

POSTCARDS FROM PUGLIA & THE AMALFI COAST

SMALL GROUP TOUR

NEW

11 Days FROM \$3,457



Trulli houses in Alberobello

ESCORTED TOUR PROGRAM

(3) Sorrento • (2) Lecce • (2) Selva di Fasano • (3) Bari



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy gourmet lunches and dinners boasting mini a-la-carte menus on this Puglia and Amalfi Coast adventure
- Share in the moment of a lifetime on an Amalfi Coast exploration with cruise
- Discover the magic of Capri and visit the Gardens of Caesar Augustus
- Delve into Lecce and sip on svelte wines at a local winery
- Embark on expertly and insightfully guided tours of Otranto, Matera, and Bari
- Stroll along the pedestrian streets of Alberobello and take in the beautiful views of its famed conical-roofed houses
- Marvel at the famed "Castel del Monte" in Puglia's Andria
- Take in the old world ambiance and medieval architecture of Bari

DAY 1 | TUE | NAPLES | SORRENTO Morning arrival into Naples' Capodichino Airport. Here you'll be met and transferred to your hotel in Sorrento, the famous resort town of orange and lemon groves. Dinner at your hotel restaurant is included. (D)

DAY 2 | WED | SORRENTO | POSITANO | AMALFI | RAVELLO | SORRENTO Leave Sorrento in the morning for Positano. Enjoy a brief stop at the Belvedere for a unique view of Moorish architecture blended with pastel colored houses. Weather permitting, board a motorlaunch and cruise along the coast to Amalfi for a walking tour of the old town. Continue to Ravello for lunch at a restaurant with spectacular views of the Amalfi Coast and the Bay of Salerno. Enjoy some free time for a stroll around the center of town before returning to Sorrento. (B,L)

DAY 3 | THU | SORRENTO | CAPRI | SORRENTO A morning jetfoil whisks you across the blue Bay of Naples to the fabled Isle of Capri, where you will ascend to the Piazzetta, visit the Floral Gardens of Caesar Augustus, and still have free time for lunch and some shopping before returning to Sorrento. Tonight, dinner is at a local restaurant. (B,D)

DAY 4 | FRI | SORRENTO | LECCE After breakfast, depart for Lecce. Nicknamed the "Florence of the South" because of its mostly Baroque-era churches packing its maze of narrow streets, Lecce dazzles with elaborately carved facades and interiors that erupt with symphonies of angels, cherubs, saints and Madonnas. On our way to Lecce, stop at a local winery for a wine tasting session at a well renowned estate. Dinner at the hotel. (B,D)

DAY 5 | SAT | LECCE | OTRANTO | LECCE This morning's guided city tour will introduce you to the beauty of Lecce. Built in the local soft creamy limestone with dazzling architectural surprises around every corner, Lecce is a minor Baroque masterpiece. Its spider's web of streets offer a kaleidoscopic mix of long-range vistas, alluring glimpses and playful perspectives that have long enchanted visitors. In the afternoon, head towards Otranto for a guided tour of Italy's easternmost town. The imposing castle, thick perimeter walls, and robust towers dominate much of the town, giving way to a small port, a series of sea-front promenades with excellent fish restaurants, and the town's very own beautiful white sandy beach and turquoise waters. Overnight in Lecce. (B)



Chiesa di Santa Chiara, Lecce



Otranto

DAY 6 | SUN | LECCE | OSTUNI | SELVA DI FASANO After breakfast, depart for Ostuni. Rising high above the vast olive-carpeted plateau of the lower Murgia, Ostuni has long been an awe-inspiring sight for those travelling across Puglia. Strong defensive walls and tumbling clusters of white-washed houses wind around the hillside, at the top of which, proudly surveying the surrounding land, sits the magnificent Gothic Cathedral. After an olive oil tasting session, you will have time for lunch on your own before continuing to Selva di Fasano. Dinner and overnight at hotel. (B,D)

DAY 7 | MON | SELVA DI FASANO | ALBEROBELLO | SELVA DI FASANO This morning, visit Alberobello, Puglia's picture-postcard town famous for its conical-roofed houses - "trulli" - and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. With its narrow pedestrian streets, little shops selling local produce, and a few nice cafes and trattorie offering al fresco dining, Alberobello will enchant you. This evening, a wine tasting session will be followed by dinner featuring typical dishes of Pugliese cuisine at your hotel. (B,D)

DAY 8 | TUE | SELVA DI FASANO | MATERA | BARI This morning, depart for Matera, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1993. Your afternoon tour will guide you through the city of the Caverns, entrenched villages, peasant houses carved in the rock, frescoed rocky churches, grand Romanesque, Pugliese and Baroque churches, and noble palaces. Overnight in Bari. (B)

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Ostuni White Town Skyline



Sorrento

DAY 9 | WED | BARI | TRANI | ANDRIA | BARI This morning, depart for Trani and a visit of the old town center, a charming Medieval network of streets with plenty of fine architecture arranged around the picturesque fishing port, which is itself flanked by numerous bars, cafés, and fish restaurants. During your guided city tour, see Trani's iconic seafront Cathedral, one of the finest anywhere in Italy. A tour of Puglia wouldn't be complete without dipping into its traditional gold flavor: extra virgin olive oil. During a visit of a typical oil mill you will be walked through the entire production process, from the milling by granite millstones to the packaging. After a delicious lunch consisting of local food products like taralli, continue to Andria for a visit of its architectural marvel: "Castel del Monte". Return to Bari. (B,L)

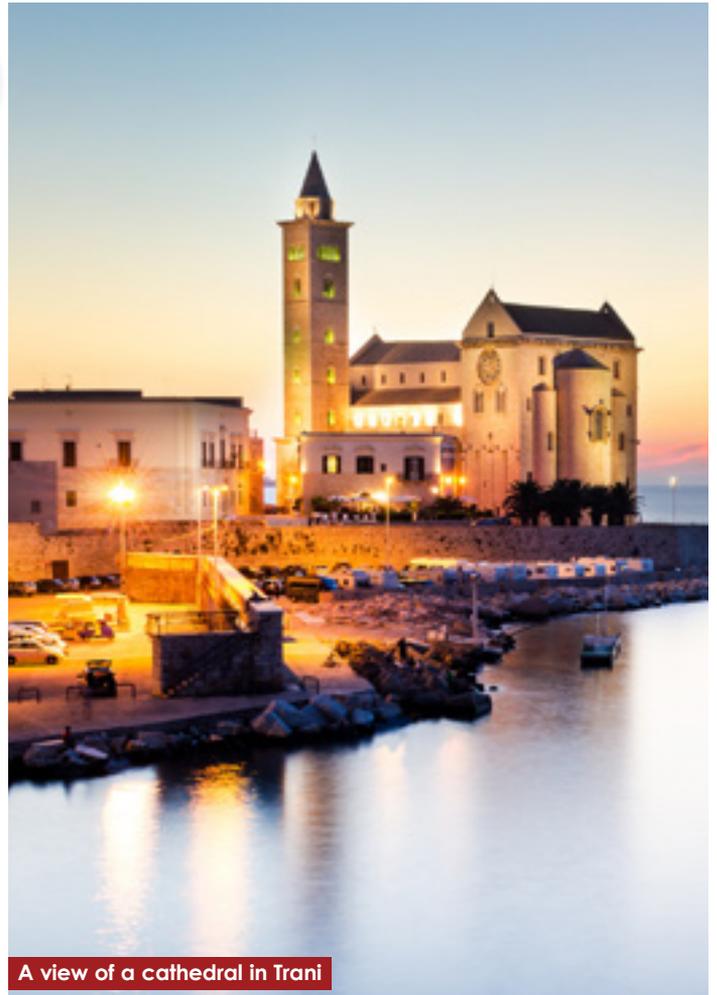
DAY 10 | THU | BARI This morning, you will be taken on a guided tour of Bari. The tangled network of crooked streets and passageways that make up Bari's old town is commonly known as "Bari Vecchia". Home to many of the city's churches and historic buildings, the area is a beautiful example of ancient Medieval architecture. Tonight, bid arrivederci to Puglia at a lovely dinner in a local restaurant in Bari. (B,D)

DAY 11 | FRI | BARI TO USA (OR EXTEND YOUR STAY) Morning transfer to Bari Airport for your return flight home. (B)

(B) Breakfast - (L) Lunch - (D) Dinner

INCLUDED FEATURES

- First class hotel accommodation for 10 nights
- 18 included meals consisting of:
 - 10 buffet breakfasts
 - 1 gourmet lunch with mini a-la-carte menu at a local restaurant
 - 1 lunch in an oil mill
 - 4 dinners at hotel
 - 2 gourmet dinners with mini a-la-carte menu at local restaurants
- Wine, mineral water and coffee or cappuccino served with meals at hotels and restaurants
- Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
- Assistance of a professional tour director for the entire length of the tour
- Complete program of sightseeing tours and excursions with entrance fees:
 - Amalfi Coast excursion, including cruise (weather permitting)
 - Excursion to Capri and visit of the Gardens of Caesar Augustus
 - Visit of a local winery, including wine tasting
 - Guided tour of Lecce
 - Guided tour of Otranto, including visit of its Castle
 - Visit of an oil mill, including olive oil tasting
 - Visit of Alberobello
 - Guided tour of Matera
 - Visit of Andria
 - Visit of Trani
 - Guided tour of Bari
- Arrival and departure airport transfers (see page 98)
- Baggage handling
- Document holder and luggage tags
- Personalized audio system to hear your guide from a distance
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- City tax



A view of a cathedral in Trani

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up to
10%*

2020 TOUR DATES & PRICES

Tour's Start Date	Tour's End Date	Price
19-May	29-May	\$3,639
16-Jun	26-Jun	\$3,639
14-Jul	24-Jul	\$3,532
4-Aug	14-Aug	\$3,457
15-Sep	25-Sep	\$3,639
29-Sep	9-Oct	\$3,639
13-Oct	23-Oct	\$3,639
27-Oct	6-Nov	\$3,483

Guaranteed departures in red

PREFERRED HOTELS (or similar)

City	Nts.	Hotels	Cat.
Sorrento	3	Grand Hotel Vesuvio	First Class
Lecce	2	President	First Class
Selva di Fasano	2	Tenuta Monacelle	First Class
Bari	3	Oriente	First Class

General Information:

Single and triple rooms: On Request

Single supplement: \$853

Reduction for third person sharing twin-bedded room: \$46

Price is per person, based on double occupancy. Maximum group size is 20 people.

Rates for additional nights in first and last city are available

*Book and pay in full 4-7 months or more before departure. See website for full details.



Matera