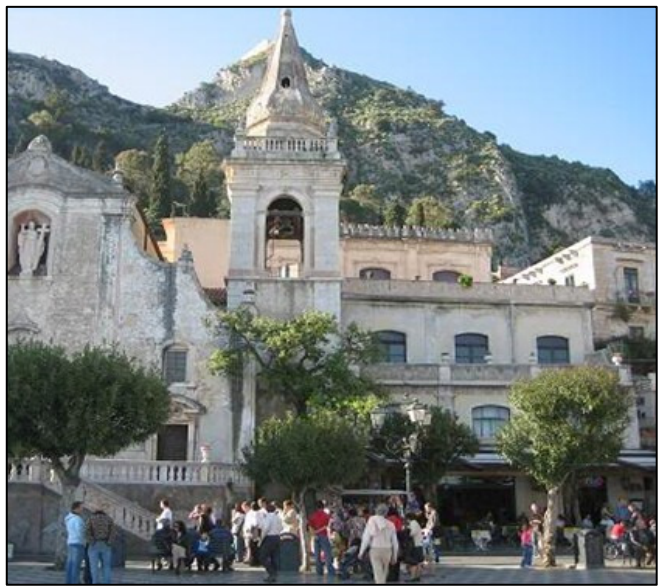


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OUR 9-DAY/7-NIGHT DELICIOUS GRAND TOUR OF SICILY ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~PALERMO: Depart Boston's Logan Airport our transatlantic flight to Palermo (*via intermediate city*) with full meal and beverage service, and stereo headsets, while in flight.

DAY 2 – PALERMO: Upon arrival in Palermo, we will meet our Tour Guide, who will help us transfer to the Hotel Astoria Palace (or similar). We will have time to freshen up before a welcome drink and dinner at the hotel this evening. Overnight. (D) Hotel Website - <http://www.ghshotels.it/astoria/>

DAY 3 – PALERMO~MONREALE: After breakfast, we will tour the capital of Sicily – Palermo! We will visit both the most sacred and the most profane of the Arab, Norman, and Svevo periods. We will visit the Norman Cathedral, the Norman Palace (today home of the Parliament), the Cappella Palatina, and San Rosario. We will visit the Cathedral of Monreale, site of the Capital of the Monasteries, followed by a walk to the Piazza Politeama in the heart of the city. Lunch is in a typical Palermitan restaurant. Late in the afternoon, we will return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 4 – ERICE~MARSALA~AGRIGENTO: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will enjoy a taste of the typical marzipan pastries in Erice. Our lunch is at a local restaurant, followed by a wine-tasting in a canteen in Marsala. Our last stop is in Agrigento for hotel check-in, dinner, and overnight at the Grand Hotel Mose (or similar). (B, L, D) Hotel Website: www.iashotels.com

DAY 5 – AGRIGENTO AREA: After breakfast and hotel check-out, our full-day excursion takes us to the impressive Agrigento area. Agrigento is a large town in Sicily near the Greek temples' archaeological park and the sea. It is home to the Valle dei Templi (Valley of the Temples), one of Sicily's must-see sites. The Temple of Concord, beautifully perched on a ridge, can be seen as you approach the area. The town itself has an interesting historic center. We move on to a delicious lunch in a restaurant and visit to Piazza Armeina, followed by checking into Hotel Ariston (or similar) in Taormina. Dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 – TAORMINA: After breakfast, a local expert guide will conduct a half-day sightseeing tour of Taormina, including visits to all of the major attractions (such as the world famous Greek and Roman theater) and give us a complete orientation of the city, with a tasting of typical Sicilian arancini. We will have free time for independent sightseeing, shopping or a visit to the beautiful local beaches in the Taormina area after lunch at our hotel! Dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 – CATANIA~ MOUNT ETNA: After breakfast, we will travel to Catania, at the southern foot of Mount Etna. We will have a panoramic tour of this wonderful city known for its straight streets and attractive buildings that date from the reconstruction after the eruption of 1693. We will visit the Duomo (site of the Chapel of Saint Agatha) and the open-air market. We enjoy a wine-tasting with lunch here today. In the afternoon, we will travel through the many varied vegetable and fruit areas on the slopes of Mount Etna. Arriving at an altitude of 2,500 feet, we will be above the tree line and will have a perfect view of the three Silvestri Craters and the River of Lava (a remnant of the 1983-1985 eruption). Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 8 – SIRACUSA: After breakfast, we will take a full-day tour of the Siracusa Geological Zone where we will visit the Greek Theater, the Roman Amphitheater, the Altar of Gerone, the Cave of Cordari, and the Ear of Dionysius. Continuing on to the Medieval City, we will see the beautiful architecture of the Baroque Period, constructed at a time of much wealth and prosperity. We will have pizza in Siracusa for lunch. We will also stop and visit The Cathedral. Return to Taormina for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 9- TAORMINA~CATANIA~INTERMEDIATE CITY~BOSTON: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will transfer to the Catania Airport to board our return flight to Boston (*via intermediate city*). Full meal and beverage service is available while aloft. (B)

OUR 9-DAY/7-NIGHT TOUR OF SICILY INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ❖ Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 paying passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35.
- ❖ Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative.
- ❖ Round-trip flights Boston-intermediate city-Palermo and Catania-intermediate city-Boston with full meal and beverage service aloft.
- ❖ 7-nights' accommodations at the hotels described in the itinerary, based on twin occupancy. The single supplement is an additional \$TBA per single. *Limited availability - may be unavailable or subject to surcharge.* Triples are available at the twin rate.
- ❖ Comprehensive sightseeing package as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees where applicable.
- ❖ Expert English-speaking guides, as required, and professional Tour Escort, who will accompany our group throughout the tour.
- ❖ All transfers and sightseeing aboard our private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach.
- ❖ Porterage of luggage at the hotels.
- ❖ All meal and room taxes (for included meals), and gratuities to bellmen.
- ❖ Breakfast (B) each morning, 6 lunches and dinner (D) each evening.
- ❖ Welcome Cocktail our first night in Palermo.
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