

# VILLA SANT'ANDREA

A BELMOND HOTEL  
— TAORMINA MARE —



*Sicilian*  
**EXPERIENCES**

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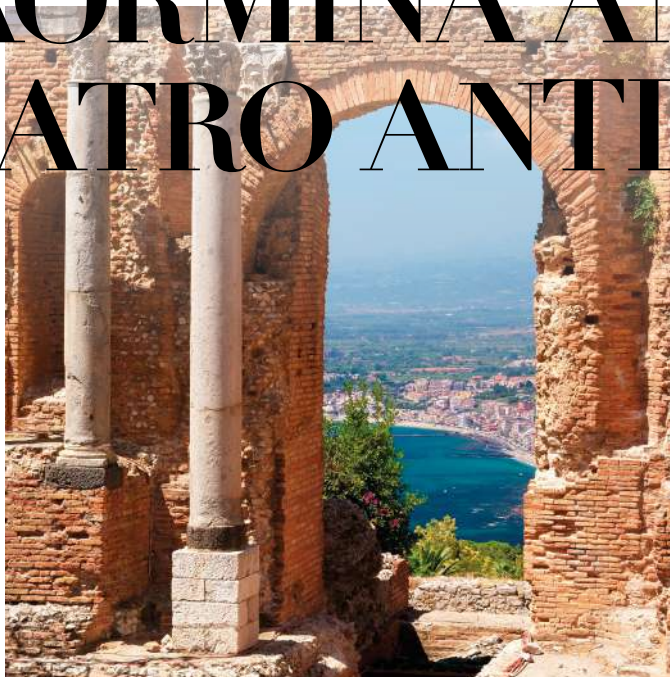
# Experiences by land



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# WALKING TOUR OF TAORMINA AND TEATRO ANTICO



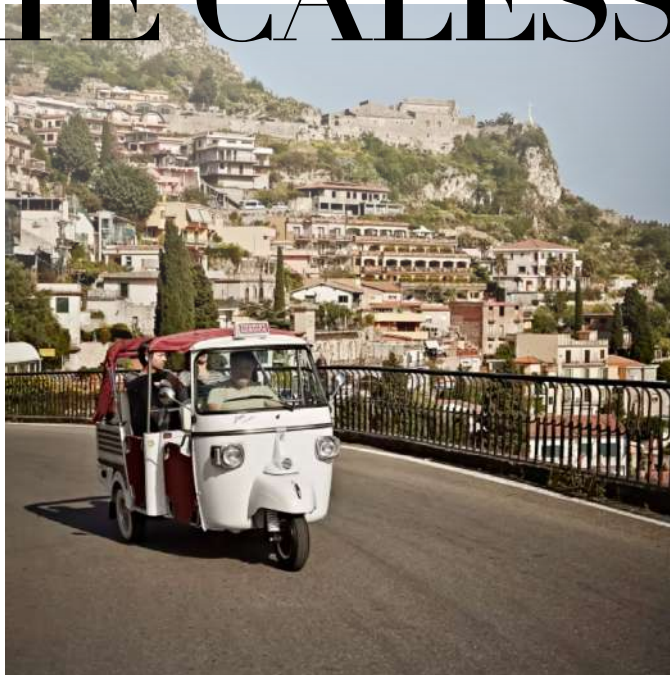
Enjoy a tour of the authentic pearl of Sicily, Taormina, and explore the surroundings of the hotel! A private guide will show you to most exciting parts of this precious town during a nice walk and will introduce you to this unique location, surrounded by mountains and perched above a turquoise sea with the majestic and spectacular Etna as a backdrop. The town centre forms an intimate collection of tiny streets and flower filled balconies. Beyond the towns backstreet charm, there is one sight that should

be without doubt on everyone's itinerary... the magnificent Greek Theatre!

*Suggested times: 10.00am or 3.00 pm  
Three-hours walking tour €250 - Teatro Antico  
entrance fees not included.*

Experiences by land

# TAORMINA BY APE CALESSE



Discover the nostalgic magic of Taormina aboard a vintage Ape Calesse and experience the town's surroundings in true dolce vita style. Buzzing along in the enchanting little three-wheeler, immerse yourself in the sights, sounds and scents of this captivating destination. Taormina has a legendary allure thanks to the many personalities who have passed through – from DH Lawrence, author of *Lady Chatterley's Lover*, to the divine Greta Garbo, playwright Oscar Wilde, pioneering photographer Wilhelm von Gloeden and director Roberto Benigni.

Embark on a tour that brings these unforgettable personalities to life.

*Suggested times: 10.00am or 4.00 pm*  
*Two-hours tour in an Ape Calesse for up to 3 guests: €300 for 2 hours.*



Experiences by land

# ETNA SUMMIT CRATERS



**T**he regular eruptions of Europe's most active volcano have made it a feature of great intrigue in both Greek and Roman mythology, as well as folk legends. The god Aeolus, king of the winds, was said to have imprisoned the gales in the caverns of Etna. According to the poet Aeschylus, the giant Tifone was incarcerated in the mountain and caused the eruptions. Another giant, Enceladus, was also said to be buried under Etna, having rebelled against the gods. Immerse yourself in these rich stories, or conjure up your own on our thrilling excursion. The experience on the north side involves an ascent from 2.000mts to 3.000mrs by Mercedes-Benz UNIMOG. The activity takes approximately 5 hours starting from 9.00am or 2.00pm. During the ascent you will be able to see some of the most iconic places of the highest active

volcano in Europe, such as the Valle del Bove, the Cresta del Leone and the 2002 craters.

*Starting times: 9.00 am*

*Duration: 5 hours*

*Driving time: about 60 minutes each way*

*Suggested equipment: Spare t-shirt, long trousers, wind jacket, sneakers, sunglasses, sunscreen.*

*Unimog is to be paid separately at € 69.00 per person on the spot;*

*Wine tasting and light lunch starting from €69 per person, to be paid separately on site.*

Experiences by land

# ETNA JEEP



**T**he North is the side that we mostly suggest as it better shows the variety of landscapes that is a peculiarity of Mount Etna. On the North side, close to Piano Provenzana, you can walk through centuries old pine forest and suddenly see such incredible vegetation disappear as you reach the 2002 lava flow that partly destroyed the wood, and feel like you are walking on the moon. Besides, most of the beautiful spots of the Northern side are somehow away from the most touristy routes. Among many others we like to mention the Bottoniera of 2002 and Monte Nero, the Grotta dei Ladroni, the Sartorius Craters and other spots. At the end of the activity

we can also organise a wine tasting with light lunch in a boutique vineyard on the slopes of the volcano.

*Starting time 9.00 am*

*Driving time: about 60 minutes each way*

*Suggested equipment: Spare t-shirt, long trousers, wind jacket, sneakers, sunglasses, suncream.*

*Full-day tour (7 hours) by private Jeep: 4x4 vehicle for up to 6 people €950*

*Wine tasting and light lunch starting from €69 per person, to be paid separately on site.*

Experiences by land

# ETNA WINE TOUR



**E**xperience some of the best and most interesting wineries located in the Mount Etna area. Along with other wines, most of the wineries on Mount Etna produce excellent Nerello Mascalese and Carricante both typical of the area.

In the wineries that we have carefully chosen, you will have the opportunity to taste some of the award-winning labels and enjoy a light lunch based on typical local dishes.

A journey to discover the "navigable" wine of the volcano, once used to blend the great French wines. Today one of the most loved Italian excellences in the world.

*Starting time 10.30 am*

*Driving time: about 60 minutes each way*

*Half day tour (5 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €450*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €500*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €550*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €550*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €700*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Wine tasting and light lunch starting from €69 per person, to be paid separately on site.*



Experiences by land

# WINE TOUR ON A FIAT 500



**E**mbark on a route inspired by the surprising wine heritage of Mount Etna. Reach Castiglione di Sicilia, awarded as one of the most enchanting villages of Italy, by private car and venture on the North slope of the highest active volcano in Europe. Admire the fascinating 'Gurne dell'Alcantara', tiny lakes created by water erosion along the Alcantara River. Here a lush vegetation has grown among lava stone, leaving room to resilient poplars, fragrant oleanders and weeping willows. Then venture to the centre of medieval Castiglione di Sicilia by a vintage Fiat 500 for a visit to its ancient castle - where unparalleled views await, as well as an exhibition

of the most remarkable Sicilian wine labels. Upon request, continue aboard your Fiat 500 to a local wine cellar for a dazzling wine tasting and light lunch.

*Starting time 10.00am*

*Driving time: about 60 minutes each way*

*Half-day tour (7 hours, up to 2 guests): €920, including transfer by LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE and pick up in Castiglione di Sicilia by Fiat 500.*

*Wine tasting and light lunch starting from €69 per person, to be paid separately on site.*

*Suggested wineries: cantina Fischetti, tenuta di Fessina*

Experiences by land

# IN FRANCIS COPPOLA'S FOOTSTEPS



**D**iscover the original film locations where Francis Ford Coppola shot scenes from *The Godfather*, both I and II. You'll be picked up from the hotel by a private driver and will head along the coastline before veering uphill to Savoca. Here you'll get the chance to stop for a lemon granita at the famous Bar Vitelli, one of Coppola's favourite spots. Then visit St Lucia's Church, where the wedding between Apollonia and Michael was filmed. From Savoca, proceed towards Forza d'Agrò, an enchanting hilltop village with incredible views and the place where a young Vito Corleone hid in a donkey cart. Step back in time to glimpse traditional lifestyles and witness a slice of authentic Sicily. Alternatively, you can take the tour on your own and rent a vintage Fiat 500.

*Starting time 10.00am*

*Driving time: about 30 minutes each way*

*Half-day tour by private car (up to 5 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €420*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €470*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €495*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €495*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €570*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

FIAT 500 VINTAGE *up to 2 people: €650*

*Private guide half day (up to 5 hours) €450 "on request".*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Gelso Nero, Pipispezzi*

Experiences by land

# DISCOVER SYRACUSE



**S**yracuse's glorious past rivals that of Athens, Carthage and Rome.

Today it's one of the most interesting cities in Sicily, the cradle of theatre and a fantastic monument to Sicilian Baroque style.

Stroll around the city's ancient heart, Ortigia Island, home to the Piazza Duomo with its imposing cathedral, which was built on top of the remains of a Doric temple dating from the 5th century BC.

Entrance fees not included.

*Starting time 9.00am*

*Driving time: about 90 minutes each way*

*Half-day Syracuse tour (up to 7 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €550*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €620*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €650*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €650*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €850*

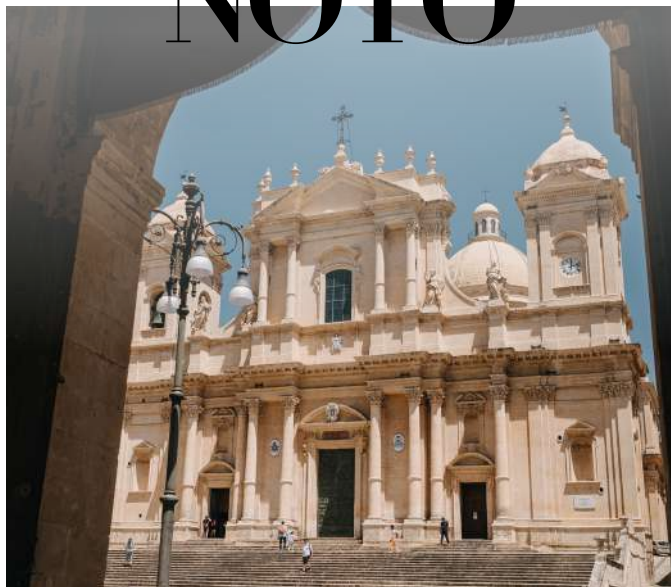
MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Private guide half day (up to 4 hours) €390 "on request"*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Fratelli 'Burgio, Don Camillo*

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# DISCOVER NOTO



**V**isit Noto, one of the UNESCO World Heritage Late Baroque Towns of the Val di Noto, celebrated for its ornate architecture. Take time to simply wander around the narrow streets, admiring the golden-coloured stone buildings, beautiful and balconies. Not to be missed a stop to the best famous Caffè Sicilia for a granita tasting. Entrance fees not included

*Starting time 8.30 am*

*Driving time: about 2 hours each way*

*Half-day Noto tour (up to 7 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €550*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €620*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €650*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €650*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €850*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Private guide half day (up to 4 hours) €390 "on request"*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Fontana d'Ercole, Anche gli Angeli*



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# AGRIGENTO AND THE VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES



**B**e stunned by this beautiful ancient city, unearthing unique archaeological and architectural treasures framed by glittering sea and enchanting nature.

Formerly the ancient Greek city of Akragas, described by the poet Pindar as "the most beautiful of mortal cities" it was founded in 581 BC and quickly became a flourishing metropolis. Immerse yourself in a forgotten world, exploring well-preserved temples and artefacts, including the magnificent Temple of Concordia and the colossal atlases at the Temple of Olympian Zeus, all surrounded by olive and almond trees.

Entrance fees not included.

*Starting time 8.00am*

*Driving time: about 3 hours each way*

*Full-day tour (up to 8 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €690*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €820*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €840*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €840*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €950*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Walking tour of the Valley of the Temples (up to 2 hours) €340 "on request"*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Il Re dei Girgenti, Trattoria dei Templi, La terrazza degli Dei*

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# PIAZZA ARMERINA AND VILLA ROMANA DEL CASALE



Venture deep into the Sicilian countryside and more than 700m above sea level for an insight into daily Roman life. Piazza Armerina is home to the famous Villa Romana del Casale, built in the 4th century as a hunting lodge. Almost covered by a landslide in the 12th century, the Villa was fully excavated in the 20th century and now enjoys UNESCO World Heritage status. Admire vivid mosaics depicting scenes ranging from mythological stories to everyday activities. One intriguing tableau shows women exercising in bikini-style garments. Entrance fees not included.

*Starting time 9.00am*

*Driving time: about 90 minutes each way*

*Full-day tour (up to 7 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €550*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €620*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €650*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €650*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €850*

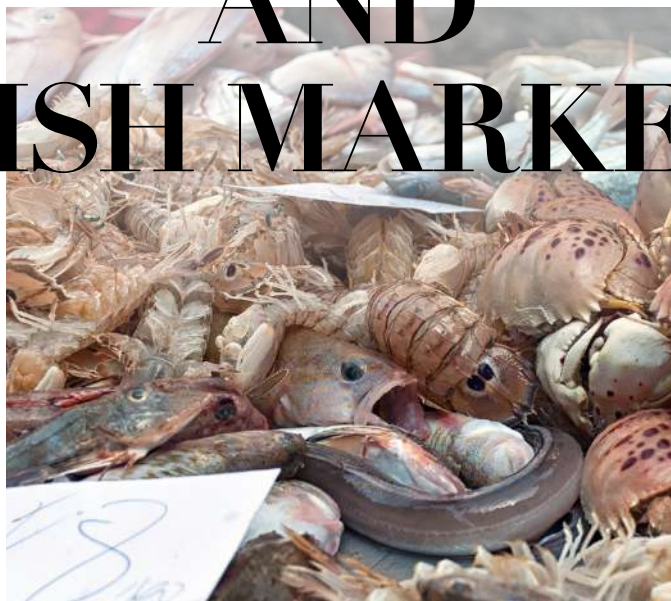
MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Walking tour of Villa Romana del Casale (up to 2 hours) €340 "on request"*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Trattoria del Goloso, Osteria del Conte, Al Fogher*

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# CATANIA AND FISH MARKET



**D**iscover Sicily's second city, known for its striking Baroque architecture blending black lava rock and shining white limestone. Food and cooking are central to the Sicilian way of life and only the best ingredients are selected to make tasty regional dishes. Find some of the freshest delicacies at the vibrant, bustling Pescheria, Catania's famous fish market, where tables are piled high with the catch of the day. Be like a local and try a raw shrimp or sea urchin direct from a stall.

*Starting time 10.00am*

*Driving time: about 60 minutes each way*

*Half-day tour (up to 5 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €450*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €490*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €520*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €520*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €590*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*

*Private guide half day (up to 4 hours) €390 "on request"*

*Suggested spots for lunch: Osteria Antica Marina, Il Bell'Antonio*

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# PANTALICA - IN THE REALM OF HYBLON



In the eastern part of Sicily extends the Natural Reserve of Pantalica, Valle dell'Anapo and Torrente Cava Grande. In particular, this is a protected natural area (established in July 1997), which has become a UNESCO heritage site since January 2005 and is located in the province of Syracuse. The reserve houses the largest European necropolis with thousands of tombs carved into the rock, including at the same time several systems: the Anapo River Valley, the Pantalica Valley and the Cava Grande torrent. Furthermore, inside the same there are also two karst caves, the bat cave (so called because of the high presence of bats) and the Trovato cave, whose shapes were determined by the action of the water on the rocks.

*Starting time 8.30am*

*Driving time: about 90 minutes each way*

*Suggested equipment: spare t-shirt, long trousers, sneakers, sunglasses, sunscreen*

*Half-day tour including private guide (the private guide is included in the price for a maximum of 2 hours, the full tour would last 7 hours):*

LUXURY BRANDED VEHICLE *up to 3 people: €840*

MERCEDES-BENZ V *up to 6 people: €940*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS *up to 2 people: €990*

LUXURY BRANDED SUV *up to 3 people: €990*

MERCEDES-BENZ S CLASS PREMIUM

*up to 2 people: €1,110*

MERCEDES MAYBACH *up to 2 people: €2500*



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# VISIT TO A LOCAL CLAM FARM

A specialized guide will meet guests in Messina City Centre and will escort them for all the experience, explaining the process of the cultivation of clams and the ancient history of the families that still keep this tradition together with the owner of the farm.

A lunch for 2 people based on Spaghetti with fresh Clams and other Messinese specialties cooked by the wife of a local fisherman.

The tour will last approximately 4 hours. During summertime (june to september), when the weather is hot, we warmly suggest an afternoon experience, with a dinner.

The cost of the above experience (private guide for 4 hours included) is € 790,00 for 2 people, Vat Included. Surcharge of Euro 85,00 for any additional person. For children up to 8 years of age the surcharge will be 50%, €42.50.

Regarding the transportation from from and to the hotel, we can provide:

- a luxury car at disposal for 2 people, at the cost of Euro 105,00 per hour for a minimum of 3 hours. Vat included.
- a luxury minivan at disposal up to 6 people at the cost of Euro 140,00 per hour for a minimum of 3 hours, Vat included

*The cost can be charged on guests room bill and settled at the check-out.*

*In case guests have own car, we provide driving directions.*

*Cancellation policy*

*a) in case of cancellation within 48 hours before the service is supplied no penalty*

*b) for cancellation after 24 hours 50% penalty*

*c) for cancellation the same day of for no show 100% penalty*

# Experiences by sea



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# TAORMINA BAYS

**S**et sail on a magical adventure, unearthing the myths, legends and heavenly natural scenery that make up Taormina's celebrated coastline. Be enchanted by stories embracing Fata Morgana to Cola-pesce, as you discover hidden and inaccessible caves and bays. Highlights may include: Capo Taormina and bay, Charming Isola Bella, The mesmerising Blue Grotto, Beautiful Bay of Mazzarò, The imposing Castle of Sant'Alessio, Lively Naxos Bay, The hidden caves of Capo Sant'Andrea, Legendary Bay of the Sirens

## HALF DAY EXPERIENCE – 4 HOURS

Odyssey 42 Sail Boat €1800  
Saver 330 Sport €1800  
Renier 11 €1950  
Invictus GT320 €2700  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €2100 // Cranchi Z 35 €2900  
De Antonio D36 €2800  
Alena 52 €3400  
Azimut Atlantis 43 OR Cranchi M44 €3500 //  
Azimut 45 €3850  
Aicon 56 fly €3900  
Aicon 72 OR Uniesse 72 €5900  
Apreamare Gozzo 35 €3000

## FULL DAY EXPERIENCE – 8 HOURS

Odyssey 42 Sail Boat €2600  
Saver 330 Sport €2600  
Renier 11 €2750  
Invictus GT320 €3350  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €2900// Cranchi Z 35 €3500  
De Antonio D36 €3600  
Alena 52 €3850  
Azimut Atlantis 43 OR Cranchi M44 €4500 //  
Azimut 45 €4750  
Aicon 56 fly €4700  
Aicon 72 OR Uniesse 72 €6950  
Apreamare Gozzo 35 €3800

*Included: skipper and hostess, welcome drink, soft drinks, seasonal fruit, beach towels. Departure is by small wooden boat from Mazzarò bay at 150mt from the hotel beach.*

Experiences by sea

# CYCLOPS RIVIERA

**I**n Homer's *Odyssey*, Cyclops Polyphemus raged against Ulysses, throwing giant rocks at him which then formed the huge stacks you see off Sicily's stunning east coast, north of Catania. This picturesque stretch of beaches and rocky islets, named the Cyclops Riviera, blends a grey-black lava landscape with lush vegetation and charming seaside villages, in particular Aci Trezza. Embark on a private charter to discover the region's highlights, including the nature reserve, Timpa di Acireale and Aci Castello's black lava-stone fortress. On board we'll serve fresh drinks and fruits. Transfers to and from the harbour not included.

## HALF DAY EXPERIENCE – 4 HOURS

Renier 11 €2100  
Saver 330 Sport €2500  
Invictus GT320 €2900  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €2200 // Cranchi Z 35 €3100  
De Antonio D36 €3250  
Alena 52 €3500  
Cranchi M44 €4300  
Aicon 56 fly €4500  
Apremare Gozzo 35 €3000  
Aicon 72 // Uniesse 72 €6100

## FULL DAY EXPERIENCE – 8 HOURS

Renier 11 €3050  
Saver 330 Sport €3250  
Invictus GT320 €4100  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €3250 // Cranchi Z 35 €4300  
De Antonio D36 €4350  
Alena 52 €4700  
Cranchi M44 €5300  
Aicon 56 fly €5650  
Apremare Gozzo 35 €4600  
Aicon 72 // Uniesse 72 €7950

*Includes: skipper and hostess, welcome drink, soft drinks, seasonal fruit, beach towels. For half-day tours, suggested depart from Riposto (30-minute ride from the hotel by private car). Transfers to and from the harbour not included.*

*For full-day tours, departure is by a small wooden boat from Mazzarò bay at 150mt from the hotel beach.*



Experiences by sea

# BOAT TOUR TO SYRACUSE

Cicero described Syracuse as the most beautiful of all cities, its emblem the island of Ortygia, Syracuse's historical centre and the mythological home of the nymph Arethusa. Astonishingly, Syracuse was once the largest city in the ancient world, greater even than Athens. Today it's a captivating blend of Greek ruins, baroque piazzas and charming medieval lanes. Nearby Augusta boasts stunning bays and plunging cliffs, while treasures in the Protected Marine Area of Plemmirio include archaeological finds such as amphorae, evidence of ancient Greek sailors. Altogether, the area offers the perfect blend of history and total relaxation. Suggested places to explore: - Peaceful Brucoli bay - Wonders of the Saracen Coast - Secluded Baia Liscia, Augusta - Ortygia's charming bay, in Syracuse - The Protected Marine Area of Plemmirio. Suggested places to explore: Brucoli bay, Saracen Coast, Baia Liscia, Augusta, Ortygia's bay, The Protected Marine Area of Plemmirio.

Suggested places to explore:

Brucoli bay

Saracen Coast

Baia Liscia, Augusta

Ortygia's bay

The Protected Marine Area of Plemmirio

## FULL DAY EXPERIENCE – 8 HOURS

Renier 11 €3850

Saver 330 Sport €4000

Invictus GT320 €4900

Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €4150

Cranchi Z 35 € 5100

De Antonio D36 €5900

Alena 52 €6750

Cranchi M44 €7000

Aicon 56 fly €7900

Apremare Gozzo 35: €6200

Aicon 72 // Uniesse 72 €10800

*Full-day excursions only; guide on request. Depart from Taormina or Giardini Naxos.*

*Includes: skipper and hostess, welcome drink, soft drinks, seasonal fruit, beach towels. Departure is by small wooden boat from Mazzarò bay at 150mt from the hotel beach.*

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# AEOLIAN ISLANDS BY BOAT

**C**harter a boat to explore the dramatic Aeolian Islands. Start by sailing to Panarea, the smallest and chicest island in the volcanic archipelago. Anchor in one of the bays or stop in the small harbour and stroll through whitewashed streets to discover vibrant bars, restaurants and shops. Late afternoon, depart for Stromboli, home to one of Italy's three active volcanoes. Savour a refreshing aperitif, followed by dinner as you watch the amazing Sciara del Fuoco, or "stream of fire", a lava scar that burns and sparks bright, molten red when the volcano erupts. Treks to the volcano can be arranged, guided by a professional for safety. Continue sailing round to Ginostra, a tiny village perched on Stromboli's southwestern flank. Anchor off the small pier to visit the village, surrounded by olive and prickly pear trees, stop for a drink in a tranquil bar and enjoy spectacular views of the Aeolian Islands.

## FULL DAY EXPERIENCE TO LIPARI AND VULCANO – 8 HOURS

Saver 330 Sport €4000  
Renier 11 €4150  
Invictus GT320 €4950  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €4400 // Cranchi Z 35 € 5200  
De Antonio D36 €5300  
Cranchi M44 €7000  
Alena 52 €8350  
Aicon 56 fly €8600  
Aicon 72 // Uniesse 72 €12950

## FULL DAY EXPERIENCE TO PANAREA AND STROMBOLI – 8 HOURS

Saver 330 Sport € 4800  
Renier 11 €4450  
Invictus GT320 €5250  
Cranchi Zaffiro 32 €4700 // Cranchi Z 35 € 5500  
De Antonio D36 € 5900  
Cranchi M44 €7800  
Alena 52 €8750  
Aicon 56 fly €9100  
Aicon 72 // Uniesse 72 €13550

*Full-day excursions only; guide on request.*

*Included: skipper and hostess, welcome drink, soft drinks, seasonal fruit, beach towels. Embark from Messina or Milazzo. Transfers to and from the harbour not included.*

# Experiences by air



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# HELICOPTER TOURS

**S**oar over Sicily on a spectacular helicopter tour, enjoying a bird's-eye view of smoking volcanoes, idyllic islands and captivating sites of interest. Book a lunch stop, hostess service or a guided tour to enhance the experience. This unmissable adventure is the ultimate way to appreciate Sicily's diverse and dramatic landscapes. One-engine Airbus H125 (5 seats + pilot) or double-engine A109E (6 seats + pilot) All tours depart from Etna Volo airfield in Calatabiano, 20 minutes from the hotel. *Performance:* Maximum Speed Cruise Speed Maximum Range 155 knots – 287 km/h 122 knots – 226 km/h 360 Nm – 666 Km

Helicopter tour options include:

## ETNA

Etna's unceasing activity over the centuries, ranging from smoke plumes to dramatic lava flows, has left its mark on the volcano's otherworldly landscape. The contrast between black, solidified lava rock and bright blue sky will take your breath away. You'll also be able to admire the famous Valle del Bove, the vast, horse-shoe shaped depression carved into Etna's eastern flank. *Duration:* 30 minutes.

*Price:* one-engine €1,500, double-engine €1,900.

## ETNA AND TAORMINA

Peer down at the craters at the top of Etna, which are often smoking, and soar over the staggering Valle del Bove. Then continue towards Taormina, where you can admire Isola Bella, the evocative Greek Theatre and Castelmola. As we circle back to the airfield, admire stunning views of the magical Alcantara Gorge.

*Duration:* 45 minutes.

*Price:* one-engine €2,100, double-engine €2,750.

## AEOLIAN ISLANDS

This extraordinary tour begins as you fly northwards over Montalbano and the Sanctuary of Tindari, a popular pilgrims' shrine, then out to the Aeolian Islands. Enjoy an aerial view of Vulcano and its crater, Lipari with its "faraglioni" rocks and pumice quarries, Salina and the Bay of Pollara, Panarea and Basiluzzo. Finally we approach the electrifying spectacle of Stromboli, where the celebrated Sciarra del Fuoco, or stream of fire, is thrillingly visible from our lofty perspective.

*Duration:* 90 minutes.

*Price:* one-engine €3,900, double-engine €5,200.

## AGRIGENTO AND THE VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES

Begin by flying north, skirting Mount Etna, then heading southwest towards Agrigento. On the way, enjoy aerial views of Piazza Armerina, famous for its Roman villa and mosaics, and picturesque Campobello di Licata. Reaching Agrigento, take the opportunity to touch down and explore the Valley of the Temples, outstanding examples of ancient Greek art and architecture. Enjoy a guided tour of the monuments and a relaxing picnic beneath the shade of over 500 olive trees that thrive in the valley. A private car can be at your disposal for 3 hours; private guide included.

*Duration:* 1 hour 40 minutes (flight only).

*Price:* one-engine €5,100 + lux tax €200 pp;  
double-engine €6,600 + lux tax €200 pp.

# Dining experiences





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# RISTORANTE SANT'ANDREA



**B**eautifully located in an enchanting corner of the Bay of Mazzarò, with a spectacular view overlooking the water, Ristorante Sant'Andrea serves up the very best of land and sea. The selection of wines is excellent and varies from Sicilian labels to those from all over the world. The traditional Mediterranean menu champions regional dishes and the freshest seasonal, local product.

*Lunch: 13:00-15:00*  
*Dinner: 19:30-22:30*

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# BRIZZA



The scenario is that of the enchanting Bay of Mazzarò, with Its pebble beach and turquoise sea. A unique seafront experience for just 8 tables and a maximum of 16 people. The flavours of the sea are the real stars: from delicious sea urchins and sea snails to wild oysters, from Ganzirri clams to seaweed and sea anemones. A barefoot experience in the sand, lulled by waves and caressed by the sea breeze.

*From June to September.  
From Wednesday to Sunday from 20:00 to 22:30.*

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# BRACE



**F**ish, meat and vegetables from the Jospo grill are at the heart of this casual dining experience by the sea. Anticipate small bites, crustaceans accompanied by local sauces, fish and meat skewers, beef tagliata, panozzo and our creative allo spicchio topped with delicacies from the grill. Salumeria di mare, raw and cured fish and seafood, is the perfect aperitivo. This rare Sicilian speciality is typical of the east coast of the island, homeland of chef Agostino D'Angelo.

*From May to September.  
All-Day Dining 12:00 - 00:00*

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# OTTO GELENG \*



Our Michelin-starred Otto Geleng restaurant serves up an unparalleled experience in an elegant space that conjures up the ambience of a noble Sicilian home. Ignite your taste buds with imaginative Mediterranean cuisine inspired by Chef Roberto Toro's Sicilian roots. Just eight tables, seating 16 guests, are available for dinner on the bougainvillea-adorned terrace, which offers fabulous views over Taormina, the Bay of Naxos and Mount Etna.

*Open from mid-April.  
Open Wednesday-Sunday, 20:00-22:00*

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# RISTORANTE TIMEO



**B**oasting one of the world's most magical backdrops, a timeless panorama in which Mount Etna and Taormina Bay are the stars of the show, Restaurant Timeo matches its location with sublime Sicilian and Mediterranean specialities. The mouthwatering cuisine is complemented by an expert selection of regional wines.

*Lunch: 13:00-14:30*  
*Dinner: 19:30-22:30*



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# TYPICAL SICILIAN TRATTORIAS AND RESTAURANTS

## ROSMARINO

VIA BAGNOLI CROCI 88/B - T. +39 335 647 2883

Located just outside Taormina public gardens, this restaurant is within easy walking distance of the hotel and is known for its excellent fresh fish selection and vegetarian and vegan dishes.

*Closed on Thursday.*

## OSTERIA SANTA DOMENICA

VIA DI GIOVANNI 47 - T. +39 0942 28599

A small hostaria where you can sample a selection of Sicilian and Italian wines and combine them with an array of Sicilian delicacies. You will always find delicious recipes respectful of Sicilian tradition, with a touch of personal taste.

## MALVASIA

VIA APOLLO ARCAGETA 8 - T. +39 0942 625858

A family-run *trattoria* popular among locals. Expect authentic, wholesome, Sicilian fare.

## TISCHITOSCHI

VICO FRANCESCO PALADINI 3 - T. +39 339 364 2088

The owner of this intimate, family-run restaurant trained to be a jeweller, but food is an abiding passion and it shows in the Sicilian culinary gems, served in a casual, relaxed atmosphere.

*Closed on Monday.*

## CASA NICLODI

SALITA ALEXANDER HUMBOLDT 2A - T. +39 0942 628723

A cosy terrace with a genuine local ambience makes this family restaurant a great place to savour traditional dishes and pizza.

## LA TAVERNETTA

VIA TIMOLEONE 22 - T. +39 0942 57 44 05

Fish restaurant very renowned for its splendid location and for its peculiar, refined, genuine yet traditional cuisine. The most interesting feature of La Tavernetta is the ability to combine tradition and innovation by reinterpreting local recipes and products with a modern twist. The wine list offers about 130 labels of Sicilian wines.

*Closed on Tuesday.*

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### **DA GIOVANNI**

VIA NAZIONALE, 115 - TAORMINA - T. +39 0942 23 53 1

Just a few steps away from Villa Sant'Andrea, Da Giovanni is a typical Sicilian trattoria offering the authentic cuisine of a Sicilian mamma with a view over Isola Bella. Simplicity and authenticity are the two strengths of this restaurant.

### **PIZZICHELLA**

SPIAGGIA ISOLA BELLA - T. +39 0942 62 86 58

Overlooking one of the most evocative landscapes in the world, Taormina's Isola Bella, this restaurant offers a Mediterranean menu with full of aromas and flavours.

### **IL GABBIANO**

VIA NAZIONALE 115 - T. +39 0942625128

Il Gabbiano Ristorante Isola Bella, is a restaurant with a concept. Let you feel Sicily through revisited traditional recipes with the gorgeous view over the bay of Isola Bella. Our will is to make you understand Sicily not only through food but also in the mood.

### **TRATTORIA DA NINO**

VIA LUIGI PIRANDELLO 37 - T. +39 094221265

The restaurant offers many fish, meat and vegetable specialties with excellent service and an excellent wine list. A real family trattoria.

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# SICILIAN UPSCALE AND FINE DINING

## **ST GEORGE RESTAURANT BY HEINZ BECK\*\*\***

VIALE S. PANCRAZIO 46 - T. +39 0942 23537

This two-Michelin-starred restaurant bears the signature of world-famous chef, Heinz Beck. Relax in the elegant dining room or on the terrace overlooking the garden and enjoy tasting menus with wine pairings.

## **LA CAPINERA\* (TAORMINA MARE)**

VIA NAZIONALE 177 - T. +39 338 158 8013

A few minutes' drive from the hotel, this Michelin-starred restaurant offers an imaginative twist on traditional Sicilian favourites.

## **PRINCIPE CERAMI\***

PIAZZA SAN DOMENICO DE GUZMAN 5 - T. +39 0942 61 33 10

Here you can enjoy a culinary journey, curated by celebrity chef Massimo Mantarro. The Etna master presents the quintessence of Sicilian cuisine by showcasing local ingredients and traditions. Dine al fresco on the restaurant's spectacular terrace overlooking the bay of Taormina, or inside surrounded by the majesty and elegance of the main dining room.

## **ANDREAS RESTAURANT**

VIA BAGNOLI CROCI 88 - T. +39 0942 24 011

Here you can savour the heterogeneity of the flavors of the Sicilian land, the culture that resides in the cultivation of the products of this land, the hardness of the strong flavours of the largest island in Italy.

## **NUNZIATINA**

VIA ROMA 12 - T. +39 0942 57 31 05

A place in the heart of Taormina, inspired by the warmth and sound of the typical Sicilian house - sincere, welcoming and generous. A dining proposal based on sharing and the utmost attention to raw materials, within a space designed to stimulate unexpected and spontaneity encounters, embodying the open and inclusive soul of Taormina; a cuisine that highlights native ingredients, refined and enhanced to satisfy every palate.

## **RAYA**

PIAZZETTA PALADINI, PIAZZA S. DOMENICO  
DE GUZMAN 2 - T. +39 328 838 1871

A delightful garden setting in Taormina centre makes Raya an enchanting find for creative and refined regional classics. Traditional dishes revisited with high quality food and fresh ingredients, all inserted in a relaxing environment with a delightful outdoor terrace.

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### **ETHICA CHEF'S TABLE**

VIA COSTANTINO PATRICIO 16 - T +39 3290589640

Thica is an immersive casual fine dining.

The proposal is totally artisan and seasonal.

Food tells of a deep and personal relationship with the entire territory. A true experience for the taste buds!

### **VINERIA MODÌ**

VIA CALAPITRULLI 13 - T. +39 094223685

A culinary experience through combinations of flavors and textures. Innovation and Creativity accompanied by a cellar made up of excellent and exclusive labels.

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# PIZZERIAS

## **VILLA ZUCCARO**

PIAZZA CARMINE 5 - T. +39 0942 628018

Set overlooking Piazza Duomo, atop one of the main stairways of town, Villa Zuccaro offers an enticing selection of pizzas, salads and Sicilian *antipasti*.

*Closed on Thursday.*

## **PIZZERIA CASA CIAMPOLI**

SALITA CIAMPOLI, 7 - TAORMINA - T. +39 0942 55 66 29

Located right next to Palazzo Ciampoli, this traditional hosteria offers simple traditional dishes and delicious pizzas. Few ingredients but well dosed to create a pizza with honeycombs, light and unique in taste.

## **BELL'ASSAI**

VIA NAZIONALE, 113 - TAORMINA - T. +39 380 904 1422

The best pizza in the Bay of Mazzarò. Genuine products, a good selection of wines and beers and a unique atmosphere with an enviable view of the beautiful Isola Bella.



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# COCKTAIL BARS AND NIGHTLIFE

## **MORGANA BAR**

SCESA MORGANA 4 - T. +39 0942 620056

The club to choose for “Aperichic” and the most fashionable nightlife in Taormina. Excellent drinks menu and cocktail selection.

## **MÉDOUSA BISTROT**

VIA SESTO POMPEO 1 - T. +39 0942 388738

Hidden in one of the evocative town gardens, right by the ancient walls, this is the perfect place to sample Sicilian cocktails crafted by the bartenders to be enjoyed in the shade of the orange trees.

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# AROUND SICILY

## *NEARBY*

### **DA NINO**

VIA LUIGI RIZZO 29, LETOJANNI - T. +39 0942 36 147

### **GELSO NERO**

VIA PROVINCIALE, SAVOCA - T. +39 327 201 5466

## *CATANIA AND CYCLOPS RIVIERA*

### **OSTERIA ANTICA MARINA**

VIA PARDO 29. CATANIA - T. +39 095 34 81 97

### **RISTORANTE IL PORTICCIOLO**

LUNGOMARE MARIO MARTINEZ 10, CAPOMULINI -  
T. +39 095 877 666

## *BAROQUE TOWNS*

### **FRATELLI BURGIO**

PIAZZA CESARI BATTISTI 4, SIRACUSA - T. +39 0931 600 69

### **TRATTORIA FONTANA D'ERCOLE**

PIAZZA XVI MAGGIO 11, NOTO - T. +39 0931 83 7772

### **RISTORANTE DUOMO**

VIA CAPITANO BOCCHIERI 31, RAGUSA IBLA -  
T. +39 0932 65 12 65

## *PALERMO AND SURROUNDINGS*

### **CASA DEL BRODO DAL DOTTORE**

VIA VITTORIO EMANUELE 175, PALERMO -  
T. +39 091 32 16 55

### **RISTORANTE LE CALETTE**

VIA CAVALLARO 12, CEFALÙ - T. +39 0921 42 41 44

## *SOUTH SICILY*

### **AL FOGHER**

VIALE CONTE RUGGERO, ENNA - T. +39 0935 68 41 23

### **RISTORANTE VILLA ATHENA**

VIA PASSEGGIATA ARCHEOLOGICA 33, AGRIGENTO -  
T. +39 0922 59 62 88

### **RISTORANTE LA MADIA**

CORSO FILIPPO RE CAPRIATA 22, LICATA -  
T. +39 0922 77 14 43

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