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8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

EXPLORE SICILY

TASTING & SELF DRIVE IDEA

\$ 3,249

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Price per person, Double Occupancy, Land package / 4*

Applicable for travel: March 13 - June 30, 2026

Other dates available \$

This sample itinerary is a great way to discover on your own by renting a car and travelling at your leisure. A private car (with driver) can also be arranged. We've arranged hotel accommodation, traditional meals at local restaurants, guided food tastings, and a cooking class, all of which require you to travel to the locations. Enjoy exploring the island of Sicily!



DAY 1: PALERMO

Arrival in Palermo airport, railway station or pier and collect your car, or meet your driver for your private transfer. Arrival to your hotel in Palermo. Time to settle in and welcome dinner in a typical local restaurant. (D)

Night in Palermo: Quintocanto Hotel & Spa 4



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DAY 2: PALERMO

After breakfast, embark on a walking tour of Palermo's historic center, an open-air museum of diverse architectural styles. Stroll through the lively Capo Street Market, a vibrant mix of culture, customs, and food traditions. Enjoy a tasting of five local specialties and one drink, blending history and gastronomy in a single experience. Along the way, admire iconic landmarks such as the Opera dei Pupi, Piazza Beati Paoli, the Cathedral, Quattro Canti, and the Pretoria Fountain. Sample authentic Sicilian bites including sfincione (tomato and onion flatbread), panelle (fried chickpea fritters), croccché (potato croquettes), arancine (stuffed rice balls), and cannolo (crispy pastry with sweet ricotta filling). End the tour with a refreshing local drink.

In the afternoon, depart for Monreale to see the Cloister of Santa Maria La Nuova, part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Founded in 1174 by Norman King William II, this magnificent example of Byzantine-Norman architecture forms the heart of the Benedictine abbey complex. Its graceful arches, mosaic-adorned columns, and intricately carved capitals depict scenes from the Old and New Testaments, as well as animal and floral motifs. (BB, LL)

Night in Palermo: Quintocanto Hotel & Spa 4

DAY 3: ERICE – MAR SALA - AGRIGENTO

Departure for Erice, a magnificent medieval town set in a spectacular hilltop location. Stroll through its charming streets and visit the historic Pasticceria Maria Grammatico, famed for traditional recipes from the Antico Convento.

You may wish to sample local delights such as almond pastries with candied lemon, cannoli, Zibibbo wine, and the famous "brutti ma buoni" ("ugly but tasty") biscuits (tasting not included). Continue to the Marsala region, renowned for producing the celebrated Marsala wine. Enjoy a winery visit and wine tasting paired with local products. (On Sundays or in case of special closures, the wine tasting will be replaced by lunch at a local restaurant with wine included.)

Afterward, enjoy free time to explore the charming historic center of Marsala, then proceed to Agrigento for check-in and overnight stay. (BB, LL)

Night in Agrigento: Hotel della Valle 4*

DAY 4 : AGRIGENTO - SYRACUSE (ORTIGIA), VILLA ROMANA OF PIAZZA ARMERINA (OPTIONAL)

Enjoy a guided tour of the Valley of the Temples, a testament to ancient Greek civilization in Sicily. Continue to Piazza Armerina to visit the Villa Romana del Casale (entrance fee not included), a 4th-century AD villa listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its remarkably preserved mosaics. Covering over 3,500 square meters, they depict heroes, gods, hunting scenes, games, and daily life with extraordinary detail. Proceed to Syracuse and enjoy dinner in the historic center of Ortigia, featuring traditional Sicilian dishes paired with local wines. Overnight stay in Syracuse. (BB, D)

Night in Syracuse: Grande Albergo Alfeo 4*



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DAY 5: SYRACUSE (ORTIGIA) - MODICA - RAGUSA

Today, guided tour of Syracuse, once one of the most powerful political centers of ancient Greece. Explore Ortigia, the heart of the old city, rich in history and charm. Continue to Modica, the ancient county capital and a showcase of stunning Sicilian Baroque architecture. Visit a historic pastry shop to taste the city's famous chocolate. On the return to Syracuse, stop in Ragusa, a city recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its remarkable Baroque architecture. The town is divided into two parts – the old city (Ibla) and the new city – each offering a unique atmosphere and view of Sicilian life. (BB, T)

Night in Syracuse: Grande Albergo Alfeo 4*

DAY 6: SYRACUSE - MOUNT ETNA - TAORMINA

After breakfast, depart for the Etna area, stopping en route to visit a vineyard renowned for producing some of the most prestigious Etna wines. Enjoy a wine tasting accompanied by local products. (On Sundays or in case of special closures, the wine tasting will be replaced by lunch at a local restaurant with wine included.) Continue to Taormina for overnight stay. (BB, LL)

Night in Taormina: Hotel Excelsior Palace 4*

Meal legend:

B=Continental buffet Breakfast, L=Lunch, LL= light lunch, D=Dinner, T=Tasting, C=Cooking class

DAY 7: TAORMINA

In the afternoon, meet your private guide for a walking tour of Taormina. Every street, church, and building reflects the vibrant colors and spirit that make Sicily unforgettable. Visit the remarkable Ancient Greek Theater, offering breathtaking views of Mount Etna and the Ionian coastline. Continue to see Palazzo Corvaja, the Odeon (small Roman theater), the Church of Saint Catherine, Vicolo Stretto (the narrowest street in Taormina), Corso Umberto (the elegant main street), and Piazza IX Aprile, the panoramic square overlooking Etna and the Bay of Giardini Naxos. Stop at a local ceramic studio to observe artisans at work creating colorful, hand-painted pieces that capture the essence of Sicily. End your walk by tasting a refreshing granita, with seasonal flavors such as lemon, strawberry, or coffee. (BB)

Night in Taormina: Hotel Excelsior Palace 4*

DAY 8: TAORMINA - DEPART

Check out from the hotel and end of services. (BB)





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THE PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation in 4* charming hotels
- Daily buffet breakfast
- 1 welcome dinner (Palermo)
- 2 light lunches with wine tasting on Day 3 & Day 6 (on Sundays or in case of extraordinary closures, the wine tasting will be replaced by a lunch in local restaurant with wine included)
- 1 dinner at a typical restaurant in Ortigia
- 1 guided street food tour in Palermo (Day 2)
- 1 private guided tour (2 hours) of Agrigento (Day 4), Ortigia (Day 5) and Taormina (Day 7)
- Entrance fees to: Palatine Chapel in Palermo, the Valley of the Temples Archaeological Park in Agrigento, Greek theatre, Taormina

THE PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Flights
- Car rental or private car/driver (contact your travel agent for rates)
- Any transfers to/from airport to hotel
- Any transportation between hotel and excursion/tastings meeting points
- Meals not mentioned, beverages during meals
- Optional tours
- Gratuities to hotel staff, guides, etc
- Hotel city tax to be paid at hotels, approx: 4 Euros per person per day

LAND PACKAGE 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, PRICE PER PERSON

DAILY DEPARTURE	DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
January 10 - March 12, 2026	\$ 2,699
March 13 - June 30, 2026	\$ 3,249
July 1 - October 31, 2026	\$ 3,299

Single room supplement

on request

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