

ITALY

THE AMALFI COAST



ANCIENT MARVELS & STUNNING VISTAS

EXPERIENCE ITALY'S SUBLIME HERITAGE AND ECLECTIC ATMOSPHERE



DAY ONE ROME

- **ROME** at 12:45 via LG 232
- **SAN CLEMENT** (short walk) a church with a layered underground complex. Experience different levels of Rome's past. Enter a 4th century church containing some of the world's finest medieval frescos. Lower is the Mithraic temple, and a building around whose foundations flow the lost waters of ancient Rome.
- **CASTEL SANT' ANGELO** (short walk) also known as the Mausoleum of Emperor Hadrian. Initially commissioned by the Roman Emperor Hadrian as a mausoleum for himself and his family, the popes later used the building as a fortress and castle and is now a museum. Once the tallest building in Rome.
- **Overnight in Rome**



DAY TWO ROME – NAPLES

- **THE COLLOSEUM** (short walk) without which no trip to Rome would be complete. One of the New Seven Wonders of the World, it is still the largest standing amphitheatre in the world despite being completed in 80 CE.
- **PALAZZO DORIA PAMPHILIJ** (40 mins drive away) hosts art by masters such as Raphael, Tiziano, Caravaggio, Brueghel the Elder, Velazquez and Bernini, all within the splendour of a decadent palace. The the palace itself is a work of art.
- **REGGIA DI CASERTA** (1 hour drive away) the former residence of the King of Naples and. In terms of volume, it is the world's largest palace and the absolute definition of majesty, inspired by the Palace of Versailles
- **NAPLES** (50 mins drive away) and **overnight at Hotel Piazza Bellini**



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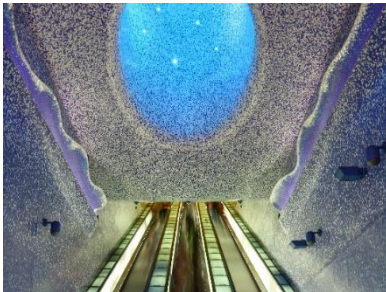


DAY THREE NAPLES – SORRENTO

→ **UNDERGROUND NAPLES** (short walk) a network of tunnels and passageways underneath the city streets. It has supported the ancient city for 5000 years and contains artefacts ranging from the remains of the ancient Greek-Roman aqueduct to the bomb shelters of World War Two, making it a literal journey back in time.



→ **MUSEO CAPPELLA SANSEVERO** (short walk) a 16th century chapel that holds some of the greatest sculptures on Earth, especially The **Veiled Christ**, a life-size marble statue that depicts Jesus under a transparent shroud carved from a single block of marble. The depiction of flowing cloth staggers one as they appreciate the mastery involved in its carving. It is one of three veiled statues, the other being **Il Disinganno** and **Pudicizia** all depicting flowing fabric with stone sculpture.



→ **QUARTIERI SPAGNOLI** (short walk) the Spanish Neighbourhood, a place of narrow alleys, clothes hanging in the sun, small taverns; elements that best represent the soul of Naples and Neapolitans. Stop at the **Stazione Della Metropolitana Dell'arte**, one of Naples' "Art Stations" containing pieces by renowned international artists and local architects, combining the everyday utility with modern art.



→ **CARACCIOLO E LUNGOMARE DI NAPOLI** (short walk) a promenade and boulevard. You will pass through areas such as **Santa Lucia**, where the church di Santa Lucia a Mare is located. In addition to the famous castle, which is perfect for an evening stroll, there is also the **Riviera di Chiaia** known for its shopping and nightlife.

→ **SORRENTO** (50 mins drive away) to enjoy dinner at a trattoria, a local restaurant.

→ **Overnight in Sorrento**

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DAY FOUR SORRENTO - POMPEII – SORRENTO

- **POMPEII** (25 mins drive away) the famous city buried in ash and volcanic debris after the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 CE. That which killed the residents of the city also kept it in a time capsule by preserving many of the buildings completely intact. Be transported back in time as you walk through Roman streets and ancient villas, public buildings, and plazas. Immerse yourself in ancient Roman culture. There is no better-preserved Roman town in the world. **Afterwards back to Sorrento for shopping, dinner and a stay overnight.**



DAY FIVE SORRENTO

- **PIAZZA TASSO** (short walk) filled with beautiful, colourful shops, multiple restaurants, bars & pubs where you will view numerous sites like the **lanes of the historic centre**, one of the oldest streets in town and once a gathering place for high society. Eat at **La Villa**, a coffee bar overlooking the Bay of Naples.
- **CLOISTER OF SAN FRANCESCO** (short walk) with its evocative fourteenth-century architecture.
- **CORSO ITALIA** (short walk) the main street. Encounter **Il Vallone del Mulini**, considered one of the most enchanting views of the Sorrento Peninsula and known for its variety and unique plants.
- **CATTEDRALE DI SORRENTO** (short walk) with its ornate interior and over 1000 years of history and visit **Sedile Dominova**, the historic centre of Sorrento.
- **SHOPPING** with **Salvatore Ferragamo, Gucci and Louis Vuitton** and other boutiques at home in Italy. The country is the source of many of the world's most famous and exclusive brands, with excellent prices and unmatched quality.
- **MARINE GRANDE** (short walk) for a seafood dinner on the water's edge



- **Stay overnight in Sorrento.**

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DAY SIX **SORRENTO- CAPRI - SORRENTO**

- **CAPRI** (20 mins hydrofoil) visit the luxurious island. Savor the island's many beauties spread out under the warm Mediterranean sun and enveloped in the lush island countryside.
- **MARINA PICCOLA** (short walk) is a resort town known for its lively and sheltered namesake beach along the Tyrrhenian Sea. Views of the **Faraglioni rock formations** can be seen from busy restaurant terraces, while quaint **Via Krupp** leads to the botanical **Gardens of Augustus**.
- **VILLA SAN MICHELE** (short walk) one of the best small luxury hotels in Florence. With a facade attributed to Michelangelo, it's a true Renaissance work of art.
- **GARDEN OF AUGUSTUS** (short walk) renowned for being a natural paradise with jaw-dropping panoramic views. Comprised of a series of panoramic flower-decked terraces overlooking the Faraglioni on the one side and the Bay of Marina Piccola and Via Krupp on the other.
- **ANACAPRI** (private boat ride 15 mins) to visit the, **Grotta Azzurra**. Capri's most famous sea cave is known throughout the world for the intense azure blue of its waters.
- **CAPRI PIER and boat to Sorrento and stay overnight in Sorrento**





DAY SEVEN SORRENTO - RAVELLO

→ **POSITANO** Drive along the Amalfi Coast enroute visit Positano and Amalfi and enjoy the promenade and stunning views along the drive.

→ **REVELLO** (one hour drive away)

→ **CENTRO STORICO RAVELLO** (short walk) with important landmarks and colourful flowers, it is not as busy or packed with tourists as Amalfi or Positano though it still contains many cafes and restaurants, shops selling souvenirs and exquisite views

→ **DUOMO DI RAVELLO** (short walk) the cathedral faces the main square is the spiritual and social center of Ravello. Built in the 11th century with support from the Rufolo family, the Duomo is a beautiful combination of Baroque and Romanesque styles with a shining white façade.

→ **VILLA RUFOLO** (short walk) Built by a wealthy merchant family in the 13th century, the villa has a rich and storied past. Boccaccio, one of the earliest authors of the Italian renaissance, wrote a story about the villa and its owner. Explore the Villa and learn about the history of the Amalfi Coast.

→ **Overnight in Ravello**

DAY EIGHT RAVELLO- ROME

1. **ROME** (3.5 hour drive away) Return to Rome to prepare for your onward journey.

