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JEWELS OF THE
AMALFI COAST



Jewels of the Amalfi Coast Tour Summary

The spell-binding atmosphere of the Amalfi Coast towns will conquer your senses on this Amalfi Coast tour. Explore the hidden **piazze** lined with cafes and shops in the maze of steep stairs and alleyways. The colorful **bougainvillea**, fragrant lemon groves, and grapevines will provide endless delight to any photography lover and artist. A **private boat** will take you on a leisurely ride to **Capri**, stopping for a refreshing swim at various coves and hidden grottos.

Visit a boutique family-owned **winery** at the foothills of the **Vesuvius**, where vines reach for nutrients and minerals in the depths of thousand-year-old lava. Shop the narrow, colorful streets of **Sorrento**, where you will find an extraordinary view of the entire Gulf of Naples. Then witness the drama of ancient history in **Pompeii**, the Roman city buried by volcanic ash for centuries after the devastating eruption of 79 A.D. Discover how local products are made during your visit to an organic **Mozzarella di Bufala** cheese farm and **Limoncello** factory. Find your culinary inspiration with a **cooking class** by local Italian Mamma's, as you soak up the atmosphere of this vibrant Mediterranean coast.



11 days / 10 nights



Maximum of 12 travelers



Fully escorted with full-time tour leader

Start: Rome

Finish: Rome

Stay: 2 nights Rome, + 8 nights Amalfi Coast

Tour Itinerary - Jewels of the Amalfi Coast

Day 1 | Friday

Arrival in Rome after a long flight overseas, make sure to get some rest in the “Eternal City” so you can start the trip of a lifetime with plenty of energy! Stay in a luxury boutique 4-star hotel, located steps away from major sites and great dining. First night stay in Rome.

No meals included.

Day 2 | Saturday

After breakfast, we'll take a panoramic tour of some of the stunning sites of the Roman Empire and some of its most famous landmarks with our expert Rome City Guide and private driver. See the famous **Spanish Steps**, the **Trevi Fountain**, the **Pantheon** (with internal visit), and **Piazza Navona**, among many others. After a delicious lunch in a Roman trattoria, we'll make our way to the Amalfi Coast. After check-in, you'll have time to relax and unpack.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 3 | Sunday

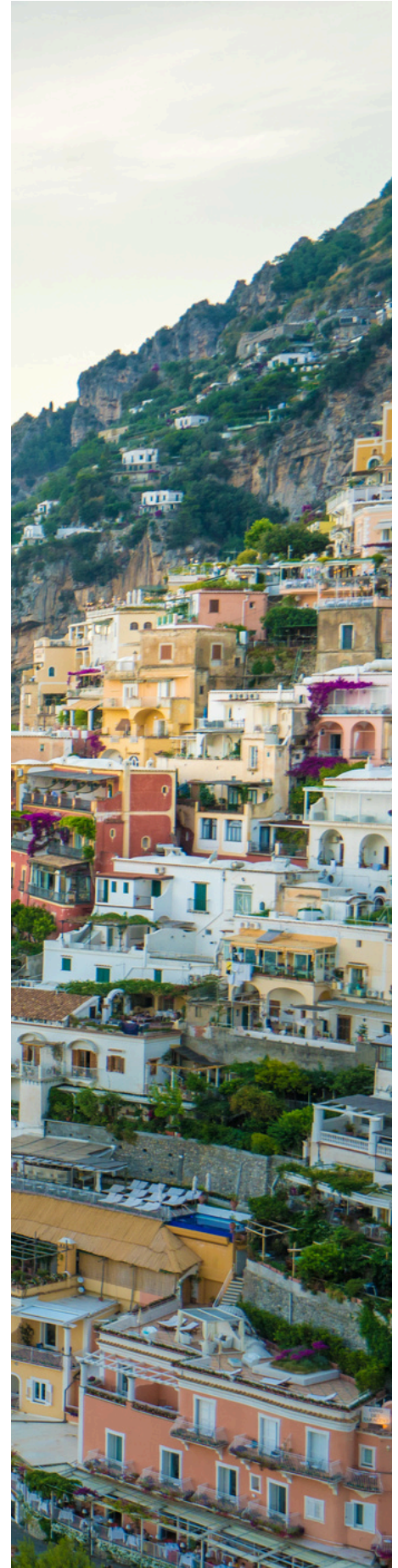
Today we visit the awe-inspiring coastal villages along the ‘Costiera’, including **Amalfi**, with its spectacular byzantine-style Cathedral, lovely shops, and characteristic piazza. We continue to **Ravello** for a group lunch in one of the most scenic and restaurants of the area. Enjoy some free time to explore the sumptuous villas clinging to the mountainside surrounded by fragrant lemon orchards or shop for the wonderful bright hand-painted pottery items. Visit the ruins of the 11th-century Moorish **Villa Rufolo** or walk up to the magical gardens of **Villa Cimbrone**, where flowers and luscious landscaping greet you at every corner. Enjoy a delicious dinner in a family owned trattoria with traditional local dishes!

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 4 | Monday

Enjoy half a day to relax and explore ~ it's a vacation after all! In the early afternoon we will leave for the bustling town of **Sorrento**, where you will be able to enjoy some free time to explore Sorrento's lovely shops, boutiques, and explore the local artisans, especially known for hand-engraved wooden boxes. We then meet again at mid-afternoon and we'll head up to the mountains to a **family farm** where you'll learn to cook some regional specialties, taste some home-made limoncello, and of course enjoy them for dinner!! A truly enchanting place.

Meals included: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 5 | Tuesday

Today we're off to one of the pearls of the Mediterranean: the **Island of Capri**. At your leisure, take a picturesque walk to the top of the island visiting the ancient remains of Roman Emperor Tiberius's **Villa Jovis**, passing by fragrant groves of chestnut, pine, lemon, and olive trees, and rose gardens spilling over elegant villa walls. Or, take a quick ride up to the old town of **Anacapri**, a less-touristy part of the island. The group gathers at the dock to continue a memorable **boat tour around the island**. We will also be able to take a swim in a quiet bay, away from crowds, with a refreshing glass of Prosecco. Group dinner on your way back to Positano.

Meals included: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 6 | Wednesday

Today we're off to the surroundings of the town of **Battipaglia**, south of the Amalfi Coast, known for the production of the world's best gourmet **Mozzarella di Bufala** (made from water buffalo milk). We'll visit a local organic farm where you can see how this tasty cheese is made and enjoy a delicious lunch with the farm's specialties. We will then take a trip back in time, visiting the **Greek temples of Paestum**. These amazing structures are the standing remains of three major temples in Doric style, dating from the first half of the 6th century BC, a huge testimony of the Greek colonies in this area. These were dedicated to Hera, Apollo, and Athena. On our way back we'll stop for a group dinner in a Pizzeria serving the region's best piping-hot classic Neapolitan pizza.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner

Day 7 | Thursday

Free day to relax by the beach, explore the gorgeous boutiques and jewelry stores, shop for the brightly hand-painted vases and table tops, go for a hike up in the mountains on the various trails, or get a spa treatment. Then, float back down to earth and meet up for another scrumptious dinner with the group!

Meals included: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 8 | Friday

Today we're heading towards the infamous volcano whose eruption buried almost 2,000 people: **Mt Vesuvius**. Its unforgiving explosion, however, left behind a rich soil full of minerals where tenacious vines produce a light and floral wine. We'll learn more about it during a private visit to a local **family owned winery**, where the friendly owners will tell us about the wine production and walk us through the vineyards. Group lunch and wine tasting featuring homemade local specialties. We continue our journey to the nearby town of **Pompeii**. Our expert local City Guide will walk us through the amazing ruins, telling us about what Roman lifestyle was about, visiting villas with wonderful frescoes, mosaics, and gardens, before the tremendous eruption of 79 A.D. Dinner on your own.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 9 | Saturday

Aaaah.... take it easy today with an incredibly scenic and soothing **boat ride** along the coast, visiting hidden alcoves with deep blue waters. De-stress with a refreshing swim near a quiet bay. Group lunch along the way in a **hidden restaurant** that can only be reached by sea. We'll pass the coastal towns of Praiano, the fiord of Furore, Sofia Loren's villa at Conca dei Marini, Atrani, and Amalfi. Towels, refreshments, and water provided. Dinner on your own.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 10 | Sunday

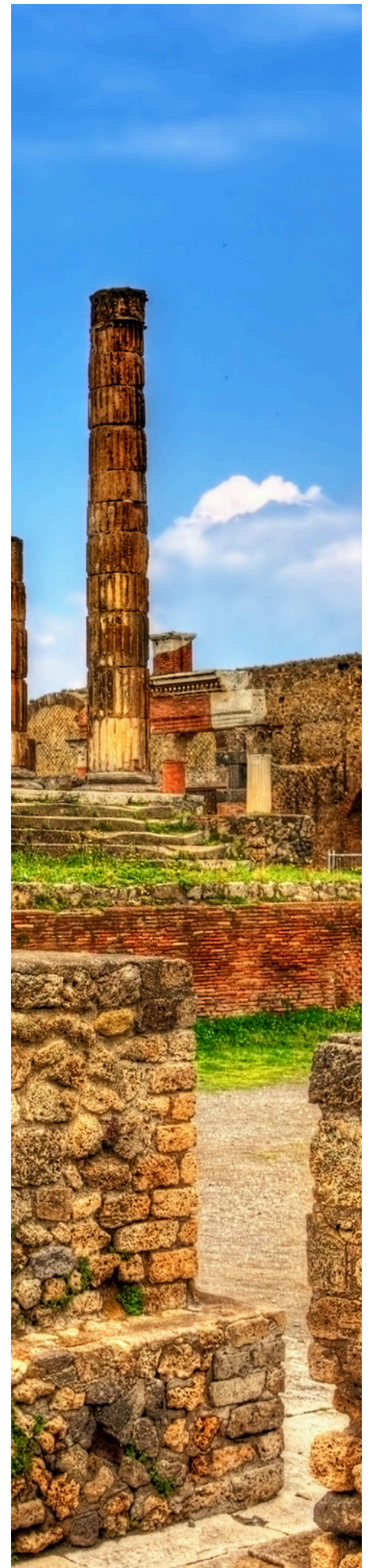
After check-out, we'll begin our drive back towards Rome. Group lunch along the way in a local family-owned trattoria. Check-in Rome hotel for final night stay. Enjoy your final day at your leisure in this spectacular city, where discovery never ends.

Meals included: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 11 | Monday

Check-out from the hotel and ... Arrivederci! As hard as it may be to leave these beautiful sites, we hope to see you again very soon in incredible Italy!

Meals included: Breakfast



What's included ?

Small group travel: maximum of 12 travelers per group!

Fully escorted day trips with a full-time English-speaking Tour Leader and professional private drivers.

Meals included: all *breakfasts*, some *lunches* and *dinners* (included meals are shown at bottom of each day's itinerary.)

Beverages included: bottled water, soft drinks, coffee, and 2 glasses of wine per meal (choice of red or white wine)

Private Walking Tours by licensed English-speaking City Guides, including PRIORITY entrance & tickets to attractions.

Private Transportation for day trips and transfers in comfortable air-conditioned Mercedes Executive vans (does not include: transfer from and to the airport, airfare, or any other personal travel expenses).

A+ Rated Customer Service with Nada's Italy you can rest assured that your travel experience will be completely stress-free. Your personal Journey Coordinator will assist you with any additional services you may need, provide expert packing and travel advice, and answer any questions you may have before your trip.

Return Traveler Program: receive up to \$800 credit per person towards any future trips you take with Nada's Italy!

No bag limit (many tour companies have a 1-bag limit per person).

Taxes & Fees: Local VAT taxes and government fees, City Tax, gas, highway tolls, city access licenses and permits, parking fees.

Staff & restaurant tips (additional gratuities can be given at the sole discretion of each traveler).

Important information

- Some tours start and end in different cities, make sure to book your flights accordingly.
- Reminders, hotel information, and arrival instructions will be sent only by email, please make sure we have your current email address.
- You must be in good physical condition to sign-up for this trip! There will be extended standing and walking over uneven pavement. An average walking tour is about 2-3 hours without sitting.
- We strongly recommend that you purchase Travel Insurance for your trip. For suggestions on policies and a quote, please contact us.
- You should know that air conditioning in Italy, as well as WIFI connection, are not always as reliable as they are in the United States.
- The hotel staff assigns rooms to guests, some rooms may include stairs. A view is not guaranteed. As we work mainly with small upscale boutique hotels, rooms can differ in size and layout. Please contact us if you have specific requests/needs.
- Even though tips to staff and restaurants are included, it is suggested that you put aside approximately \$100 in combined gratuities for your driver & Tour Director for your trip.
- It is your responsibility to obtain the required documents to travel to Italy. Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months after your return date.
- In the unlikely event your tour does not reach the minimum participation requirement of 6 travelers, we will work with you to choose another available tour or tour date. We will do our best to make the transition as smooth as possible.
- Please note: while we do our best to adhere to our published itineraries, they may be changed at the discretion of the Tour Leader due to weather conditions and other unforeseeable circumstances.
- Unless stated otherwise, all rates are per person, based on double occupancy, land only, in USD, and subject to availability. Rates may vary by departure date and are subject to change without notice.