



Enchanting Puglia

8 DAYS

At the heel of Italy's boot, discover beautiful whitewashed villages, stunning coastlines with turquoise coloured waters, ancient ruins and gastronomical delights. The magic of Puglia has long been known to the Italians, but now the secret is out, and it awaits you on this magnificent regional discovery.



Ormina Highlights & Inclusions

- > Experience the region's 'must see' towns including Matera, Grottaglie, Lecce, Otranto, Alberobello and Polignano a Mare.
- > 7 nights in a boutique property and 5-star hotels including a Trullo.
- > 7 breakfasts (B), 2 lunches (L), 1 dinner (D).
- > Guided sightseeing of Matera, Lecce, Alberobello and Castellana Cave.
- > Private cooking class to make traditional orecchiette.
- > Guided tour with wine pairings at a local winery followed by lunch.
- > Visit the charming seaside villages of the Salento Peninsula.
- > Private boat excursion in Santa Maria di Leuca.
- > Entrance to Casa Grotta & Chiesa Rupestre, Basilica di Santa Croce and Duomo, Trullo Sovrano and Castellana Cave.
- > Visit the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Matera and Alberobello.
- > Deluxe VIP transport.
- > Airport transfers on first and last day.
- > Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.



TOUR FOCUS



Natural
Beauty



Food
& Wine



Towns &
Villages



Archaeological
Sites

DAY 1 Bari – Matera (D)

Welcome to Puglia, a region less travelled that is bursting with stunning landscapes and history. On arrival, transfer to ancient Matera to relax and freshen up before an organised welcome dinner.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: **Le Origini** or similar

DAY 2 Matera (B)

Enjoy a walking tour of Matera, a UNESCO World Heritage listed city and one of the oldest continually inhabited settlements in the World. Discover the Murgia National Park famous for its caves and rock formations, as well as the limestone shaped caves of the Sassi rock. Enjoy free time in the afternoon to explore at your leisure.

DAY 3 Matera - Ginosa - Grottaglie - Lecce (B, L)

Visit Ginosa for a private orecchiette (hand made fresh local pasta) cooking class followed by an amazing lunch with wine. Afterward, pass through the charming town of Grottaglie, famous for its ceramics. Enjoy time to observe the craftsmen and browse the many shops selling the unique hand-made goods. Continue to Lecce, known as the 'Rome of the South' with its ancient Roman amphitheatres, 17th Century Baroque style churches and Palaces, surrounded by stunning countryside, coastlines and small towns. Arrive in the late afternoon and enjoy the evening at leisure.

STAY **3** NIGHTS: **Risorgimento Resort 5-star** or similar



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Experience an amazing authentic cooking class with a local family revealing generation-old techniques. The mouth-watering lunch is one to be remembered.



Basilica di Santa Croce, Lecce



Otranto, Italy

Departures and Pricing

2022			2023		
STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*	STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*
Bari	Bari	Twin Share per person	Bari	Bari	Twin Share per person
24-Apr-22	01-May-22	\$4,890	22-Apr-23	29-Apr-23	\$5,090
23-May-22	30-May-22	\$4,890	22-May-23	29-May-23	\$5,090
11-Jun-22	18-Jun-22	\$4,890	10-Jun-23	17-Jun-23	\$5,090
27-Jul-22	04-Jul-22	\$4,890	26-Jun-23	03-Jul-23	\$5,090
25-Jul-22	01-Aug-22	\$4,890	24-Jul-23	31-Jul-23	\$5,090
12-Sep-22	19-Sep-22	\$4,890	11-Sep-23	18-Sep-23	\$5,090
25-Sep-22	02-Oct-22	\$4,890	24-Sep-23	01-Oct-23	\$5,090
Single Supplement \$2,500			Single Supplement \$2,600		

* All prices are listed in AUD unless otherwise stated.
Prices in other currencies are available on our website.

DAY 4 Lecce (B, L)

Stroll amongst the stunning architecture, Roman ruins and discover Lecce's traditions on a walking tour including entrance to the Basilica di Santa Croce and Duomo. Afterwards, enjoy a winery tour and lunch with wine pairings at their local restaurant.



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Venture into the sun-drenched Puglian countryside, the second largest producer of wine grapes in Italy. The winemakers are garnering attention of international markets for their wine quality in recent years. Enjoy a tour and wine tasting at an emerging vineyard, paired with a delicious lunch.

DAY 5 Lecce - Santa Maria di Leuca - Castro - Otranto - Lecce (B)

Enjoy a full day excursion exploring the beautiful villages and coastline of the Salento Peninsula. Visit Santa Maria di Leuca for a private boat ride, including time to swim off the boat in amazing waters. Afterward, enjoy time for an independent lunch before passing through the picturesque village of Castro to Otranto, where you have time to explore before returning to Lecce.



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The beaches and sea in Puglia is almost unrivalled in Italy. At the tip of the Salento Peninsula, board a private boat to enjoy time on the Ionian Sea with time to swim off the boat for a unique experience.

DAY 6 Lecce – Ostuni – Martina Franca - Alberobello (B)

Visit the beautiful whitewashed town of Ostuni, with a historical tradition of painting all the houses with white lime. Stroll the streets at your own leisure and perhaps visit its local treasures such as the Cathedral and the baroque Church of Santa Maria Maddalena. Continue to Martina Franca, an old town surrounded by stone walls and featuring piazzas and narrow, winding streets. Enjoy time for an independent lunch before arriving in Alberobello for an overnight stay in a real Trullo.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: Le Alcove Luxury Resort 5-star or similar

DAY 7 Alberobello - Polignano a Mare - Castellana Cave - Alberobello (B)

Discover Alberobello and its tradition and landscape with a walking tour. Afterward, travel to the beautiful seaside village of Polignano a Mare with leisure time for independent discovery, a swim at its amazing beach with pristine turquoise water and possibly independent lunch at its world-renowned Grotto Palazzese. Afterward, visit the Castellana Cave with a guided tour before returning to Alberobello.

DAY 8 Alberobello – Bari (B)

After breakfast, transfer to Bari for your ongoing journey.



Feature
Hotel



BOULIQUE HOTEL LE ORIGINI MATERA

STAY **2** NIGHTS

- > This boutique hotel boasts 7 unique rooms, with rustic design and furnishings.
- > Rooms range from spectacular panoramic views of the Sassi, to underground caves.
- > An exclusive and unforgettable experience.



A Highlights of Italy (North) and Enchanting Puglia (see map pg 25)



B Enchanting Puglia and Sicily Bella



Palermo, Sicily



St Peters, Vatican City



Valletta, Malta

Want to discover more?

OUR MOST POPULAR TOUR EXTENSIONS

PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

A Highlights of Italy (North) (13 Days)

Small Group Journey

- > A popular pre-tour extension, Highlights of Italy (North) together with Enchanting Puglia delivers both the classic Italian treasures mixed with the magical untouched charm of the south.
- > Featuring Italy's iconic cities, the Lake District, the Italian Riviera and Tuscany's winding roads, hilltop towns and vineyards.

Explore more on page 17.

Rome City Break (5 Days)

- > Guided tours of ancient Rome and the Vatican.
- > Enjoy a day trip to Pompeii with lunch on a charming farmstead.

Explore more on page 72.

POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

B Sicily Bella (10 Days) Small Group Journey

- > Experienced back-to-back, Enchanting Puglia and Sicily Bella provide the perfect discovery of the lesser known southern Italy.
- > Explore Sicily's stunning coastline, rugged mountains, active volcano, ancient ruins and historic villages.

Explore more on page 29.

Malta Regional Discovery (7 Days)

- > Extend to discover the world's oldest man-made structures, Valletta's beautiful fortified port, the mystique of the Knights of Malta, beautiful fishing villages and more.

Explore more on page 81.