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Essential Sicily Tour Notes

May 6, 2023 - May 13, 2023

This 7-day tour is the north coast of Sicily in one beautiful, tasty nutshell. Watch local life unfold in the seaside city of Cefalù, take in the gorgeous scenery of the Aeolian Islands and set your personal record for volcanoes spotted in one week (three!). This is northern Sicily in all its glory.

Trip Summary

May 6 - Pre-Tour Day

2:00 PM Pre-night accommodation at Mediterranean Hotel & Residence

May 7 - Day 1

Welcome to Sicily

2:00 PM Mediterraneo Hotel & Residence

May 8 - Day 2

Palermo - Cefalu

Breakfast

2:00 PM Al Pescatore Hotel Cefalù

May 9 - Day 3

Cefalu - Lipari

Breakfast

2:00 PM Hotel Villa Augustus

May 10 - Day 4

Lipari

Breakfast

Hotel Villa Augustus

May 11 - Day 5

Lipari - Catania

Breakfast

1:30 PM Hotel Centrale Europa

May 12 - Day 6

Catania

Breakfast

Hotel Centrale Europa

May 13 - Day 7

Catania - Depart

Breakfast

May 6 - Pre-Tour Day



2:00 PM

Pre-night accommodation at Mediterranean Hotel & Residence

Via Rosolino Pilo, 43 Palermo (Palermo) 90139

Phone: +39091581133

May 7 - Day 1



Welcome to Sicily

Arrive at any time. Tonight, meet your local tour guide and fellow travellers at the welcome meeting, then opt to head out for dinner and enjoy your first Sicilian meal.



2:00 PM

Mediterraneo Hotel & Residence

Via Rosolino Pilo, 43 Palermo (Palermo) 90139

Phone: +39091581133

May 8 - Day 2



Palermo - Cefalu

Head out for an orientation walk of Palermo's historic city centre. Continue to Cefalù, often cited as one of Italy's most beautiful townships, and stroll through cobbled streets to a picturesque cove by the beach. With free time, observe local fisherman working on their boats, visit the 12th century Duomo di Cefalù, opt to enjoy an aperitivo with incredible views, or simply wander around this postcard-pretty town which director Giuseppe Tornatore chose to set parts of his much-loved film Cinema Paradiso.



Breakfast



2:00 PM

Al Pescatore Hotel Cefalù

Contrada Caldura, Cefalù (PA) 90015, Sicilia, Italy

Phone: (+39) 0921 421572 and (+39) 0921 421736

May 9 - Day 3



Cefalu - Lipari

Travel to the Aeolian Islands, a small archipelago of volcanic lands known as "the pearls of Italy" for their intriguing natural formations. Named after Aeolus, the god of the winds, spend the next few days exploring pockets of this coastal paradise. Take a car and ferry to reach Lipari, the largest of the Aeolian Islands, and enjoy a free afternoon to explore. Opt to visit a local beach or take another short ferry to see Vulcano's active crater.



Breakfast



2:00 PM

Hotel Villa Augustus

Vico Ausonia, 16, 98055 Lipari (ME), Isole Eolie, Sicily, Italy

Phone: +390909811232 and 3385420204

May 10 - Day 4



Lipari

Enjoy a free morning in Lipari. Later, head out for an excursion to explore the beautiful islands of Panarea and Stromboli by boat. Swim in the turquoise waters of Cala Junco, stroll through Panarea's scenic whitewashed village, and explore the town of Stromboli before taking an unforgettable sunset cruise. In the night breeze of the open sea, witness active Mount Stromboli's spectacular eruptions.



Breakfast



Hotel Villa Augustus

May 11 - Day 5



Lipari - Catania

Say goodbye to the Aeolian Islands and ferry back to the mainland, then continue to Taormina, one of Sicily's most visited destinations. After a short orientation walk, enjoy free time to visit the stunning Teatro Greco, an ancient Roman amphitheatre with commanding views of Mount Etna. Travel to Catania and opt to join your guide for another short walk around the city.



Breakfast



1:30 PM

Hotel Centrale Europa

Via Vittorio Emanuele, 167 (Piazza Duomo) Catania

Phone: 095311309

May 12 - Day 6



Catania

Enjoy a guided orientation walk to get your bearings in Catania. Afterwards, you'll have free time to continue exploring this town and all of its museums and historic attractions. Maybe visit La Pescheria market or walk the Via Etnea.



Breakfast



Hotel Centrale Europa

May 13 - Day 7



Catania - Depart

Time to say good-bye to this amazing country and fabulous friends you have made along the way. Transfer to the airport for your flight home as needed.



Breakfast

