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## Palermo walking tour

Discover the most important and iconic sights of the city of Palermo on a thrilling walking tour eplained by a local guide whose insight is crucial to comprehend the complex history of the Sicilian capital city.

**114,50**€

**57,50**€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD



#### WHERE

TEATRO MASSIMO HISTORICAL MARKET "U CAPU" PALERMO CATHEDRAL NORMAN PALACE

INCLUDES
LOCAL GUIDE

DEPARTURES

DAILY AT 09:00 AM

AT 08:45 AM

**BLACKOUT DATES**15 AUGUST

MEETING POINT
TEATRO MASSIMO STAIRCASE

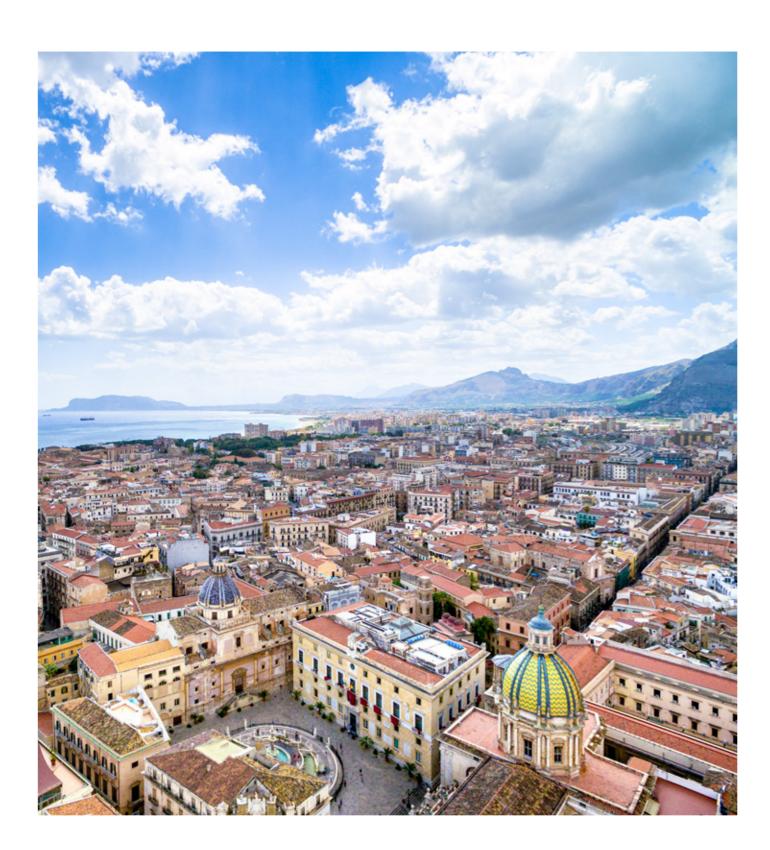
LANGUAGES

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 3,5 HOURS

Meet your local guide in Piazza Verdi in front of Teatro Massimo, the largest opera house in Italy. From there you will access in a few steps the heart of the historical Mercato Del Capo where history, tradition and local food mix with the voices and faces of the people. Through alleys and ancient buildings, you will reach the magnificent Palermo Cathedral, whose mis of style will leave you in awe. The monumental tomb of Emperor Frederick II is located here. At the end of the left aisles, the Sacrament chapel is decorated with precious stones and lapislazuli. To the right, in the presbytery, the chapel of Saint Rosalia, patron of Palermo, is to be admired, with relics and a 17th-century silver urn (or vara) which is the object of special devotion by the palermitani. Past

Villa Bonanno (public gardens) and ancient Roman ruins, you will reach the Palazzo dei Normanni (Norman Palace) which displays 3000 years of history. A major highlight are the splendid mosaics of the Palatine chapel. Moving on, you will photograph San Giovanni degli Eremiti, an evocative Arab-Norman and Romanesque style church, notable for its brilliant red domes showing undoubtedly the persistence of Arab influences in Sicily. Exploring medieval quarters, Spanish facades and courtyards of historic houses, you will walk along the Càssaro, the most ancient street of Palermo, and reach Quattro Canti (or piazza Villena, or Ottagono del Sole, or Teatro del Sole), a beautiful Baroque square, where your tour terminates.



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#### Palermo Baroque walking tour

Explore Baroque Palermo and its most fascinating spots! Famous churches, squares and even movie sets will be yours to admire as you tour guide tells stories and anecdotes from an often dark past. End the tour on a sweet note near the sea and enjoy a typical ice cream or cannoli.



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QUATTRO CANTI SQUARE SAN CATALDO SAINT CATHERINE CHURCHES GANGI PALACE ORATORY OF SAN LORENZO

**INCLUDES** LOCAL PROFESSIONAL GUIDE

**DEPARTURES** DAILY AT 02:30 AM

BLACKOUT DATES 15 AUGUST

MEETING POINT

QUATTRO CANTI SQUARE (VIGLIENA SQUARE) AT 02:15 PM

I.ANGIIAGES ENGLISH AND SPANISH

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 3,5 HOURS

The tour starts in Piazza Quattro Canti (meeting point). From there you will reach Palazzo Alliata di Villafranca, a former aristocratic mansion, now a museum, which houses a beautiful 'Crucified Christ' by Antoon Van Dick. Then head to Piazza Pretoria to admire the Praetorian Fountain, a monumental fountain originally located in Florence and moved to Palermo in 1574. In Piazza Bellini you will admire the domes of the Church of San Cataldo as well as the Church of Martorana, where Baroque and the Middle Ages coexist in the beautiful mosaics of the Norman era. A visit to the Church of Santa Caterina is also a must. Walking down the alleys the guilds of craftsmen and judges once trod to take the "inquisiti" to their death during the hard Inquisition times you

will arrive to Palazzo Valguarnera-Gangi, an urban palace. In 1963 this palazzo, and its ballroom in particular, was the setting for Luchino Visconti's film "Il Gattopardo", a masterpiece of Italian XX-century literature. The church of San Francesco d'Assisi is also worth a glimpse. From there, your tour guide will unveil the richest and darkest centuries of "Spanish Sicily", reaching Piazza Marina to admire the Ficus macrophylla inside Villa Garibaldi, a public garden, considered one of the biggest trees of Europe. This place in the heart of Palermo was once a place reserved for executions and tortures by the Holy Inquisition. We will end the walk in the district La Cala, by the sea, among traditional ice cream and cannoli sellers.

## Segesta, Erice and Trapani

Discovering western Sicily with a wonderful full day full of history and nature.

**120**€

86€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD

WHERE

**SEGESTA** FRICE

TRAPANI

**INCLUDES** TRANSPORT

MULTILINGUAL ACCOMPANYING GUIDE OR DRIVER/GUIDE (DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS)

**DEPARTURES** 

TUESDAY AND SATURDAY AT 09:00 AM

BLACKOUT DATES 15 AUGUST

MEETING POINT

PALERMO CENTRALE RAILWAY STATION AT 07:45 AM NH PALERMO HOTEL AT 07:50 AM POLITEAMA PALACE HOTEL AT

PIAZZA FRANCESCO CRISPI (AKA PIAZZA CROCI) AT 08:15 AM ASTORIA PALACE HOTEL AT 08:25 AM MONDELLO PALACE HOTEL

AT 08:45 AM **LANGUAGES** 

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 8 HOURS



Meet us and the rest of the group at the meeting point and head to western Sicily toward Erice. The Elymians settled here during the Bronze age. Perched on the top of the mountain of the same name, Erice enjoys an exceptional panoramic view overlooking the Gulf of Trapani and the Aegadian Islands on one side and the Valderice valley on the other. Erice is a maze of cobbled streets that flow between churches, squares and ancient courtyards. After visiting Erice, we'll drive toward Trapani and encounter the famous saltworks, located in the Natural Reserve of Saline di Trapani and Paceco, characterized by a remarkable flora and fauna

and managed by the WWF. With its extension of 1000 hectares it is one of the largest protected areas in Sicily. In the afternoon, we'll reach Segesta, another major center founded by the Elymians. The well-preserved Doric temple (admission fee not included) from the late 5th century BC, built on a hill just outside the site of the ancient city of Segesta, is a must-see. You don't need to be a Greek and Roman history buff to be overwhelmed by Segesta: the ancient ruins of this very important archaeological site have a powerful evocative force and a truly suggestive charm. At the end of the tour, we'll drive back to Palermo.

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### Piazza Armerina and Agrigento

Piazza Armerina and the Valley of the Temples are two absolute must-go locations if you are touring Sicily! You will re-live more than two thousand years of Mediterranean history in the company of a professional tour leader



**148,50**€

**104,50**€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD

VALLEY OF TEMPLES (AGRIGENTO) VILLA ROMANA DEL CASALE (PIAZZA ARMERINA)

#### **INCLUDES** TRANSPORT

**TOUR LEADER** LOCAL MULTILINGUAL GUIDE FOR THE VISIT OF THE VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES IN AGRIGENTO

#### DEPARTURES

THURSDAYS AND SUNDAYS AT 07:00 AM

BLACKOUT DATES 15 AUGUST

#### MEETING POINT

MONDELLO PALACE HOTEL AT 05:45 AM ASTORIA PALACE HOTEL AT 06:05 AM PIAZZA FRANCESCO CRISPI (AKA PIAZZA CROCI) AT 06:15 AM POLITEAMA PALACE HOTEL AT 06:25 AM NH PALERMO AT 06:40 AM PALERMO CENTRALE RAILWAY STATION AT 06:45 AM

#### LANGUAGES

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 10 HOURS

Meet us and the rest of the group at the meeting point and leave for Piazza Armerina to visit the Villa Romana del Casale (admission fee not included). The splendid Roman villa or palace was a magnificent rural residence, whose charm persisted along the centuries and is mainly due to its featuring well-preserved enchanting mosaics. They significantly embellish the remains of this sumptuous residence that was included in the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1997. We'll then travel to Agrigento to visit the magnificent Valley of Temples (admission fee not included),

erected by the Greeks in the 5th century BC. The Valley includes remains of seven temples, all in Doric style, that have stood on the crest of a hill, majestic and proud, over the course of two thousand years. Even if they are not intact and only a few columns are located in their original location, it is still enough to guess what the area must have looked like (the largest and best-preserved temple being the Temple of Concordia). You'll return to Palermo at the end of the visit.

# Etna and Taormina

Enjoy spectacular views of the sea from Mount Etna! This excursion is a once-in-lifetime experience and also include Taormina, the unmissable town approximately a forty-five-minute drive away from Etna. A memorable experience you will treasure forever!

**181,50**€

**128**€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD



WHERE

**TRANSPORT TOUR LEADER EXCURSION TO THE SILVESTRI** CRATERS (1,800 METERS)\*

#### **DEPARTURES**

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY AT 07:00 AM

#### **BLACKOUT DATES**

15 AUGUST

#### **MEETING POINT** MONDELLO PALACE HOTEL AT 05:45 AM

ASTORIA PALACE HOTEL AT 06:05 AM PIAZZA FRANCESCO CRISPI (AKA PIAZZA CROCI) AT 06:15 AM POLITEAMA PALACE HOTEL AT 06:25 AM NH PALERMO AT 06:40 AM PALERMO CENTRALE RAILWAY

#### LANGUAGES

ENGLISH AND SPANISH

STATION AT 06:45 AM

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 12 HOURS



Mount Etna is one of the tallest active volcanoes in Europe. A tour to this area (located in eastern Sicily) is thrilling and a oncein-lifetime experience. Over the centuries, the eruptions have changed the slopes of the volcano, and today the area is a massive natural park that can be visited with a guide on most common routes. The tour then moves to Taormina, a romantic town on the slopes of the Mount Tauro perched on a cliff overlooking the Ionian Sea. This is a stunning position from which spectacular views of the sea and Mount Etna can be enjoyed like nowhere else. There will be plenty of free time. We suggest visiting the famous Greek theatre (admission fee not included) overlooking the Taormina Bay. You also opt to go for a walk in the elegant old town, so full of beautiful buildings, shops, pubs and restaurants.

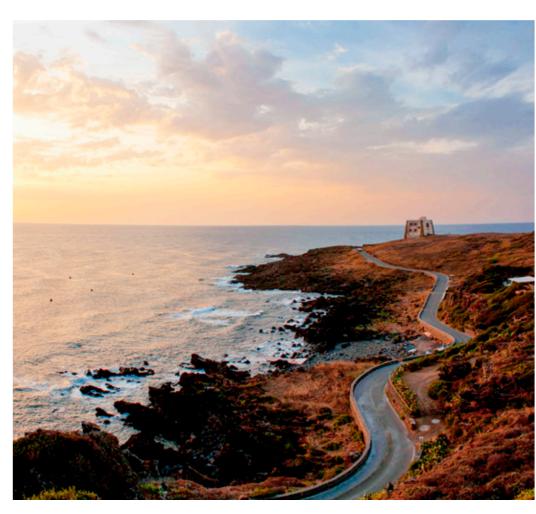
\* We can reach as high as 2.900 meters by cable car or 4x4 jeep if the weather allows it. We suggest wearing comfortable shoes or hiking boots, layered clothing and a coat/anorak. This is not included in the rate: the cost is € 75,00 per person to be paid on spot.

Drive back to Palermo at the end of the day.

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#### **Ustica** Island

Come visit a corner of paradise in the middle of the Mediterranean Sea north of Palermo: Ustica, the black pearl, a volcanic island, a dream destination for recreational divers who are attracted by the relatively deep dives, which are a feature of the island's volcanic geology. You'll see all of that on a boat tour around the island included in this experience and the guidance of a local expert.



**214,50**€

**144,50**€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD

#### WHERE

**USTICA ISLAND** 

#### **INCLUDES**

HYDROFOIL TICKET ROUNDTRIP MINIBUS WITH DRIVER ON THE ISI AND LIGHT BREAKFAST AT A LOCAL BAR IN USTICA WINE TASTING IN A RURAL HOUSE IN USTICA BOAT TRIP AROUND THE ISLAND OF USTICA

#### DEPARTURES

FROM 01 JUNE TO 30 SEPTEMBER MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AT 07:15 AM

#### BLACKOUT DATES 15 AUGUST

#### MEETING POINT

PALERMO PORT, IN FRONT OF LIBERTY LINES FERRY TICKET OFFICE AT 07.00 AM

#### LANGUAGES

**ENGLISH AND SPANISH** 

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER APPROXIMATELY 11 HOURS

From Palermo we'll reach Ustica by ferry in one hour and 30 minutes approximately. Ustica is a beautiful volcanic island in Tyrrhenian Sea - a paradise for divers and explorers. The island has been populated at least since about 1500 BC by Phoenician peoples. The Romans renamed the island Ustica, Latin for 'burnt', due to its black rocks. It is also locally known as the "black pearl". After a typical Italian breakfast (sweet) at the KIKI bar, we'll begin the tour of the island by bus and make a first

stop at a local wine producer for a wine tasting. Afterward, you'll enjoy a boat tour to take a glimpse of the island's coasts and its caves. The island has limited sources of water, and this is why the vegetation is quite scarce and the coast rocky and full of grottoes. Ustica is amazingly beautiful, a paradise of rocks and blue waters, undoubtedly one of the most beautiful islands in Sicily. You'll enjoy free time for lunch or recreational activities, and then return to Palermo is in the afternoon.

### Siracusa full day

Embark on a captivating journey to the enchanting city of Syracuse, a UNESCO World Heritage Site steeped in a rich history that traces its roots back to ancient Greek and Roman times. The well-preserved archaeological wonders scattered throughout the city bear testimony to its illustrious past.



**128**€ CHILD 2-11 YEARS OLD

FREE

CHILD 0-1 YEARS OLD

#### WHERE

**SIRACUSA** 

**INCLUDES TRANSPORT** 

**TOUR LEADER BOAT TOUR 1 HOUR** 

### **DEPARTURES**

TUESDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:00 AM

#### **BLACKOUT DATES** 15 AUGUST

#### **MEETING POINT**

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#### LANGUAGES

**ENGLISH AND SPANISH** 

THE TOUR ENDS AFTER **APPROXIMATELY 11 HOURS** 



Commence your adventure with a scenic three-hour drive, culminating in the historic city of Syracuse. Weather permitting, indulge in a delightful mini-cruise that allows you to marvel at the captivating sights of the old town from the unique vantage point of a boat. Take the opportunity to savor a leisurely lunch at your own pace. Immerse yourself in the rich historical tapestry of Syracuse as you explore its seaside expanse, which is complemented by the allure of the adjacent island of Ortygia. Connected by a charming bridge, Ortygia unfurls its treasures from a bygone era,

showcasing remnants of its illustrious past. Discover the Temple of Minerva, seamlessly transformed into a Christian Cathedral, and the mythical Fontana di Arethusa. Marvel at the grandeur of the Temple of Apollo, the ancient Greek Theater, and the Roman Amphitheatre nestled near the Latomie, all accompanied by the intriguing Orecchio di Dionisio. As the day unfolds, soak in the historical richness that permeates every corner of this remarkable city. Conclude your memorable day with a scenic drive back to Palermo.

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