



Amalfi Coast Tour – ITALY 2014 – March 20-29 ***A Cultural & Gastronomic Experience!***

Trip Highlights

Boutique tour – leisurely paced – small group limited to 18 travelers – experience the best of Italy’s Amalfi Coast stress free – leave the details to us and enjoy the ride!

This trip includes:

- 9-night stay in a villa in Sorrento (unpack just once!), daily buffet breakfasts
- Day trips to Sorrento, Capri & Ischia islands, Ravello, Amalfi, Positano, Naples, Pompeii, Paestum and all related expenses: guided walking tours, admission, transport
- Gastro Tastings & Tours, hands-on cooking and limoncello classes, delicious group meals featuring regional specialties traditionally prepared using local food sources.
- Comfort – convenience – flexibility – plenty of free time
- Informal conversational Italian instruction
- Private transportation to and from the villa for daily excursions
- Regular shuttle service to/from the Vila and downtown Sorrento
- Transfers to/from Naples Airport or Central Train Station to/from Villa in Sorrento.
- Room Amenities: private bath, heating/AC, internet connection, a safe, hair dryer, mini fridge, water boiler, coffee maker, cups, glasses, etc. (Laundry service available at additional cost.)



match you with a roommate.

Not included:

- Airfare
- Gratuities for tour guides, drivers, and restaurants
- Some meals (See tour itinerary)

COST: 10 days/9 nights – March 20-29, 2014 – \$2895 / € 2142 per person (double occupancy) | *Single-Room Occupancy Supplement: \$ 550 / € 407, as available.* Don't have a travel partner? Let us know – we may be able to

Full Trip Description

If you're someone who likes a more leisurely approach to travel – the chance to really get a feel for the place you're staying and savor the best it has to offer – the people, the culture, the land, the food and the wine – this is a trip for you!

This boutique tour offers a more intimate and immersive way to travel. Join a small group of fellow Italy enthusiasts and tour the Amalfi Coast, one of Italy's southern jewels. Comfort, ease and convenience: Forget your cares at home, and leave the details to us. Unpack only once in our home away from home at the Villa Pane, nestled picturesquely on a hillside in Sorrento just kilometers from the historic downtown city center.



This is a worry-free vacation with flexibility built in – you'll have plenty of personal time for exploring the places we visit, shopping, eating, strolling through Sorrento, and having another gelato or espresso – against the backdrop of Mt. Vesuvius, the Gulf of Napoli, lemon groves, and bougainvillea.

Convenient day trips will feature private transportation to and from the villa. Expert English-speaking, local tour guides will bring history and culture to life as we explore the Amalfi Coast's picturesque towns, islands and cultural attractions. You'll be traveling with your own bilingual tour host and private language teacher, and the tour includes informal Italian language instruction to help you enjoy your stay even more. Add mouth-watering factory tours and tastings; cooking classes; delicious meals featuring regional cuisine and local, in-season food; and you have memories to last a lifetime.

- TRAVEL ITINERARY -

Day 1 – Thursday, March 20

Arrive at Villa Pane, check-in, unpack, and get settled into your home for the next 10 days

in Italy! Stroll the beautiful grounds and relax. Shuttles available to/from downtown Sorrento. Welcome dinner in the evening: orientation, and meet your fellow travelers. Meals: D

Day 2 – Friday, March 21



Our first full day begins with a walking tour of beautiful Sorrento led by a local guide (all guided tours are in English). This tour is both practical and cultural – perfect for getting you oriented to your new ‘stomping grounds’. Next we’ll tour a Limoncello Factory. We’ll learn about the commercial production, marketing, and exporting of Sorrento’s signature yellow liqueur, and of course we’ll be tasting . . . limoncello, lemon jam, and baba` (a type of sponge cake made with limoncello or rum). Then we’ll hop a train for a brief jaunt to a cheese factory in the hills just outside town for a tour, tasting and light lunch. The rest of the day is yours to do whatever you please. Dinner on your own, at your leisure. Meals: B-L

Day 3 – Saturday, March 22

Today we’ll take the famous cliff-hugging Amalfi Coast Drive for a breathtaking cruise to explore the scenic coastal towns. Guided tours (plus free time) of Ravello (including visits to the beautiful grounds of Villa Rufolo and Villa Ravello), Amalfi (visit its striking byzantine-style Cathedral and the Amalfi paper museum) and Positano, built into the side of a cliff, where steep steps replace streets. Lunch on your own in Amalfi. Group dinner in the evening in downtown Sorrento. Meals: B-D

Day 4 – Sunday, March 23

We’ll head by hydrofoil to the enchanting Island of Capri for the day. Guided tour, lunch and free time to explore. Return to the Villa. Special evening meal-event: Castagnata (a chestnut-themed evening) – a fun and relaxing group evening in the Villa living room playing cards, sipping wine and limoncello, enjoying the fireplace, Neapolitan music, staff dressed in regional attire and an informal dinner of local sandwich and ‘finger food’ specialties and chestnuts (castagne) prepared in a variety of tasty ways. Sure to be an unforgettable evening! Meals: B-D



Day 5 – Monday, March 24

Guided excursion to the archeological zone of Paestum, one of the best collections of Greek temples anywhere, dating back to the 6th century B.C. On the way home we’ll stop by for a tour and tasting/light lunch at a buffalo mozzarella factory. Evening cooking class, limoncello-making demonstration and dinner at Villa Pane. Meals: B-L-D

Day 6 – Tuesday, March 25

Free Day. This is your day to do whatever you like! Optional activities at your leisure/on



request include: local open-air street market, hiking, cooking classes, coffee factory tour, excursion to Mt. Vesuvius. Meals: B

Day 7 – Wednesday, March 26. . . . In Napoli where love is king . . . A trip to this part of Italy wouldn't be complete without a jaunt to the colorful birthplace of pizza. Our expert guide, also a teacher of anthropology and mafia history, will show us around. We'll discover the traditions and culture of Naples, visit the Archeological Museum, and of course we'll have lunch at a pizzeria! Return to Sorrento. Group dinner in downtown Sorrento. Meals: B-D

Day 8 – Thursday, March 27

Day trip to the charming and uncontaminated island of Ischia! A guided tour in the morning followed by lunch and then a visit to La Mortella gardens, or optionally, a visit to the spa and hot springs (not included). Back to the Villa for a group dinner followed by tasting of the limoncello made during our cooking class on Day 5. Meals: B-D

Day 9 – Friday, March 28

Excursion to Pompeii, the ancient Roman city destroyed and preserved by 30 feet of ash spewed from an erupting Mt. Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Free afternoon in Sorrento or at the villa. Option: Stop off for lunch on the way back in the town of Vico Equense at Pizza a Metro (Pizza by the Meter). Farewell dinner in downtown Sorrento. Meals: B-D

Day 10 – Saturday, March 29

Arrivederci! Final breakfast and departures.
Transportation to/from Naples airport or Naples Central Station included in tour.

For even more trip information, visit our website: www.ItalianoWithJodina.com or email info@ItalianoWithJodna.com or call (760) 201-7594

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I love this trip! How do I sign up?

- **Trip cost \$2,895 per person.** (Double occupancy; single supplement: \$550 / €407)
- **Deposit to hold spot: \$800, due by Jan 15, 2014**
- **Payment options: credit card (on-or offline), PayPal, check** (Links on site to pay online) - **Pay by check and SAVE \$85.00!**
- **Balance due: => Feb 15, 2014 <=**
- **NOTE:**
 - Tour size limited to 18 or fewer travelers
 - Availability is on a first-come-first-served basis.
 - **To hold your spot** : Send in your deposit & completed Tour Enrollment Form
 - The **Form** is available at www.ItalianoWithJodina.com (click on the **Amalfi 14** Tab/dropdown menu) and by email or regular mail, on request.