

The Charm of the Amalfi Coast

Inspiring Moments

- ► Cruise along the splendid **Amalfi Coast,** where colorful homes cling to rugged hills.
- Relax amid lemon-scented breezes in beautiful, cliffside Sorrento.
- ► Uncover remarkable history at **Pompeii** and **Herculaneum**, plus enjoy a visit to the Naples Archaeological Museum.
- Visit a farm for a tour and tasting of locally made olive oils and cheeses.
- ➤ Witness three of the world's best-preserved Greek temples at **Paestum.**
- ▶ Delight in **sensational cuisine**, including the local favorite, pizza *Napoletana*.
- ▶ Experience four UNESCO World Heritage sites.

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Sorrento

Surrender to the sapphire beauty and enchanting atmosphere of the Amalfi Coast, where the air is fragrant with lemon zest and sweet ocean breezes. Stay in the bewitching town of Vietri sul Mare and spend sun-drenched days discovering the region's incredibly colorful palette. Encounter the whispering relics of ancient cities, listen to the sea splashing along soft shores and visit illustrious landmarks steeped in history. Embrace the incredible ambience sweeping from Amalfi to dynamic Naples to storybook Sorrento, and indulge in the authentic local flavors and unforgettable experiences awaiting you.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Naples, Italy.

Day 2 | Naples, Italy | Vietri sul Mare

Arrive in Naples, transfer **3** to Vietri sul Mare and check in to the Hotel Raito.

Meet your fellow travelers at tonight's Welcome Reception and Dinner.

Day 3 | Ravello | Amalfi | Positano

The Amalfi Coast. Experience the UNESCO-listed Amalfi Coast. The Italians nicknamed this shoreline "The Divine Coast" because of its scenic grandeur, amazing vertical landscape and varied architecture. Begin in Ravello, perched high on a rocky spur overlooking the sea. Ravello has intrigued and inspired writers, actors, musicians and composers alike. Visit the 13th-century Villa Rufolo, featuring a square courtyard, Arab-Norman style towers, Oriental arcades and magnificent gardens. Continue to Amalfi town and take a short orientation tour to see the piazza and Cattedrale di Sant' Andrea. Next, board a boat for a ride to Positano. During your cruise, notice the charming villages and pastel-colored villas clinging to the cliffs. Arrive in Positano where gardens climb hillsides and dramatic terraces are draped with pink bougainvillea.

Return to Vietri sul Mare and gather for a delicious dinner of regional cuisine.

Day 4 | Paestum

Paestum. Explore these ancient grounds, a UNESCO World Heritage site. This Greco-Roman city was overgrown by vegetation and forgotten for 1,000 years. Marvel at the features of the spectacular site, including defensive walls, the remains of three Doric-style temples and a host of ruins.

AHI Connects: Meet the People. Following a tasty lunch of local dishes, meet some residents of Paestum. Enjoy an engaging dialogue as they



discuss their lifestyles and experiences in Italy.

Enrichment: The Wonders of Naples' National Museum. Learn about this renowned museum and its fascinating collections of art and riveting artifacts.

Day 5 | Naples

Naples and the Museo Archeologico Nazionale.

Energetic Naples, the capital city of Campania, welcomes visitors with a vivacious spirit. Gain insight into the ancient world at the Museo Archeologico Nazionale. The museum's galleries boast one of the largest collections of Greco-Roman artifacts in the world. Continue on a panoramic tour of Naples, taking in sprawling views of the city and the Bay of Naples from atop Posillipo Hill. Note the landmarks of Castel Nuovo, San Francesco di Paola, Teatro di San Carlo and Piazza del Plebiscito.

Indulge in authentic Neapolitan pizza for lunch. The savory flavors of this local specialty are unbeatable!

Day 6 | Vietri sul Mare

Free Time: Join the Elective Activity on the Isle of Capri or stay in Vietri sul Mare for a day at leisure.

The Isle of Capri. Travel by hydrofoil to the enchanting Isle of Capri, beloved by artists and writers through the centuries. Enjoy a private boat ride around the island, witnessing the Faraglioni rocks and pretty grottos. Back on land, stroll along Capri's scenic lanes, visit the Gardens of Augustus or snack on gelato and other delicious treats.

Enrichment: The Horror and Splendor of Mount Vesuvius. Learn about the tragic effects of the first-century eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

Day 7 | Herculaneum | Pompeii

Herculaneum and Pompeii. Spend the day exploring these captivating Roman cities. The small town of Herculaneum was preserved by mudflows while Pompeii was covered by ash. The preservation of the cities is unlike anything else in the world. Today, they are famous as an excavation site and outdoor museum



that reveal how the people of this ancient Roman settlement lived 2,000 years ago. From mosaics to furniture to frescoes, unearth a captivating history lesson as you tour the Forum, baths and houses.

Enrichment: Contemporary Italy. Discuss Italian society and the current situation in Italy.

Savor Italy's delectable dishes during dinner tonight.

Day 8 | Sorrento

Green Side of Sorrento. Travel inland where skilled agriculturists have a passion for their land. At a farm, tour groves of olive trees, learn how fresh-picked olives are ground into delicious olive oils and see how to make fior di latte, a semi-soft cheese. Sample this traditional treat and other local products.

Free Time: Spend the afternoon at leisure. Browse for souvenirs from the many boutiques and shops.

Raise a toast to your Italian adventure as you gather for a Farewell Reception and Dinner tonight.

Day 9 | In Transit

Transfer **3** to the airport in Naples for the return flight **4** to your gateway city.

Included Features

Accommodations {with baggage handling}

 7 nights in Vietri sul Mare, Italy at the first-class Hotel Raito.

Extensive Meal Program

- -7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic, local cuisine.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- -Small group: Sized just right at 28 guests.
- AHI Travel Assurance covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
- Engaging excursions showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- Electives and free time to pursue your individual interests.
- AHI Sustainability Promise: We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- AHI Connects: Local immersion.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking quide clearly.
- -Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



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Note: Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Walking is required on many excursions.

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