RAINBOW SICILY



PALERMO – AGRIGENTO – RAGUSA – ETNA

Let yourself be seduced by the fiery shades of the domes of Palermo, the golden baroque of Ragusa, the blinding white of Syracuse and the dark and intense colors of the volcanic earth on the slopes of the Etna. Unesco World Heritage archaeological sites such as the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento and breathtaking views such as the Scala dei Turchi, will be the destinations of this trip. You will discover so many aspects of this island that you will be enchanted.

A special treatment is reserved for honeymooners, with welcome cocktails and gifts upon arrival at each hotel.

Our specialists are available to create a personalized and unforgettable honeymoon upon request and according to the preferences of the newly-weds.

Self Drive Tour 7 overnights with optional seaside Honeymoon extension Accommodation in de Charme Hotel

DAY 1: Arrival-Palermo

Independent arrival at your hotel. Depending on your arrival time, you can collect your rental car at Palermo airport or in the city center. Check-in, afternoon and evening at leisure.

DAY 2: Palermo

Breakfast at the hotel. Day at disposal to visit the city of Palermo. We recommend a guided tour of the center of Palermo to discover its history and to juggle vibrant markets, baroque churches, Arab-Norman architecture decorated with precious mosaics and Gothic palaces shaded by palm trees. Dinner at leisure and overnight.

We suggest:

Visit of Palermo with art historian

Show at the "Pupi" (puppet) theatre in Palermo

DAY 3: Agrigento

Breakfast at the hotel, departure with your car towards Agrigento, with an unmissable stop to admire the imposing white rock overlooking the sea called the Scala dei Turchi and the Park of the Valley of the Temples, one of the most representative archaeological sites of classical Greek civilization where some of the best preserved remains of Doric temples emerge. During the summer it is possible to visit at dusk and at night, when the temples are illuminated first by the colors of the sunset and then by the light of the spotlights. Car drive: 130 km/80 miles

We suggest:

Visit of the Valley of the Temples with an archeologist

DAY 4: Ragusa

Breakfast at the hotel, then depart with your car to Ragusa, located at the beginning of a region that is home to important UNESCO World Heritage cities with sumptuous Baroque architecture such as Ragusa-Ibla, Noto, Modica and Syracuse; nature reserves such as the Vendicari Wildlife Oasis, ideal for nature walks to discover pristine beaches; vallevs immersed in the typical vegetation of the Mediterranean such as Cava d'Ispica, which houses prehistoric necropolises, Christian catacombs and monastic hermitages. Car drive: 130 km/80 miles

DAY 5: Ragusa-Val di Noto

Breakfast at the hotel and day at disposal to visit the Val di Noto. We recommend to visit Scicli, another UNESCO World Heritage city chosen for its landscapes as the location for the TV series of Commissioner Montalbano, the protagonist of Andrea Camilleri's novels. We suggest:

Sensory path on Sicilian aromas in Scicli with lunch or dinner

DAY 6: Ragusa-Val di Noto

Breakfast at the hotel and day at leisure to visit the Val di Noto. We recomment going to the extreme southern tip, with the picturesque fishing village of Marzamemi and the beaches of Portopalo di Capo Passero and Capo delle Correnti.

DAY 7: Linguaglossa

Breakfast at the hotel and departure with your car to Linguaglossa. Car drive: 150 km/93 miles We suggest:

Etna wine tasting at sunset

DAY 8: Departure-Catania

Breakfast at the hotel, drop off your car at Catania airport or continue with the optional seaside extension.

Overnight: Ragusa

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EXPERIENCES PACKAGE

□ Show at the "Pupi" (puppet) theatre in Palermo

A historic family that for over a century has devoted to the Opera dei Pupi in Palermo is ready to welcome you to their theater and introduce you to this ancient tradition recognized by UNESCO as a masterpiece of the oral and intangible heritage of humanity and to present you with a characteristic show.

□ Sensory path on Sicilian aromas in Scicli with lunch or dinner

A multisensory journey through the aromas and flavors of the Sicilian tradition to get to know, smell and taste aromatic and medicinal plants, immersed in the splendid setting of the Hyblean countryside, through a sensory journey for couples that ends with a lunch or dinner based on typical products.

Etna wine tasting at sunset

A sunset on the slopes of Mount Etna and a tasting of Sicilian Doc wines at a family winery are the ingredients for an intimate and engaging food and wine experience.

GUIDED VISITS PACKAGE

□ Visit of Palermo with art historian and tasting

Meet your local guide expert in art history for a vibrant walk in the historic center of Palermo. The tour begins with a photo stop in front of the imposing Cathedral and then continues by visiting the interiors of the famous Palatine Chapel, a three-nave basilica dedicated to Saints Peter and Paul and consecrated as a chapel of the royal family, located inside the Norman Palace. The 12th-century mosaic created for Roger II is one of the most famous of Byzantine art and a UNESCO protected site. The morning will end with a walk in the Capo Market, a pleasant mix of voices, smells and noises, where your guide will take you on a tasting of Sicilian delicacies.

Evening visit of the Valley of the Temples with an archeologist

Guided tour of the archaeological park of the Valley of the Temples in the most evocative moment between dusk and nightfall when the temples are illuminated first by the colors of the sunset and then by the light of the spotlights. The splendid valley preserves the remains of one of the most important *polis* of Ancient Greece, Akragas. It is perhaps the most fascinating archaeological site in Sicily, awarded the recognition of UNESCO World Heritage Site, as well as one of the most representative of classical Greek civilization. *NOTE: the evening visit to the Valley of the Temples is available from 11 July to 13 September; for other periods the visit will be organized within normal opening hours.*

"CHARM" ACCOMMODATION

Palermo (2 nights): <u>Hotel Quintocanto 4* (or similar) – Deluxe Room</u> Agrigento (1 night): <u>Diodorus Resort 4* (or similar) – Deluxe Room</u> Ragusa (3 nights): <u>Villa Boscarino 4* (or similar) – Comfort Room with balcony</u> Etna-Linguaglossa CT (1 night): <u>Villa Neri Wine Resort & SPA 4* (or similar) – Superior Room</u>

"CHARM SUITE" ACCOMMODATION

Palermo (2 nights): <u>Hotel Quintocanto 4* (or similar)</u> – <u>Suite</u> Agrigento (1 night): <u>Diodorus Resort 4* (or similar)</u> – <u>Suite</u> Ragusa (3 nights): <u>Villa Boscarino 4* (or similar)</u> – <u>Suite with Jacuzzi</u> Etna-Linguaglossa CT (1 night): Villa Neri Wine Resort & SPA 4* (or similar) – Junior Suite

"EXCLUSIVE" ACCOMMODATION

Palermo (2 nights): <u>Villa Igiea 5*</u> (or similar) - <u>Deluxe Sea View Room</u> Agrigento (1 night): <u>Villa Athena 5*</u> (or similar) – <u>Temple View</u> <u>Room</u> Ragusa (3 nights): <u>Eremo della Giubiliana 5*</u> (or similar) - <u>Suite</u> Etna-Linguaglossa CT (1 night): <u>Villa Neri Wine Resort & SPA 4*</u> (or similar) – <u>Suite with bathtub</u>

"EXCLUSIVE SUITE" ACCOMMODATION

Palermo (2 nights): <u>Villa Igiea 5*</u> (or similar) – <u>Sea View Suite</u> Agrigento (1 night): <u>Villa Athena 5*</u> (or similar) – <u>Suite</u> Ragusa (3 nights): <u>Eremo della Giubiliana 5*</u> (or similar) - <u>Suite</u> Etna-Linguaglossa CT (1 night): <u>Villa Neri Wine Resort & SPA 4*</u> (or similar) – <u>Suite with bathtub</u>

TOUR PRICE

Price per person in double room ("charm" accommodation): from € 1015 Supplement for Suite accommodation in Charm category: from € 320 per person

Price per person in double room ("exclusive" accommodation): from € 2150 Supplement for Suite accommodation in Exclusive category: from € 380 per person

Trip includes:

- 7 nights' accommodation in the indicated hotels (or similar) with breakfast
- Car rental of an Alfa Romeo Lancia Y or similar (C category): unlimited mileage, civil liability and theft insurance, no franchise for damage excluding roof, underbody, windows and tires, with pick-up at Palwermo airport and drop off at Catania airport, rental duration for the whole trip
- 24/7 emergency line

Trip does not include:

- City tax, if applicable, to be paid on site
- Transfers and parking during the trip (private transfers upon request)
- All meals and drinks not mentioned
- Personal expenses, tips and extras
- Everything not mentioned in "trip includes"

Experiences package: € 125 per person <u>Guided visits package</u>: € 240 per person NOTE: Feasibility of all visits mentioned in the program will have to be reconfirmed

Optional Beach stay:

• "Charm" Accommodation: Panarea Island – <u>Quartara Boutique Hotel 4*</u> Price per person in double room with breakfast (city taxes excluded): from € 90

• "Exclusive" Accommodation: Vulcano Island – <u>Therasia Resort & SPA 5*</u> Price per person in double room with breakfast (city taxes excluded): from € 98