



Sicily Bella

10 DAYS

Beautiful Sicily – historic, mysterious, authentic and diverse. Like its many visitors over the ages, discover the Mediterranean's largest island with its stunning coastline, rugged mountains, rich agriculture, active volcano, ancient ruins, historic villages and warm hospitality. You will be left breathless by its beauty, mesmerised by its contrasts and fulfilled by the authentic experience of a land that has attracted civilisations for over three thousand years.



Ormina Highlights & Inclusions

- > Visit 'must see' towns of Palermo, Cefalù, Ortigia, Ragusa and Taormina.
- > 9 nights in exquisite 5-star hotels.
- > 9 breakfasts (B), 2 lunches (L), 1 dinner (D).
- > Guided sightseeing tours of Palermo, Monreale, Agrigento's Valley of the Temples, Villa Romana del Casale and Ragusa.
- > Lunch, wine tasting and a winery tour at a renowned winery near Sciacca.
- > Guided tour of Mt Etna & Alcantara Gorges with four-wheel drives and Mt Etna winery lunch.
- > Tastings of Palermo street food and pastries at a popular patisserie.
- > Entrance to the Cappella Palatina, Monreale Cathedral, Corleone's Anti-Mafia Museum, Valley of the Temples and Villa Romana del Casale.
- > Visit 6 UNESCO World Heritage Listed sites: Arab-Norman Palermo, Monreale Cathedral, Agrigento's archaeological area, Villa Romana del Casale, Baroque towns of Val di Noto and Mt Etna.
- > Deluxe VIP transport.
- > Airport transfers on first and last day.
- > Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.

TOUR FOCUS



5-Star
Luxury



Natural
Beauty



Archaeological
Sites



Art &
Architecture



Towns &
Villages



Palermo, Sicily

DAY 1 Palermo (D)

Welcome to Sicily Bella, a journey designed to deliver Sicily's best landscapes, attractions and authentic experiences. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and freshen up before enjoying an organised welcome dinner.

STAY **3** NIGHTS: Grand Hotel et des Palmes 5-star or similar

DAY 2 Palermo – Monreale – Palermo (B)

Enjoy a full day guided tour of historic Palermo – founded in 734BC. Visit its main attractions including Palermo Cathedral, San Giovanni degli Eremiti church, Ballarò market and the beautiful 12th century Italian Palace – Palazzo dei Normanni.

Also experience tastings of Palermo street food, sfincione and panelle. In the afternoon, visit Monreale for its famous UNESCO listed cathedral before returning to Palermo for time to perhaps visit Cappuccini Catacombs, Teatro Massimo or join the locals for 'la passeggiata' or late afternoon stroll through the city.

DAY 3 Palermo – Castelbuono – Cefalù – Palermo (B)

Venture to the quaint village of Castelbuono in the Madonie Natural Park and enjoy a tasting at a popular pastry shop. Afterward, visit the amazing seaside town of Cefalù, nestled between the Tyrrhenian Sea and a distinctive precipitous rock. Stroll the cobbled streets, climb the stairs of La Rocca for a breath-taking view or dine at one of the many wonderful restaurants by the sea.



Cefalù, Sicily



Valley of the Temples, Agrigento



Ragusa, Sicily

DAY 4 Palermo – Corleone – Sciacca (B, L)

Visit Corleone, a town once surrounded by defensive walls that connected the Castello Soprano and Sottano Castles and infamous for being the birthplace of several mafia bosses. Enjoy a short visit to the Anti-Mafia Museum, before enjoying lunch and wine tasting at a local winery. Afterward, continue to your luxurious hotel near Sciacca.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: Verdura Golf & Spa Resort 5-star or similar

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Enjoy a lunch and wine tasting at an exclusive Winery.

DAY 5 Sciacca – Agrigento – Sciacca (B)

Enjoy a guided tour of Agrigento's amazing UNESCO World Heritage Listed 'Valley of the Temples' featuring the largest and best-preserved Greek temples outside of Greece. The remarkable ruins date back to the 6th century BC; an era occupied by the richest and most famous Greek colony. The afternoon is yours to relax at your resort hotel or enjoy leisure time in the seaside fishing village of Sciacca.

DAY 6 Sciacca – Piazza Armerina – Syracuse (B)

Depart for Villa Romana del Casale, the UNESCO World Heritage Listed 4th century villa featuring the world's most impressive collection of Roman mosaics. After a guided tour, continue to the seaside town of Syracuse to check into another amazing hotel in the beautiful old town of Ortigia.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: Ortea Palace Luxury Hotel 5-star or similar

DAY 7 Syracuse (B)

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore Syracuse's old town of Ortigia. The town is celebrated with a UNESCO World Heritage Listing for its architectural creation of Greek, Roman and Baroque influences. Options include a visit to the morning market, Syracuse Cathedral or Castello Maniace; swimming in Ortigia's blue sea; or stroll the trendy pedestrian streets of Via Roma, Piazza Minerva and Piazza Duomo.

"We commend you for putting together a fantastic itinerary that showcased the amazing sights of Sicily, its history, culture and people. The tour was very well-balanced in terms of providing some specific guided tours of various cities and historical sites, as well as allowing us sufficient 'downtime' to personally explore some of the lovely towns and cities of Sicily."

Kevin & Kay - Sicily Bella, May 2019

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DAY 8 Syracuse – Ragusa – Taormina (B)

Depart Syracuse for a visit to the Val di Noto region renowned for its Baroque architecture. Discover Ragusa with a short architectural tour of its more significant buildings, before arriving to the beautiful resort town of Taormina.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: NH Collection Taormina 5-star or similar

DAY 9 Taormina – Mt Etna – Taormina (B, L)

Enjoy a special excursion to Alcantara Gorges and Mt Etna, the largest active volcano in Europe, utilising a four-wheel drive to get close to the incredible lava flows. Also visit the medieval town of Castiglione di Sicilia overlooking the Alcantara Valley and enjoy a closing tour lunch and wine tasting at a Mt Etna winery before returning to Taormina. The rest of the day is yours to stroll the cobbled streets, shop in its trendy boutiques or visit the stunning Teatro Greco amphitheatre.

DAY 10 Taormina – Catania (B)

If you are not extending your stay with us in Taormina to the Aeolian Islands, or to an unforgettable winery estate getaway, you will be chauffeured to Catania airport.



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A unique experience exploring Mt Etna by four-wheel drive, followed by a visit to a Mt Etna winery for a lunch and tasting.

Departures and Pricing

2022			2023		
STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*	STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*
Palermo	Catania	Twin Share per person	Palermo	Catania	Twin Share per person
06-Apr-22	15-Apr-22	\$6,290	11-Apr-23	20-Apr-23	\$6,490
01-May-22	10-May-22	\$6,690	01-May-23	10-May-23	\$6,890
30-May-22	08-Jun-22	\$6,690	29-May-23	07-Jun-23	\$6,890
18-Jun-22	27-Jun-22	\$6,690	17-Jun-23	26-Jun-23	\$6,890
04-Jul-22	13-Jul-22	\$6,690	03-Jul-23	12-Jul-23	\$6,890
03-Sep-22	12-Sep-22	\$6,690	02-Sep-23	11-Sep-23	\$6,890
19-Sep-22	28-Sep-22	\$6,690	18-Sep-23	27-Sep-23	\$6,890
17-Oct-22	26-Oct-22	\$6,290	16-Oct-23	25-Oct-23	\$6,490
Single Supplement		\$3,300	Single Supplement		\$3,400

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



ORTEA PALACE LUXURY HOTEL SYRACUSE

STAY **2** NIGHTS

- > Opened in 2018, this majestic 1920's Palazzo has been meticulously restored into Syracuse's most lauded 5-star hotel that oozes elegance and style.
- > Perfectly located in Syracuse's UNESCO World Heritage Listed historic town of Ortigia.
- > One of Sicily's most prestigious hotels.



A Highlights of Italy (South) and Sicily Bella

B Sicily Bella and Aeolian Islands Regional Discovery

Want to discover more?

OUR MOST POPULAR TOUR EXTENSIONS

PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

A Highlights of Italy (South) (7 Days)

Small Group Journey

- > The perfect combination for a complete discovery of Italy's south.
- > Discover historic Rome, Pompeii, Caserta and the beautiful Amalfi Coast including Positano and Capri.

Explore more on page 21.

Tasca D'Almerita – Regaleali Wine Estate (3 Days)

- > A relaxing pre-tour extension in beautiful lodgings surrounded by vineyards at one of Sicily's most prestigious family wine estates.
- > Enjoy lunch and dinner in the family's dining room, relax at the property's remarkable pool and partake in a wonderful cooking class.

POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

B Aeolian Islands Regional Discovery (5 Days)

- > Extend your Sicily discovery to the Aeolian islands that include Lipari, Stromboli, Panarea, Vulcano and Salina.
- > Enjoy the crystal blue waters and sandy beaches, cliffs and rock formations, spectacular volcanic eruptions, mud baths and hot springs.

Explore more on page 73.

Malta Regional Discovery (7 Days)

- > A popular post Sicily extension 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.