

# PERSONALLY CURATED WINE & FOOD JOURNEYS





# DISCOVER SICILY'S WINE REGIONS 10 DAYS



Exquisite tastings hosted by a Master of Wine, designed for wine and food lovers. A warm welcome awaits you on the island of Sicily, the pearl of the Mediterranean.

- Experienced Sicilian wine region tour host
- Immerse yourself in the delights of Sicilian history, architecture and culture
- Enjoy exclusive introduction-only visits to cantinas
- Taste the very best of seasonal produce, regional cooking styles and indigenous wine varietals
- Stay in luxurious old world hotels, all centrally located in the cities we visit
- Climb Europe's highest active volcano
- Discover Taormina, Ragusa, Siracusa, Marsala and Trapani
- Take spectacular views of the sea, discover 12 centuries of colonisation, including baroque architecture
- Experience the modern wines of Benanti, COS, Tasca D'Almerita and Planeta





#### **DAY 1 Taormina**

Depart Catania north to the medieval town of Taormina, overlooking sweeping turquoise bays with views of Mount Etna, Europe's highest active volcano. We dine at a local trattoria to feast on sumptuous seafood.

#### **DAY 2 Taormina**

Depart Taormina for a tour, tasting and light lunch at a winery on the northern slopes of Mt Etna which is champion of nerello mascalese. In the afternoon, we head up to Mount Etna National Park to the viewing and ski lift.

#### **DAY 3 Taormina**

Explore Taormina: Greek theatre from 300 BC, located high above a cliff overlooking the sea and Mount Etna; meander down narrow medieval streets, explore the Greek sector in Giordini-Naxos. Lunch at local seafood restaurant by the water.

# **DAY 4 Ragusa**

Depart Taormina and stop at a famous family-owned winery to taste our last Etna wines and a light lunch. Travel to the south-east for a wine tasting near Vittoria, a picturesque wine-producing community between the Iblei Mountains and the Mediterranean sea. Arrive Ragusa.

#### **DAY 5 Siracusa**

Spend the morning exploring the old baroque town of Ragusa Ibla before lunch at a fabulous rated restaurant and afterwards visit a Noto winery. Arrive Siracusa.

#### **DAY 6 Siracusa**

Explore Siracusa and its surrounds: the ruins of Tempio di Apollo, catacombs at Basilica di San Giovanni, the island of Ortigia, shops and boutiques. Meet for a Vittoria IGT wine tasting and local-style seafood dinner.

# **Day 7 Trapani**

Depart Siracusa for western Sicily, stopping for lunch at a starred restaurant in the seaside town of Terrasini and afterwards travel to Marsala for a tasting of the wines of western Sicily and Pantalleria. Arrive Trapani.

# **Day 8 Trapani**

We depart for inland Sicily to visit a Palermo winery. Take a hosted lunch featuring locovore style-Sicilian delights—the lamb, cheese, caponata, vegetables, ricotta, tomato sauce and extra virgin olive oil.

# **Day 9 Trapani**

Leave Trapani for a wine tasting and lunch. Indulge in tastings and pairings with traditional homemade dishes such as baccala followed by fruit salad cannoli Siciliani. Return via Segesta archaeological site, which has one of the best preserved Greek temples in the world.

# Day 10 Trapani

Explore Trapani and surrounds: palaces, churches and medieval fortifications. Farewell dinner at a local osteria.

