



Sicilian Sisters Travel

Exquisite dream journeys to Sicily & Italy

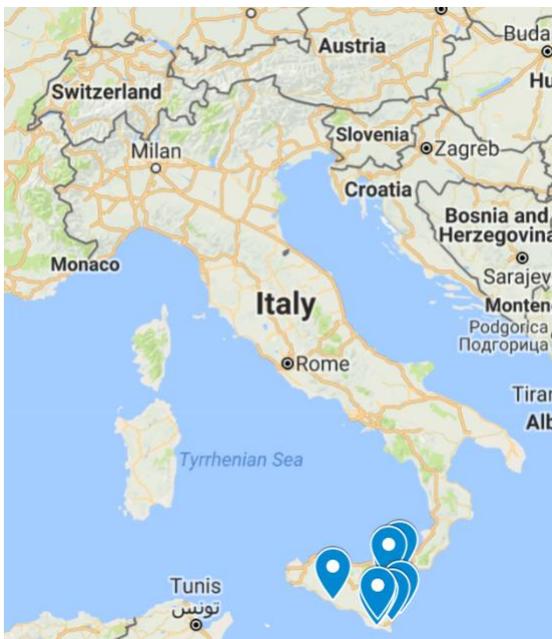
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Gastronomy Tour of Sicily

<u>Number of pax:</u>	6-16	
<u>Dates (7 Days):</u>	May 20 - 26, 2018	Sign-up by March 16, 2018
	September 22 - 28, 2018	Sign-up by August 3, 2018



Price per person based upon double occupancy for the land portion of this journey.
Note all prices listed below exclude international airfare:

Up to 6 pax	\$4,000 per pax + 240 Euros per pax/city tax and tips
7-10 pax	\$3,800 per pax + 240 Euros per pax/city tax and tips
11-16 pax	\$3,700 per pax + 240 Euros per pax/city tax and tips
Single Room Supplement	\$300

You must arrive in Sicily on May 20 and September 22 – that’s when the tour begins!

Day 1 – Taormina - PT/G/ET/D/H

Buongiorno e Benvenuti/Welcome to La Bellissima Sicilia! Private transfer from Catania Fontanarossa International Airport to the breathtaking town of Taormina. Perched 200 meters above sea level, she will mesmerize you with her charm and uniqueness. Prepare for beauty overload. Check in our hotel and settle. You will have a few hours to yourself. In the afternoon a relaxing walking tour through town as we approach our typically Sicilian welcome dinner together.

Day 2 – Catania - B/PD/Cooking/L/WT/G/ET/H

This morning you will enjoy your first Sicilian breakfast, then we will transition to the vibrant city of Catania. Made of black lava stone, this lively city will appear unlike any other you may have visited in your life. We will enjoy a stroll through this peculiar city, its renowned fish market and then cooking class and lunch at one of our favorite places in town. We have selected traditional Catanese dishes and pastries – that will highlight *ricotta, pistachio, miele* among other ingredients. The experience will last a few hours....by late afternoon we will arrive at one of our favorite *cantine/vineyards* in the area for wines produced locally. Return to Taormina for overnight.

Day 3 - Ortigia, Noto - B/PD/G/ET/WT/D/H

Morning at leisure in Taormina and independent lunch. This will be the perfect time to complete some shopping or simply enjoy the beautiful property we’ll be staying at or for another stroll through your favorite spots in town. Then we will make our way to the ancient island of Ortigia for a 3 hour walking tour of the Baroque and Greek historical and archaeological areas. Ortigia is a tranquil maritime town – and you will enjoy visiting the Cathedral of Santa Lucia and our *passeggiata/walk* through its meandering alleys. In the afternoon, we will explore another serene Baroque town: Noto. Our guide will highlight its history and culture – we will also enjoy a wine tasting of local *Moscato* wine, winner of best Moscatoes in all of Sicily! The day will end with a relaxing dinner that will highlight local *mandorle/almonds* and *pecorino* cheeses/*formaggi* among others arranged at our country resort nearby, prior to overnight.

Day 4 - Modica and Scicli - B/PD/G/ET/L/H

After breakfast, we will make our way to the city of Modica for a walking tour and a tasting and demonstration of its unique “*cioccolata*”. We don’t want to reveal much

more so that you will be surprised and learn many more intriguing historical and gastronomic details during our visit at one of the oldest *cioccolato* labs in town! By lunch we will reach one of our favorite places on the island for an unforgettable Sicilian picnic made with typical *Sciclitana/Modicana* delicacies and a walk along a sensorial path of more than 200 Sicilian spices. You will learn about cooking, medicinal and beauty remedies used by Sicilians through time. Late afternoon walking tour of Scicli and return to our resort for overnight.

Day 5 - Ragusa, Agrigento - B/G/ET/L/WT/H

The entire “Val di Noto” {Noto Valley} is renowned as being the heart of Sicilian Baroque and awarded with many UNESCO World Heritage Sites. As we travel from town to town, you will feel as though we have entered “Sicilian Nativity Scenes.” All villages are particular and unique for different reasons and details. They are also the hub of a few internationally renowned Sicilian ingredients that we have especially selected for your journey. This morning we will unveil the town of Ragusa. Located on many layers, we recommend you have your cameras ready for a few visual surprises. Our voyage will continue to South Western Sicily as we make our way to the magnificent valley of Temples in Agrigento. Mid way there, we will stop for wine tasting and lunch at one of Sicily’s most exclusive vineyard. Then we are off to Agrigento, check in our hotel. Evening at leisure and overnight.

Day 6 - Agrigento, Catania - B/G/ET/PD/D/H

Morning walking tour of the Valley of Temples. Quick independent lunch. Then we’ll make our way to Catania. Check in our hotel and relax. Prepare for overseas flights. Farewell gathering and overnight.

Day 7 – Depart - B/PT

Breakfast and transfer to Catania International Airport for overseas departure. *Arrivederci, Bellissima Sicilia!!!*

CODES:

B-Breakfast	G-Guides	TRTK-Train Tickets
Cooking Class	H-Hotel	TSTG-Tasting
D-Dinner	L-Lunch	Villa
ET-Entrance Tickets	PD-Private Driver	WT-Wine Tasting
Ferry RT-Ferry Round Trip	Pizza	Yoga
Ferry TK-Ferry Tickets	PT-Private Transfers	

WHAT YOUR ITINERARY INCLUDES:

- 6 nights in hotels
- 6 breakfasts
- 6 private bilingual certified guides
- 6 entrance tickets per person, skip the line
- 2 private transfers
- 1 private driver for entire journey
- 3 lunches per person
- 3 dinners per person
- 3 wine tastings
- 1 cooking class
- 24/7 group leader

STEPS TO FOLLOW TO SIGN-UP TO THE TOUR:

- I. **Your Contact Information** - We will gather your personal information. We need your name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, address, phone number, email address, and some other basic information – we will send you a digital form to complete.
- II. **Deposit** – 30% Deposit of the total price per person is required. This will be applied towards your final cost and will set us in motion to secure your reservations. The deposit can be made via PayPal or bankwire. Evidence of payment or attempted payment will be required. When all reservations are confirmed, we will send you a list of your hotels.
- III. **Final Payment and International Contract** – The balance of the purchase price will be required to be paid by the date furnished on your final invoice. Kindly keep in mind that your services are prepaid before departure. We also require that all travelers sign our company terms and agreement contract (if under 18 years old, parent/guardian's signature will suffice). This must be signed within one week of receiving it. In order to receive your final packet, final payment as well as a signed contract must be received by Sicilian Sisters Travel.
- IV. **Insurance** - We highly recommend that you purchase adequate travel insurance, including health and accident insurance if you wish. We highly recommend Travel Guard International www.travelguard.com
- V. **Final Packet** – Approximately 1 month before departure, if you wish, we will meet/Skype with you to review the details of your itinerary. Know that we are always available to answer any questions. You will receive a final packet

which contains the following: your final expanded itinerary, a letter containing detailed travel tips and Francesca and Giovanna's personal contact information, packing suggestions, cell phone tips, etc.

- VI. **Concierge Service** – While you are abroad with us, our 24 hour concierge service will be available to you.
- VII. **Testimonial** - Upon your return from your trip, we kindly ask that you provide a testimonial. We value your opinion, it helps us grow and perfect our services. We would love to receive feedback about your special journey!

Grazie, we are so happy to share with you *la Bellissima Sicilia* with all of you!

Francesca & Giovanna