



ITALY

WESTERN SICILY ESCAPE (TOUR CODE: 17045)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Palermo

TRAVEL PERIODS

02 May 27 - 17 Oct 27

EXPERIENCE

 Escorted
 Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Escorted Group Tour

Discover Western Sicily's rich heritage, from Palermo's vibrant markets and historic landmarks to medieval Erice and the wine cellars of Marsala. Savour authentic Sicilian flavours, explore the scenic Stagnone Lagoon and experience the island's timeless charm.

Highlights

- Exclusive tour for **small groups up to 20 people** maximum
- Explore **Palermo's historic centre**, magnificent cathedral and vibrant traditional markets
- Taste **Palermo's traditional Arancino** and experience the authentic flavours of Sicily
- Wander through **Erice's cobbled streets** and admire breathtaking views across western Sicily
- Discover the **scenic salt pans** and unique landscapes of the **Stagnone Lagoon**

Entire Bonus

This holiday package is carefully designed by our team to give you complete Peace of Mind, with access to trusted local partners and expert support at your destination.

Experience the charm of western Sicily on a captivating journey through its historic cities, medieval villages and distinctive landscapes. Discover Palermo's architectural treasures and bustling markets, sample the island's beloved arancino, and venture to the hilltop village of Erice for spectacular coastal views. In Marsala, explore historic wine cellars and savour a tasting accompanied by a light Sicilian lunch. Continue to the scenic Stagnone Lagoon and its ancient salt pans, before returning to Palermo for a relaxed final evening.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 3-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Transportation by deluxe coach or minivan
- Daily breakfast
- Welcome dinner on day 1
- "Arancino" tasting in Palermo
- Visit of a cellar and wine tasting/light Lunch in Marsala
- Visit the Stagnone Lagoon and historic salt pans
- Porterage at hotels
- "Whispers" Kit (audio guide-for group with more than 10 passengers)
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director

ITINERARY

Day **1**

Palermo

Make your way to the hotel in Palermo.

Late in the afternoon, meet your tour leader and fellow travelers during a welcome dinner. This first gathering offers the perfect introduction to Sicily's warm hospitality and rich cultural heritage. Free evening to begin discovering the local atmosphere.

Overnight stay in Palermo at **Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa** or similar.

Dinner



Day 2

Palermo

Breakfast at the hotel. Begin the day with a guided visit of **Palermo**, a fascinating city where centuries of Arab, Norman, Byzantine and Spanish influences have left an extraordinary cultural legacy. Explore the historic centre and admire some of its most iconic landmarks, including **Quattro Canti**, **Piazza Pretoria**, **Piazza Bellini** and the magnificent **Palermo Cathedral**.

Continue your discovery with a visit to one of Palermo's renowned open-air markets, where vibrant colours, enticing aromas and centuries-old traditions create an authentic and unforgettable Sicilian atmosphere. Conclude the morning with a tasting of the **traditional Sicilian arancino**, a beloved local speciality. The afternoon is free to enjoy Palermo at your own pace.

Optional excursion to Cefalù: Discover Cefalù, one of Sicily's most picturesque coastal towns. Wander through its charming medieval streets, admire the stunning Arab-Norman Cathedral, visit the historic medieval washhouse and enjoy a relaxing walk along the scenic seafront before returning to Palermo.

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Breakfast



Palermo Erice Marsala Palermo

After breakfast, depart for **Erice**, a perfectly preserved medieval village dramatically located on a hilltop overlooking the western coast of Sicily. Explore its charming, cobbled streets, discover its historic treasures and enjoy breathtaking panoramic views extending across the surrounding coastline. With its ancient churches, traditional stone pathways and artisan boutiques, Erice offers an authentic journey into Sicily's fascinating past and heritage.

Continue to **Marsala**, a town celebrated worldwide for its historic fortified wine and deep-rooted maritime traditions. Visit a local winery for a guided tour of the historic cellars, followed by a wine tasting experience featuring its renowned wines, accompanied by a light lunch showcasing typical Sicilian flavours.

In the afternoon, discover the unique landscapes of the Stagnone Lagoon, one of western Sicily's most distinctive natural settings. Visit the historic salt pans, where salt harvesting has shaped the area's identity for centuries, and admire the beauty of the shallow waters as they reflect the changing colours of the afternoon light. Dinner and evening at leisure in Palermo.

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Breakfast



Palermo

After buffet breakfast, end of the tour.

Breakfast

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Transfer from Palermo Airport to Palermo

One way transfer from Palermo Airport to Palermo Hotel.

*There will be a surcharge for arrivals between 22:00 and 07:00. In addition, a supplementary fee will be applied to all transfer services on the designated bank holidays: January 1st and 6th, Easter Sunday and Monday, April 25th, May 1st, June 2nd, August 15th, November 1st, December 8th, 25th, and 26th.

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ACCOMMODATION

Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa

Palermo

The Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa is situated in the middle of the city, making it easily accessible to all of Palermo's most popular points of interest. The historical hotel that we have earned a rating of 4 stars for is full of allure and splendour.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Italian	EURO

- We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 4-star accommodation.
- A minivan with driver/guide, normally not equipped with wifi, will be provided if the number of participants is equal to or less than eight.
- For organizational reasons, the itinerary may be reversed or modified without notice. In this case, our supplier ensures similar visits and excursions in accordance with the spirit of the tour program.
- Blackout dates may apply during festive season.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package (**Entrance tickets to sites and museums**)