see**

- The Nizwa area
- Jabrin Fort
- Lunch at the Falaj Hotel
- Nizwa Fort
- Nizwa Souk






**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Mina Qaboos and after a journey of approximately two and a half hours we will arrive in **Nizwa**, a city in the country's hinterland that was once its historic capital. From here we go to **Jabrin Fort**, probably the most beautiful and picturesque fort in the whole of Oman. Built in 1670 under the Yoruba dynasty, a period of peace and prosperity, it is a majestic example of defensive architecture with many interesting artefacts preserved inside, as well as everyday objects of the time.
- At the end of the visit we will have lunch at the **Falaj Daris Hotel**.
- In the afternoon we visit the **majestic Nizwa Fort**. Built in 1668, in addition to being the oldest in Oman it is also the most visited monument in the country. The e\*normous round central watchtower\* with a diameter of 45 metres which took 30 years to build is particularly impressive. From the top of the tower we can enjoy a magnificent view of the city, the mosque and the mountains that surround Nizwa.
- At the end of our visit to the fort, we head to **Nizwa's souk (the old market)** where we find locally crafted items such as silverware, copperware and fabrics.
- At the end of the excursion we return to the port of Muscat.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 6013 | 8 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 100.00  | EUR 70.00   |

**Type**

 Sightseeing
  Eco Natural Trail
  Cultural
  Good for shopping
  Meal Included

*Muscat*

**UNSPOILT OMAN: EXPLORING THE WADI AL ARBEIEN IN A 4X4 VEHICLE**

### Description

An adventurous excursion to discover extraordinary landscapes, high rocky mountains and luxuriant oasis: astonishing natural environment with places and villages that seem to have been left almost untouched by time.

### What we will see

- Mountain landscapes in a wealth of colours
- The Wadi Al Arbeieen with its luxuriant vegetation
- Small lakes and natural swimming pools formed by the river
- Water bashing in the 4x4 vehicle
- Natural pools
- Canyon and lunar landscapes formed by volcanic rocks
- The Wadi Dayqah

### What we will do

- We set off from Muscat in our 4x4 vehicles and head for the **Wadi Al Arbeieen**. After just a few kilometres, we already find ourselves immersed in an almost lunar landscape where we are bewildered and captivated by mountains with a surreal appearance in a wealth of colours.
- We leave the tarmacked road and drive along an **off-road trail to the Wadi Al Arbeieen**, a magnificent canyon with high sides and **lush vegetation** where the river has created incredibly transparent blue-green **lakes and pools**, begging to be photographed.
- Near the Wadi we also visit a **typical Omani village** where the simple rhythms of daily life have not been affected by modernity: its inhabitants are always polite and welcoming and the wonderful children approach us with their disarming smiles.
- At the end of our visit to the village we return to our 4x4 adventure, experiencing the excitement of "**water bashing**" (fording the stream), which is not difficult but great fun.
- Next, we head for a place where those wishing to swim can do so, surrounded by a natural amphitheatre of rare beauty and immersed in an imposing natural environment.
- At the end of this relaxing break we travel along an off-road trail where we can admire breathtaking scenery: **narrow canyons** alternate with **lunar landscapes** characterized by volcanic rocks with colours ranging from grey to red and from lava black to ochre pink.
- We then arrive at the **village of Mazara**, with the ancient ruins of its castle that dominate the surrounding valley.
- We continue towards the **Wadi Dayqah** where a dam forms a magnificent lake completely surrounded by the mountains.
- During the return journey we travel a few more kilometres off-road: the excitement and intense memories of the tour will stay with us for days to come.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration | Level | Adult price | Child price |
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|

6878

7 Hours approximately

**2**

Moderate

EUR 115.00

EUR 80.50

**Type**


Sightseeing



Eco Natural Trail



Most wanted



Basket Lunch

*Salalah*
**THE MARVELS OF SALALAH, AMONGST ARCHAEOLOGY AND RELAXATION**
**Description**

An interesting excursion to discover Salalah's archaeological treasures, with opportunities for complete relaxation within an exclusive resort.

**What we will see**

- The Great Mosque (external visit)
- Al Husn Souk
- Palace of Al Husn
- Archaeological site of Al-Balid
- Lunch and relaxation within an exclusive resort

**What we will do**

- Once we have left the port of Salalah, we will head to the **Great Mosque**.
- We will continue onto **Al Husn Souk**, the old market where incense, materials, gold and silver are sold.
- Finally, we will pass by the outside of **Al Husn Palace**, the summer residency of His Highness, Sultan Qaboos.
- The next stop on our tour will be the **archaeological site of Al-Balid**, where we will have the chance to get to know the archaeology, history and heritage of the region.
- Once the visit is finished, we will head to the **resort to taste an international buffet lunch and spend some free time at the poolside**.
- After this relaxing break by the pool, we will return to the port of Salalah and re-board the ship.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level         | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 006R | 8 Hours approximately | <b>1</b> Easy | EUR 100.00  | EUR 70.00   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Eco Natural Trail



Water Activity



Recommended to families



Meal Included

*Salalah*

**RELAX ON THE PURE WHITE BEACH OF SALALAH**

**Description**

We will spend a few hours relaxing on the dreamlike beach with its extremely fine white sand

**What we will see**

- Relaxing break at a luxury local resort
- The pure white beach of Salalah

**What we will do**

- Upon departing the port of Salalah, we will head towards a fantastic **local resort**, where we can relax in the pool or dive into the crystal clear waters of the beach, with its **extremely fine white sand**.
- After 3 hours of relaxation, we will return to the port of Salalah.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 6021 | 4 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

**Type**



Water Activity

*Salalah*


**RELAXATION AND PEACE IN SALALAH**

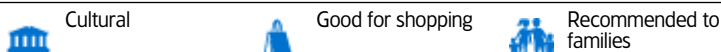
**Description**

An excursion to discover Salalah, a city in south Oman, which holds natural beauty, particularly in the Khareef (spring/summer) season, when the region is affected by the annual monsoon, transforming it into a luxury garden with streams and waterfalls.

**What we will see**

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6022 | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

**Type**

*Salalah*
**THE TREASURES OF SALALAH AND THE ALLURING GEYSERS BY THE SEA**
**Description**

A fascinating tour to discover the most ancient sites of Salalah and an extraordinary visit to the sea geysers.

**What we will see**

- Tomb of the Prophet Ayoub (Job) in Jebel Qara
- Mughsail beach and the sea geysers
- Al Husn Souk
- Scenic tour of Salalah

**What we will do**

- In **Jebel Qara** we will visit the evocative **tomb of Prophet Ayoub**, better known by his biblical name Job.
- On the way to Mughsail beach, we will admire beautiful landscapes unfolding before our eyes.
- Amongst the magnificent beaches located to the west of Salalah, Mughsail is one of the best known for its "**sea geysers**", which emerge from the rocky protrusions just before the coast. With a little luck, as it is not always possible to rely on natural phenomena, we will see sensational water jets and lather coming out of the natural openings dug into the rock and which, at times, can reach up to 15 metres.
- We will then head to the **Al Husn Souk**, the old market where we will have some free time for shopping and purchasing local, artisan products.
- Before returning to the port, we will end our excursion with a **scenic tour of Salalah**.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6024 | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Good for shopping



Recommended to families



Most wanted

### *Salalah*

## **ARCHAEOLOGY AND SEA GEYSERS BOTH TO THE EAST AND WEST OF SALALAH**

### **Description**

A fascinating tour of the Dhofar area, amongst archaeological excavations and sea geysers.


### **What we will see**

- Archaeological site of Al-Balid
- The fishermen's village of Taqah (ruins)
- Khor Rori Bay
- Lunch in a hotel in Salalah
- Mughsail Beach with sea geysers

### **What we will do**

- We will begin our tour with a visit to the **archaeological site of Al-Balid**, where we will see artefacts which demonstrate the archaeological, historic and cultural heritage of the region.
- We will proceed to the **fishermen's village of Taqah**, third largest "city" in Dhofar, which has always been inhabited by farmers and fishermen. Taqah is presently famous, primarily for its **tasty sardines**.
- From Taqah we will head to the **Bay of Khor Rori**, where it is believed the **destroyed city of Sumhuram** once stood, capital of the exotic incense trade of ancient Arabia. In ancient times, Dhofar was an important hub for incense trading. It is no coincidence that the Three Wise Men who brought this gift to Baby Jesus came from Dhofar. Nowadays, incense is not used as it once was and these trees are now only found in a few locations (Yemen and Oman). The excavations served to prove the existence of an ancient inhabited centre which held maritime commercial relationships with the Far East as well as far-off Greece. Additionally, it is believed that this is the place where the palace from the **legend of the Queen of Saba** stood, which is presently in ruins and undergoing restoration.
- We will stop for lunch in a **hotel in Salalah**.
- On the return to the ship, we will stop in **Mughsail beach**: Three kilometres of marvellous white, unspoilt beaches, framed by high cliffs on both sides and numerous picnic areas. These extremely white beaches are known for their **sea geysers**: with a bit of luck, we will see sensational water jets coming out of the natural openings dug into the rock and which, at times, can reach up to 15 metres.
- Finally, we will visit the **souk**, an old market where we will have some free time for shopping.

### **INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6025 | 7 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 95.00   | EUR 66.50   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Most wanted



Meal Included

*Aqaba (Jordan)*
**COMFORT PETRA: THE PINK CITY, AMIDST MAGIC AND FLAVOURS**
**Description**

An excursion to discover the city carved out of pink rock, with a journey into the depths of a narrow canyon almost 100 metres high. The excursion takes us from the magic of the dazzling "Treasury" to the typical flavours of the area.

**What we will see**

- The Siq
- The Treasury of Petra
- Roman temples and tombs
- Roman amphitheatre




**What we will do**

- We depart from Aqaba and head towards Petra, the "rose-red city half as old as time". Petra remained unknown for centuries, hidden between the mountains of southern Jordan. Founded by the Nabataeans, a Bedouin Arab tribe, which arrived from Arabia 2,000 years ago, the fortress-city of Petra became an important stronghold, protecting the many passing caravans.
- The city only became famous in 1812, when it was discovered by a young Swiss explorer and revealed to the world. Subsequently it became a film set for the film, "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" by Steven Spielberg.
- After leaving the coach, we walk towards the entrance to the "**Siq**", the bed of a narrow serpentine river which winds through the gorge for approximately two and a half kilometres.
- Imposing rock faces soar up to a hundred metres on both sides. Out of the darkness emerges the sparkle of **The Treasury** hewn into the rock, forty metres high and thirty metres wide.
- In addition to the Treasury, we visit the **magnificent temples, royal tombs, the amphitheatre** and the burial chambers built by the Romans who took control of the city in 106 AD, and which represent an addition to the already existing Nabataean tombs and monuments, creating a city sculpted from rock.
- At the end of the visit, we take the same route back to the tourist centre and the car park where the coaches are waiting for us and where we also find the restaurant in which we will have lunch and sample some local specialities.
- Before heading back, we have some free time to buy souvenirs near to the site.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 6233 | 9 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 170.00  | EUR 119.00  |

**Type**

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
|  Cultural |  Most wanted |  Meal Included |
|--|---|---|

*Aqaba (Jordan)*

**CASUAL PETRA: THE PINK CITY, AMIDST CHARM AND DISCOVERY**

**Description**

A tour into the heart of the city of Petra with its fascinating Arab and Roman past, to discover the ancient temples and monuments carved out of the pink rock and the dazzling and majestic Treasury.

**What we will see**

- The Siq
- The Treasury
- Roman temples and tombs
- Roman amphitheatre
- Roads and buildings carved out of the rock

**What we will do**

- We depart from Aqaba and head towards Petra, the "rose-red city half as old as time". Indeed, it was founded by the Nabataean Arab tribe 2,000 years ago, and became an important stronghold, protecting the numerous passing caravans. Petra remained unknown for centuries, hidden between the mountains of southern Jordan until 1812 when it was rediscovered by a young Swiss explorer.
- After leaving the coach, we walk towards the entrance to the "Siq", the bed of a narrow serpentine river which winds through the gorge for approximately two and a half kilometres.
- Imposing rock faces soar up to a hundred metres on both sides. Out of the darkness emerges the sparkle of **The Treasury** hewn into the rock, forty metres high and thirty metres wide.
- In addition to the Treasury, we visit the **magnificent temples, royal tombs, the Roman amphitheatre** and the burial chambers. The Romans took control of the city in 106 AD and built temples, baths, a triumphal arch, palaces, markets, in addition to the pre-existing Nabataean tombs and monuments, creating a city carved out of rock.
- At the end of the visit, we take the same route back to the tourist centre. We will have some free time to buy souvenirs before heading back to the car park where the coach is waiting for us.



**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 6234 | 8 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 155.00  | EUR 108.50  |

**Type**


Cultural



Basket Lunch

*Aqaba (Jordan)*
**4X4 ADVENTURE IN THE WADI RUM DESERT**
**Description**

A thrilling Jeep adventure in one of the most evocative and spectacular places in Jordan – the Wadi Rum desert. Its rocks shaped by the wind and wealth of colours just keep on surprising us. We let ourselves be charmed by the silence and timeless atmosphere of this ancient scenery as well as by its inhabitants and their traditions.

**What we will see**

- Wadi Rum desert
- Sand and rocks sculpted by the wind, wealth of colours
- Spectacular creations by nature
- Stop in a Bedouin tent to savour teas and eastern sweets

**What we will do**

- The **Wadi Rum desert** is an evocative lunar landscape, a vast silent stretch of land made up of **sand and rocks sculpted by the wind** that time turned into formations of an incomparable beauty with a **wealth of colours** ranging from yellow and red to brown.
- It is a large valley that was already inhabited in Prehistoric times, as testified by the stone tools found here dating back to the Palaeolithic and Neolithic periods, i.e. to almost 7000 BC. For millennia, the desert was roamed by hunters and nomads who left interesting traces of their passage.
- Nowadays, Wadi Rum is inhabited by Bedouins living in tents made of goat wool and taking care of their flocks maintaining the same lifestyle of thousands of years ago. The desert is also famous for having been the set of various films such as Lawrence of Arabia (1962), Red Planet (2000) and The Martian (2015) directed by Ridley Scott.
- A 4x4 Jeep awaits us at the Visitor Centre to start our excursion: we get ready to enjoy a thrilling experience in this unique setting surrounded by the mysterious silence that characterises the desert. Along the way, we are fascinated by **nature's spectacular creations**.

- Before returning to the ship, we **stop in a typical Bedouin tent** where we can sip some **local tea** and savour **eastern sweets**.
- We then get back on our coach to make our way back to Aqaba.
- We recommend you to bring along a headscarf in order to cover your nose and mouth to protect them from the sand.
- Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with limited mobility.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level                | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 6235 | 5 Hours approximately | <b>2</b><br>Moderate | EUR 85.00   | EUR 59.50   |

**Type**



*Aqaba (Jordan)*

**EXPERIENCE - TREKKING AT THE MONASTERY OF PETRA**

**Description**

For those who love the mountains and have already visited the monumental city of Petra: an unmissable opportunity to explore the very essence of history.

**What we will see**

- The Siq
- The Treasury
- The Royal Tombs
- The Byzantine Monastery
- Mountains with Glowing colours
- Breathtaking Cliffs




**What we will do**

- Once we arrive in Petra, accompanied by a local guide, who is an expert on nature trails, we enter the heart of the **Siq**, to visit the magnificent **Treasury**, a building hewn out of the rock to serve as a burial chamber and probably a temple, as the distinctive capitals and columns of the magnificent façade would suggest.
- After taking photographs, we head to the **Royal Tombs**, which hold the most important members of the ancient Nabataean tribe.
- After a short stop to observe the details of these splendid buildings we are ready to face the most challenging and fascinating

part of our walking tour. We climb to the highest peak to visit a beautifully carved ancient building of Nabataean origin, which became a **Monastery** during the Byzantine period. It was initially intended as the burial chamber of the Nabataean King, Obodas I.

- An unexpected wonder unfolds before our eyes. Nestled in the very heart of Nature amongst **summits of a thousand different shapes and shades, impressive cliffs, which flow into canyons**, and rocky deserts, we cannot help but silently admire the strength and splendor of Nature and the skill of the ancient populations, who decided to establish their homes and places of worship in this very location.
- The coach transfer from Aqaba to Petra takes approximately 2 hours.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- The excursion involves walking for about 5 hours, including climbing 800 steps on a rock-cut path, dirt roads and steep sections.
- We recommend always wearing walking shoes and suitable, warm and comfortable clothing.
- This experience is only suitable for adult guests who are accustomed to long distance mountain walking.
- The excursion includes a packed lunch to be eaten on the coach.
- No food or drinks are allowed on the site.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|---|---|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6236  | 10 Hours approximately  | <b>3</b> Hard  | EUR 130.00  | EUR 91.00   |
| <b>Type</b>   |   |  |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Sports Lovers |  Basket Lunch |             |             |

*Aqaba (Jordan)*  
**RELAXING ON THE BEACH**

**Description**

A totally relaxing experience in one of the most exclusive resorts in Jordan.

**What we will see**




- Relax at the Resort
- Marvellous sandy beach

**What we will do**

- We take the opportunity to visit **one of the most elegant and exclusive resorts in Jordan**. We will enjoy some complete

relaxation in the turquoise waters of the Red Sea and more than 500 species of coral, which populate it. This 5-star hotel boasts 300 meters of private beach and an outdoor swimming pool with views over the Gulf, as well as a renowned spa inside which offers a wide range of treatments.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration   | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|---|--|--|-------------|-------------|
| 6237  | 5 Hours approximately  |  Easy | EUR 53.00   | EUR 37.10   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |  |             |             |
|  Eco Natural Trail |  Water Activity |  Fun  |             |             |

*Aqaba (Jordan)*  
**PREMIUM TOUR: PETRA**

**Description**

Temples and monuments carved out of the pink rock, a journey into the depths of a narrow gorge almost 100 metres high and the dazzling surprise of the Treasury... an experience of a lifetime.

**What we will see**

- Siq al-Barid
- Stairways, temples and triclinia hewn out of the rock
- The Siq
- The Treasury
- Roman tombs, theatres and monuments





**What we will do**

- We head from the port towards Petra, known as the "Pink City": Petra remained unknown for a long time, hidden between the mountains of southern Jordan. Founded by the Nabataeans, a Bedouin Arab tribe, which arrived from Arabia 2,000 years ago, the city resembled a fortress which was built to protect the many passing caravans.
- The northern area of Petra, known as **Siq al-Barid**, 9 km to the north of the city of Wadi Musa, is presented to visitors as "Little Petra", with its high gorges and walls hewn deep into the rock. This location has managed to maintain an atmosphere and tranquillity which is no longer found in the central area of Petra; as we enter, we realise why it is called ("the cold Siq"): sunlight hardly ever manages to penetrate the gorge to heat it.
- Just 300 metres in length, the Siq has alternate narrower passages and wider areas where we find various buildings carved into the rock: **stairways, temples and triclinia**, dining areas most probably used to provide merchants and travellers with

refreshment, occupy almost every available surface area. The stairs cut into the rock go in both directions creating a route with different levels which in the past buzzed with life. A young Swiss explorer introduced the beauty of Petra to the world after discovering it in 1812. More recently, the city became a film set for the popular film, "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" by Steven Spielberg.

- We then arrive in the heart of this mysterious city: a narrow path leads us into the entrance of the **Siq**, originally a river bed and today a very narrow, descending road, which crosses the gorge over a distance of 2.5 km.
- We see the rock faces which soar like majestic towers, 91 metres high, and in the final stretch of darkness, the dazzling façade of the **The Treasury** appears; 42 metres of solid rock.
- Further along, we see the **temples** that are as high as towers, **royal tombs**, **Roman theatres**, buried gravestones, houses of different sizes and public buildings. The ancient Romans made Petra one of the most unique cities in the world, creating an extraordinary collection of sculptures and monuments from 106 AC, the year they assumed power.
- On the return journey, we take the same route to return to Aqaba.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code   | Duration  | Level   | Adult price   | Child price |
|--|---|---|---|-------------|
| OOKK   | 10 Hours approximately  | <b>2</b> Moderate   | EUR 220.00  | EUR 154.00  |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |   |   |             |
|  Cultural |  1 |  Most wanted |  Meal Included |             |

*Aqaba (Jordan)*

**STEAM TRAIN AND 4X4 ADVENTURE IN THE WADI RUM DESERT TO EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF THE ARAB REVOLT**

**Description**

A thrilling steam train and 4x4 Jeep adventure in one of the most evocative and spectacular places in Jordan - the Wadi Rum desert. Its rocks shaped by the wind and wealth of colours just keep on surprising us. We let ourselves be charmed by the silence and timeless atmosphere of this ancient scenery as well as by its inhabitants and folklore.

**What we will see**

- Wadi Rum desert
- Sand and rocks sculpted by the wind, wealth of colours
- Steam train with Arab Revolt re-enactment
- Stop in a Bedouin tent: folk dances and music and tasting session of eastern teas and sweets
- Jeep tour among the desert dunes with stops for photos

**What we will do**

- This excursion through the **Wadi Rum desert** takes us on journey back in time to 1916, the start of the famous Arab Revolt against the Ottomans initiated by the Sharif of Mecca Hussein Bin Ali. The war lasted approximately 2 years and took place in Jordan, and more precisely in the Wadi Rum desert, nowadays an evocative lunar landscape, a vast silent stretch of land made up of **sand and rocks sculpted by the wind**.
- The time turned this land into formations of an incomparable beauty with a **wealth of colors** ranging from yellow and red to brown.
- It is a large valley that was already inhabited in Prehistoric times, as testified by the stone tools found here dating back to the Palaeolithic and Neolithic periods, i.e. to almost 7000 BC. For millennia, the desert was roamed by hunters and nomads who left interesting traces of their passage. Nowadays it is inhabited by Bedouins living in tents and taking care of their flocks. The desert is also famous for having been the set of various films such as Lawrence of Arabia (1962), Red Planet (2000) and The Martian (2015) directed by Ridley Scott.
- We leave the port of Aqaba and in one hour we will reach Wadi Rum, where we will board the oldest (over 100 years old) characteristic **steam train** in the region. It was decorated and furnished to make our 40-minute journey through the desert more pleasant.
- As we can see, the staff wears the same uniforms worn in Ottoman times. Along the way, we also enjoy a **re-enactment of the Arab Revolt** featuring Bedouins on their horses and the Ottomans trying to defend the train.
- After our train tour, our excursion continues in a **Bedouin tent** where we watch a **short folk dance and music show** as we sip some **local tea and enjoy eastern sweets**.
- We then get on our **4x4 Jeep** for the last part of our excursion: we venture into a unique desert landscape between **dunes** and rocks surrounded by the mysterious silence that characterizes it. We will be charmed by nature's surprising creations.
- During the numerous **breaks**, we have the chance to take **pictures** to capture the magical atmosphere and secrets of this amazing desert.
- We recommend you to bring along a headscarf in order to cover your nose and mouth to protect them from the sand.
- Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with limited mobility.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 02KJ | 5 Hours approximately | 3 Hard | EUR 180.00  | EUR 126.00  |

*Piraeus/Athens*

**PANORAMAS AND FLAVOURS OF ATHENS**

### Description

A unique opportunity to experience the historical and architectural wonders of Athens, the cradle of Western civilisation, and to discover its aromas and flavours in the best restaurant in Mikrolimano.

### What we will see

- Port of Zea
- Athens
- Acropolis, Parthenon
- Panathenaic Stadium, University, National Library, National Academy and Syntagma Square, Greek Parliament and the Tomb of the Unknown soldier (panoramic tour)
- Plaka, Old University, Tower of the Winds, Ancient Agora and the Choragic Monument to Lisicratus
- Mikrolimano, tasting in a typical restaurant

### What we will do

- After leaving the port of Piraeus, we drive by coach past the **naval port of Zea**. It was built by Themistocles as a defence against the Persian Empire in the early 5th century BC.
- We then arrive in **Athens**, the cradle of Western civilisation and the capital of Greece. Approximately one hundred metres above the city stands the Acropolis, which dates back to the 5th century BC, the golden age of Athens. We make a photo stop at the foot of the famous steps before continuing our excursion.
- We see the most famous monument in all its splendour: the **Parthenon**, built as a temple to honour the goddess Athena, the patron deity of Athens.
- Our panoramic tour continues in the direction of the imposing **Panathenaic Stadium**, the only large stadium in the world to be built entirely of white marble. Traffic permitting, we have a short photo stop.
- We continue our tour, driving past the **University, the National Library, the National Academy and Syntagma Square**, the **Greek Parliament** and the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**.
- We leave the coach and set off on foot to explore the oldest part of Athens: **Plaka**, home to elegant neoclassical buildings, ancient monuments and shops with an antique aura, interspersed with typical restaurants, cafés and boutiques. We admire in awe the **Old University**, the **Tower of the Winds**, the **Ancient Agora** and the **Choragic Monument to Lisicratus**.
- After a little of shopping, we return to our coach to continue on to the beautiful **seafront at Mikrolimano**, which means "little port" in Greek. The small fishing boats sheltered here form the backdrop of a wonderful panorama. It is not surprising that this port, second only to Piraeus, attracts tourists from all over Attica. In one of its many typical seafront restaurants, we sample the delicious local cuisine, accompanied by the joyous melodies of *sirtaki*, typical Greek dancing.
- Places on this excursion are limited. We recommend booking early.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration | Level | Adult price | Child price |
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|

0839

5 Hours approximately



Easy

EUR 60.00

EUR 42.00

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Good for shopping



Recommended to families



Tasting

*Piraeus/Athens*
**PREMIUM TOUR: ACROPOLIS, THE BIRTHPLACE OF GREEK CIVILISATION**
**Description**

Upland which brings together all the majesty of Ancient Greece: this is Acropolis, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will be left spellbound by the majestic temples, testimony to a glorious past, to then admire the modern city from above: a unique and unmissable opportunity.

**What we will see**

- Acropolis
- Temple of Athena Nike
- Erechtheion
- Parthenon
- Modern city (from above)


**What we will do**

- We set off from the port of Pireo and head towards our destination: **Acropolis**, the largest ancient complex in the Western world. Located at the heart of an ancient plain, the Acropolis stands on upland and presents architectural marvels of rare beauty. The upland was in actual fact a suitable place to build a high, fortified city, firstly a stronghold for the Kings of Athens and base of the most ancient sanctuaries. Having become the religious centre of ancient Athens, Acropolis owes its magnificence to the period under Pericles which made it a monument dedicated to Greek civilisation.
- Our guide will present us with the marvellous **Temple of Athena Nike**, dating back to 427-424 a.C., to commemorate the victory of the people of Athens over the Persians.
- We continue our visit with another delight: **Erechtheion**. Built in the most religious part of Acropolis, this temple is dedicated to both Athena and Poseidon. We are able to take photos of the extraordinary caryatids which adorn the southern portico of the temple.
- We will end the visit perfectly by admiring the **Parthenon**, a magnificent and perfect architectural work. We will carry this image of the world's most famous temple with us forever. Built in 447 BC and dedicated to the goddess Athena Parthenos in 438 BC, it has been used over the centuries as a church, mosque and arsenal and is still a symbol of the city of Athens, and perhaps, without any exaggeration, it can be considered the greatest symbol of our civilisation.
- We can wave goodbye to Athens from above, with a breathtaking, panoramic visit.





- The visit to the Acropolis involves a climb and walking on uneven ground. We therefore recommend that you wear comfortable shoes.
- It is strictly forbidden to bring large bags or pushchairs into the Acropolis.
- Visitors with mobility problems will be able to access the Acropolis using a lift. In the event of inclement weather, or for safety reasons, the lift may be closed without warning at the sole discretion of the local authorities responsible for the site.
- On reaching the archaeological area, visitors with reduced mobility will be able to partially tour the ruins by following a special route.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0875 | 4 Hours approximately |  Moderate | EUR 85.00   | EUR 59.50   |

**Type**

|  |   |
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|  Cultural |  Disabled friendly |
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*Piraeus/Athens*
**A WALK THROUGH THE HEART OF ANCIENT ATHENS**
**Description**

We will lose ourselves in the heart of Athens, where ancient and modern fuse, a feast for the eyes with monuments boasting rare beauty, vestiges of Ancient Greece. To finish the tour in style, we will take a look at modern Greece sampling the delicious Gyros pita and strolling around the most lively areas.

**What we will see**

- Port of Zea (sightseeing tour)
- Panathenaic Stadium, University, National Library and National Academy (outside)
- Acropolis (non-guided)
- Agorà
- Monastiraki
- Gyros pita



**What we will do**

- After leaving the port of Piraeus, along the journey, we can admire the **naval port of Zea**, built by Themistocles as a defence against the Persian Empire in the early 5th century BC. Shortly afterwards, we will arrive in cosmopolitan Athens where

modernity and tradition coexist in perfect harmony.

- A panoramic tour that will give us the opportunity to discover the city's major monuments, such as the **Panathenaic Stadium** , the only large stadium in the world to be built entirely of white marble. \* We can then admire the elegance of the neoclassical buildings such as the **University, National Library and National Academy**.
- The **Acropolis** dominates the city, magnificent testimony of Athens's Golden Age. We cannot miss the opportunity to visit it and take magnificent photographs.
- We will continue on foot to visit what was once the most lively area in the city: ancient **Agorà** of Athens. People would gather here for political, commercial and administrative purposes, as well as to discuss religious issues and questions of social relationships. Agorà was also headquarters of the legal system and it was here that, in 399 B.C., Socrates was sentenced to death accused of introducing strange gods and of having corrupted the youth.
- With the guide, we will continue on our journey to the picturesque area of **Monastiraki**, where we will be offered the most famous and typical example of traditional Greek cuisine, **gyros pita**, a favourite street food amongst the Greeks made up of a pita stuffed with meat, vegetables and chips, accompanied with a glass of ouzo or wine, or a drink and water.
- Before we bid farewell to the city, we will have time to enjoy a stroll through Monastiraki or Plaka to browse the shops or sit in one of the many cafés that line Via Andrianou, where we cannot take our eyes off the wonderful Acropolis.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.

## INFORMATIONS

| Code   | Duration  | Level         | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0898   | 5 Hours approximately   | <b>3</b> Hard | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |               |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Tasting |               |             |             |

*Piraeus/Athens*

## THE CANAL AND ANCIENT CORINTH

### Description

A unique opportunity to admire the great Corinth Canal, an idea which dates back to the times of the Roman which was developed up until the nineteenth century, and the remains of ancient Corinth which stuns with the famous Apollo Temple.


### What we will see

- Corinth Canal
- Ancient Corinth

**What we will do**

- We will leave the port and by coach, arrive at the **Corinth Canal**: it is 6 kilometres long, 23 metres wide and 8 metres deep, with sloping sides that reach 80 metres in height. The idea of building a canal to cut across the isthmus linking the Ionian and Aegean seas dates back to Roman times, when Emperor Nero ordered the first excavations using silver shovels and Jewish slaves. It was only in 1881 that technology was good enough to "cut" the isthmus.
- We may get lucky and see a ship passing through the strait: such a sighting is sensational and is definitely worthy of a photo!
- We will leave the canal behind and visit **Ancient Corinth**, described by Saint Paul as "rich and licentious". Protected by a powerful fortress, the city had a forum which was bigger than the one in Rome, with temples, theatres, baths, fountains, shops and basilicas. Before hopping back on board the coach, we will treat ourselves to the majesty of Apollo's Temple: a splendid example of the Doric style of the 6th Century B.C.
- The transfer from the port to Corinth Canal takes about 1 hour and 30 minutes.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0903 | 5 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

**Type**

 Cultural

*Piraeus/Athens*

**EXPLORE ATHENS ON YOUR OWN (Half Day)**
**Description**

A half-day excursion with the chance to explore the cradle of Western civilisation our own way, and at pace we choose ourselves: the city of Athens, where every corner tells a story rich in art and history.

**What we will see**

- Syngrou Avenue
- Athens: explore the centre at your leisure

**What we will do**

- Having listened to the recommendations of our tour rep, we leave the port at Piraeus by coach and head along the sea front, crossing **Syngrou Avenue** on our way to the centre of Athens.
- From here, we are **free to explore the nooks and crannies of this vibrant city at our leisure** and discover the splendour of the fascinating monuments that wait to be discovered in the shadow of the Acropolis.

- We can visit the **National Museum of Archaeology**, for instance, and its collection of ancient masterpieces from all over Greece, or stroll through the city discovering sites and monuments that recall the glory of the ancient world, such as the **Arch of Hadrian**, and the **Agora**. The choice is yours and yours alone: discover Athens and create your own, unforgettable experience.
- This excursion does neither include a guide nor a local rep.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 0937 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | Easy  | EUR 20.00   | EUR 14.00   |

**Type**



Sightseeing

*Piraeus/Athens*

**ATHENS, THE ACROPOLIS AND THE NEW ACROPOLIS MUSEUM**

**Description**

We venture into the past with a walk through the ruins of the Acropolis, once a sacred city that still bears the traces of the glorious past of Ancient Greece. We also take the opportunity to visit the New Acropolis Museum, a majestic building which is the perfect showcase for the treasures it houses. Finally, we bid farewell to busy, cosmopolitan Athens, where ancient and modern live side by side in perfect harmony.

**What we will see**

- Acropolis
- New Acropolis Museum
- Athens, University, National Library, National Academy, Arch of Hadrian, Constitution Square, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Parliament (panoramic tour)



**What we will do**

- After leaving the port of Piraeus, we drive by coach past the **naval port of Zea**. It was built by Themistocles as a defence against the Persian Empire in the early 5th century BC.
- We soon arrive in Athens, the cradle of Western civilisation and capital of Greece. Large and modern, the city is home to some of history's most incredible ruins. We begin our journey back in time with a visit to the magnificent\* *Acropolis*\*, the largest ancient complex in the Western world.
- We are enraptured by the **Parthenon**, a magnificent and perfect architectural work. We will carry this image of the world's

most famous temple with us forever. Built in 447 BC and dedicated to the goddess Athena Parthenos in 438 BC, it has been used over the centuries as a church, mosque and arsenal and is still a symbol of the city of Athens, and perhaps, without any exaggeration, it can be considered the greatest symbol of our civilisation.

- Our next stop is a visit to the **New Acropolis Museum**. This building with its modern design houses a wealth of priceless works, in particular the sculptures that originally adorned the monuments of the Acropolis. Built above the excavations, the museum is divided into three levels and is supported by more than 100 individually positioned columns.
- We visit the temporary exhibition on the first floor and we are fascinated by the ancient ruins, visible through a transparent glass floor. We climb the glass staircase to a double-height exhibition space that is the permanent home of archaeological relics from the Archaic age to the last days of the Roman period. Lastly, we enjoy the unique experience of the third floor. This floor which houses the Parthenon Gallery has been constructed at an angle of 23 degrees to the building below in order to mirror the position of the temple on the Rock of Acropolis.
- We continue our visit with a panoramic tour of the city. Athens is a busy capital and, as we weave our way through the traffic, we can see immediately that it is also home to about half the population of Greece. We have the opportunity to see some of the city's most famous attractions, such as **the University, the National Library and the National Academy, as well as the Arch of Hadrian, Constitution Square, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Parliament**.
- The visit to the Acropolis involves a climb and walking on uneven ground. We therefore recommend that you wear comfortable shoes.
- Places on this excursion are limited. We recommend booking early.

## INFORMATIONS

| Code  | Duration   | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|---|--|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0940  | 5 Hours approximately  | 2 Moderate | EUR 75.00   | EUR 52.50   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |            |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |            |             |             |

*Piraeus/Athens*

## THE ACROPOLIS AND PLAKA

### Description

We step back in time into the history of the Acropolis, the monument to Greek civilisation, and then become acquainted with the beating heart of modern Athens, where ancient monuments alternate with modern buildings. We visit the city's most picturesque neighbourhood, Plaka and indulge in a little shopping.

### What we will see

- Port of Zea (panoramic tour)
- Acropolis, Parthenon
- Athens, Panathenaic Stadium (photo stop), University, National Academy (panoramic tour)
- Plaka (free time)
- Tower of the Winds, Ancient Agora, Choragic Monument to Lisicratus (panoramic tour)

### What we will do

- After leaving the port of Piraeus, we drive by coach past the **naval port of Zea**. It was built by Themistocles as a defence against the Persian Empire in the early 5th century BC.
- We soon arrive in Athens, the cradle of Western civilisation and capital of Greece. Large and modern, the city is home to some of history's most incredible ruins.
- We begin our journey back in time with a visit to the magnificent **Acropolis**, the largest ancient complex in the Western world.
- It is impossible not to be enraptured by the **Parthenon**, dedicated to Athena, patron deity of Athens, a magnificent and perfect architectural work.
- We continue our panoramic tour that will give us the opportunity to visit the **Panathenaic Stadium** and immortalise it with a photo. It is the only large stadium in the world to be built entirely of white marble.
- We then admire the elegance of the neoclassical buildings such as the **University and the National Academy**.
- We leave the coach and set off on foot to explore the oldest part of Athens: **Plaka**, home to elegant neoclassical buildings, ancient monuments and shops with an antique aura, interspersed with typical restaurants, cafés and boutiques. We admire in awe the **Old University**, the **Tower of the Winds**, the **Ancient Agora** and the **Choragic Monument to Lisicratus**.
- We use our free time to explore other picturesque parts of the neighbourhood and perhaps to indulge in a little shopping in the shops that line the narrow streets.
- The visit to the Acropolis involves a climb and walking on uneven ground. We therefore recommend that you wear comfortable shoes.
- It is strictly forbidden to bring large bags or pushchairs into the Acropolis.
- Visitors with mobility problems will be able to access the Acropolis using a lift. In the event of inclement weather, or for safety reasons, the lift may be closed without warning at the sole discretion of the local authorities responsible for the site.
- On reaching the archaeological area, visitors with reduced mobility will be able to partially tour the ruins by following a special route.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code        | Duration              | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0941        | 5 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 65.00   | EUR 45.50   |
| <b>Type</b> |                       |            |             |             |



Cultural



Good for shopping



Most wanted

*Piraeus/Athens***PANORAMIC TOUR OF ATHENS – EASY TOUR****Description**

A fascinating coach tour of Athens that offers the perfect opportunity to see the city's main attractions and learn about key events in the country's history in complete comfort.


**What we will see**

- The Bay of Zea and the Mikrolimano seafront
- Athens, the historic centre (panoramic tour)
- Plaka
- Adrianou
- Piraeus

**What we will do**

- We set off by coach from port of Piraeus and skirt the **ancient naval harbour of Zea**, which was built by Themistocles in the early 5th century BC as a defence against the Persian Empire.
- We then make our way along the enchanting **seafront at Mikrolimano** – which means “little port” in Greek – where the docked fishing boats provide the backdrop to a fairytale scene.
- Our route then leads us into the centre of Athens where, nestled among the modern buildings of this bustling, cosmopolitan city we find countless **monuments of major historical importance**, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Panathenaic Stadium, the University, the National Library, Syntagma Square and the Greek Parliament, Vasilissis Sofias Avenue and the Presidential Palace.
- Having reached the first of these, once the most splendid, and famous temple in the ancient world, we have some free time to take some **wonderful photographs**.
- We then continue to Athens' oldest neighbourhood, **Plaka**, where we find a heady mix of neoclassical buildings, actual classical monuments and characteristic shops that seem forgotten by time, all interspersed with traditional restaurants, cafés and boutiques.
- Our guide then accompanies us to the street known as **Adrianou**, where we will have some free time to explore the neighbourhood or do a little shopping before meeting up with the rest of the group and setting off for a panoramic tour of the centre of Piraeus.
- The history of the city of **Piraeus** can be traced back to Ancient Greece. Shaped by its location and the nature of the landscape, its fate has long been tied to that of Athens, with highs and lows over the millennia leading, ultimately, to its status today as the largest port in the country.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0949 | 5 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 30.00   | EUR 21.00   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Eco Natural Trail



Good for shopping



Recommended to families



Disabled friendly


*Piraeus/Athens*
**BUS TRANSFER TO ATHENS (Full Day)**
**Description**

We take this opportunity to visit Athens independently; the cradle of Western civilisation, where every corner is rich in history and art.

**What we will see**

- This excursion does neither include a guide nor a local rep.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 01FV | 7 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 25.00   | EUR 17.50   |

**Type**


Sightseeing

*Piraeus/Athens*
**ATHENIAN RIVIERA AND CAPE SOUNION**
**Description**

Following the shore to the south of Athens through a mountainous coastal landscape of rare beauty, our tour takes us to Cape Sounion where the majesty of the Temple of Poseidon and heart-melting views of the Mediterranean cast their millennia-old spell.

**What we will see**

- Panoramic tour of the Athenian Riviera






- Vouliagmeni and Varkiza
- Cape Sounion and the Temple of Poseidon

**What we will do**

- Our **coach tour of the Athenian Riviera** winds its way along the mountainous coastline, regaling us with stirring views of jagged inlets, bays and beaches set, one after the other, against the backdrop of azure water.
- Our route leads us close by some of the structures erected for the 2004 Olympics, then on through the cosmopolitan coastal suburb of **Vouliagmeni**, with its charming bays and beaches, and the resort of **Varkiza**, a favourite destination for both professional and amateur athletes, who come here to train and enjoy a variety of aquatic sports.
- Finally, we come to the evocative, southernmost tip of the Attica peninsula, **Cape Sounion**, which offers breathtaking views of the sea and majestic ruins from the Golden Age of Athens.
- Here, we take the time to admire the magnificent Temple of Poseidon, which sits perched on the rocks 60 m above the sea.
- Built in the 5th century BC on the orders of Pericles, **the temple is dedicated to the Greek god of the sea**. Indeed, many of the cruise ships that pass Cape Sounion today still pay homage to Poseidon by lowering their flags or sounding their horns.
- The temple commands **stunning views of the Saronic Gulf and the Cyclades: a feast for both the eyes and the soul!**

The panoramic coach transfer to Cape Sounion takes approximately 75 minutes.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|---|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 01QV  | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 49.95   | EUR 34.96   |
| <b>Type</b>   |                       |  |             |             |
|  | Sightseeing           |       | Cultural    |             |

*Piraeus/Athens*
**THE SITES AND FLAVOURS OF ATHENS**
**Description**

An engrossing tour of Athens, part on foot, part by coach, in which we discover the most significant vestiges of millennia of history. Our itinerary includes a visit to the picturesque Monastiraki neighbourhood, where we have the chance to sample an authentic gyros pita, as well as a period of free time to do a little shopping or enjoy an optional trip to the Acropolis.

**What we will see**





- Athens city centre
- The Pnyx

- Panathenaic Stadium, Academy of Athens, Greek Parliament
- Syntagma Square
- Monastiraki: snack stop for a gyros
- Plaka
- Free time for shopping or Acropolis visit

**What we will do**

- We board our coach at the port in Piraeus for the short journey to the cosmopolitan city of **Athens**, the capital of Greece and, for many, the cradle of Western civilisation itself.
- We disembark at the feet of the majestic Acropolis and make our way by foot to the top of the **Pnyx**. One of the numerous hills of Athens, the Pnyx offers marvellous views of the Acropolis and the rest of Athens, though it is often overlooked by tourists.
- The Pnyx is one of the most ancient, and important, sites in the history of democracy. As early as 507 BC, Athenians are known to have gathered here for the *ecclesia*, the city's popular assembly and the first form of democratic government in the world.
- Back on board the coach, our tour continues, introducing us to a number of other major sites such as the **Panathenaic Stadium** – the only large stadium in the world to be built entirely from white marble – the elegant neoclassical headquarters of the **Academy of Athens** and the **Greek Parliament**.
- We set foot on terra firma once again at **Syntagma Square** in the heart of the city. From there, our guide will accompany us on a walk to the charming **Monastiraki** neighbourhood, which is famous for its bustling flea market.
- Here, we have the chance to enjoy a taste of one of Greece's favourite street food specialities, indeed one of the country's most iconic culinary treats, a **gyros pita**: a flatbread filled with meat, vegetables and French-fried potatoes.
- We then make our way to the oldest neighbourhood in Athens, the Plaka, where we find a heady mix of neoclassical buildings, actual classical monuments and characteristic shops that seem forgotten by time, all interspersed with traditional restaurants, cafés and boutiques.
- At the end of our guided walking tour, we have some free time to continue exploring or do a little shopping around the Plaka.
- The visit of the Acropolis is optional and guests can access it paying the entrance ticket?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration   | Level   | Adult price   | Child price |
|---|--|---|---|-------------|
| 01QW  | 5 Hours approximately  | 2 Moderate  | EUR 49.95   | EUR 34.96   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |   |   |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |  Recommended to families |  Tasting |             |

*Heraklion/Creta*  
**KNOSSOS ON YOUR OWN**

**Description**

Let us discover Crete's most important Bronze Age archaeological site: Knossos, the ancient capital of the Minoan kingdom.

**What we will see**

- Free time in Knossos
- Sightseeing tour of Heraklion and free time to explore the city

**What we will do**

- From the port of Heraklion, we head to the famous **archaeological site of Knossos** boasting the remains of a civilisation dating back to 3000 BC and rediscovered by Sir Arthur Evans.
- We let ourselves be enchanted by the **magnificent ruins of the ancient Palace complex** where the administrative and religious centres of the entire region used to be located.
- We finally head back to **Heraklion** to enjoy a **sightseeing tour** of the city.
- This excursion does not include a guide.
- Entry tickets to the archaeological site and Knossos palace are not included.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code        | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 01J3        | 2 1/2 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 20.00   | EUR 14.00   |
| <b>Type</b> |                           |        |             |             |

*Heraklion/Creta*  
**EXPERIENCE: THE ARKADI MONASTERY AND RETHYMNO**

**Description**

From the magnificence of the Arkadi Monastery, a symbol of the Cretan people's fight for independence from the Turks, to the Venetian atmosphere of Rethymno, an undeniably fascinating melting pot of art and history.

**What we will see**

- Arkadi Monastery
- Rethymno: ancient Venetian loggia, Fortress, Neratzte mosque, Great Gate, Rimondi Square (external visit)

**What we will do**

- We leave the port of Heraklion by coach and head for the **Arkadi monastery**, the island's most famous monastery, which is composed of a series of fortified buildings. Legend has it that it was built by Emperor Flavius Heraclius Augustus and reconstructed around the 5th century by Byzantine emperor Arcadius, from whom it takes its name, while other sources report that it was founded by a monk named Arcadius.
- The central courtyard is beautiful and houses the church dedicated to Saint Constantine, Saint Helen and Our Father. The monastery also symbolises the fight for independence from the Turks. In 1866, many Cretan people took refuge here to defend themselves from the Ottomans and, rather than surrender, they blew up the armoury, sacrificing their own lives.
- We will continue on to **Rethymno**, capital of a region whose great cultural heritage dates back to the Minoan age and has its main centre in Cydonia. There is, almost unexpectedly, a Venetian atmosphere in the historic city centre (*palia poli*): the Venetians in fact, having conquered the island, decided to create a commercial base here, between Heraklion and Chania. Every corner of the city is still imbued its old, aristocratic character, from the 16th century buildings to the arched porticoes, from the stone stairs to magnificent remains from the Greek, Roman and Byzantine eras, from the maze of streets to the small Venetian port. In the **ancient Venetian loggia** we find the information office of the Ministry of Culture.
- Our visit continues on to the **Fortress**, which also dates to the Venetian age and is one of Crete's best preserved castles. All that remains is for us to visit the other places of interest, the marvellous **Neratzes mosque**, which was completed in 1657, the **Guora Gate** - the main gate of the 16th century wall - and lastly, **Rimondi square**.
- Before returning to the port, we will have some free time in which to explore every corner of this marvellous city, a rare treasure of art and history: the **Fortress**, which also dates to the Venetian age and is one of Crete's best preserved castles, the marvellous **Neratzes mosque**, which was completed in 1657, the **Guora Gate**, the main gate of the 16th century wall, and lastly **Rimondi square**.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- The coach transfer from the port to the Arcadi Monastery takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- Clothing that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| OOKN | 5 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |

**Type**


Cultural

*Heraklion/Creta*
**PREMIUM TOUR: PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND AROLITHOS VILLAGE**

**Description**

The cradle of Minoan civilization, Crete will surprise us with its archaeological patrimony as we embark on an awe-inspiring trip, reliving the myth of Minos at the Palace of Knossos before diving into Cretan culture in a traditional village where time seems to stand still.

**What we will see**

- Palace of Knossos
- Arolithos and Museum of agricultural history and popular art




**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Heraklion by coach to head for our first destination: the **Palace of Knossos**.
- Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization dating back to 3000 BC. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We will visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, reliving the myth of Minos. It is believed that the palace is linked to the myth of the labyrinth and the Minotaur due to the number of rooms it possessed (probably more than 1000 originally).
- Still impressed by the historic and architectonic wonders of the Palace of Knossos, we re-board the coach and ready ourselves for some Cretan culture in the characteristic village of **Arolithos**. Reconstructed using the same techniques that were used in the past, this village will charm us with its otherworldly atmosphere. We will walk along the pebbled streets, home to traditional crafts shops where the artisans produce ceramics and inlaid wooden articles. We are struck by the scent of bread as we pass in front of the traditional bakery and are enchanted by the small village church and the traditional "Cafenion" café. Before returning to the port, we will retrace the history of Cretan culture by visiting the **Museum of agricultural history and popular art**.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- We recommended wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level                | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| OOKF | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | Moderate<br><b>2</b> | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

**Type**

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|--|---|---|
|  Cultural |  Good for shopping |  Disabled friendly |
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## Heraklion/Creta

### THE WONDERS OF KNOSSOS AND THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

#### Description

Suspended between history and legend, the ancient city of Knossos will charm us with the remains of its magnificent palace, a testament to the Minoan civilization and an historic treasure of rare beauty.

#### What we will see

- Palace of Knossos
- Archaeological museum

#### What we will do

- Leaving the port of Heraklion, we will enjoy an inspiring trip to **Knossos**, the ancient capital of the great kingdom of Minos, which, considering its area, is thought to have been home to 100,000 people. Testament to the ancient Minoan civilization, the original Minoan palace dated back to 1900 BC. It was destroyed by an earthquake two hundred years later and reconstructed in much more extravagant fashion in 1700 BC. The final catastrophe struck between 1500 and 1450 BC, when the earthquake caused by the eruption of the Santorini volcano destroyed the royal residence for good. Visiting the ruins, we relive the myth of Minos: the palace's complexity leads us to believe that the myth of the labyrinth began here.
- Accompanied by our guide, we will walk through the wonderful ruins of the ancient palace complex where the administrative and religious centres of the whole region were once housed. We can get an idea of the magnificence of this immense structure thanks to restorations by Sir Arthur Evans, though these have been criticised for their modernity. We will admire the lodgings of the king, queen and members of the royal court, the rooms used for important occasions, the theatre area, storehouses and potters workshops.
- The next stage of our visit takes us to the **archaeological museum**, where a unique collection of artefacts from the Minoan civilization awaits us. We will be enchanted by the terracotta, marble and alabaster idols, and by the collection of gold, jewels, ivory, statues, sarcophagi and frescos, a precious testament to the artistic inclination of this millennia-old civilization.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- The excursion is available to both those guests in transit and guests who are disembarking at the port of Heraklion.
- For those of you who are leaving the ship at Heraklion, please ensure that your flight leaves after 16.50.

#### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration              | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0821 | 4 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**Type**


Cultural

*Heraklion/Creta*
**DISCOVERING KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS**
**Description**

From Kritsà, a characteristic village nestled in untouched countryside, to the town of Agios Nikolaos, a lively, and popular destination for tourists that has not forgotten its origins and traditions.

**What we will see**

- Kritsà and Panagia Kera church
- Agios Nikolaos

**What we will do**

- The first stop on our tour takes us to **Kritsà**, a characteristic hilltop village that has kept its traditions alive. Here we visit the rural church of **Panagia Kera**, which dates back to the 13th century and is famous for its rural paintings - still in excellent condition - including the Last Judgement, which depicts the joys of Paradise and the suffering of souls condemned to Hell. Among the scenes we also recognise Saint Francis of Assisi, unusually depicted among the saints of the Greek Orthodox calendar.
- We return to the coach and soon find ourselves in **Agios Nikolaos**, a wonderful coastal tourist town. Here we can enjoy a walk along the seafront, flanked by charming craft shops and typical open-air bars where we can enjoy our free time by tasting the local products and sipping on *soumada*, the traditional almond-based drink.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We recommend wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- Clothing that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.
- This excursion is reserved for guests who are not leaving the ship at Heraklion.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 0822 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Most wanted

*Heraklion/Creta***DISCOVERING KRITSÀ, AGIOS NIKOLAOS AND KNOSSOS****Description**

A unique chance to discover the most authentic side of Crete and its natural, historic and architectural wonders, and to take a trip into its glorious history, visiting the remains of the Palace of Knossos, a symbol of the age during which the Cretan civilization was at its most magnificent.

**What we will see**

- Kritsà and Panagia Kera church
- Agios Nikolaos
- Palace of Knossos

**What we will do**




- We leave the port and head towards **Kritsà**, a picturesque village perched on mount Dikti and home to architectonic works of rare beauty, such as the church of **Panagia Kera**, which dates to the 13th century and is renowned for its wonderful frescos. Here we admire the scenes of the Second Coming – set in Hell and in Paradise – and we also see a very rare depiction of Saint Francis of Assisi together with the Saints of the Orthodox calendar.
- Exiting the church, we take one of the narrow streets that lead to the heart of the village, an area full of small shops selling very traditional articles, such as the famous fabrics with lace and crochet details.
- We leave Kritsà to visit another of Crete's pearls: **Agios Nikolaos**, a renowned tourist town with a beautiful seafront where we have time to walk and explore the small shops or take a break at one of the many open-air cafés.
- We then head west where we will dive into history and mythology. Our visit concludes in beautiful surroundings at the excavation site of the famous **Palace of Knossos**, linked to the Minos myth due to its labyrinthine structure. Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization dating back to 3000 BC, an age in which the great King Minos reigned. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, architectonic wonders that testify to the splendour of the island's glorious Minoan past.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- Clothing that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.
- This excursion is reserved for guests who are not leaving the ship at Heraklion.



**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0825 | 7 1/2 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 105.00  | EUR 73.50   |

**Type**

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|--|---|---|---|---|
|  Cultural |  Good for shopping |  Recommended to families |  Most wanted |  Meal Included |
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*Heraklion/Creta*
**THE ENCHANTING PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND HERAKLION CITY CENTRE**
**Description**

An unforgettable trip to discover the melting pot of art and history that is the island of Crete, which will amaze us with the remains of Knossos and the historic and architectonic wonders of Heraklion.

**What we will see**




- Palace of Knossos
- Heraklion: free time and shopping

**What we will do**

- Crete is not only the largest of Greece's islands, it is also a treasure chest of history, art and culture. Our excursion can therefore only begin at the extraordinary **Knossos excavations**.
- Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization that dates back to 3000 BC. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We will visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, reliving the myth of Minos. It is believed that the palace is linked to the myth of the labyrinth and the Minotaur due to the number of rooms it possessed (probably more than 1000 originally).
- On our return trip, we will stop at **Heraklion**, the main town of the region of the same name and a cultural and economic centre, enriched with ancient palaces, connecting squares and architectonic works dating back to the Venetian and Ottoman dominations.
- Before returning to the port, we will have time to do a little **shopping** and take a walk in this modern city.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- The excursion is available to both those guests in transit and guests who are disembarking at the port of Heraklion.

- For those of you who are leaving the ship at Heraklion, please ensure that your flight leaves after 14:20.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code   | Duration  | Level   | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---|---|-------------|-------------|
| 0827   | 3 1/2 Hours approximately   |  Moderate          | EUR 50.00   | EUR 35.00   |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |   |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Good for shopping |  Disabled friendly |             |             |

*Catania*
**ON THE FOOTSTEPS OF SAINT AGATHA, PATRON SAINT OF CATANIA**
**Description**

The veneration of Saint Agatha is not merely confined to Catania; the figure of the martyr has assumed great importance for Catholicism as a whole and the third most famous religious festival in the world is held in her name. On this excursion, we will visit the main sites associated with the life and worship of the saint in the places where it all began.

**What we will see**

- Roman column with statue of Saint Agatha
- Cathedral of Saint Agatha
- Church of Sant'Agata alla Fornace
- Church of Sant'Agata al Carcere
- Church of Sant'Agata la Vetere
- Sanctuary of the Madonna del Carmine
- Gourmet stop to sample typical Sicilian granita




**What we will do**

- Our itinerary in the footsteps of Saint Agatha will take shape along the streets of Catania, starting at the **Roman column** topped with a **statue of the saint**. This monument was built in memory of the plague that spread across the island in 1744, during which, according to tradition, Catania remained untouched thanks to the intercession of its patron saint.
- Our holy route continues to the **Cathedral of Saint Agatha**, home to a chapel dedicated to the saint that contains her remains, an important destination for the faithful who come to pay homage to her every year. \* We will then visit the **Church of Sant'Agata alla Fornace**, which is said to stand on the site of the furnace in which the saint was martyred. \* We will then visit two more landmarks of the patron saint of Catania's human and spiritual life: the **Church of Sant'Agata al Carcere** (outside visit), built on the ruins of the bastion of the Holy Prison, where the saint was imprisoned before she was martyred, and the

**Church of Sant'Agata la Vetere**, site of the Praetorian Palace in which she was condemned.

- To complete our tour, we will visit the **Sanctuary of the Madonna del Carmine**, the place where Saint Lucy, patron saint of Syracuse, came to pray during Saint Agatha's first burial. We will also have the chance to admire an eighteenth-century painting that depicts this scene.
- Before returning to the port, our coach will take us on a brief panoramic tour of the city, during which we will have the opportunity to **treat ourselves** to a **typical Sicilian granita**.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.
- The excursion involves walking and churches are accessed via steps.
- Appropriate clothing is recommended: shorts, sleeveless and low-cut tops and short skirts are not permitted.
- When the cathedral is being used for religious ceremonies, our tour will be limited to the exterior of the building. Alternatively, there will be a tour of the Collegiata Basilica.

## INFORMATIONS

| Code   | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0148   | 4 1/2 Hours approximately |  Moderate | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |
| <b>Type</b>  |                           |  |             |             |
|  Cultural |                           |  Tasting  |             |             |

## *Catania* **BAROQUE CATANIA**

### Description

In the company of our guide, we will set out to discover Catania, a stunning Baroque city on the shores of the Ionian Sea at the foot of Mount Etna on a huge plain planted with citrus fruits. After marvelling at its beauty, we will also have time to sample a classic granita and brioche.

### What we will see

- Centre of Catania
- Piazza Stesicoro, monument to Bellini and Roman Amphitheatre
- Cathedral of Saint Agatha
- Porta Uzeda
- Sicilian granita and brioche tasting

### What we will do

- We will travel by comfortable coach to the **centre of Catania**, gazing down at some of the city's most well-known and characteristic streets.
- We will pass through **Piazza Stesicoro** where we will make a stop for a photo of the nineteenth-century monument dedicated to the Catanese composer Vincenzo Bellini, a virtuoso work by Giulio Monteverde.
- We will then have the chance to admire the ruins of the **Roman amphitheatre**, of which the arena and lower order of arches are still visible, just enough to evoke the grandeur of this entertainment venue that was only slightly smaller than the Colosseum.
- Next, we will continue on foot into the ancient heart of the city, where we will visit the **Cathedral of Saint Agatha**, built during the Middle Ages and embellished over the centuries until it took on its current appearance during the 18th century.
- Once inside, we will admire the Norman apses and transept, which, in addition to the mullioned windows and precious columns, were revealed during the restoration, creating a **particularly picturesque setting**.
- The church is home to **many works of important cultural and artistic value**. These include the tomb of Bellini, two sarcophagi, one of which belongs to Constance of Aragon, and the exquisite Renaissance sculpture of the Virgin placed on the altar.
- The Baroque splendour of **Porta Uzeda** provides the backdrop to an unmissable photograph that offers an opportunity to immortalise your holiday before we explore the streets of the centre in search of unexpected corners.
- Finally, we will enjoy a pleasant end to our excursion at a city centre café, sampling a **refreshing granita and fragrant brioche** in the best tradition of Sicilian cuisine.
- During religious functions the visit to the cathedral will only be a tour of the exterior. Alternatively, there will be a tour of the Collegiata Basilica.
- Dress code that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended (ladies are expected to wear a shoulder scarf covering shoulders and arms; neither ladies nor gents are allowed to wear shorts).

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0151 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately |  Moderate | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |

**Type**


Cultural



Good for shopping



Refreshments included

*Catania*
**TAORMINA AND ITS ENCHANTING HISTORICAL CENTRE**
**Description**

No visit to Sicily is complete without experiencing the magical town of Taormina. With its historical and cultural attractions and the natural beauty of the surrounding landscape, this is truly one of the jewels in the island's crown.

**What we will see**

- Taormina's historical town centre
- Porta Messina
- Palazzo Corvaja
- The Greek Theatre

**What we will do**

- We leave the port by coach, taking the motorway to the magical town of Taormina.
- The town enjoys a beautiful natural setting on a small plateau in the foothills of Monte Tauro. What makes this ancient settlement so appealing to visitors, however, is the wealth of fascinating Greek, Roman and Medieval ruins.
- Led through the **historical town centre** by our expert guide, we pass under the old gateway christened **Porta Messina**, and make our way into the oldest part of the town.
- A short distance away we find one of the town's most important building, **Palazzo Corvaja**, which we are able to admire from outside. The original nucleus of this rather severe-looking edifice is a tower built in the 11th century by the Arabs that ruled the area at that time. The building has been extended at various points over the years, first at the end of the 13th century, then again in the 15th century, when it was used for sittings of the Sicilian Parliament. Neglected for a period after the Second World War, the building was restored thanks to the efforts of the town's first post-war mayor.
- We continue towards the heart of the old town centre, to see the stunning **Greek Theatre**. More than just a symbol of Taormina, this Hellenistic construction is one of the most famous landmarks in the whole of Sicily. The original building probably dates to the 3rd century BC. During the reign of Augustus, it was renovated and extended to the point that, with a capacity of 10,000 it was the second largest theatre in Sicily after the one in Syracuse. A vast, publicly owned park of Mediterranean scrub is draped over the slopes to the north-east of the theatre, a fitting backdrop to these spectacular historical remains.
- At this point, we take some free time to stroll at leisure along the charming, narrow streets of the old town or even do a little shopping.
- This excursion is conducted mainly on foot, it is therefore recommended to wear comfortable shoes.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0152 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Cultural

*Catania*  
**MOUNT ETNA AND THE CRATERI SILVESTRI**

**Description**

An excursion to the slopes of Mount Etna to discover the amazing Crateri Silvestri, combined with a short panoramic tour of Catania.

**What we will see**

- Etna
- Crateri Silvestri
- Panoramic tour of Catania

**What we will do**

- We will set off from the port of Catania on an excursion in search of Sicily's natural landscapes. En route, we will have the opportunity to enjoy panoramic views as we wind our way up to the village of **Nicolosi**.
- We will pass through **vineyards and valleys created from stratified lava** as we continue up to an altitude of 2,000 metres. The vegetation changes as we climb: the Mediterranean maquis at a lower altitude gives way to a series of mountainous landscapes that gradually become more barren as the altitude increases.
- We will eventually reach the peaks of the **Crateri Silvestri** from where we can admire the volcano in all its spectacular yet terrifying beauty.
- We will have all the time we need to admire the landscape and take scenic photographs before returning back down the slopes towards Catania.
- On reaching the city, we will end our excursion with a brief panoramic tour of the **historic centre of Catania**, along Via Etnea, lined with stunning churches and imposing palaces in the Sicilian Baroque style.
- In the event of adverse weather conditions the tour may be cancelled.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0154 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 49.00   | EUR 34.30   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Eco Natural Trail

*Catania*  
**THE ROMAN VILLA OF PIAZZA ARMERINA AND THE FLAVOURS OF SICILY**

**Description**

This excursion will take us deep into a past rich in the history, art and culture of eastern Sicily, with a visit to a Roman villa that recalls all the splendour of Antiquity, finishing with a delicious meal of traditional, typical dishes in a fairy-tale setting.

**What we will see**

- Piazza Armerina
- Villa Romana del Casale
- San Michele di Ganzaria and a typical Sicilian lunch in a historic manor house

**What we will do**

- We will set off from the port of Catania with our guide towards **Piazza Armerina**, located about 700 metres above sea level near Enna.
- Our primary destination is the famous **Villa Romana del Casale**, a few kilometres from the town, built in the late 3rd century AC as a hunting and leisure residence for a rich landowner.
- The villa, which stretches for around 3,500 square metres, was declared a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** thanks to its priceless value and exceptional state of preservation.
- The **beautiful mosaics that cover the floors** allow us to relive everyday life as it was almost two thousand years ago. Examining the magnificent designs transports us into hunting battles and the recreational activities of the time, such as games and sports; they also re-evolve the hours spent by the villa's inhabitants at the baths.
- Our excursion continues to San Michele di Ganzaria, where we will be served **a typical Sicilian lunch in a fourteenth-century manor house**, a magical place where the aromas and flavours of the island's most authentic cuisine meet.
- In the afternoon, before returning to the ship, we will have the opportunity to look around this splendid structure, built around a Sicilian baglio courtyard building and a village of stone houses.
- The transfer to Piazza Armerina takes approximately 2 hours.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0157 | 8 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 100.00  | EUR 70.00   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Meal Included

*Catania*
**OFF-ROAD ADVENTURE ON MOUNT ETNA VOLCANO**

**Description**

Our excursion will visit the fascinating Mount Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe. With breathtaking views, its natural environment has been forged by the lava released from the volcano over the millennia.


**What we will see**

- Picturesque villages on the slopes of Mount Etna
- Dagala
- Monti Sartorius





**What we will do**

- We will set off from the port by off-road, passing through **several small and picturesque villages** at the foot of Mount Etna, such as Santa Venerina, Milo and Fornazzo, defying the wrath of the nearby mouth of the volcano.
- We will begin our exciting off-road adventure near Dagala on a dirt track specially created by the Forest Service, offering **scenic views** of the surrounding slopes and lava formations.
- We will then set off on foot from the off-road for a magnificent lookout point from which we can admire the **spectacular panorama**. This really is a unique photo opportunity!
- We will finally continue on to the **extinct craters of the Monti Sartorius**, formed by the impressive lava flow created in 1865, characterised by the typical lines of eruptive cones known as "buttonholes". We will follow a natural path of exceptional botanical and geological interest, allowing us to appreciate the unusual habitat of an active volcano.
- Once our last photos have been taken, we will set off for the return trip to Catania.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0159 | 4 Hours approximately |  Moderate | EUR 92.00   | EUR 64.40   |

**Type**

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|---|---|---|---|
|  Sightseeing |  Eco Natural Trail |  Sports Lovers |  Tasting |
|---|---|---|---|

*Catania*

**THE RIVIERA OF THE CYCLOPS AND TAORMINA**

**Description**

A full day discovering the architectural and natural wonders of the Ionian Coast to the north of Catania: majestic cliff stacks, picturesque towns and ancient monuments, including lunch in a typical restaurant.



#### What we will see

- Centre of Catania
- Aci Castello and Cyclops Stacks
- Aci Trezza
- Acireale
- Taormina: Greek theatre, Palazzo Corvaja, Odeon and Cathedral
- Lunch in a typical restaurant

#### What we will do

- We will begin our excursion with a panoramic coach tour of the **centre of Catania** before continuing on to **Aci Castello**, a town that grew up around a Norman castle, from which it takes its name, built on rocks made of lava that jut out into the sea.
- We will explore the town's streets before arriving in the square that is home to the Chiesa Madre church, built from volcanic stone. A spectacular lookout point provides an opportunity to admire the **stunning panoramic views that stretch along the Riviera of the Cyclops**. According to Homer's *Odyssey*, its towering rock stacks were boulders thrown at the fleeing Ulysses by the Cyclops, Polyphemus.
- We will then briefly visit **Aci Trezza**, a small town located ten kilometres to the north of Catania along the Ionian Coast. It boasts a long maritime tradition and is an extremely popular destination during the summer. Famous for its breathtaking landscape, it was here that Giovanni Verga set his masterpiece *Malavoglia*
- We will then carry on up the coast to **Acireale**, near Mount Etna, located on a lava field among an expanse of citrus groves. Well-known for its churches, the town's beauty and imposing buildings ranging from Sicilian Baroque to the Neo-Gothic style are astonishing.
- On the way to Taormina, we will stop for **lunch in a typical restaurant** before continuing our tour of the attractions of the Ionian Coast.
- Our afternoon is devoted entirely to visiting **Taormina**. Starting in Piazza San Pancrazio, our first stop will be the **ancient Greek theatre** subsequently converted into a Roman amphitheatre in the 2nd century BC and currently used for open-air performances thanks to its unique acoustics.
- We will admire the austere façade of **Palazzo Corvaja**, the town's most important building, which dates back to the 15th century and was once home to the Sicilian parliament.
- Finally, we will see the **Odeon**, a small theatre used for musical and literary performances, a real gem of Roman architecture, and the **Duomo**, nicknamed the fortress cathedral thanks to the severity of its medieval architecture and the battlements decorating the perimeter.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.

#### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration | Level | Adult price | Child price |
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1055

8 Hours approximately

**2**

Moderate

EUR 90.00

EUR 63.00

**Type**

Sightseeing



Cultural



Meal Included

*Catania***CATANIA AND THE TENUTA DEL GELSO****Description**

Important centuries-old traditions and the majestic historical heritage of Catania. On this excursion we will explore two sides of Sicily: its famous food products, which we will of course sample, and its equally famous historical remains, from Magna Graecia to the modern age.

**What we will see**

- Tenuta del Gelso: citrus grove, country house and wine cellar
- Tasting of typical products made on the wine estate
- Catania Old Town
- Via Etnea and Piazza Stesicoro
- Roman Amphitheatre
- Cathedral of Saint Agatha and Piazza Università

**What we will do**

- On leaving the port, we will set off for the slopes of Mount Etna, home to the **beautiful Tenuta del Gelso**, a marvellous 65-hectares wine estate owned by an ancient and noble Sicilian family, devoted to growing citrus fruits, vines and olives.
- The Tenuta del Gelso became famous in the early 19th century thanks to the entrepreneurship of Baron Franz Mannino, who founded a **flourishing trade in citrus fruits and wine produced on the estate**. Experiencing varying fortunes over the years, the family still holds the reins of the estate, which now boasts an excellent international reputation for the quality of its products.
- During our visit we will admire the **citrus grove**, home to a number of varieties, from classic Sicilian blood oranges to more exotic miyagawa oranges, several of the rooms in the **country house**, and the area's most well-known **wine cellar**, a place dedicated to the pressing of grapes and a symbol of the family's ancient tradition of wine-making.
- We will have the opportunity to sample a **delicious tasting of typical products from the estate**, the perfect end to this journey into the best Sicily has to offer.
- After visiting the estate, we will continue on to **Catania**, a stunning Baroque city at the centre of a vast plain between the Ionian Sea and the imposing figure of Mount Etna, Europe's largest volcano.
- From our comfortable coach, we will admire some of the **city's most picturesque and characteristic sights**.
- We will travel along the central **Via Etnea**, lined with splendid churches and imposing Sicilian Baroque palaces, and pass

through **Piazza Stesicoro**, home to the 19th century monument dedicated to the Catanese composer, Vincenzo Bellini, a virtuoso work by Giulio Monteverde.

- We will then have the chance to admire the ruins of the **Roman amphitheatre**, of which the arena and lower order of arches are still visible, just enough to evoke the grandeur of this entertainment venue that was only slightly smaller than the Colosseum.
- A brief stop in the historic centre allows us to visit the **Cathedral of Saint Agatha**, home to the remains of the saint, and **Piazza Università**, before we spend some free time in the busiest part of the city.
- The itinerary may be subject to change.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.
- The excursion involves some walking.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 1057 | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |

#### Type



Eco Natural Trail



Tasting

### *Catania*

## **SYRACUSE AND THE ISLAND OF ORTIGIA**

#### Description

A journey through three thousand years of history in one of Sicily's most beautiful towns, one of the few in the world to have two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: its Greek ruins and Baroque masterpieces.

#### What we will see

- Neapolis Archaeological Park
- Greek Theatre, Paradise Quarry and Ear of Dionysus
- Island of Ortigia
- Arethusa Spring and Syracuse Cathedral



#### What we will do

- On leaving the port, we will set off towards the **Neapolis Archaeological Park**, located in the north-west of the modern city, where we will be able to admire what remains of Greek Syracuse.
- Founded in the 8th century BC by the Corinthians, the city was one of the richest and most powerful in the Mediterranean, as

demonstrated unequivocally by the monumental ruins of this **exceptional site of historical and artistic interest**.

- We will visit the imposing **Greek Theatre**, built when the splendour of the ancient *polis* was at its peak. Carved partially out of the rock with an extremely large cavea, it was one of the most famous theatres of the ancient world.
- Our next stop is the ancient stone quarry known as the **Paradise Quarry**. Several earthquakes have caused the collapse of the roofs of the large caves dug to extract stone and the quarry is now open to the elements. Its floor is covered with a lush citrus garden that offers picturesque views.
- The northern side of the quarry is home to a large crevice, opened up by the ancient quarrymen. Caravaggio called it the **Ear of Dionysus** because its shape is similar to that of an ear.
- We will go into the cave to appreciate **the special acoustic effect** that has made it famous all over the world. Since the late 18th century, it has been a destination for travellers, who were fascinated by the charm of this unusual place.
- Next, we will visit the **Island of Ortigia**, the oldest part of the city of Syracuse, which is home to ruins of ancient Greek constructions where the line between myth and reality becomes very thin indeed.
- Our next stop is the **Arethusa Spring**, the mythical backdrop for the tragic love story between a nymph and a hunter.
- We will then wander the narrow streets towards Piazza Duomo. Once again, it almost feels as if we could reach out and touch ancient history as we look up at a Baroque masterpiece: the **Cathedral of Syracuse**, built on the ruins of the Temple of Athena, the Doric columns of which are still visible today.
- The transfer to Syracuse takes approximately 1 hour.

## INFORMATIONS

| Code   | Duration  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1059   | 5 1/2 Hours approximately   | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 60.00   | EUR 42.00   |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |                   |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Disabled friendly |                   |             |             |

### *Catania*

## THE RIVIERA OF THE CYCLOPS

### Description

We will set out on a journey of discovery to experience the architectural and natural wonders of the Ionian Coast to the north of Catania: majestic cliff stacks, picturesque towns and historic monuments.

### What we will see






- Aci Castello and Cyclops Stacks
- Acireale

- Aci Trezza

**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Catania for **Aci Castello**, a town that grew up around a Norman castle, from which it takes its name, built on rocks made of lava that jut out into the sea.
- We will explore the town's streets before arriving in the square that is home to the Chiesa Madre church, built from volcanic stone. A spectacular lookout point provides an opportunity to admire the **stunning panoramic views that stretch along the Riviera of the Cyclops**. According to Homer's *Odyssey*, its towering rock stacks were boulders thrown at the fleeing Ulysses by the Cyclops, Polyphemus.
- Our next stop is **Acireale**, near Mount Etna, located on a lava field among an expanse of citrus groves. Well-known for its churches, the town's beauty and imposing buildings ranging from Sicilian Baroque to the Neo-Gothic style are astonishing.
- After a pleasant stroll through this picturesque town, we will stop to indulge in a spot of shopping and some free time.
- We will then continue on to **Aci Trezza**, a small town located ten kilometres to the north of Catania along the Ionian Coast. It boasts a long maritime tradition and is an extremely popular destination during the summer. Famous for its breathtaking landscape, it was here that Giovanni Verga set his masterpiece *I Malavoglia*.
- With a last look at the magnificent views of the Riviera of the Cyclops, we will return to the port of Catania.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration   | Level   | Adult price   | Child price |
|---|--|---|---|-------------|
| 1060  | 4 Hours approximately  |  Moderate                | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |   |   |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |  Recommended to families |  Disabled friendly |             |

*Catania*
**DISCOVER CATANIA WITH TASTING SESSION**
**Description**

A stroll around the charming city centre of Catania as we take in some of its most significant artistic and historical monuments, with two breaks to enjoy traditional food perfect for those who love sweets as well as for those who prefer savoury food.

**What we will see**

- Porta Uzeda
- Saint Agatha Cathedral

- "Cuoppo" tasting session
- Terme Achilliane
- Badia di Sant'Agata dome
- Granita tasting session
- Piazza Stesicoro
- Fountain of Proserpine

**What we will do**

- We leave the port behind us and venture on a **lovely walk** that takes us to the heart of Catania, a stunning Baroque city at the centre of a vast plain between the Ionian Sea and the imposing figure of Mount Etna, Europe's largest volcano.
- As we walk along the typical alleyways, we take in the Baroque splendour of **Porta Uzeda**, providing the backdrop to an unmissable photograph.
- We then continue to Piazza del Duomo, with its **Cathedral of Saint Agatha**, built during the Middle Ages and embellished over the centuries until it took on its current appearance during the 18th century.
- Once at the fish market, we enjoy a break with a **tasting session of typical "cuoppo"**, delicious fried fish served in a parcel.
- We then move on to the **terme Achilliane**, one of the most significant buildings dating back to Roman Imperial times in Catania. Discovered in the 18th century by the eminent Prince of Biscari, they are located beneath Piazza Duomo and are accessed through a narrow passage near the Cathedral façade. We embark on a journey through the centuries to Ancient Roman times!
- Afterwards, we climb up to see the **Badia di Sant'Agata dome**, where we can admire incredible views of the city.
- We climb down to enjoy a pleasant sampling of a **refreshing granita** in the best tradition of Sicilian cuisine.
- We cross **Piazza Stesicoro**, dominated by the 19th-century monument dedicated to local composer Vincenzo Bellini and by the remains of the Roman amphitheatre, only partly visible.
- We end our tour with the amazing **Fountain of Proserpine**, a monumental group of sculptures embellished with water features, before heading back to the ship.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02GW | 5 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 50.00   | EUR 35.00   |

*Catania*
**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE GODFATHER: SAVOCA AND FORZA D'AGRÒ**
**Description**

We will visit two quaint ancient villages oozing typical Sicilian charm, where famous director Francis Ford Coppola filmed some

scenes from 'The Godfather' trilogy, immortalising some of the most picturesque views in the area on camera.

**What we will see**



- Village of Savoca: walk through the centre
- Bar Vitelli: a stop with a granita
- Opportunities for incredible photos
- Village of Forza d'Agrò: walk through the centre

**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Catania by coach, following a picturesque road that runs inland to the village of **Savoca**, nestled on a rocky hill amidst citrus groves, vineyards and olive trees.
- Listed as one of the most beautiful villages in Italy, Savoca boasts Medieval streets lined with ancient buildings, whose doors open out onto **stunning views** of the verdant expanse of greenery right out to the horizon where the gulf of Taormina stands majestically.
- Accompanied by a professional guide, we will enjoy a **pleasant stroll through the village**, where young Michael Corleone stays in the fictional film.
- We will not be able to resist stopping at the famous **bar Vitelli**, half of which has been converted into a museum where we can admire many ancient objects and photos of the film sets. We will **drink a granita** here in true Sicilian style before continuing our walk.
- We will walk along the village's main street, which will take us towards the top of the hill where we can **take some amazing photographs**, passing delightful 15th and 16th-century churches and the ruins of the Norman castle and soaking up the stunning views from a height.
- We will return to the coach and after a 30-minute journey we will reach the charming **Forza d'Agrò**, a picturesque village overlooking the coast in the direction of Messina, which was also the setting for some scenes in 'The Godfather - Part III' starring Al Pacino and Sophia Coppola.
- We will enjoy another **beautiful stroll through the centre** here, walking along the road that runs from the main square to the Duomo, the splendid Baroque church immortalised by Coppola's masterpiece.

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**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration   | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|---|--|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02H3  | 6 Hours approximately  | 2 Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |
| <b>Type</b>   |  |            |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |            |             |             |

*Catania*
**ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - CASTIGLIONE DI SICILIA**
**Description**

Castiglione di Sicilia at leisure. The town was selected as one of the most beautiful in Italy and is surrounded by a rugged scenery of rare beauty. Stroll through the characteristic alleyways of the historic town centre searching for monuments and ancient buildings and wander around the wine bars and bakeries to delight our palates.

**What we will see**

- This excursion does not include a guide, but the assistance of a local escort in Italian/English speaking.
- Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- The cost of food and entrance tickets to tourist sites is not included in the price of the excursion.
- Please note that the local administration of the village offers the opportunity to buy a tourist package directly on site. This is according to the availability of the local public association and for which, we ask you to refer to the staff assigned to the arrival in the village. The local escort on board the bus will give general information on the place and information on how to take advantage of the package provided by the local public association in the village.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 024S | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 35.00   | EUR 24.50   |

*Catania*
**ETNA & TAORMINA**
**Description**

ETNA & TAORMINA

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02G1 | 7 1/2 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 90.00   | EUR 63.00   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Eco Natural Trail



*Catania*  
**SYRACUSE AND NOTO**

**Description**

SYRACUSE AND NOTO

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02G2 | 7 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 95.00   | EUR 66.50   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Cultural

*Catania*  
**TAORMINA & CATANIA**

**Description**

TAORMINA & CATANIA

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02G3 | 7 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 90.00   | EUR 63.00   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Cultural

*Naples*  
**TAPSY TOUR - POMPEII**

**Description**

We will cross the boundary of the modern world and go back in time to ancient Pompeii on a guided excursion for young and old to relive the splendour and wonders of two thousand years ago on an engaging journey where history comes to life.

**What we will see**

- Archaeological ruins of Pompeii




- Amphitheatre
- Garden of the Fugitives
- House of the Ship Europa
- Via dell'Abbondanza
- Pompeii-style snack for the kids
- Suburban baths and Forum

**What we will do**

- Our journey back in time starts at the gates to the **archaeological ruins of Pompeii**, where we will give the attendant the coin that entitles us to officially enter antiquity.
- We will meet our guide and visit the **amphitheatre**, with its perfectly designed oval shape and many terraces where we can imagine the audience sitting and watching a gladiator show.
- Our guide will take us around the majestic ruins to the **Garden of the Fugitives**, where many victims of the eruption were found, caught in the volcano's fury as they tried to escape from the city.
- We will enter the **House of the Ship Europa**, with rooms that open out onto the peristyle and many clearly rustic spaces, and we will walk along the Decumanus Maximus and **Via dell'Abbondanza**, still richly decorated and therefore one of the most vibrant routes on the tour of the ruins. Along this street we can see many of the most beautiful houses that belonged to the rich bourgeoisie of Pompeii, some of which have two floors.
- We will have a break from exploring with a **Pompeii-style snack for the kids**, who will have the chance to try spelt bread and honey and pomegranate based desserts, typical in ancient Pompeii.
- Our journey through time will continue to the **Suburban Baths**, sumptuously decorated and located on a picturesque artificial terrace overlooking the sea. Then we will reach the **Forum**, which was the political and economic hub of the city, where we will conclude our adventure, thanking our guide and returning home with such wonderful memories.

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**INFORMATIONS**

| Code   | Duration  | Level   | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---|---|-------------|-------------|
| O2GC   | 5 Hours approximately   | <b>2</b><br>Moderate  | EUR 70.00   | EUR 49.00   |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |   |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Fun |  Recommended to families |             |             |

*Naples*

**PIZZA CHEFS FOR A DAY IN THE HEART OF NAPLES**

### Description

We will learn about the intriguing history of Naples on a walk through the beautiful historic centre and we will discover all the secrets of Neapolitan pizza in a cookery class in an exclusive location.

### What we will see

- Walk through the heart of Naples
- Piazza del Gesù Nuovo
- Piazza San Domenico
- Spaccanapoli and Via San Gregorio Armeno
- Top of the Greco-Roman theatre
- Cookery class: Neapolitan pizza
- Free time in the centre

### What we will do

- A coach will take us to the heart of Naples where we will **walk through the historic centre**, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site because it has been exceptionally well preserved and bears witness to the city's historical and artistic evolution.
- We will start our journey of discovery in **Piazza del Gesù Nuovo**, a square that is home to the church of the same name –one of the biggest in the city– which some of the most renowned Neapolitan artists have worked on. Then we will head to **Piazza San Domenico**, surrounded by elegant buildings owned by the most important Neapolitan families.
- We will cross **Spaccanapoli**, the city's main street which splits the historic centre in two, and we will walk along **Via San Gregorio Armeno**, a street that is renowned around the world for its shops selling miniature Nativity scenes.
- Having feasted our eyes on all the beauty that Naples has to offer, we will stop in front of the entrance to an old **Greco-Roman theatre**, which is now housed in a building from a later period.
- We will enter through what was once a carpenter's workshop at the top of the theatre and we will take part in a **Neapolitan pizza making class** in this exclusive spot, in front of an ancient oven that was discovered here.
- Professional pizza chefs will teach us **the art of pizza making** through a practical demonstration as they also tell us interesting anecdotes about the history of one of the most famous dishes in the world. The fragrant, delicious Neapolitan pizza will no longer be a mystery!
- After the cookery class, we will have some **free time to explore the city centre** on our own, letting our sense of discovery guide us, then later we will return to the ship.

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### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration              | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02FW | 4 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 65.00   | EUR 45.50   |

**Type**

Cultural



Fun



Tasting

*Naples***AROUND NAPLES LIKE TRUE NEAPOLITANS****Description**

We stroll around the centre of Naples admiring unusual sights off the beaten tourist track for a closer look at the city, using public transport with spectacular surprises in store for us and driving through evocative popular neighbourhoods with of course a final snack in pure Neapolitan style.

**What we will see**

- Piazza del Plebiscito
- Royal Palace and church of S. Francesco da Paola
- Toledo station
- Pignasecca market
- Montesanto funicular
- Certosa di San Martino and Museum
- Typical Neapolitan street food

**What we will do**

- We leave the port behind us on foot and go on a stroll around the city centre with a first stop in **Piazza del Plebiscito**, one of the most beautiful and renowned in Naples that leaves us speechless due to its huge size: 25,000 sq metres, perfect to organise big events.
- Here, we can see the magnificent **Royal Palace**, one of the four residences used by the Bourbon Royal Family in the period of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, as well as the **Church of S. Francesco da Paola**, which features an impressive façade.
- From Piazza Municipio, we get on the underground to reach the **Toledo station**, a truly spectacular project. Completely covered in mosaic tiles, the station is dedicated to light and water and features a light fixture by Robert Wilson replicating the sea waves.
- We get out in via Toledo, famous for its nice shops and boutiques, and cross the colourful **Pignasecca market**, the oldest in Naples thanks to which we can take in the city folklore: fish, fruit, vegetables, fried products and local sweets are displayed among stalls selling clothing, accessories and CDs.
- We reach the **Montesanto funicular**, one of the three that connect the lower part of the city to the Vomero, and climb to the **Certosa di San Martino**, an imposing monastery built in the 14th century and now home to an extraordinary art collection dedicated to the city including an exhibition of traditional cribs.
- After visiting the museum, we stop to admire the **fantastic views** from the top of the hill over the entire city. A truly

breathtaking sight!

- We then take the funicular back to **Naples' city centre** (declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site) where we bid farewell to the city with a tasting session of **typical Neapolitan street food** before walking back to the ship.

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### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| O2H1 | 5 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 40.00   | EUR 28.00   |

#### Type



Cultural



Fun

## *Naples* **EASY TOUR OF NAPLES**

#### Description

A unique opportunity to visit the main points of interest in and around Naples, from Posillipo to Spaccanapoli, through the great architectural monuments and the most significant churches, as far as the famous 'street of cribs'.

#### What we will see


- Posillipo
- Largo Castello, Maschio Angioino, San Carlo Theatre, Umberto I Gallery
- Piazza del Plebiscito, Palazzo Reale, Church of S. Francesco da Paola
- Piazza Matteotti
- Piazza del Gesù, Spaccanapoli, Church of Gesù Nuovo, Church of Santa Chiara, San Domenico Maggiore, Duomo of San Gennaro
- Via San Gregorio Armeno

#### What we will do

- The first stop of the tour is the village of **Posillipo** where we can enjoy a splendid view of the Gulf of Naples from a rooftop terrace.
- Then we visit **Largo Castello**, where we can admire the major attractions of Naples, such as the impressive **Maschio Angioino**, the castle built 700 years ago by Charles of Anjou and later a sumptuous residence of kings and viceroys, the **San Carlo Theatre**, one of the most beautiful in Europe, and **Galleria Umberto I** shopping gallery, built between 1887 and 1890 to redevelop the city.

- We then cross **Piazza del Plebiscito**, one of the most beautiful and famous squares in Naples. With its 25,000 square metres it is among the largest squares in Italy and so is often chosen to host major events.
- Here we can admire the fabulous **Royal Palace**, one of the four residences used by the Royal House of Bourbon during the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, and the **Church of St. Francis of Paola**, whose facade, preceded by a portico of six Ionic columns, affords us a spectacular sight.
- Arriving in **Piazza Matteotti**, we take a stroll up to **Piazza del Gesù**, from where we head to the world-famous **Via Spaccanapoli**, the throbbing heart of authentic working class Naples, the lower decumanus that today divides the heart of Naples.
- We come upon a succession of shops, bakeries and churches. These include the main **Church of Gesù Nuovo**, one of the city's most important churches, worked on by some of the most prominent artists of the Neapolitan school, the **Church of Santa Chiara**, with its magnificent majolica cloister, **San Domenico Maggiore**, a basilica built between 1283 and 1324 by order of Charles of Anjou, and the **Duomo di San Gennaro**, with its various chapels, including the Chapel of the Treasury, which houses the ampoules containing the coagulated blood of San Gennaro, the object of a very fervent and controversial popular cult.
- Finally we walk down **Via San Gregorio Armeno**, a street famous worldwide for its crib craft stores.
- The meeting points for pick up / drop off are subject to change according to municipal authorisations.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 1885 | 3 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 30.00   | EUR 21.00   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Good for shopping

*Naples*
**A TRIP TO SORRENTO**
**Description**

An excursion to discover a jewel of the Gulf of Naples: wonderful Sorrento, with its narrow streets and little squares that have won the hearts of countless visitors.

**What we will see**

- Piazza Tasso
- Sedil Dominova
- Cathedral
- The Church of Saint Francis
- Marina Grande

**What we will do**

- We leave the Port of Naples and we head for the motorway, making our way through the towns surrounding Vesuvius to reach **Sorrento**, the most beautiful and famous of the towns on the eponymous peninsula and one of the jewels of the Gulf of Naples. According to the legend, it is in these waters around Sorrento that the sirens tried to lure Ulysses with their enchanting song.
- Having reached Sorrento, we start our walking tour through the narrow streets, old *decumani* (east-west oriented roads) that have now been brought to life by the many shops displaying their merchandise. We then follow a route from **Piazza Tasso** - where there is a statue of Torquato Tasso the famous Italian poet from Sorrento - up to the **Sedil Dominova** (the seat of power), which represents the old 'seat' where the nobility met to administer the city in the 15th century. Subsequently we admire the **Cathedral** and the **Church of Saint Francis** with its adjoining cloister and gardens from where we behold the splendid panorama of **Marina Grande**, Sorrento's own fishing port.
- At this point, before going back to the ship, there is some free time that can be dedicated to shopping, to tasting the famous limoncello liqueur made with local lemons, or simply to enjoying the fascinating atmosphere of a place which, not by coincidence, is known around the world and appreciated by tourists for its natural and artistic beauty and its traditions.
- Did you know? According to popular etymology, the place name 'Sorrento' derives from 'Sirenide', which was possibly a name attributed to this area in ancient times because of the legendary sirens of Homeric tradition.
- This excursion involves a lot of walking, it is therefore not recommended for guests with mobility problems.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code  | Duration  | Level   | Adult price | Child price |
|---|---|---|-------------|-------------|
| 1892  | 5 Hours approximately   | 2 Moderate  | EUR 50.00   | EUR 35.00   |
| <b>Type</b>   |   |   |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Good for shopping |  Meal not included |             |             |

*Naples*
**ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - ATRANI**
**Description**

We marvel at the Medieval charm of Atrani with a stroll around the town's alleyways to admire the enchanting panoramic views, visit the amazing churches and immerse ourselves in the relaxed atmosphere typical of small towns.

**What we will see**

- Town of Atrani: historic centre, the Piazzetta, San Salvatore de Birecto and Santa Maria Maddalena (external visit)

**What we will do**

- We leave Naples behind us and head south towards the Amalfi Coast to discover the **enchanting small town of Atrani**: sandwiched between the sea and the plunging cliff and almost connected physically to Amalfi, it is located on a strip of land at the estuary of the Dragone river.
- Surrounded by rocky peaks and a picturesque bay, Atrani is the best-preserved coastal town with a **typically Medieval structure**.
- Once there, we can **explore the centre** – we can stroll in the maze of alleyways, steps and archways and let ourselves be enchanted by the contrast of light and shadows in the characteristic squares, the white façades and the colourful gardens and vegetable plots.
- We reach the **Piazzetta** (town square), the heart of the city, and a marvellous urban courtyard where the locals and tourists from all over the world meet from early in the morning and late at night between bars and restaurant tables and on the steps of the church of San Salvatore.
- We take the chance to visit some of the numerous churches, a source of pride to the town due to their artistic treasures and, most of all, for the charm and setting of the places where they were erected. The **church of San Salvatore de Birecto** stands out among all of them and is where the foremost government authorities were appointed. It was built in 940 but was later remodelled in the Neoclassical style and contains a late 11th-century marble pluteo.
- The **collegiata di Santa Maria Maddalena** is at the foothills of the mountain and was erected in the 13th century as homage to the Madonna for having freed the locals from Saracen plunderers. The majolica-tiled dome and square bell tower have become the symbol of the Atrani skyline.

**INFORMATIONS**

| <b>Code</b> | <b>Duration</b>       | <b>Level</b>         | <b>Adult price</b> | <b>Child price</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 01ZA        | 5 Hours approximately | <b>2</b><br>Moderate | EUR 70.00          | EUR 49.00          |

**Type**

*Naples*

**NAPLES: A CITY JUST WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED**

**Description**

A day among the narrow streets of Naples' enchanting historic centre, with a visit to Posillipo to admire the beauty of the city from a more distant vantage point.

**What we will see**

- The Maschio Angioino



- San Carlo Opera House
- Galleria Umberto I
- Piazza del Plebiscito, Palazzo Reale, Church of St. Francis of Paola
- Riviera di Chiaia
- Posillipo
- Via Caracciolo

**What we will do**

- We leave the port for an excursion that takes us to the major places of interest in Naples: from the imposing Castle known as the **Maschio Angioino** – built 700 years ago by Charles of Anjou and subsequently the sumptuous residence of kings and viceroys – to the **San Carlo**, one of the most beautiful opera houses in Europe, and on to the **Galleria Umberto I**, the spectacular arcade built between 1887 and 1890 as part of an effort to revamp the city.
- We then cross the **Piazza del Plebiscito**, one of the most famous and beautiful of Naples' piazzas. With a surface area of 25,000 square metres it is one of the biggest piazzas in Italy and often serves as a venue for major events. Here we can see the magnificent **Palazzo Reale**, one of the four residences used by the Bourbon Royal Family in the period of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, and the **Church of St. Francis of Paola**, which features an impressive pronaos with six Ionic columns.
- We then head along the **Riviera di Chiaia**, a seafront boulevard of noble palazzi that links Piazza della Vittoria with Piazza della Repubblica in the Chiaia district. The name means 'beach' in the Catalan language and dates back to the time of the Aragonese domination. Here we pass in front of Villa Pignatelli to reach **Posillipo**, an elegant quarter which occupies a hill in the west of Naples and offers sumptuous views of the gulf and the city.
- At the end of this part of the tour we cross **Via Caracciolo**, the street named after the hero of the Neapolitan Republic who was captured and sentenced to death by Nelson in 1799. This coastline is truly breathtaking and is indeed considered one of the most beautiful coastal panoramas in the world. Once it was only the beach that separated the road from the sea, but now there is also a substantial man-made reef. At this point we have some free time before we return to the ship.
- This excursion involves walking for about 1 hour and 15 minutes.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0211 | 4 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 45.00   | EUR 31.50   |

**Type**


Cultural

*Naples*
**A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME TO POMPEII**

### Description

The lava that tragically destroyed Pompei froze a moment in history. To visit this place is equivalent to real time travel.

### What we will see

- Porta Marina
- Forum
- Temple of Jupiter
- Basilica
- Street of Abundance
- House of the Ancient Hunt
- House of the Faun

### What we will do

- We leave the port of Naples and head for a classical destination of great historic interest: Pompei. A few years after being damaged by a violent earthquake, this ancient city of Oscan origin was completely buried under rocks and ash during the eruption of the volcano Vesuvius in 79 AD. Excavations of this world-famous site, which started in the 18th century, and were resumed in the last century, brought to light finds of inestimable value that have left a profound impression on millions of visitors.
- Our excursion starts at **Porta Marina**, through which we access the **Forum**, the centre of political and economic life of the city. The area is dominated by the Roman **Temple of Jupiter**, built around the year 250 BC in honour of the god Jupiter, and the **Basilica**, the most imposing public building in Pompei, which was used both as a court of law and a place for conducting business transactions. It was built between the years 130 and 120 BC.
- We then go along the **Street of Abundance**, Pompeii's lower *decumanus* (east-west oriented road in a Roman city). The name originates from an ornamental bas-relief on a fountain located in the initial stretch of the road near the Forum. It is still richly decorated and, as such, offers the most interesting route for our visit to the excavations. Along this street we can see many of the most beautiful houses that belonged to the rich bourgeoisie of Pompeii, some of which have two floors.
- Indeed, from here we come to the **House of the Ancient Hunt**, which dates to the mid 2nd century BC. The sophisticated, and well-preserved frescoes and the typical 'atrium' plan leave no doubt about the elevated social status of the owner. We also visit the **House of the Faun** - a private noble dwelling of considerable dimensions (3000 square metres) that owes its name to a bronze statue in the centre of the impluvium - and the Thermal Baths.
- The visit to the archaeological excavations involves walking for approximately 2 hours.
- It is recommended that you wear comfortable shoes for the tour of the excavations.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration | Level | Adult price | Child price |
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|
|------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|

0212

4 1/2 Hours approximately

**2**

Moderate

EUR 60.00

EUR 42.00

**Type**

Sightseeing



Cultural



Most wanted

*Naples***ANACAPRI AND CAPRI****Description**

A small island that is a destination for a myriad of tourists. During this tour we find out why, with a visit to the island's two towns, which sit surrounded by a ragged coastline with sheer drops over the sea, and feature wonderful villas and a wealth of shops selling Italian handicrafts and designer goods.

**What we will see**


- Marina Grande
- Anacapri: Villa San Michele and its fine 17th-century furniture and archaeological artefacts
- Capri: Piazza Umberto I, Faraglioni (sea stacks)

**What we will do**

- We leave on board a hydrofoil from the dock where the ship is berthed and we reach the island of Capri, an island of ragged coastlines, natural caves, sheer sea cliffs and high grounds covered in vineyards and gardens, where villas and other dwellings are embedded seamlessly in the surrounding environment.
- From **Marina Grande**, where the hydrofoil berths, we board a minibus that takes us along a scenic route to **Anacapri**, the island's biggest town, which is situated on the northern side of Mount Solaro. The "Ana-" prefix of the name Anacapri comes from Greek and it means "up" or "above".
- During our stop in Anacapri we have the opportunity to visit **Villa San Michele**, the late 19th-century home of Axel Munthe, the famous Swedish doctor and writer. The villa, which is rather eclectic and heterogeneous from an architectural point of view, is located in the Capodimonte area, on the edge of a cliff that overhangs the Bagni di Tiberio below. Immersed in a wonderful landscape, between the green of the Mediterranean maquis and the cobalt blue of the sea, the villa houses **precious 17th century furniture and archaeological remains**, amongst which there are fragments of sarcophagi, busts, Roman floors, marble, columns and a Greek tomb.
- We continue on to the town of **Capri**, the capital and hub of tourism and the island's social scene. We stop in the famous, and very central, **Piazza Umberto I** better known as the **Piazzetta** which is surrounded on all sides, like a courtyard, by small white houses. It is impossible not to stop here, even just for a coffee or an aperitif. The Piazzetta is the pulsing heart of Capri, the cornerstone around which island life revolves and the "world's living room" in that it is a meeting place and key attraction for everyone, from tourists to major figures from the worlds of cinema, fashion, politics, and business.

- Before returning by minibus to Marina Grande, from where we go back to Naples, we have the chance to take some photographs, do a little shopping or enjoy a romantic walk and admire the **Faraglioni**, three spurs of rock to the south east of the island that rise out of the blue waters creating a spectacular scene.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0213 | 5 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 95.00   | EUR 66.50   |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Good for shopping



Recommended to families

*Naples*

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS AT HERCULANEUM**

**Description**

We enjoy a journey back in time at the archaeological site of Herculaneum, which has preserved its ancient treasures in almost perfect condition.

**What we will see**

- Archaeological excavations in Herculaneum
- Houses
- Villa of the Papyri
- Collegium of the Augustales
- Suburban Baths and Forum Baths
- Theatre of Herculaneum

**What we will do**

- Accompanied by a guide, we leave the port of Naples and head south to **Herculaneum**. In ancient times, the local Roman aristocracy chose Herculaneum as the location for their finest and most luxurious villas, the majority of which commanded magnificent views of the sea.
- While the wooden structures of Pompeii were burned by the ashes, the destruction of Herculaneum was caused by a flood of hot mud that sealed and therefore protected entire homes. This is why today in the **archaeological site of Herculaneum** visitors can admire inlaid floors, mosaics and even paintings that are in almost perfect condition. The archaeological area, together with the ruins of Pompeii and the villas of Oplontis, was added to the list of UNESCO World Heritage sites in 1997.
- The excavation work at Herculaneum began officially in 1738 using the method of underground tunnels. The period between

1828 and 1875 saw a campaign of "open air" excavations but these were interrupted for a very long time. Almost all of the area which constitutes the present archaeological site only came to light in 1942.

- During our visit to the archaeological excavations we discover the beauty of this place, with its wealth of unique and fascinating remains. Along the way we discover many luxurious **houses**, each of which preserves special features: mosaics, paintings, wooden doors or partitions, statues or splendid terraces. One of the most magnificent residences is undoubtedly the **Villa of the Papyri** in which 58 bronze and 21 marble statues were found, in addition to 1,700 papyrus scrolls (which explains the name), which were discovered, enclosed in cases, in the library.
- There is also ample evidence of religious life in this place, demonstrated by the **Collegium of the Augustales**. Dedicated to Augustus, it was always protected by a guard, whose skeleton was found inside, lying in bed. Even recreational activities had an important role, as the presence of the **Suburban Baths**, the **Forum Baths**, the Gymnasium and the **Theatre of Herculaneum** suggest.
- It is recommended that you wear comfortable shoes for the tour of the excavations.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level                | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0219 | 4 Hours approximately | <b>2</b><br>Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**Type**



Cultural

*Naples*

**TOUR OF NAPLES' MOST ATMOSPHERIC SITES: NAPOLI SOTTERRANEA, VIA SAN GREGORIO ARMENO AND THE SANSEVERO CHAPEL**

**Description**

This tour enables us to discover some of the most characteristic and authentic attractions of one of the richest cities in the world for contrasts and treasures: Naples.



**What we will see**

- Cappella Sansevero, Anatomical machines
- via San Gregorio Armeno
- Napoli Sotterranea
- Tasting of typical products

**What we will do**

- We begin our excursion by heading to the heart of the historic centre to visit the **Cappella Sansevero**, a true treasure trove where we can admire priceless works of art and oddities shrouded in mystery. The credit for this splendour must go to Raimondo di Sangro, Prince of Sansevero, who decorated the family chapel with frescoes and sculptures in the 18th century .
- In addition to the works of art, the Chapel hosts two "creatures" devised by the Prince, who was a scientist and an alchemist, together with Giuseppe Salerno, a doctor from Palermo. They are known as **Anatomical machines**: two skeletons, one of a man and the other of a woman, standing upright, their circulatory systems almost perfectly preserved. Some notary's deeds have been found that date these creations to 1763/64. The techniques and materials used to preserve the system of veins and arteries in such an exceptional way remain a mystery to this very day.
- After visiting the chapel, we take a walk around the historic centre which leads us to Via **San Gregorio Armeno**, the famous "via dei presepi" (street of the nativity scenes), where skilled craftsmen work all year round to create the small models used in the nativity scenes for which the city is famous. This street, which is popularly known as "San Liguoro", bears traits of the typical Greek town plan, with its *stenopoi* (secondary streets) .
- The next stop is **Napoli Sotterranea** (Naples Underground), a system of catacombs, tunnels, secret passages and Greek-Roman aqueducts that runs for hundreds of kilometres beneath the city. It is a fascinating, mysterious place which, over the centuries, has been used as a place of pagan worship and a Christian catacomb, as well as housing granaries and water tanks. During the Second World War, it was used as an air-raid shelter.
- When we come back up to the surface, we are offered a **taste** of typical local products. The specialities of Campania and Naples in particular are an absolute delight for the palate which we cannot miss before returning on board.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with mobility problems and those who suffer from claustrophobia.
- This excursion visits some particularly suggestive locations and, as such, is not recommended to guests of a sensitive disposition or to children.
- Places on this excursion are limited. We recommend booking early.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code   | Duration  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|--|---|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0220   | 4 Hours approximately   | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |
| <b>Type</b>  |   |                   |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Tasting |                   |             |             |

*Naples*
**EXCURSION TO THE CRATER OF VESUVIUS AND TASTING OF TYPICAL PRODUCTS**
**Description**

An excursion to the most famous volcano in the world, for centuries the protagonist, for better or for worse, of the history, of the art

and of the destiny of the people living in Naples and the surrounding area. A tasting session of culinary specialities is certainly an excellent conclusion to this wonderful experience.

**What we will see**

- Somma-Vesuvius Volcanic Complex
- Vesuvius National Park
- The crater of Vesuvius
- Tasting of typical products
- Coral workshop





**What we will do**

- We set off by coach from the port to see the most famous volcano in the world. On the way to the crater the journey becomes an interesting geology lesson: our guide will explain the geological characteristics of the **Somma-Vesuvius Volcanic Complex** and provide us with a general introduction to the features of the **Vesuvius National Park**.
- Vesuvius is an active volcano that has been dormant since 1944. It lies east of Naples and is 1,281 m high. It is particularly interesting for its history and its activity and is the subject of intensive study, especially in light of its danger, because it is only a dozen kilometres from Naples and is close to densely inhabited towns and villages.
- When we reach 1000 metres above sea level, we continue with the ascent towards the **crater of the volcano** on foot. At the summit, we can admire a unique landscape, with the "great void" of the crater and magnificent views of the Gulf of Naples. The natural spectacle is undoubtedly a delight for the eyes and will remain indelible in our memories.
- The walk to the summit is a sure way to work up an appetite. So what could be better than sampling some local delicacies in a **tasting session of some of the products that are typical** of the Vesuvius National Park. A fitting end to a wonderful experience.
- Before returning the ship, we stop at one of the most famous **coral workshops**. The tradition of crafting this precious natural material, which is linked to the seafaring and fishing traditions, has been preserved over the centuries and continues to create unique masterpieces of high calibre craftsmanship.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level                | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0226 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b><br>Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**Type**

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|  Eco Natural Trail |  Good for shopping |  Sports Lovers |  Tasting |
|---|---|---|---|

*Naples*  
**CAPRI BY FUNICULAR**



### Description

Discover the wonders of the art and the landscape of Capri, an island that over the centuries has enchanted Roman emperors such as Augustus and Tiberius, as well as artists, writers and intellectuals.

### What we will see

- Marina Grande
- Piazzetta, Via Tragara
- Gardens of Augustus
- Marina Piccola
- Faraglioni

### What we will do

- At the Port of Naples, we board the hydrofoil which takes us to Capri, leaving the imposing outline of Vesuvius behind us. On the way we enjoy the amazing views of the beautiful Gulf of Naples and catch our first glimpse of the island of Capri with its rugged coastline and sheer sea cliffs.
- After landing in the port of **Marina Grande**, we take the funicular, which takes us to the town of Capri in just a few minutes. Accompanied by our guide, we come to the famous **Piazzetta**, a small square that is completely surrounded, like a courtyard, by small white houses. It is impossible not to stop here, even just for a coffee or an aperitif. The Piazzetta is the pulsing heart of Capri, the hub around which island life revolves. It is the 'world's living room' in that it is a meeting place and key attraction for tourists, personalities from the world of cinema, fashion and politics, and businessmen alike.
- We go along **Via Tragara**, with its splendid luxury hotels and historic villas and come to the **Gardens of Augustus**. These terraced gardens, which boast many different species of flowers, palm trees and tall plants, command a stunning panoramic view. On one side you can see the Bay of **Marina Piccola** and on the other the famous **Faraglioni**, three spurs of rock to the south east of the island that rise out of the blue waters creating a spectacular scene.
- At the end of the visit, we have some free time to dedicate to whatever we most want to do: a little shopping in the many boutiques, a walk around the streets of the centre or a delicious ice cream in a bar in the Piazzetta. Whatever your preference may be, being in this place - so full of charm, with breathtaking views and historical and artistic treasures waiting to be discovered - is an immense pleasure, so much so that we will probably feel sad when we have to bid farewell to this famously beautiful island.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 0227 | 5 Hours approximately | 1 Easy | EUR 85.00   | EUR 59.50   |

### Type





Sightseeing



Good for shopping



Recommended to families

*Naples*

**A WALK TO DISCOVER NAPLES AND ITS FLAVOURS**

**Description**

An unforgettable promenade in the heart of Naples to discover its most fascinating nooks and crannies and intriguing anecdotes, and its most characteristic flavours

**What we will see**

- Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Space is limited, so please reserve early.
- This tour will take place entirely on foot.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| OOG4 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 35.00   | EUR 24.50   |

**Type**



Cultural



Tasting

*Naples*

**THE ROYAL PALACE OF CASERTA**

**Description**

One of the most visited sites in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage site. With such credentials the Royal Palace of Caserta ( *Reggia di Caserta* ) does not fall short of expectations.

**What we will see**


- Royal Palace of Caserta and its inner room
- Park of the Royal Palace of Caserta (Free time in the gardens in front of the Royal Palace)
- Grand Cascade

**What we will do**

- We leave the Port of Naples by coach and head for Caserta and its splendid Royal Palace.

- The **Royal Palace of Caserta**, which was once the historic residence of Naples' Bourbon royal family, is recognised by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. It is one of the most visited, and renowned examples of Italy's rich artistic heritage. The Bourbon King Charles of Naples, struck by the beauty of the landscape at Caserta and anxious that Naples have a worthy seat of government, decided in 1750 to build a residence that could compare with Versailles.
- Construction started on 20 January 1752 and continued without any interruption until 1759, the year when Charles had to move to Spain. At that point construction work slowed down and when the architect, Luigi Vanvitelli, died in 1773 the palace had not yet been completed. It was therefore his children, Louis and Charles who completed this monumental palace. The palace has a rectangular plan and is made up of blocks surrounding four internal courtyards, covering a surface area of approximately 47,000 square metres.
- The Royal Palace is surrounded by extensive **grounds** that are three kilometres long and cover approximately 120 hectares. They comprise two sections: the Italian garden and the English garden, the former characterized by various fountains and the famous **Grand Cascade**, and the latter by thick vegetation.
- The Royal Palace of Caserta is considered a masterpiece of architectural perfection and harmony. One of the largest royal residences in the world, it is largely the product of the artistic genius of Luigi Vanvitelli.
- Places on this excursion are limited. We recommend booking early.
- We recommend wearing comfortable shoes.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 00JE | 4 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 65.00   | EUR 45.50   |

**Type**



*Civitavecchia*  
**FREE TIME IN ROME**

**Description**

Extraordinary monuments that bear witness to the passing of the centuries, a rich and varied cuisine to be savoured, a variety of shops to explore: Rome meets all requirements related to leisure and culture.

**What we will see**


- Centre of Rome
- City Centre Streets, Monuments and Squares
- Restaurants, renowned cafés and shops

- world famous museums and churches

**What we will do**

- At the port of Civitavecchia we are met by a local guide who, during the coach trip to the centre of Rome, gives us practical tourist information and a city map that will be very useful to explore one of the most fascinating cities in the world on our own.
- After setting an appointment for our return, we leave the bus and we are immediately immersed in the **magical atmosphere of the Eternal City**, where, at every turn, we encounter evidence of many centuries of history that have contributed to make the city what it is today, from pagan times through the long earthly reign of the Popes up to the present.
- Along elegant streets and in the narrow alleys, in the large and small squares, up and down the gentle slopes of the seven hills, wandering around Rome is an unforgettable experience for everyone because this city offers a **concentration of sublime art, entertainment and shopping** like very few other cities in the world.
- **The day is all ours** to see, visit, buy and enjoy all that Rome has to offer, as we wish.
- In the late afternoon, we return to the meeting point as agreed with our local guide at the agreed time to return on board.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0114 | 9 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 40.00   | EUR 28.00   |

**Type**



Good for shopping



Recommended to families



Basket Lunch

*Civitavecchia*

**DISCOVERY OF CIVITAVECCHIA WITH TASTING**

**Description**

A walk to discover the traditional flavours and hidden treasures of Civitavecchia. A tour with a complete discovery of Civitavecchia, its ancient history and its great monuments, a walk through the heart of the streets and neighborhoods revealing its traditions of the past.

**What we will see**

- Comfortable shoes and clothing are recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- This excursion is entirely on foot.
- There are no internal visits.
- On Sunday the market is closed.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level      | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 015H | 2 1/2 Hours approximately | 2 Moderate | EUR 25.00   | EUR 17.50   |

**Type**


Cultural



Tasting

*Civitavecchia*
**ITALY'S HIDDEN TREASURES - CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO**
**Description**

We will head inland to visit a place with a truly unique atmosphere: Civita di Bagnoregio. The "City of the Dead" was built on a small rocky spur, challenging the force of nature.

**What we will see**

- Civitavecchia inland
- Civita di Bagnoregio
- Walking tour of the citadel
- Breathtaking views of the ravines and valley

**What we will do**

- We will leave the port of Civitavecchia with its hustle and bustle of people, ships and cars and head **inland to the countryside**, where peace and tranquillity abound.
- Our destination is a truly unique village: **Civita di Bagnoregio**, which will appear before our eyes, perched precariously on a rocky spur.
- We will get off the coach near the **only access point**: a long, pedestrianised bridge made from reinforced concrete, built to benefit the few remaining residents and the tourists that come to visit the citadel from all over the world.
- That is how we will enter this attractive Medieval town, known as **"the City of Death"** due to the gradual erosion of the tufa foundations on which it was built.
- We will walk around the tiny centre where **time seems to have stood still**, treating us to a truly surreal and unforgettable atmosphere, with little stone houses adorned with flowers and lookout points offering **breathtaking views** of the enormous clay walls that support the city and views of the surrounding valley.
- Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.

- The journey takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes each way.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 01Z6 | 7 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 80.00   | EUR 56.00   |

**Type**

*Civitavecchia*

**TOUR OF ANCIENT AND MODERN ROME**
**Description**

Adagio Tour is an experience created in collaboration with Costa Crociere Foundation and Aism to meet the needs of guests who would like a "slower" pace to better savour the stops and their sights on itineraries with minimum architectural barriers. The "Adagio Tour" version of this excursion is available exclusively on Costa Diadema.

Moving around by coach and on foot, accompanied by our guide but also free to explore various areas of the capital, this tour is a journey of discovery of one of the most beautiful cities in the world where history and culture merge together as if by magic.

**What we will see**

- Castel Sant'Angelo and Via della Conciliazione
- St. Peter's Square, Bernini's Colonnade and St. Peter's Basilica
- Trevi Fountain
- Colosseum, *Circus Maximus* and the Pyramid of Cestius

**What we will do**
**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2098 | 9 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 65.00   | EUR 45.50   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Cultural



Good for shopping



Basket Lunch

## *Civitavecchia*

### **THE MEDIEVAL JEWEL OF TARQUINIA AND THE MYSTERIOUS ETRUSCAN CULTURE**

#### **Description**

An extraordinary journey of discovery in the area around Tarquinia, where the mysterious Etruscan people lived for centuries, leaving behind artefacts of rare beauty. Tarquinia is also a fascinating medieval hamlet and we do not miss this opportunity to discover its treasures and secrets.

#### **What we will see**

- Historical centre of Tarquinia
- Church of *Santa Maria in Castello*
- Fortified tower of the Countess Matilda of Canossa, *Piazza delle Erbe* and the Barucci Tower
- Etruscan Necropolis of Tarquinia and the National Etruscan Museum
- Lunch with dishes of the ancient Etruscan tradition.

#### **What we will do**

- We leave the port and head for **the ancient city of Corneto, today's Tarquinia**, an architectural and historical jewel within the medieval walls of a charming hamlet that has been nicknamed the "San Gimignano" of the Latium region because of its numerous towers.
- We leave the coach and wander through the alleys and hidden corners of the historic centre to discover an unexpected and exciting world that is not only made of the particular bricks with their unmistakable colour – the colour of *macco*, a unique local building material – but also of fascinating stories, legends and anecdotes.
- Romanesque, Gothic and Neoclassical architectural styles are almost unwittingly intertwined on the façades of the palazzi and churches, including the splendid **church of *Santa Maria in Castello*** which towers in isolation on the edge of the hill.
- Evoking memories, mysteries and surprises, our walk takes us to the **Fortified Tower of the Countess Matilda of Canossa**, a jewel set in fortification walls that are well worth viewing, *Piazza delle Erbe*, dominated by the **Barucci Tower** at the foot of which the executioner carried out his grim rituals in Medieval times.
- And then we come to more alleys, coats of arms, cloisters and medieval towers: a perfect setting which evokes a time when hoards of monks beguiled rich and poor, the powerful and the destitute in their attempt to address their needs and forecast their destiny.
- Our lunch break becomes a way to continue our encounter with this magical land steeped in history. Indeed, Tarquinia is also the cradle of the Etruscan civilization and at the restaurant we are served **typical local dishes** which have been handed down from the Etruscan culinary tradition.
- We continue to be spellbound at the **Necropolis of Tarquinia**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where we have the opportunity to see some of the most beautiful painted tombs that have made this archaeological site famous
- To complete our journey through Etruscan culture which, in many ways is still unknown, we go to the Palazzo Vitelleschi which today houses the **National Etruscan Museum**, where we can relive the fascinating world of this Tyrrhenian people by admiring

the precious exhibits on display.

- Please note: Space is limited, so please book early.
- The excursion is mainly a stroll on a medieval path, so comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- The order of the itinerary may vary.

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2632 | 6 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 80.00   | EUR 56.00   |

**Type**

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|  Cultural |  Meal Included |
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*Civitavecchia*  
**TERME DI SATURNIA**

**Description**

Discover a magical timeless destination where you can enjoy intense experiences while literally surrounded by well-being. Parco delle Terme di Saturnia is the largest in Italy: a vast oasis entirely dedicated to relaxation, wellness and pleasure as well as a meeting place since the times of the Ancient Romans, who were so inspired by it that they coined the acronym SPA - Salus Per Aquam.


**What we will see**

- Access to the SPA: thermal pools, water massage, vascular treatments, air-conditioned relaxation areas

**What we will do**

- We leave the port of Civitavecchia behind us headed to Maremma and its colourful landscape: crystal-clear sea, mountains covered in thick woods, lakes, green hills and natural spa areas. A world with deep historic roots in civilisations as ancient as the waters of **Parco Termale di Saturnia**.
- We reach our destination: Parco Termale di Saturnia is the largest in Italy as well as one of the most famous in Europe. Thanks to its **four open-air thermal pools, water massages and cold and warm-water vascular treatments**, we can immerse ourselves in thousands of bubbles and enjoy the warmth and numerous benefits of sulphur steam. Lulled by the water at a constant temperature of 37.5°C, our body becomes light and our mind lets go of our worries as our skin is smoothed and purified.
- After this regenerating excursion, we are ready to return to Civitavecchia and our ship.
- Changing rooms, lockers, lounge and SPA Kit (robe, towel, disposable flip-flops) included.
- This excursion does not include a guide but an escort.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 02Q7 | 8 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 95.00   | EUR 95.00   |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Water Activity

*Civitavecchia*
**TERME DI SATURNIA AND CLUB EXCLUSIVE**
**Description**

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**What we will see**

- Access to the SPA: thermal pools, water massage, vascular treatments, air-conditioned relaxation areas
- Access to the SPA Club: soaking in the spring, Turkish bath, sauna, reserved indoor area
- Beverages, herbal teas and fruit


**What we will do**

- We leave the port of Civitavecchia behind us headed to Maremma and its colourful landscape: crystal-clear sea, mountains covered in thick woods, lakes, green hills and natural spa areas. A world with deep historic roots in civilisations as ancient as the waters of **Parco Termale di Saturnia**.
- We reach our destination: Parco Termale di Saturnia is the largest in Italy as well as one of the most famous in Europe. Thanks to its **four open-air thermal pools, water massages and cold and warm-water vascular treatments**, we can immerse ourselves in thousands of bubbles and enjoy the warmth and numerous benefits of sulphur steam. Lulled by the water at a constant temperature of 37.5°C, our body becomes light and our mind lets go of our worries as our skin is smoothed and purified.
- In addition to the Parco Termale, we also have access to the **exclusive SPA Club**, a reserved area where we can enjoy all the services of the Terme di Saturnia universe. We soak in the **Terme di Saturnia spring**, a unique spring in the world with a constant flow of 500 litres of water per second. In this **private oasis**, it is also possible to enjoy a **selection of beverages, herbal teas and purifying fruit**.
- After this regenerating excursion, we are ready to return to Civitavecchia and our ship.
- Changing rooms, lockers, lounge and parasol in the reserved area, Wi-Fi and SPA Kit (robe, towel, disposable flip-flops) included.



- This excursion does not include a guide but an escort.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration                  | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 02Q8 | 8 1/2 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 120.00  | EUR 120.00  |

**Type**


Sightseeing



Water Activity

*Civitavecchia*
**TERME DI SATURNIA DELUXE: CLUB EXCLUSIVE AND FACIAL TREATMENT**
**Description**

Discover a magical timeless destination where you can enjoy intense experiences while literally surrounded by well-being. Parco delle Terme di Saturnia is the largest in Italy: a vast oasis entirely dedicated to relaxation, wellness and pleasure as well as a meeting place since the times of the Ancient Romans, who were so inspired by it that they coined the acronym SPA - Salus Per Aquam.

**What we will see**

- Access to the SPA: thermal pools, water massage, vascular treatments, air-conditioned relaxation areas
- Access to the SPA Club: soaking in the spring, Turkish bath, sauna, reserved indoor area
- Face massage
- Beverages, herbal teas and fruit
- Relaxation area with herbal teas

**What we will do**

- Changing rooms, lockers, lounge and parasol in the reserved area, Wi-Fi and SPA Kit (robe, towel, disposable flip-flops) included.
- The massage lasts approximately 30 minutes.
- This excursion does not include a guide but an escort.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 02Q9 | 8 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 165.00  | EUR 165.00  |

**Type**



Sightseeing



Water Activity

## *Civitavecchia* **SUPER ROME**

### **Description**

This excursion, by coach and on foot, takes us on a journey through thousands of years of Roman history, from Ancient Rome to the Vatican via the splendour of the Baroque city, and a delicious lunch at a local restaurant.

### **What we will see**

- Sightseeing tour of classical Rome
- The Pyramid of Cestius and the Baths of Caracalla
- The Circus Maximus
- Basilica of San Pietro in Vincoli
- Photo stop at the Colosseum
- The Via dei Fori Imperiali and Piazza Venezia
- Lunch at a Roman restaurant
- A stroll through Baroque Rome
- The Trevi Fountain, Piazza Montecitorio, Piazza Navona
- Saint Peter's Basilica

### **What we will do**

- We set off by coach from Civitavecchia, heading to Rome where a guide awaits to lead us on a tour of the endlessly fascinating and eye-opening attractions of the **eternal city**.
- Our adventure begins with a **sightseeing coach tour of Rome's ancient ruins**, which even today lend the centre of the city an air of majesty and prestige.
- Our route takes us past such wonders as the **Pyramid of Cestius**, a funeral monument built in the Egyptian style in the 1st century BC, the **Baths of Caracalla**, the grandest thermal complex of the imperial age, the **Circus Maximus**, where the crowds once flocked to watch the chariot races.
- We leave our coach for a guided tour of the **church of San Pietro in Vincoli** (Saint Peter in Chains), which is home to a Michelangelo masterpiece, a statue of Moses.
- Next, we stop to **take a photo or two at the Colosseum**, perhaps the most famous monument in Rome and an absolute must-see on our visit to the city. From there, we begin a walking tour along the **via dei Fori Imperiali**, where the ancient imperial capital seems to come back to life. This leads us to the feet of the Capitoline Hill and **Piazza Venezia**, on whose southern side towers "Il Vittoriano" the imposing monument to King Victor Emmanuel II.
- At this point, we may be beginning to feel a little languorous, so what better time to take a seat for some deliciously authentic





Italian cooking with **lunch at a local restaurant?**

- Suitably restored, we head back out on foot, this time focusing on the treasures of Baroque Rome: we pass the **Trevi Fountain** , with the ever-present throngs of tourists, and the Palazzo Montecitorio, a glorious example of Roman Baroque, which overlooks the piazza of the same name, and which is now the seat of the Chamber of Deputies, one of the two houses of the Italian Parliament. Finally, we reach **Piazza Navona**, with the splendid fountain designed by the great sculptor and architect Gian Lorenzo Bernini.
- Our last stop is the Vatican City, where the two semi-circles of the colonnade designed by Bernini embrace the circular piazza and frame the façade and huge dome of the magnificent St. Peter's Basilica.
- The transfer to Rome takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- The guide will join the excursion group once we reach Rome.
- This excursion involves about 2 hours of walking. Comfortable shoes are strongly recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with limited mobility.
- We recommend that you book early as only a limited number of places are available.
- Due to new security control procedures many tourist sites may have long queues, even for pre-booked groups.
- On Wednesday morning St. Peter's Basilica could be closed due to the Papal Audience.
- In case of extraordinary celebrations, the surrounding area could be overcrowded causing long queues at the entrance of the Basilica.

## INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration                  | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| O2FY | 9 1/2 Hours approximately | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 105.00  | EUR 73.50   |

### Type

|   |  |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|
|  Sightseeing |  Cultural |  Most wanted |  Meal Included |
|---|--|---|---|

*Civitavecchia*

## THE ODESCALCHI CASTLE AND LAKE BRACCIANO

### Description

An opportunity to visit a charming place, a short distance from Rome, a magnificent castle where time seems to stand still and a fascinating hamlet with striking views of the lake below.

### What we will see

## INFORMATIONS

| Code | Duration                  | Level    | Adult price | Child price |
|------|---------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| 0782 | 4 1/2 Hours approximately | Moderate | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**2**
**Type**


Cultural

*Civitavecchia*  
**ROME - THE HOLY CITY**

**Description**

We set off to discover the places that have made Rome a holy city par excellence, a destination for pilgrims and visitors from around the world who come to see its masterpieces.

**What we will see**

- The transfer to Rome takes approximately 1 hour.
- Comfortable shoes are recommended. Dress code that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.
- This excursion is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.
- Due to new security control procedures many tourist sites may have long queues even for booked groups.
- On Wednesday morning St. Peter's Basilica could be closed due to the Papal Audience.
- In case of extraordinary celebrations, the surrounding area could be overcrowded causing long queues at the entrance of the Basilica.?

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level    | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| 0785 | 9 Hours approximately | Moderate | EUR 135.00  | EUR 94.50   |

**2**
**Type**


Cultural



Meal Included

*Civitavecchia*  
**EXCLUSIVE TRANSFER TO THE CENTRE OF ROME**

**Description**

This is an unmissable opportunity to reach the centre of Rome rapidly and in comfort, giving you all the time you need to enjoy this

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wonderful city in your own time, and to do exactly as you please.

**What we will see**

**INFORMATIONS**

| Code | Duration              | Level  | Adult price | Child price |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 0787 | 9 Hours approximately |  Easy | EUR 55.00   | EUR 38.50   |

**Type**

-  Good for shopping
-  Basket Lunch

*Civitavecchia*  
**FREE TIME IN TARQUINIA**

**Description**

Tarquinia: Etruscan capital, medieval town, archaeological site of international renown. We embark on a journey of discovery in this city where history has left innumerable traces, and we have all the time we need to enjoy our visit in total freedom.

**What we will see**

- Tarquinia
- City centre streets, squares and market
- Free time to visit the Church of *Santa Maria in Castello*, the fortified tower of the Countess Matilda of Canossa, Piazza delle Erbe and the Barucci Tower




**What we will do**

- We leave the port and head for **the ancient city of Corneto, today's Tarquinia**, an architectural and historical jewel set within the medieval walls of a charming hamlet that has been nicknamed the "San Gimignano" of the Latium region because of its numerous towers.
- On our way there a guide provides all the information we may need and a map of the city to make the most of our day there.
- When we arrive in **Tarquinia**, we have free time to wander around the picturesque town with its towers and churches or venture into the market square to discover an unexpected and dazzling world which features the unique bricks with their unmistakable colour – the colour of *macco*, a unique local building material.
- Romanesque, Gothic and Neoclassical architectural styles are almost unwittingly intertwined on the façades of the palazzi and churches, including the splendid **church of Santa Maria in Castello** which towers in isolation at the edge of the hill.
- Among the places of interest you can visit there is the **Fortified Tower of the Countess Matilda of Canossa**, a jewel set in

fortification walls that are well worth viewing, *Piazza delle Erbe*, dominated by the **Barucci Tower** at the foot of which the executioner carried out his grim rituals.

- At the end of our free time in the city we make our way back to the ship well aware of the fact that we have been to a really unique place.
- This excursion does not include a guide.
- It is very important to listen to our courier who will announce the meeting place and time for your return on board.

### INFORMATIONS

| Code   | Duration   | Level   | Adult price | Child price |
|--|--|---|-------------|-------------|
| 0790   | 4 Hours approximately  | 1 Easy  | EUR 40.00   | EUR 28.00   |
| <b>Type</b>  |  |   |             |             |
|  Sightseeing |  Eco Natural Trail |  Cultural |             |             |

*Civitavecchia*  
**ROME AND ST. PETER**

#### Description

This excursion retraces the main stages of the long history of Rome, the cradle of civilization and Christianity, an amazing city with immense historical, artistic and spiritual wealth.

#### What we will see

- Colosseum
- Trevi Fountain
- Pantheon
- Piazza Navona
- St. Peter's Square and St. Peter's Basilica



#### What we will do

- When we arrive in Rome, we begin our visit with a sightseeing tour of the city (by coach) that takes us to some of Rome's most famous monuments including the magnificent **Colosseum**, built by the Emperors of the Flavian dynasty for public entertainment. We leave the coach to admire this symbolic monument of ancient Rome from the exterior and we continue on foot.
- Our itinerary takes us to the **Trevi Fountain**, a magnificent Baroque monument that attracts visitors to the Eternal City and is also famous for the custom of throwing coins into the water with your back to the fountain: one to make sure you return to

Rome and a second one to make a wish.

- The tour proceeds to the **Pantheon**, one of the best preserved monuments of Antiquity, built by the Emperor Hadrian in honour of all the gods.
- Our next stop is **Piazza Navona**, one of the landmarks of the city, which is still steeped in the atmosphere of the times when it was the scene of circus games in 17th century Rome. Here we have free time for lunch.
- Our main destination awaits us in the afternoon: **St. Peter's Square** with its magnificent Basilica. We stop to observe the colonnade designed by Bernini that embraces the circular area of the square framing the façade of the Basilica and its huge dome.
- In our free time we can visit **St. Peter's Basilica**, the symbol of the Vatican State, built on the tomb of St. Peter. Inside there are priceless treasures of art including the *Pietà*, the magnificent marble statue by Michelangelo.
- After a last look at the heart of Christianity and after taking another few photos with which to remember it we return to the coach that takes us back to the ship.
- This tour includes a basket lunch selected by our ship staff.
- The transfer to Rome takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- This excursion includes a walk that usually lasts 2 hours and 30 minutes, it is therefore not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We recommend that you book early because only a limited number of places are available.
- Due to new security control procedures many tourist sites may have long queues even for booked groups.
- On Wednesday morning St. Peter's Basilica could be closed due to the Papal Audience.
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## INFORMATIONS

| Code   | Duration   | Level             | Adult price | Child price |
|--|--|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0793   | 9 1/2 Hours approximately  | <b>2</b> Moderate | EUR 75.00   | EUR 52.50   |
| <b>Type</b>  |  |                   |             |             |
|  Cultural |  Basket Lunch |                   |             |             |

### ICONE DESCRIZIONE

1

**Easy**

tour with this designation involve walking over relatively level terrain. Comfortable shoes are recommended.

2

**Moderate**

Tours with this designation can involve a considerable amount of physical activity such as walking over cobblestones or uneven surface, climbing stairs or steep terrain, swimming in a light current, or bicycle riding. They are not recommended for guest with walking difficulties. Comfortable sturdy shoes are recommended.

3

**Hard**

Tour with this designation involve high physical exertion for extended periods of time. The terrain may be uneven or steep. They are recommended only for physically fit and adventurous traveller.



**Sightseeing**

these are primarily motor coach excursions with an emphasis on sight-seeing and very little activity.



**Water Activity**

Involves the opportunity to swim or the possibility of getting wet.



**Fun**

dedicated to a young public keen on entertainment.



**Eco Natural Trail**

dedicated to nature lovers.



**Tasting**

a light snack will be provided on this excursion.



**Meal not included**

during excursions free time is given to organise lunch individually.



**Most wanted**

Guest surveys indicate a high degree of satisfaction with these tours.



**Basket Lunch**

a packed meal is provided from the ship.



**Good for shopping**

specially dedicated to shopping lovers.



**Cultural**

dedicated to history, culture and local traditions lovers.



**Disabled friendly**

Excursions with the handicap sign are for guests with mobility difficulties however should be able to move around independently. Guests in wheelchair out on excursion need to be accompanied by a third party as assistance by the ship will not be provided. The majority of our agencies require that the wheelchairs be retractable because sometimes the necessary space needed for a wheelchair is not available. We kindly ask you to contact the Excursion Office as soon as possible, upon embarkation, to ensure that we find the best possible solution and to reserve the appropriate seat in the required bus before the departure of the excursions. For further information and for a solution that best fits your need please contact the Excursion Office.



**Sports Lovers**

for the adventurous, there are our most active shore excursions.



**Recommended to families**

includes activities that are appropriate for families travelling with children.



**New**

Brand -new Tour



**Meal on board**

back on board for lunch/dinner, your guide will be ready to continue the excursion at the end of it.



**Meal Included**

a meal will be provided on this excursion.





**Refreshments included**

Refreshments included.

#### **Booking excursions**

You can book your excursions before departure at [www.mycosta.it](http://www.mycosta.it) by registering and filling in the online form or, on board, by using the interactive TV system from the comfort of your own cabin or by visiting the Excursions Totem (services only available on board selected ships), or at any stage during your holiday by dropping off a completed Tour Order Form in the drop box located in the main hall of the ship. Excursions Office staff will be happy to offer you advice and assistance.

#### **Number of participants**

Some excursions require a minimum number of bookings and/or a maximum number of participants. These excursions are available on a first come first served basis, so it is advisable to book them well in advance.

#### **Duration**

The stated duration of excursions is subject to change without prior notice and can vary due to unforeseen circumstances, such as adverse weather conditions and/or transport delays. The order of certain visits may also be changed for the abovementioned reasons. You are therefore kindly asked to respect the times announced by the tour guides (stops for food, stops to take photographs, etc.).

#### **Description**

The descriptions of excursions are correct at time of publication of this document. In an effort to offer you the highest quality excursions program, in some cases the descriptions may vary slightly from the excursions themselves.

#### **Guests with limited mobility**

Please contact our onboard staff the day before your cruise. They will advise you and try to obtain the necessary equipment for your on-shore excursion.

#### **Personalised programs**

Private cars, limousines or exclusive visits can be arranged upon request on day of departure by contacting the Excursions Office.

#### **Prices**

The prices of excursions include transport available on site, which might include coach, limousine, taxi, funicular railways or boats. Meals and/or drinks are included only when specified in the itinerary of the excursion. Costa Cruises reserves the right to change the prices and itineraries of excursions without prior notice.

#### **Children and kids**

Children between the ages of 3 and 13 are entitled to a 30% discount for excursions on cruises in the Mediterranean and Northern Europe, 25% for cruises in South America and Transatlantic cruises from/to South America, and 10% for cruises to the Caribbean and Transatlantic cruises from/to the Caribbean.

There is no charge for children up to the age of 3 provided that parents carry them during transportation.

#### **Squok Club**

Children between the ages of 3 and 13 can have fun at the Squok Club while their parents enjoy their excursion. The service is free, but must be requested in advance.