60 - MASTER GROUP

FLY & DRIVE ITALY [FD-SC]

# SICILY & CALABRIA

# 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS





# DAY 1 Palermo

Arrival at Palermo Airport. Arrival and check-in at the hotel in Palermo area.

# DAY 2

#### PALERMO - MONREALE -Catania

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer on your own car to Palermo, beautifully situated at the foot of the hill of Monte Pellegrino and full of contrasts, is the capital of the island. The architecture of the city you can see influences of Arab, Norman, Baroque and Art Nouveau. Walk through the historic center with the churches of Santa Caterina and La Martorana, Piazza Pretoria, Capella Palatina and the Palazzo dei Normanni. fortresses built even by Saracens and then transformed into a royal residence for Frederick II. Transfer to Monreale, visit the majestic Cathedral with wonderful mosaics - the most outstanding work of art Sicilian-Norman. Departure and arrival at the hotel in the Catania area. Dinner on your own and overnight



stay at your hotel accommodation.

#### DAY 3 Catania - Mount Etna -Taormina - Catania

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer on your own by car to Mount Etna and visit the Silvestri Craters, you can book a guided tour with an expert volcanologist of the highest craters and a Jeep tour. In the afternoon transfer to Taormina, visit the city center and the famous Greek Theatre, built around the 3rd century A.C. The theater, besides its Greek origins, has many characteristics of Roman art. Return to your hotel in the evening. Dinner on your own and overnight stay at your hotel accommodation.

DAY 4 CATANIA - SIRACUSA - CA-TANIA Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer on your own by car to Syracuse, one of the main art cities from all over Europe, full of landmarks and monuments. In fact, Syracuse has been included by UNES-CO in 2005 in the World Heritage list. The historic city is developed largely in Ortigia Island, Syracuse is in fact called "the island within an island", accessible through the Umbertino Bridge and the Bridge of Saint Lucia. You have the chance to visit the baroque-style Cathedral of Syracuse, built between 1728 and 1754, the Temple of Apollo dated on VI Century A.C. and the Fountain of Arethusa, a stretch of water in the Island of Ortigia, originated from the vent of one of the underground aquifers that characterize the whole area. Return to your hotel in the evening. Dinner on your own and overnight stay at your hotel accommodation.

# DAY 5

#### CATANIA - REGGIO Calabria - Scilla -Tropea

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the port of Messina and lift by car to Villa San Giovanni. Transfer to Reggio Calabria where you can visit the Archaeological Museum, home of the Riace Bronzes, bronze statues found in the bottom of the sea in 1972 and recently restored. You can enjoy a pleasant walk in the main street, Corso Garibaldi and Via Marina, defined by the poet and writer Gabriele D'Annunzio "the most beautiful kilometer of Italy ". Transfer on your own by car to Scilla, a fishing village, which evokes the mythical episodes of the Odyssey. Walk through the picturesque district of fishermen, there is Chianalea, directly to the sea and along the beautiful beach of Marina Grande. Later arrival and check-in at the hotel in the Tropea area. Dinner on your own and overnight at the hotel.

#### DAY 6

#### TROPEA - PIZZO CALABRO - TROPEA - PALERMO

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer on your own car to Pizzo Calabro and visit the Church of Piedigrotta, a church near the Sea built inside a rock wall. Visit Murat Castle and walk in the city center of Pizzo, where you can taste the famous "Tartufo" a typical ice cream of the area, famous and exported all over the world. Transfer in the old town of Tropea, a typical medieval village built overlooking the sea. Visit the Cathedral and the main street, Corso Vittorio Emanuele, which ends with a small square, from where you can dominate and enjoy the beautiful views of the Costa degli Dei. Transfer to the port of Villa San Giovanni and lift by car to Sicily. Later arrival and check-in at the hotel in Palermo area. Dinner on your own and overnight stay at your hotel accommodation.

#### DAY 7 Palermo - Segesta -Erice - Palermo

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer on your own by car to to Segesta, an ancient town, founded by the first habitants of Sicily in the twelfth century BC, then drive to Erice, beautiful medieval town situated on top of the hill of Monte San Giuliano, with its mysterious alleys, the powerful defensive walls and the squares and steep streets. There is something else that characterizes Erice, which are the viewpoints from where you can admire the panorama of Trapani and Egadi colors of the sea and saline. Visit to Chiesa Matrice and Giardini del Balio. In the evening, return to the hotel. Dinner on your own and overnight stay at your hotel accommodation.

# DAY 8

#### PALERMO

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Transfer on your own by car to Palermo Airport.



### IT INCLUDES:

- Car rental type B one way.
- Basic insurance
- Check in and check out at the airport
- Accommodation in 4 stars hotels in BB treatment

#### DOES NOT INCLUDE

- City tax
- Additional tours
- Additional transfers
- Additional tickets

# PRICE FROM

# EUR **629**\*

# PER PERSON ON DOUBLE BASIS.

# CITY

- Palermo
- Catania
- Tropea

# HOTEL

- Plaza Opera / 4\*
- Liberty Hotel / 4\* /
- Tropis Hotel / 4\* /

#### Notes:

#### Minimum 2 passengers.

Accommodation in hotels mentioned or similar. During national holidays, religious holidays, events and fairs, accommodation could be offered in similar hotels but in a different area. Additional services on request: 2nd driver from  $\epsilon$  5.00 per day; GPS NAVI from  $\epsilon$  6.00 per day; Insurance Gold from 10,00  $\epsilon$  per day; Baby Seat from 60,00  $\epsilon$  per rental.