

8 DAYS SICILIAN SECRETS: SICILY & MALTA



MAP & ITINERARY



PRICE INCLUDES



- 2 nights in a 4* hotel in Palermo
- 1 night in a 4* hotel in Agrigento
- 4 nights in a 4* hotel in Malta



- 7 American buffet breakfast
- 3 dinners in the hotel or at a local restaurant (drinks not included)
- No dinner is included in the Malta extension
- 1 lunch & wine tasting at a winery in the Marsala area
- 2 tastings of local products: Palermo (2nd day): a gastronomic surprise with a tasting of local street food; Ragusa (4th day): a tasting of typical local products.

- multilingual tour with a tour leader until the 4th day
- local guides or audio guides when necessary
- visit of Monreale, Palermo, Agrigento, Piazza Armerina, Ragusa



- Unescorted extension to Malta
- 1 half-day excursion with private driver (1st day in Malta)
 - 1 full-day excursion with private driver (2nd day in Malta)
 - 1 group excursion to the Blue Lagoon, Comino, Gozo and the Caves (3rd day in Malta)
- tickets NOT included – To be paid on site or pre-paid purchasing the privilege package (Sicily only)
- excursions may be modified according to weather conditions and the availability of local service providers



- individual arrival and departure transfers are NOT included
 - transport by air conditioned bus from the 2nd day until the 4th day
- Unescorted extension to Malta
- private transfer from Ragusa to the port of Pozzallo
 - private transfer from port of La Valletta to the hotel
 - one-way Virtu Ferries ticket from Pozzallo to Malta



- we are not responsible for any lack of service related to the weather/sea conditions for links between the islands

Calendar

FROM MARCH UNTIL NOVEMBER 2020 – TUESDAY

MARCH	24	31	AUGUST	4	11	18	25			
APRIL	7	14	21	28	SEPTEMBER	1	8	15	22	29
MAY	5	12	19	26	OCTOBER	6	13	20	27	
JUNE	2	9	16	23	30	NOVEMBER	3	10		
JULY	7	14	21	28						

Hotels

HOTEL INFORMATION

CITY	HOTELS	
PALERMO	MERCURE PALERMO CENTRO / IBIS STYLES PALERMO CRISTAL	4* OR SIMILAR
AGRIGENTO	BAIA DI ULISSE WELLNESS & SPA.....	4* OR SIMILAR
MALTA	HOTEL ARGENTOST JULIANS/ SEASHELLS RESORT AT SUNCREST	4* OR SIMILAR

Rates

PRICES PER PERSON

DOUBLE	SINGLE	TRIPLE
€ 1805	€ 2260	€ 1745

PRE TOUR PALERMO – PRICES PER PERSON, PER NIGHT IN BB

DOUBLE	SINGLE	TRIPLE
€ 110	€ 205	ON REQUEST

POST TOUR MALTA – ON REQUEST

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

Transfer Palermo airport / Palermo hotel: 1 / 3 pax – € 70,00 one way

PRIVILEGE PACKAGE – SICILY ONLY

€ 465,00 supplement per person in double or twin room

€ 720,00 supplement per person in single room/double room for single use

Includes: Superior / Deluxe Room - Private in / out transfer – Tourist tax – All tickets for museums as per itinerary for Sicily only: Monreale Cathedral - Monreale Cloister – Palermo Palatine Chapel – Palermo Church of the Martorana – Agrigento Valley of the Temples – Piazza Armerina Villa Romana. Tickets in Malta are NOT included – to be paid on site.



CITY TAX NOT INCLUDED. TO BE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE HOTEL



PALERMO

Palermo and its treasures



MONREALE

The majestic Arab-Norman Cathedral



VIA DEL SALE

The amazing salt marshes of the Marsala Stagnone Lagoon



AGRIGENTO

Agrigento and the Valley of the Temples

PALERMO (2 nights) – MONREALE – MARSALA – SALINE – AGRIGENTO (1 night) – PIAZZA ARMERINA – RAGUSA IBLA – MALTA (4 nights) – LA VALLETTA – MDINA – COTTONERA

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8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

DAY 1 TUESDAY

PALERMO

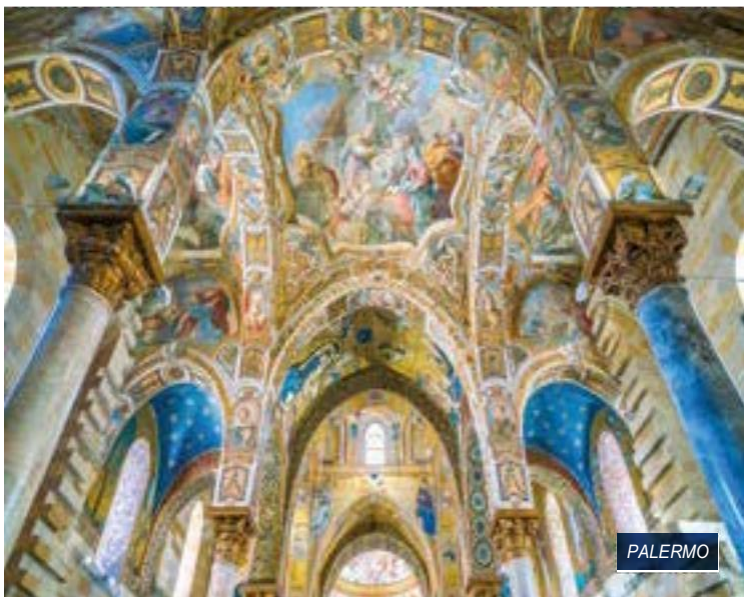
Meeting with the tour leader at the hotel in Palermo in the late afternoon (possibility of private transfer as an optional service). Dinner and overnight stay.

Meals: Dinner

DAY 2 WEDNESDAY

MONREALE – PALERMO

Breakfast in the hotel and departure to visit Monreale, with its impressive Arab-Norman



Cathedral and stunning Cloister. Return to Palermo. This city preserves monuments of the Arab-Norman period, including the beautiful Cathedral, the fascinating Byzantine Church of the Martorana and the Palatine Chapel, a higher example from the historical-artistic point of view of the coexistence between cultures and religions. Along the visit stop for a food surprise in a local bakery. Dinner and overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 3 THURSDAY

PALERMO – MARSALA – SALINE – AGRIGENTO

Breakfast in the hotel and departure for Marsala, that preserves a multitude of signs of the Phoenician, Arab and Norman dominations. Proceed along the famous Via del Sale to admire the islands of Stagnone and the salt marshes. The lagoon and the islands of Stagnone constitute a large nature reserve of enormous environmental value. Even today the salt marshes represent one of the oldest salt mining industries in the world. Lunch in a renowned wine cellar with a tasting of local wines and products. Departure for Agrigento and visit of the famous Valley of the Temples, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Giunone, Concordia and Ercole temples can be admired. In the evening, check-in at the hotel, dinner and an overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4 FRIDAY

AGRIGENTO – PIAZZA ARMERINA – RAGUSA IBLA – LA VALLETTA

Breakfast in the hotel. Departure for Piazza Armerina, and visit to the stunning Villa Romana del Casale, a late-Imperial building and UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the afternoon proceed to Ragusa Ibla, with its beautiful churches and the Ibleo garden. At the end of the tour, stop to taste some typical local products. The tour continues without a tour leader. Transfer to the port of Pozzallo and boarding on a catamaran to reach the island of Malta. Arrival in La Valletta and private transfer to the hotel. Dinner at leisure and overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5 SATURDAY

LA VALLETTA – MDINA

Breakfast in the hotel and half-day visit to the capital La Valletta. Visit of the amazing Casa Rocca Piccola, an ancient 16th century palace that belonged to the Maltese nobility, and is still today the private residence of the Marquis de Piro; afterwards, St. John's Cathedral where the wonderful "Beheading of Saint John the Baptist", a Caravaggio masterpiece, can be admired before visiting the Barrakka Gardens. Proceed to the Grandmaster's



PIAZZA ARMERINA

The stunning Villa Romana del Casale



RAGUSA

Ragusa with its baroque churches and Ibleo garden



LA VALLETTA

Visit of Malta's capital



MALTA

Visit of the island with private driver

- MARSAXLOKK - BLUE GROTTO - DINGLI - COMINO GOLDEN BAY - BLUE LAGOON - GOZO - THE CAVES OF MALTA

Palace, set of the Maltese parliament. The visit continues to Mdina, the ancient capital of Malta, to admire St. Paul's Cathedral and enjoy time at leisure to walk down its lovely streets. Return to the hotel. Dinner at leisure and overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6 - SUNDAY

COTTONERA - MARSAXLOKK - BLUE GROTTO - DINGLI - GOLDEN BAY

Breakfast in the hotel and enjoy a full-day excursion with private driver to discover the beauties of this magical island. The tour begins with a stop in Cottonera, also called the Three Cities: the whole of the fortified cities of Senglea, Vittoriosa and Cospicua. Next, a visit to the fascinating fishermen's village of Marsaxlokk, where the seafront is decorated with colourful, traditional fishermen's boats known as "luzzi". Time at leisure to wander the streets of the centre and the local market. Enjoy a boat excursion to the famous Blue Grotto. The tour continues with a stop in Dingli through the Maltese countryside and the Golden Bay in Mellieha, one of the most enchanting beaches on the island. Time at leisure to enjoy the area and the beach. Return to the hotel. Dinner at leisure and overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7 - MONDAY

COMINO - BLUE LAGOON - GOZO - THE CAVES OF MALTA

Breakfast in the hotel and departure for an excursion with private driver to discover the Maltese archipelago. Upon arrival in nearby Bugibba, board on a comfortable boat for a fantastic mini cruise through north of the Maltese coast in the direction of Comino island; stop at the famous Blue Lagoon for around an hour. Time to take a few photos, sunbathe and dive into the turquoise waters of the bay. Proceed to Gozo with a visit of around 3 hours to admire the main attractions of the island: Ta' Pinu, Dweira, the capital Victoria with its old market, the Citadelle and St. Georges Square. At the end of the excursion, sail round Comino and visit the famous caves. Return to Bugibba in the late afternoon. Private transfer to the hotel. Dinner at leisure and overnight stay.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 8 - TUESDAY

MALTA

Breakfast in the hotel and check-out (possibility of private transfer as an optional service).

Meals: Breakfast

End of services.



MALTA

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