



Sicily with Amalfi Coast Pilgrimage

October 13-24, 2024 - 12 Days

\$4,995 from Toronto

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Sunday, October 13 - Day 1 -

DEPART TORONTO TO PALERMO, SICILY – Today we depart Toronto for our overnight flight to Italy. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner and breakfast aloft.

Monday, October 14 - Columbus Day - Day 2 - ARRIVE PALERMO, SICILY – Today we arrive in Sicily and meet our English-speaking tour manager and transfer to our hotel, en-route enjoying an orientation tour of charming Palermo, the regional and provincial capital of Sicily. Check-in to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, October 15 - Teresa of Avila - Day 3 - PALERMO (MONREALE) - In the morning, we enjoy a guided tour of Palermo, visiting the old part of the city with the Royal Palace, the Palatine Chapel, and the Cathedral. We continue to Monreale, famous for its Cathedral filled with Byzantine mosaics featuring Christ Pantocrator and its Cloister. In the afternoon, we visit Monte Pellegrino with its spectacular views of the city, surrounding mountains, ocean and the sanctuary of Saint Rosalia, the patron of the city. Goethe once described Monte Pellegrino as the most beautiful promontory in the world. Mass at Monreale Cathedral. Return to Palermo. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Wednesday, October 16 - Day 4 - PALERMO (Segesta/Erice) - In the morning, we visit Segesta to admire the Temple and the Theatre. We view the surrounding unique landscape, and we continue on to the medieval hilltop village of Erice. We take a walk through its tiny and characteristic streets. We celebrate Mass. We return to Palermo for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Thursday, October 17 - Day 5 -

PALERMO/ARGRIGENTO/CATANIA – We have an early departure to Agrigento. On arrival, we have a guided visit of the Valley of Temples, where you can admire the Temple of Juno and the Temple of Concorde, the best-preserved Doric temples in the whole Greek world. We continue to Piazza Armerina to visit the city and its Cathedral. We proceed to Catania for a three-night stay in the historic Sicilian city, founded in the 8th century BC, and a leading Renaissance city in the 14th century AD. We celebrate Mass here. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Friday, October 18 - St. Luke - Day 6 - MOUNT ETNA & TAORMINA - The day begins with an excursion to Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe! Ascend to “Crateri Silvestri”, a small inactive volcanic which cones surrounded by ancient lava flows. Free time for lunch on your own. In the afternoon, we continue to Taormina, a charming town offering a lovely panorama view of the Ionic Sea and Mount Etna. It is famous for its fascinating Greek theatre, ancient Cathedral and Palazzo Corvaja. We walk along the typical small streets and browse local specialty shops. We celebrate Mass here. We return to Catania for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Saturday, October 19 - Day 7 - SYRACUSE (SIRACUSA) - After breakfast we depart for Siracusa, one of the most interesting archaeological sites in Sicily. We celebrate morning Mass at the Shrine of our Lady of Tears. Afterwards, we enjoy a guided tour of the Archeological Park, Roman Amphitheatre,

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Greek Theatre, Orecchio of Dionisio, la Grotta dei Cordari and the Island of Ortigia with its interesting dome. We then visit the Catacombs of St. John which contain honeycombed tunnels of empty coffins that were long ago looted of their burial riches, containing some 20,000 Early Christian tombs. They are entered through the evocative ruins of a Norman church. We proceed to Noto (UNESCO World Heritage Site) to admire the beauty of Sicilian baroque architecture. We return to Catania for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, October 20 - Day 9 - CATANIA/MESSINA/SALERNO – We depart for Messina to board your ferry to the mainland of Italy via the Messina Strait. We stop in Reggio Calabria to see its Cathedral dedicated to Our Lady of the Assumption. We celebrate Mass here. We continue to beautiful Salerno, a gateway city to the Amalfi Coast. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Monday, October 21 - Day 9 - SALERNO/AMALFI COAST - Today we take a breathtaking drive along the Amalfi Coast, one of the most beautiful roads in the world. Each winding turn reveals a dazzling and unforgettable view of the coastline and sea. The villas are perched along the rocky coastline and seem to hang from the heavens. We stop in Amalfi, one of the four “Republiche Marinare” of Italy. We celebrate Mass here. We enjoy free time to explore the pedestrian streets of this quaint town where there are various bars and cafes. We visit a true limoncello factory for a tour and tasting! We return to our hotel in Salerno for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, October 22 - Day 10 - SALERNO/POMPEII/MUGNANO DEL CARDINALE - After breakfast, we board our coach and transfer to Pompeii. We meet our local guide for a tour of Pompeii and its archaeological excavations. We have free time for lunch on own. In the afternoon, we will

tour the Basilica of Pompeii, followed by Mass there. We continue on to Mugnano del Cardinale to visit the Shrine of St. Philomena. We return to our hotel in Salerno for dinner and overnight.

Wednesday, October 23 - Day 11 - NAPLES – We enjoy a guided tour of Naples, one of the oldest continually inhabited cities in the world. Our guided walking tour will take us to the city’s magnificent Duomo, built in the 4th century over a pagan temple devoted to Apollo. We celebrate Mass here. Inside, admire the artwork and the Chapel of St. Januarius, the Patron Saint of Naples, to which miracles are attributed even today. We stroll through the Presepi District, known for its fine handcrafted nativity scenes. We then see the Basilica of San Paolo Maggiore and the Church of San Domenico Maggiore where we will visit the room where St. Thomas Aquinas lived while a teacher in Naples. We visit Sansevero Chapel Museum and admire the “Veiled Christ” sculpture, the masterpiece of Giuseppe San Martino. We then see Santa Chiara Church and the Church of Gesu Nuovo, which houses the tomb of St. Giuseppe Moscati, a 20th century saint who blended his faith with his medical practice. Our last stop is a special one. We will visit the tomb of Fr. Don Dolindo, a contemporary of St. Padre Pio, who admired him greatly. He is famous for his Surrender Novena. The Catholic Church has granted him the title “Servant of God”, and he is a candidate for beatification. In the evening, we will gather together for a festive farewell dinner out at a local restaurant with wine included. We transfer back to our hotel for overnight.

Thursday, October 24 - Day 12 - TRANSFER TO NAPLES AIRPORT FOR FLIGHT BACK TO TORONTO – This morning, we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.

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Please reserve ___ seats on this Sicily with Amalfi Coast Pilgrimage - October 13-24, 2024

Enclosed please find deposit of \$1,500 per person (Payable to Unitours, Inc.)

PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (Passport MUST be valid until April 24, 2025, or later.)

Name(s) as appears on passport

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City, State & Zip

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Signature

TOTAL TOUR PRICE: The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect July 19, 2024. All rates are subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates go up or down, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. Refunds CANNOT be granted for any accommodations, services or events that are not used nor if you deviate from the tour. If fewer than 27 pilgrims participate a price adjustment may be necessary.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: A valid passport is required. At the time of printing, U.S. citizens holding valid passports. Passport MUST be valid until April 24, 2025, or later. Citizens of countries other than U.S. - please contact the consulate of the country or countries being visited to determine visa requirements.

AIR TRANSPORTATION: International flight reservations are being held on ITA Airways. No stopovers are permitted. Any changes after ticket is issued carries a mandatory charge of \$200. Once the tickets are issued, they are NON-TRANSFERABLE AND NON-REFUNDABLE. Any requests to change a ticket once issued will incur a reissue fee of \$200 plus any fare differential will apply. Cancellation of air seat within 90 days of departure will incur a \$200 penalty.

DOMESTIC AIRFARE: For those who make domestic air arrangements to the originating city of this tour, your tour host and Unitours strongly recommend the purchase of tickets that can be changed without heavy fees and penalties as international flight schedules are always subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Specially selected hotels based on twin occupancy with private bath. Single Room supplement of \$624 will be charged where requested and available. If you do not have a roommate and Unitours is unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement. All singles are subject to availability.

MEALS: Breakfast and Table D' Hote dinners are provided daily except where noted in the itinerary. An extra charge will be made when coffee, tea or other beverages are not included in the menu of the day with the dinner meal.

TIPS AND TAXES: Tips and taxes normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as service are included, as are all government and local taxes on hotels and meals, portage of one suitcase per person. International departure taxes of \$112 plus current fuel surcharges of \$512 are included (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$123 ARE NOT INCLUDED. One average sized suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs total weight and 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) is permitted throughout the trip.

NOT INCLUDED: Expenses and items not specifically mentioned in this brochure are NOT covered, including but not limited to: passport and visa fees, meals not listed and items of a personal nature such as laundry, wines, liquors, mineral waters, after dinner coffee or tea, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned, tips and taxes mentioned above, excess baggage and insurance, etc.

DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS: A deposit of \$1,500 is required to secure reservations. Any balance is to be paid in full no later than 60 days before departure of tour. Final payments received by Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a \$25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made within 45 days

of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Discover, Visa and MasterCard are accepted with signed reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee (charged to deposit) plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 31 days prior to departure - - \$400 administration fee plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. No refund for cancellations received within 30 days of departure. All cancellation and refund claims must be in writing to Unitours, Inc.

BANK FEE: A fee of \$50 will be charged for any check that is returned to us for insufficient or unavailable funds.

DEVIATIONS: A service charge of \$50 pp will be applied for any deviations made in tour, (where possible), PLUS any additional air or land charges incurred.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Optional Travel Insurance is strongly recommended for your trip. See www.Unitours.com/travelInsurance for full details and to purchase coverage.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS: The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen emergencies.

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