



# Tour of Sicily Catania - Catania - 8 Days (#19005)

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## Overview

Regular departures every Saturday

## Trip Highlights

Catania-Acitrezza-Ragusa-Agrigento-Palermo

## Detailed Itinerary

**Day 01**

**Day 1 - Saturday: CATANIA (hotel in Catania)**

Individual arrival to your hotel in Catania (optional private transfer on request). Dinner on your own and overnight in hotel.



**Day 02****Day 2 - Sunday: SYRACUSE – NOTO (hotel in Ragusa)**

The day begins with breakfast in hotel and then departure for Syracuse, one of the most fascinating cities in Sicily, rich in history and culture. The first stop will be the Archaeological Park of Neapolis. Here, you will explore the magnificent Greek Theatre, one of the largest and best preserved in the world, a true jewel of antiquity. The tour will continue with a visit of the Roman Amphitheatre, which is a testimony of the grandeur and power of ancient Rome. You will then walk among the evocative Latomie of Paradise, ancient stone quarries rich in charm and history, and conclude with the impressive Ear of Dionysius. You will move to the picturesque island of Ortigia, the historic heart of Syracuse. The visit will start from Piazza Duomo, admiring the splendid Cathedral, a masterpiece of Sicilian Baroque, built on the remains of a Greek temple. You will then walk through the baroque streets until you reach the port, where it is possible to admire the beauty of the Arethusa's Fountain. Free lunch. In the afternoon, transfer to Noto, one of the pearls of the Sicilian baroque. Here, there will be the opportunity to admire magnificent architectural masterpieces of the eighteenth century, walking through the elegant streets of the old town. Free time to discover the beauties of this city. Transfer to Ragusa for dinner and overnight in hotel.

**Day 03****Day 3 – Monday: RAGUSA IBLA – MODICA – PIAZZA ARMERINA (Hotel in Agrigento)**

Breakfast in hotel and departure for Ragusa Ibla, famous for its beautiful churches, the picturesque “Giardino Ible” and the magnificent baroque palaces. The city has been a location for the famous fiction "Il Commissario Montalbano". With over 50 churches and numerous historic buildings, Ragusa Ibla will enchant you with its timeless charm. Proceeding on and depart for Modica, where there will be a stop at the renowned chocolate shop Sbadì. Here, you can taste the famous artisan chocolate, awarded internationally and certified I.G.P., as well as Slow Food. Light lunch in the beautiful location of the Orti di San Giorgio. In the afternoon, the tour continues in Piazza Armerina to visit the famous Villa Romana del Casale. You will admire the extraordinary mosaics that adorn this ancient residence, a unique testimony of Roman life and art. Transfer to Agrigento, dinner and overnight in hotel

**Day 04****Day 4 – Tuesday: AGRIGENTO - MARSALA- SALT ROAD - (hotel in Palermo)**

The trip continues to the picturesque Valley of the Temples, a jewel recognized by UNESCO. Here you will explore the magnificent remains of ancient Akragas and admire the Temple of Juno, the Temple of Concord and the Temple of Hercules, authentic masterpieces of Greek architecture. The day goes on to the charming Marsala, famous for the landing of Garibaldi. Walking through the city, you will be enchanted by the noble palaces and baroque monuments that enrich the historic centre.



You will continue with an exclusive visit of the Florio Cellars. The tour wine starts in front of the majestic giant vats of the 19th, still used for the refinement of Marsala wine. You will explore the three suggestive wine cellars and then enjoy a light lunch accompanied by wines produced by the company. Then, visit the picturesque Salt Road, admiring the islands of Stagnone and the salt pans, among the oldest in the world. These are still an important salt-extraction industry today. Transfer to Palermo, accommodation in hotel, free dinner and overnight.

**Day 05****Day 5 - Wednesday: MONREALE - PALERMO (hotel in Palermo)**

After breakfast in hotel, depart for Monreale and visit of the magnificent Arab-Norman Cathedral, famous for its splendid Byzantine mosaics and the majestic Cloister, a perfect example of medieval art and architecture. The tour continues to Palermo, a city that stands on a bay dominated by Mount Pellegrino. Palermo is a fascinating mosaic of architectural styles, the result of overlapping different historical periods. You will visit the Cathedral, a masterpiece that combines Gothic, Baroque and Norman elements. Then, you will immerse yourselves in the beauty of the Martorana Church and the magnificence of the Cappella Palatina, adorned with splendid golden mosaics. Lunch break with local products. In the afternoon, walk through the historic centre of Palermo to admire the Teatro Massimo, one of the largest opera houses in Europe, and the fountain in Pretoria Square, a Renaissance masterpiece that adorns the heart of Palermo with its extraordinary beauty. Dinner and overnight in hotel.

**Day 06****Day 6 - Thursday: CEFALÙ- CATANIA (hotel in Catania)**

The day starts with a visit of the charming seaside village of Cefalu, famous for its Norman Cathedral, an architectural jewel that dominates the landscape with its majestic towers. Free time to walk through the cobbled streets of the old town or visit the renowned Mandralisca Museum, which houses a collection of art and archaeology. Lunch stop in a local restaurant to taste the delights of Sicilian cuisine. Departure for Catania. The visit will start in the historic centre with its unique and unmistakable late-baroque style with the use of the lava stone of Etna. You will cross Duomo Square, the beating heart of the city, admiring the Cathedral of Sant 'Agata and the famous Elephant of lava stone, a symbol of Catania. You will continue towards University Square, and walk along Via Dei Crociferi, the heart of the Baroque in Catania, where stands the Monastery of San Benedetto, a Baroque building rich in history and grandeur. Dinner on your own and overnight in hotel.

**Day 07****Day 7 – Friday: ETNA – TAORMINA (hotel in Catania/Acitrezza)**

Breakfast in hotel and short visit of the historic and lively fish market in Catania called “pescheria”. Departure for an excursion on Mount Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe (3,350 m.). Its majesty and lunar landscape offer breathtaking views and an unforgettable experience. Once we reach the Rifugio Sapienza, you will visit the “Crateri Silvestri”, two ancient craters inactive since 1888. During the visit, you will have the opportunity to taste artisanal honey and other local products. The trip continues to Taormina, famous for its natural beauty and historical charm. Lunch in a restaurant in the old town, tasting local specialities. Visit the magnificent Greco-Roman Theatre, from which you can enjoy a spectacular view of the sea and Mount Etna. Free time to walk through the picturesque streets of Taormina, go shopping in the local craft shops or just relax and enjoy the unique atmosphere of this charming town. Back in Catania for dinner on your own and overnight in hotel.

**Day 08****Day 8 - Saturday: CATANIA**

Breakfast in hotel and end of services. Sicily, goodbye!

## Inclusions

- Multilingual Tour leader and professional travel guide\* (English, Italian or Spanish) for the whole tour from the 2nd day to the evening of the 7th day), local guides or audio-guides where necessary.
- Deluxe bus from day 2 to day 7.
- Whisper kit Crystal Sound for the whole trip: the latest generation, fast and light. It transmits the driving voice up to 150 meters away.
- Accommodation in charming 4 stars hotels mostly located in the city centre, international breakfast included:  
Catania city centre: Il Principe Hotel 4\* / Romano House Hotel 4\* or similar  
Ragusa city centre: Mediterraneo Palace Hotel 4\* or similar  
Agrigento: Baia di Ulisse Wellness & SPA 4\* or similar  
Palermo city centre: Mercure Palermo Centro 4\* / Ibis Styles Palermo Cristal 4\* or similar.
- 7 international breakfast, 5 lunches in famous restaurants and 2 dinners in hotels to have a taste of Sicilian traditional cuisine.
- Visit of the main suggestive Unesco World Heritage Sites: Siracusa, Noto, Ragusa, Modica, Piazza Armerina, Agrigento, Monreale, Palermo, Cefalù, Catania centro storico, Etna.
- Tasting of Sicilian typical products:  
Modica (day 3): visit of the well-known chocolate manufacturers Sabadi with tasting;  
Marsala (day 4): visit of the famous Florio wine cellar and wine tasting;



Catania (day 6): tasting of Sicilian “granita & brioche”;

Etna (day 7): visit of a beekeeping honey company and honey tasting

\*Monolingual departures during high season

### Exclusions

- Transfers in/out
- Meals not included by the program
- Beverages with meals
- Entrance fees at monuments/museums
- City taxes (where compulsory)
- Anything not specified under “The rate includes”

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Palermo city centre: Mercure Palermo Centro 4\* / Ibis Styles Palermo Cristal 4\* or similar.

- Supplement for Pre-night/Post-night in hotel in Catania (Bed and Breakfast treatment) available on request.

- Transfers Catania airport/hotel in Catania available on request.

Assistance – Medical Expense Reimbursement – Luggage insurance – Travel Cancellation Expenses Insurance: on request.

Arrival or Departure Day: on request, it is possible to arrange optional HD private excursions to Acireale or Caltagirone.

For organizational reasons or due to force majeure the itinerary may be modified.

### Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

### Fixed Departure



<p><b>26 Apr, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>03 May, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>10 May, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
<p><b>17 May, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>24 May, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>31 May, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
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<p><b>28 Jun, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,681 P P twin share AUD 3,339 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>05 Jul, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,681 P P twin share AUD 3,339 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>12 Jul, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,681 P P twin share AUD 3,339 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
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<p><b>11 Oct, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>18 Oct, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>25 Oct, 2025</b> 4 Star AUD 2,901 P P twin share AUD 3,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
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