



## SICILY AWAITS

PALERMO - CEFALÙ - SIRACUSA - RAGUSA - NOTO - MODICA - CATANIA - ETNA - TAORMINA

Trip duration: 9 days | Travelers: 1 Adult

## ITINERARY

Across **Sicily's most iconic cities and landscapes**, discover the island's soul through its flavors, history, and dramatic scenery.

Begin in **Palermo**, where a vibrant **street food tour** reveals the bold tastes and traditions that define Sicilian cuisine, followed by a guided visit to the majestic **Palazzo dei Normanni**, a symbol of centuries of cultural fusion.

Travel along the coast to **Cefalù**, where golden beaches and Norman architecture meet the deep blue of the Tyrrhenian Sea, before continuing toward **Agrigento**, pausing among ancient temples that rise from Sicily's timeless landscape. In the southeast, explore the Baroque jewels of **Ragusa, Noto, and Modica**, where honey-colored stone and chocolate-scented streets tell stories of art and resilience.

Nature takes center stage on **Mount Etna**, where guided walks across lava fields, volcanic caves, and mineral-rich terrain culminate in a tasting of local products born from the volcano's fertile soil. The journey ends in **Taormina**, perched above the sea, where classical ruins, panoramic views, and effortless Mediterranean charm offer the perfect finale.

A journey shaped by flavor, history, and living landscapes — where every stop reveals a different face of Sicily's unforgettable character.

### Day 1

 Start at 11:00

#### SICILY — WHERE FIRE, FLAVOR & HISTORY MEET

⌚ Sicily, Italy -



⌚ 1 minute ⚡ 1 Adult

Sicily is not just an island — it's a world of its own, shaped by sun, sea, and centuries of conquest. Here, ancient temples rise from golden landscapes, Baroque cities glow in warm stone, and daily life unfolds

between markets filled with voices, aromas, and color.

From the vibrant streets of **Palermo**, where street food tells stories of Arab, Norman, and Spanish roots, to the elegance of **Cefalù's coastline** and the timeless beauty of **Agrigento's temples**, every place reveals a different soul of the island. In the southeast, **Ragusa, Noto, and Modica** enchant with their Baroque harmony and slow rhythms, while **Mount Etna** dominates the horizon — a living volcano that nourishes the land and inspires awe.

Between lava fields and seaside towns like **Taormina**, Sicily invites you to taste, explore, and feel deeply. It's an island of contrasts and passion, where nature and history live side by side, and every moment leaves a lasting impression.

A journey through Sicily is a journey into intensity, beauty, and unforgettable emotion.

 **Start at 13:00**

## **PALERMO — THE BEATING HEART OF SICILY**

⌚ Palermo Sicily, Palermo, Italy -



⌚ 1 minute 🧑 1 Adult

Palermo is a city that overwhelms the senses and captures the soul. A place where **Arab domes, Norman palaces, and Baroque churches** rise side by side, and everyday life spills into vibrant streets filled with voices, colors, and irresistible aromas.

Wander through historic markets where **street food is a ritual**, taste bold flavors born from centuries of cultural exchange, and step inside extraordinary landmarks like the **Palazzo dei Normanni**, a masterpiece that reflects Palermo's layered past. Here, history is not confined to museums — it lives in courtyards, piazzas, and conversations.

Raw, authentic, and endlessly fascinating, Palermo is Sicily at its most intense: chaotic and poetic, ancient and alive. A city that doesn't ask to be understood — only to be felt.

 **Check-in 14:00**

## **YOUR HOTEL IN PALERMO**

⌚ Palermo Sicily, Palermo, Italy -



⌚ 3 nights ⚪ 1 Adult

### You can choose from a carefully selected range of accommodation, available in 4-star.

Each property is chosen for its comfort, reliability, and excellent location — perfect for exploring the city easily on foot or by public transport. Expect **modern amenities, warm hospitality, and consistent quality standards** in every destination, ensuring outstanding guest experiences.

🚶 Start at 15:00

### PALERMO AT YOUR OWN PACE — A DAY OF SICILIAN LIFE

📍 Palermo Sicily, Palermo, Italy -



⌚ 8 hours ⚪ 1 Adult

Today is yours to experience Palermo freely, following your own rhythm. Wander through sun-washed streets, linger in historic piazzas, or pause for an espresso as daily life unfolds around you. You may choose to explore hidden churches and noble palaces, browse colorful local markets, or stroll toward the sea where Palermo's coastal light softens the city's edges.

Whether you spend the day savoring Sicilian flavors, discovering art and history, or simply embracing the city's vibrant atmosphere, Palermo rewards those who slow down and observe.

A day without plans — just the freedom to let the city reveal itself, one moment at a time.

### Day 2

🚶 Start at 13:00

### PALERMO IN GOLD — NORMAN POWER & TIMELESS BEAUTY

📍 Palermo Sicily, Palermo, Italy -



⌚ 1 hour 30 minutes 💬 1 Adult

Step into more than eight centuries of history on this unforgettable journey through **Palermo's Norman Palace and Palatine Chapel**. With an expert local guide, explore the **oldest royal residence in Europe**, a symbol of the wealth, power, and cultural fusion that once defined the Norman Kingdom.

Inside the Palace, discover grand halls steeped in political history before entering the breathtaking **Palatine Chapel** — a jewel of Byzantine art. Its glowing **gold mosaics**, intricate carvings, and inscriptions in Arabic, Latin, and Greek create a dazzling harmony of cultures that feels almost otherworldly.

With **skip-the-line access** and time to wander the peaceful **royal gardens**, this guided visit offers a powerful glimpse into Palermo's extraordinary past — where art, faith, and empire still shine in golden light.

🚶 Start at 18:30

## PALERMO STREET FOOD — A FEAST OF FLAVORS & TRADITIONS

📍 Piazzetta delle Dogane, Palermo, Sicilia 90133, Palermo, Italy -



⌚ 3 hours 30 minutes 💬 1 Adult

Expect a **full meal and an unforgettable journey into Palermo's soul**. This street food experience reveals the city through its most iconic bites, shaped by centuries of history and everyday life.

Taste crispy **panelle and crocchè** in a sesame bun, try the legendary **pane ca' meusa**, savor soft, savory **sfincione**, and enjoy golden **arancine** filled with classic Sicilian flavors. End on a sweet, refreshing note with **fresh cannoli** and **Sicilian granita**, the perfect finale to a bold and generous feast.

More than food — it's Palermo's history, culture, and passion served one bite at a time.

## Day 3

⌚ Depart 09:36

### ROUND-TRIP TRAIN FROM PALERMO TO CEFALÙ

⌚ 2 Via Principe di Piemonte, Stresa, Piemonte 28838, Stresa, Italy -



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Enjoy a **comfortable round-trip train journey to Cefalù**, one of Sicily's most charming seaside towns. Travel along the scenic coastline with ease, then enjoy free time to explore Cefalù's golden beaches, historic center, and iconic Norman cathedral before returning relaxed and carefree.

🚶 Start at 10:00

### CEFALÙ AT YOUR OWN PACE — A DAY BY THE SEA

⌚ Cefalù, Sicily 90015, Cefalù, Italy -



⌚ 7 hours ✈ 1 Adult

Enjoy a full day of leisure in **Cefalù**, where medieval charm meets crystal-clear Mediterranean waters. Wander through the cobbled streets of the historic center, relax on the golden beach just steps from town, or admire the majestic Norman Cathedral rising above lively piazzas.

Climb La Rocca for panoramic views, browse local shops, or savor fresh seafood and granita by the sea. Whether you choose to explore, swim, or simply slow down, Cefalù invites you to experience Sicily at its most relaxed and beautiful — guided only by the rhythm of the sea.

## Day 4

⌚ 09:00

## TRANSFER FROM HOTEL IN PALERMO TO HOTEL IN SYRACUSE WITH STOP IN AGRIGENTO

📍 Palermo Sicily, Palermo, Italy -



🕒 1 Adult

Meet your private driver at your hotel lobby and transfer to Syracuse. The transfer will stop in Agrigento for an enthralling guided visit.

🚶 Start at 11:00

## VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES & PIAZZA ARMERINA — ANCIENT WORLDS, UNFORGETTABLE SIGHTS

📍 Agrigento, Sicily 92100, Agrigento, Italy -



🕒 2 hours 🚶 1 Adult

Explore two of Sicily's most extraordinary UNESCO World Heritage sites in one unforgettable day. Begin with a visit to the **Valley of the Temples** in Agrigento, one of the most impressive archaeological parks in the Greek world, where magnificently preserved Doric temples rise from the landscape and evoke an era when this region was a thriving ancient city.

In the afternoon, journey inland to **Piazza Armerina**, home to the magnificent **Villa Romana del Casale**, a late Roman imperial villa famed for its remarkable mosaic floors — among the richest and most varied in the world. Wander through rooms adorned with intricate scenes of daily life, myth, and sport, imagining the opulence of antiquity as you take in the artistry that has survived for over sixteen centuries.

This combined excursion blends **Greek grandeur and Roman elegance**, offering a powerful glimpse into Sicily's layered past and its enduring legacy of art, architecture, and human achievement.

🏨 Check-in 14:00

## YOUR HOTEL IN SYRACUSE

📍 Syracuse, Sicily 96100, Syracuse, Italy -



⌚ 2 nights ⚪ 1 Adult

**You can choose from a carefully selected range of accommodation, available in 4-star.**

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🚶 Start at 16:00

## SYRACUSE — WHERE ANCIENT STONE MEETS THE SEA

⌚ Syracuse, Sicily 96100, Syracuse, Italy -



⌚ 3 hours ⚪ 1 Adult

Discover **Syracuse**, a city shaped by Greek genius and Mediterranean light. Wander through the historic heart of **Ortigia**, where Baroque façades, narrow lanes, and sunlit piazzas open onto the sea. From the Temple of Apollo to the Cathedral rising over ancient columns, history reveals itself at every step.

Elegant, timeless, and deeply atmospheric, Syracuse blends art, archaeology, and coastal beauty into an experience that feels both powerful and serene — a place where the past and present live in perfect harmony.

## Day 5

🚶 Start at 09:00

## BAROQUE TREASURES OF SICILY — RAGUSA, NOTO & MODICA

⌚ Sicily, Italy -



⌚ 7 hours 💤 1 Adult

Set off from **Syracuse** in a comfortable minivan and journey into the heart of Sicily's Baroque heritage with an expert guide. Discover the harmonious elegance of **Noto**, where golden stone palaces glow under the Mediterranean sun, then continue to **Ragusa**, dramatically perched on a hillside and filled with noble churches, panoramic views, and layered history.

The experience concludes in **Modica**, a city of winding streets, stunning architecture, and deep traditions — also celebrated for its unique chocolate-making heritage. Throughout the day, your guide brings each city to life with stories, history, and local insight.

A smooth, inspiring journey through art, beauty, and timeless Sicilian character — three unforgettable towns in one remarkable day.

## Day 6

⌚ Depart 09:31

### REGIONAL TRAIN FROM PALERMO CENTRALE TO CATANIA CENTRALE

📍 Piazza Giulio Cesare, Palermo, Sicilia 90123, Palermo, Italy -



💤 1 Adult

Depart from Palermo Centrale Train Station and reach Catania Centrale.

🚶 Start at 13:00

### CATANIA — LIVING ON THE EDGE OF FIRE

📍 Catania Sicily, Catania, Italy -



⌚ 1 minute 💬 1 Adult

Catania is a city forged by **Mount Etna**, where black lava stone, Baroque façades, and vibrant street life create a powerful and unforgettable atmosphere. Walk through lively piazzas and historic markets, where the energy of the city pulses between ancient ruins and everyday Sicilian life.

From elegant palaces built from volcanic rock to the scent of street food filling the air, Catania blends resilience, beauty, and raw authenticity. Bold, passionate, and endlessly alive, it's a city that doesn't simply sit beneath Etna — it lives in constant dialogue with it.

 Check-in 14:00

## YOUR HOTEL IN CATANIA

📍 Catania Sicily, Catania, Italy -



⌚ 3 nights 💬 1 Adult

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 Start at 15:00

## CATANIA AT YOUR OWN PACE — A DAY BETWEEN LAVA & LIFE

📍 Catania Sicily, Catania, Italy -



⌚ 8 hours 💸 1 Adult

Enjoy the rest of the day of complete freedom in **Catania**, where history, markets, and Mediterranean energy set the rhythm. Wander through Baroque streets built from volcanic stone, linger in lively piazzas, or explore colorful fish markets where local life unfolds in full voice.

Sip an espresso with Etna in the distance, browse artisan shops, or stroll along the seafront as waves crash against the lava rocks. Whether you choose culture, flavors, or simple moments of observation, Catania invites you to slow down and experience the city on your own terms — raw, vibrant, and unforgettable.

## Day 7

🚶 Start at 09:00

### ETNA UNVEILED — CRATERS, CAVES & LIVING LANDSCAPES

📍 Catania Sicily, Catania, Italy -



⌚ 7 hours 💸 1 Adult

Discover the raw power and beauty of **Mount Etna**, Europe's highest active volcano, on an unforgettable adventure through lava fields, ancient craters, and lunar-like landscapes. After a comfortable pick-up, journey to the southern slopes of the volcano, stopping at panoramic viewpoints while your expert guide shares stories of Etna's dramatic eruptions and ever-changing terrain.

From **Rifugio Sapienza**, choose your experience: enjoy a guided walk through extinct craters and scenic trails at high altitude, or opt for the **summit experience**, combining cable car and 4x4 vehicles to reach the highest accessible areas of the volcano.

The adventure continues with the exploration of a **volcanic cave**, equipped with helmets and torches, before ending on a flavorful note with a **tasting of local Etna products**, including honey, oils, and regional specialties.

A powerful journey into nature, geology, and tradition — where Etna reveals its wild, unforgettable soul.

## Day 8

Start at 09:00

### TAORMINA AT YOUR OWN PACE — EASY DAY TRIP FROM CATANIA

-Taormina, Sicily 98039, Taormina, Italy -



⌚ 8 hours 💸 1 Adult

Enjoy a smooth and stress-free **self-guided day trip from Catania to Taormina** with a convenient **round-trip train and bus combination**. Travel along Sicily's stunning coastline, then reach Taormina effortlessly, ready to explore at your own rhythm.

Spend the day wandering elegant streets, admiring panoramic views over the Ionian Sea and Mount Etna, visiting the iconic Greek Theatre, or relaxing with lunch and shopping in one of Sicily's most glamorous towns. With transport taken care of, all that's left to do is enjoy Taormina — freely, comfortably, and on your own time.

## Day 9



Your Italian adventure comes to an end, but the memories you've created will stay with you forever.

*From iconic sights to authentic experiences and local flavors, every moment has been carefully curated to show you the real Italy.*

We can't wait to welcome you and make your travel dreams come true!



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

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### Accommodation

#### **8 nights in Smart Collection Hotels centrally-located:**

- Hotel Ambasciatori Palermo 4\* or similar
- Hotel Palazzo Cavalieri Siracusa 4\* or similar
- Hotel NH Catania Centro 4\* or similar

The hotels listed are our main partner in each city; they presented as examples for your reference only. We only select the finest places in the city centers, and in compliance with high international standards. You will receive the list of hotels you will be staying at right upon booking.

### Meals

- Daily **Breakfast**
- Palermo Street **Food Tour**
- Etna Nature: **Guided Walk, Lava Cave Exploration & Tasting** with **Transfers**

### Activities

- Palermo Street **Food Tour**
- **Guided Tour** of Palazzo dei Normanni
- **Round-Trip Train** to Cefalù
- **Transfer** to Palermo with Stop in Agrigento
- **Guided Tour** from Syracuse: Ragusa, Noto and Modica **by Minivan**
- **Train** from Syracuse to Catania
- Etna Nature: **Guided Walk, Lava Cave Exploration & Tasting** with **Transfers**
- **Train + Round-Trip Bus** to Taormina

### Transportation

- **Round-Trip Train** to Cefalù
- **Transfer** to Palermo with stop in Agrigento
- **Train** from Syracuse to Catania
- **Round-Trip Train and Bus** to Taormina

### On-site Assistance

- **24/7 Assistance** throughout your trip, offering help and guidance at any time