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## 12 Days Itinerary

# Italy - 12 days Italian Riviera, Florence, and Amalfi Coast

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| <b>Day 2</b> | Transfer · Airport to Hotel<br>Grand Hotel Portovenere (3 Nights)   |
| <b>Day 3</b> | WINE OF CINQUE TERRE Vineyard visit & tasting 10:00 AM (4hr)<br>Afternoon of Leisure to self explore Cinque Terre   |
| <b>Day 4</b> | Day of Leisure to Discover Portovenere  |
| <b>Day 5</b> | Private transfer to Florence with stop in Lucca en route 10:00 AM (6hr 30min)<br>Brunelleschi Hotel (3 Nights)<br>Florence Nightlife - Best Cocktail Bars & Clubs           |
| <b>Day 6</b> | Day at Leisure - Florence<br>Delicious Evening Food Tour With Wine Tasting 6:00 PM (3hr)  |
| <b>Day 7</b> | Tuscany on a Vespa chaffeured tour 9:00 AM (6hr)  |
| <b>Day 8</b> | Transfer · Hotel to Rail Station<br>Rail · High-speed train to Naples<br>Transfer · Private Transfer<br>NH Collection Grand Hotel Convento Amafi - Amalfi, Italy (4 Nights) |
| <b>Day 9</b> | Capri Private Boat Tour From Amalfi Coast 10:00 AM (7hr)  |

Day 10	Day at Leisure - Amalfi Coast
Day 11	Amalfi Coast Scenic Tour 10:00 AM (5hr)
Day 12	Transfer · Hotel to Airport

## Day 2



**Departure Location**  
Naples Airport

**Arrival Location**  
Amalfi Coast Hotel

### Notes

Private transfer with Mercedes E Class and English-speaking driver from Naples airport to NH Convento

Mercedes E class allows from 1 to 2 people with 2 suitcases “24”-“27” and 2 carry on “20 -22”.



3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

3 Nights

Duration

Find inspiration at Grand Hotel Portovenere. This converted 16th-century Franciscan monastery sits at the direct point where the UNESCO-designated Cinque Terre meets the celebrated Gulf of Poets. Simple, modern decor and a soft palette create a soothing ambience in the 47 rooms; the higher the floor, the better the pinch-me views over the sea and Palmaria Island. Soak it all in over Rossinis on the Venus Bar's veranda or contemporary regional fare in the restaurant. You can join the chef for a pesto-making class, visit oyster farms in La Spezia, or delve into the area's viticulture.

## Amenities

### Virtuoso Amenities

#### For 2022:

Upgrade on arrival, subject to availability

Complimentary Buffet Breakfast daily for two guests per bedroom

\$100USD equivalent Food & Beverage credit utilized during stay (not combinable, not valid on room rate, no cash value if not redeemed in full)

Early check-in/late check-out, subject to availability

Complimentary parking Complimentary Wi-Fi

## Room Selection

### Room Category

Double Executive with Sea View

## Cancellation Policy

Refundable. Cancellation deadline: 72 Hours prior to arrival.

## Day 3



### WINE OF CINQUE TERRE Vineyard visit & tasting

10:00 AM

Start Time

2:00 PM

End Time

4hr

Duration

A unique experience of Liguria's typicality: discover the dynamic vineyards of Azienda Agricola Possa, a farm in Riomaggiore, where you will meet Samuele Heydi Bonanini, artisan producer of natural wines and artist of heroic viticulture. Following the visit of the beautiful sea-view vineyard on the steep slope, the tour continues with a tasting of the renowned Sciacchetrà, the classic white wines from Cinque Terre, and also surprising reds and rosés.

Terraces perched above the sea like the ones set up for winemaking in Cinque Terre cannot be found anywhere else in the world. This territory is known for viticulture since Roman times. The vines' ancient history was put to the test during the 1900s due to calamities and the phenomenon of globalization. Nonetheless, the determination and passion of local microentrepreneurs has re-launched viticulture with full respect for nature and traditions.



## Afternoon of Leisure to self explore Cinque Terre

### Cinque Terre

**Riomaggiore:** The southernmost village of the Cinque Terre is ideal for adventure lovers, offering the opportunity to take guided tours diving in the clear waters of the Marine Reserve. Riomaggiore is also an excellent starting point for hiking trails along the Cinque Terre.

**Manarola:** Throughout the many terraces laced along the hillside, you can see a variety of olive groves and vineyards. Manarola has been considered an important center for the cultivation of these products since ancient times.

**Corniglia:** Corniglia sits on top of a hill about three hundred feet high and for this reason the only way to reach it is by the famous staircase called "Lardarina." Among the points of interest of this village are the parish of St. Peter and the Belvedere terrace of Santa Maria.

**Vernazza:** Often referred to as the most charming village of the Cinque Terre, Vernazza may be the smallest in size, but is overwhelming in its beauty. The Doria Castle is one of its most striking historical landmarks.

**Monterosso:** Perhaps the most famous among the Cinque Terre, Monterosso is certainly the most suitable for beach lovers. It also has several places of historical and cultural interest, such as the statue of the Giant and the Church Saint John the Baptist.

## Day 4



### Day of Leisure to Discover Portovenere

#### Portovenere

WITHIN 5 MINUTES FROM THE HOTEL

**HISTORIC CENTER:** Portovenere features an ancient port with tall, narrow and brightly colored buildings that give you the sensation of stepping back in time. The town center offers a range of shops, restaurants and bars.

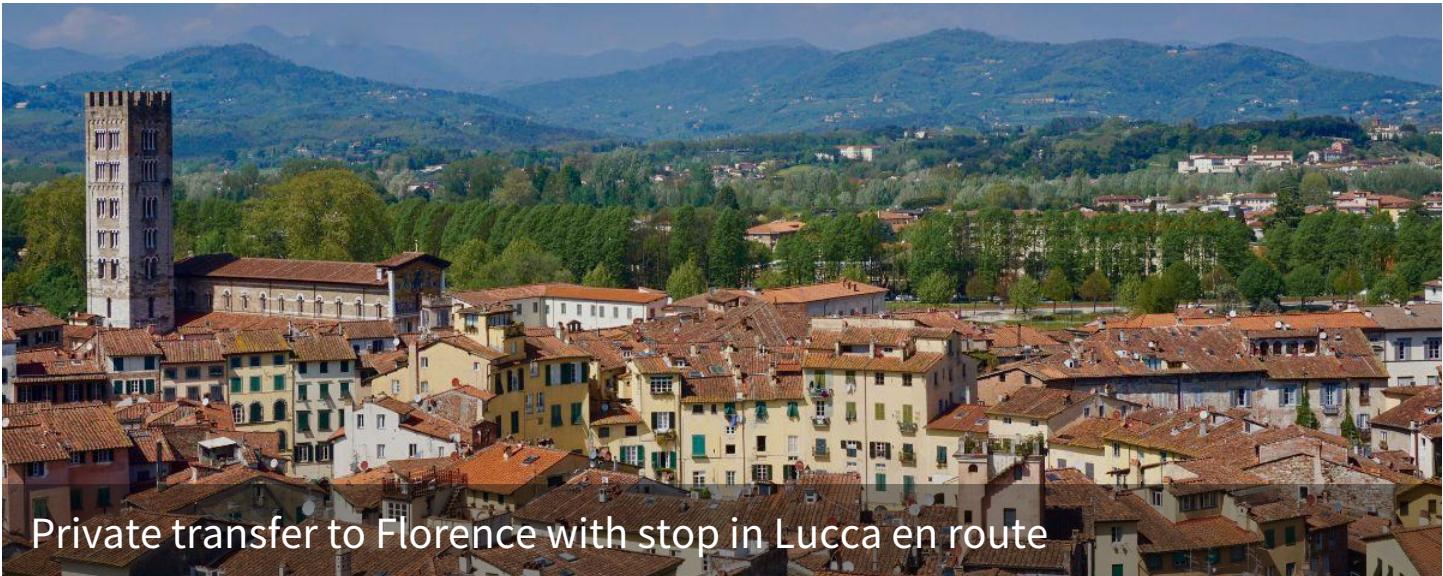
**ST. PETER'S CHURCH:** Built in 1198 A.D., this spectacular church sits atop the cliffs that jet out into the sea, creating the most dramatic and recognizable attraction in Portovenere.

**BYRON'S GROTTO:** This breathtaking inlet is very popular with local sunbathers as its shape creates a protected pool for swimming. It is the perfect example of why this area has become known as the Gulf of the Poets.

**DORIA CASTLE:** Built in the XII-XIV centuries, the castle originally housed the Doria Family, who had a very important role during the era of the Republic of Genoa. This jewel offers a unique panorama of Portovenere and the Gulf of the Poets.

**ST. LORENZO'S CHURCH:** Built between 1118 and 1130 A.D., this church is the site of the festival celebrating 'Madonna Bianca,' the patron saint of Portovenere, which is held annually on August 17th.

## Day 5



### Private transfer to Florence with stop in Lucca en route

10:00 AM	4:30 PM	6hr 30min
Start Time	End Time	Duration

#### Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

A lovely and unspoiled walled city, Lucca once enjoyed a position of power in Italy second only to Florence. Today, it's famous as the birthplace of composer Giacomo Puccini, as well as for its silks and olive oil, and it has become a favorite spot for artists and writers.

When in Lucca, do what the locals do: Enjoy a leisurely walk while taking in the town's best sights. Spend some time walking along the city's ramparts, 3 mi/5 km long and wide enough to have grassy lawns and an occasional park bench. In town, take a walk down the medieval streets, stopping at the 14th-century Duomo San Martino to see Nicola Pisano's *Descent From the Cross* and the *Volto Santo* (Holy Face). It is said to have been carved by Nicodemus, who witnessed the Crucifixion, and is one of medieval Europe's most famous relics.

Walk down the Via Fullongo, which cuts through the middle of town leading to the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, the site of a former oval Roman theater now lined with buildings. The original amphitheater retains its structure 6 ft/2 m below the road, with remains still visible in the buildings and shops surrounding the plaza.



## Brunelleschi Hotel

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2:00 PM	12:00 PM	3 Nights
Check In	Check Out	Duration

A few steps from the Duomo, the Brunelleschi Hotel is housed in the iconic Byzantine Pagliazza Tower and the adjacent medieval church. Featuring a unique combination of classic and contemporary design, some of its 96 elegant rooms and suites offer breathtaking views of the Duomo some even have interconnecting family accommodations. You'll also find a private museum, a stylish cocktail bar, and two restaurants. The two Michelin-starred Restaurant Santa Elisabetta, seven tables in the Pagliazza Tower, offers al fresco dining in the summer. Or try Osteria Pagliazza for more traditional Tuscan fare.

### Amenities

#### Virtuoso Amenities

For 2022:

Upgrade on arrival, subject to availability

Daily breakfast for two guests per bedroom, served in our restaurant

\$100USD equivalent Food & Beverage credit utilized during stay (not combinable, not valid on room rate, no cash value if not redeemed in full)

Early check-in / Late check-out, subject to availability

Complimentary Wi-Fi

### Room Selection

#### Room Category

Superior Executive Room with Breakfast

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### Cancellation Policy

Cancelled by 6:00 pm local time, 2 days prior to arrival to avoid penalty charges equivalent to one night room and tax.



## Florence Nightlife - Best Cocktail Bars & Clubs

<https://www.pilotplans.com/blog/clubs-in-florence>

### Rasputin

A 3-min walk from the **Palazzo Pitti**, **Rasputin** is the hidden gem when it comes to Florence's cocktail bar and secret speakeasy scene. Inspired by the vintage and chic couture of the 1920's, you'll be delighted by the extensive, delicious whiskey collection and intimate vibe that enamors this place - the perfect place to kick the night off, or for a last night cap.

### Rex Café

Sitting inside the historic city center, this is a surprising spot that comes to life as night falls. If you're after classy cocktails and a flashy interior, then **Rex Café** is your best bet. With classic jazz nights and vinyl-only DJ sets taking place throughout the week, you'll always find something new in store!

If you're interested in a night out on the more chill end of the scale, this also serves as a great option. Simply cozy up by the bar, take your pick from the drinks menu, and get chatting!

### Full Up

Situated near the famous Duomo, **Full Up** is a funky club where you can catch an eccentric range of beats. From 70s hits to 90s classics, this is a great spot for travelers who would like to hit the time warp with their friends.

Drinks aren't the cheapest, so it's best to head in early before moving on elsewhere for the after-party drinks. If you'd like to find something different from the usual crowd, then Full Up Club also hosts drag, burlesque, and even live jazz nights!

### Space Electronic Discoteca

If you're looking for a place to let loose and dance the night away, this is it. The proud home to Florence's biggest dance floor, Space Electronic Discoteca hones in on a handful of different partygoers' must-go lists.

Their music revolves around American-themed hits and a few European tunes, local DJs, and international names. Drinks can be expensive but considering there's no cover charge, it's a great option.

If you're someone who loves to stay up 'til dawn, this could be the best spot for you, as most nights the club is open until 4 am onwards.

### Bamboo Club

Located close to the city center, **Bamboo Club** houses a creative handful of international travelers and Italian locals alike. Particularly popular among international students and backpackers, this is the best club in Florence if you're looking for a refreshing mix of people to socialize with.

If you want to save some cash, you can get in for free before midnight!

### Club TwentyOne

As one of Florence's better-known nightclubs, **Club TwentyOne** boasts some of the best dance floors in town. You're guaranteed to run into an interesting crowd with an interesting fusion of locals and globetrotters! Grab your friends and get your dancing boots on!

### The Blob

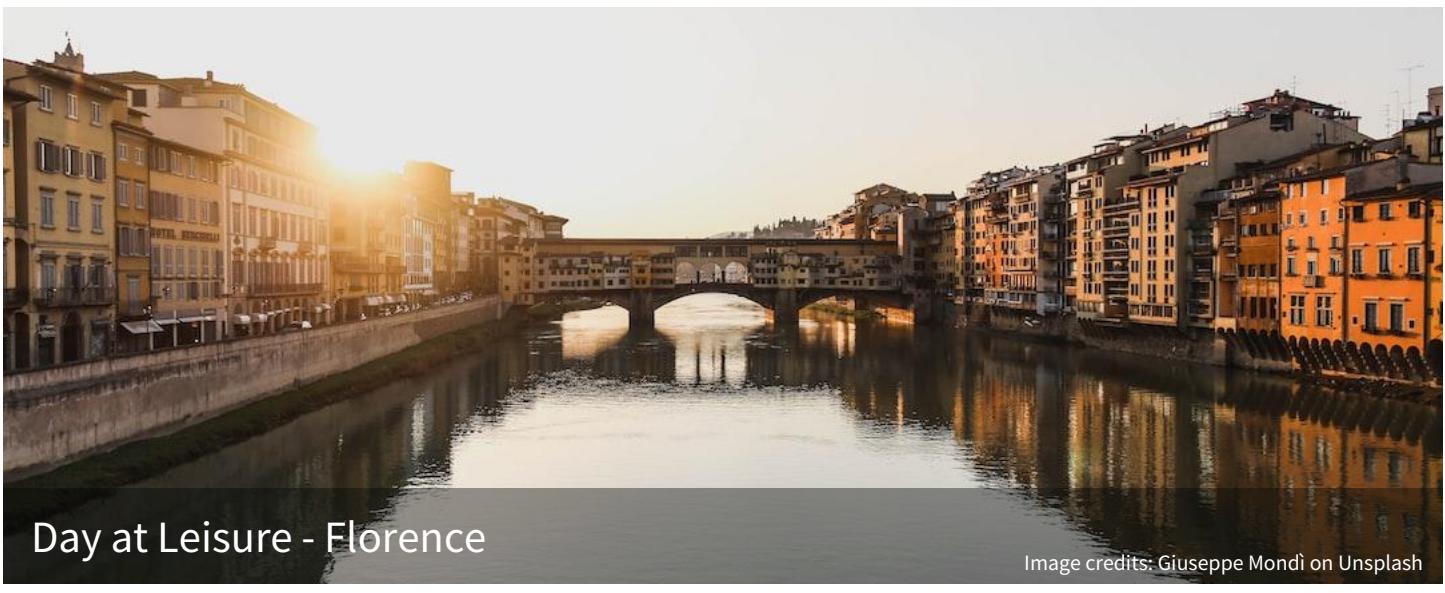
For travelers looking to take a step back from the mainstream nightlife scene, **The Blob** is a stellar spot to be. Sitting close to Palazzo Vecchio in the center of Florence, this nightclub offers an eccentric fusion of old-school hip hop, classic rock and roll, smooth jazz beats, and poppin' RnB.

### Tenax

Notorious for the pumping disco beats and wild sound system, **Tenax** is easily one of the coolest clubs in the Florence nightclub scene. With a wealth of international DJs coming in hot every week, this is the spot to go if you're a fan of techno beats.

Drinks are relatively priced, but if you're looking to save some cash, it's best you do pres in a local bar beforehand.

## Day 6



### Day at Leisure - Florence

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Today is another full day at leisure to explore your surroundings or set off on your own adventure.



### Delicious Evening Food Tour With Wine Tasting

6:00 PM

Start Time

9:00 PM

End Time

3hr

Duration

#### Activities

Wine Tasting

Food Tasting

#### Highlights

- Experience a delicious taste of authentic Florence
- Learn all about the cuisine of the region while meeting local bakers, chefs, and food enthusiasts
- Enjoy Tuscan Wine Tasting and Truffles
- View Old Style Italian Bakery

#### Description

Taste your way through the city of Florence on this three hour Florence evening food tour. Learn all about the cuisine of the region while meeting local bakers, chefs, and food enthusiasts along the way. Your local foodie guide will lead you on a delectable stroll through one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Make sure you arrive hungrily, there's a lot to eat. Packed with traditional Tuscan foods and wine, experience a delicious taste of authentic Florence.

## Day 7



### Tuscany on a Vespa chaffeured tour

**9:00 AM**

Start Time

**3:00 PM**

End Time

**6hr**

Duration

#### Meeting Point

Via del Campuccio, 88, Florence, Metropolitan City of Florence, Italy.

#### Discover Tuscany With a 50cc Original Piaggio Vespa

Our comfortable minivan will take you to the countryside, and will be available in case of any need during the tour. With a short ride, you are taken just outside of the busy and bustling city center.

First, you will receive an orientation conducted by an English-speaking trained professional, ensuring the safe operation of the Vespas before we head out for our engaging and enjoyable ride. We hold a driving test in an enclosed space to understand if everyone has enough confidence and safety on the Vespa to drive on open roads.

The ride, along scenic country roads, offers splendid views of the rolling hillside, vineyards and olive groves, little medieval churches and ancient wineries. We stop for photo opportunities along the way.

We visit a famous winery, producing some of the most appreciated Chianti wines, and enjoy a guided tour of their cellars, where you will learn all the secrets of wine production.

Our Vespa ride ends at a boutique winery, where we learn their approach on winemaking. We then end your memorable experience with a typical Tuscan lunch (or dinner, depending on which departure you choose) that will be served with a wine and olive oil tasting.

An interesting booklet on wine and the Chianti territory is yours to bring home.

A valid driving license is required and needs to be presented on the day of the tour (although you do not need a motorcycle license) and you must be at least 18 years of age to drive, and at least 13 years of age to be a passenger

Third-party insurance for civil liability is included in the price of the tour, but the clients will be given the option to subscribe to additional insurance against vehicle damage for 20€

## Day 8



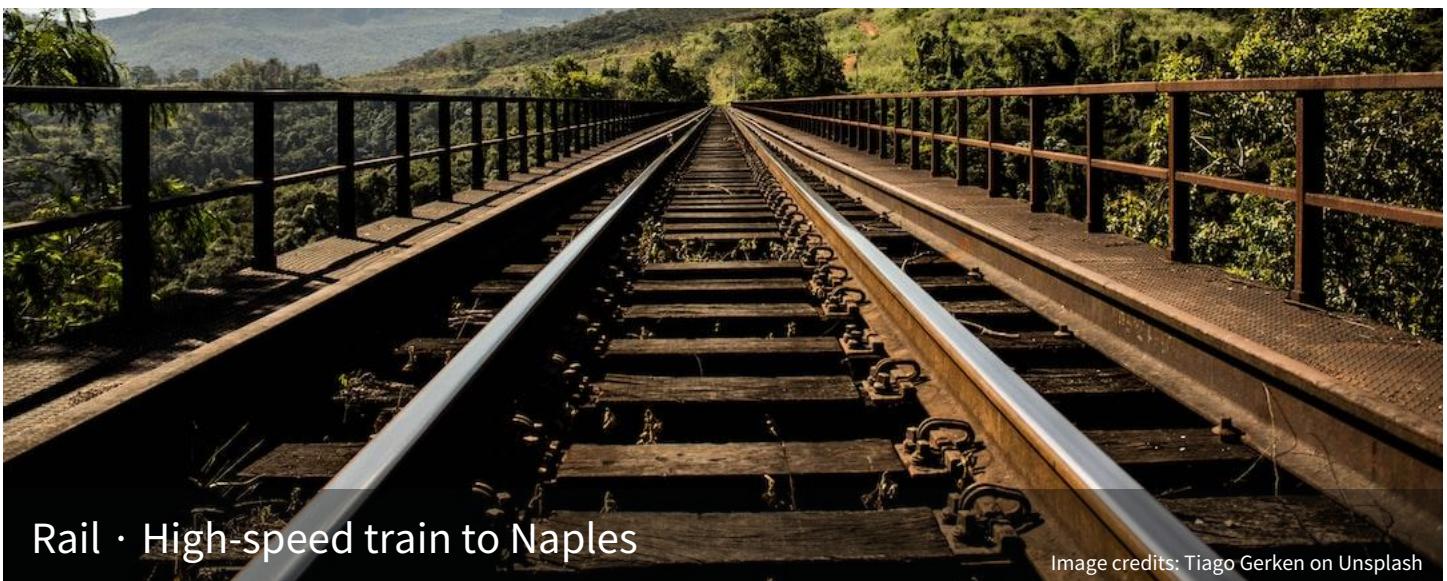
### Transfer · Hotel to Rail Station

#### Arrival Location

Naples Rail Station

#### Notes

Private transfer with Mercedes E Class and English-speaking driver from NH Convento or Casa Angelina to Naples rail station.



### Rail · High-speed train to Naples

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Departure Location  
Naples

Arrival Location  
Naples

#### Notes

2x standard high-speed train tickets Naples to Florence.



## Transfer · Private Transfer

### Vehicle

Private Transfer

### Notes

Transfer to Hotel



## NH Collection Grand Hotel Convento Amalfi - Amalfi, Italy

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Via Annunziatella, 46, Amalfi, Italy 84011

3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

4 Nights

Duration

Originally a 13th-century monastery, the five-star luxury rated NH Collection Grand Hotel Convento di Amalfi is a fine example of a sympathetically refurbished monument. It scores just as highly when it comes to location. It's perched on top of an 80-meter cliff, with spectacular views of the Amalfi coast. But it's also only 5 minutes' walk from Amalfi's harbor and town center.

- Converted 13th-century monastery with the original cloister and church
- Cliff-top location with sea views
- 5-minute walk to Amalfi

Almost all of our 53 rooms look directly out to sea. They're decorated with bright, neutral tones and chic minimalist furniture. They've all got air conditioning and free Wi-Fi.

The hotel has 2 first-class restaurants: the main restaurant, Dei Cappuccini, serves an Italian and Mediterranean inspired menu made up of gourmet dishes created with fresh local produce by our chef Claudio Lanuto and his team. Its stylish indoor setting is complemented with an outdoor terrace offering breathtaking views of the coast. The La Locanda restaurant is the perfect choice for an informal lunch in an al fresco setting. We also have an outdoor pool, a free gym and a spa. A regular bus runs between the hotel and Amalfi town center

## Amenities

Daily American Breakfast  
A welcome champagne drink upon arrival  
Welcome Experience inclusion:  
Upon check-in, escort client to their room.  
Prosecco and a sweet amenity depending on the season

## Room Selection

**Room Category**  
Deluxe Room with a View

## Day 9



10:00 AM	5:00 PM	7hr
Start Time	End Time	Duration

10.00 AM meet the captain in Amalfi Coast.

Today you will enjoy a private boat tour, a wonderful experience: sailing you'll be able to admire the beauties of the tiny island of Capri, such as the Faraglioni Rocks, The White Grotto, Green Grotto and the Blue Grotto.

During this amazing experience, you will have the chance to have lunch in one of the water-front restaurants that your captain will suggest.

In Capri, you will have some free time to visit the island and do some shopping.

Along the way, you will have a few stops for an unforgettable swim in the crystal clear waters of Capri and Amalfi coast.

At about 5.00 PM you'll be back on the Amalfi coast.

**INCLUSIONS:**  
Private boat trip with 21ft boat.

English-speaking skipper.  
Beach towels.  
Free soft drinks on board.  
Snorkeling masks.  
Capri landing fees.

Notes: Not included the Blue grotto tickets and the transfer from/to hotel. In case of bad weather (i.e strong winds and/or rain) we will try to find an alternative date for the tour. If this is not possible you will receive a full refund. The skipper will have the last word about whether or not to proceed with the boat trip.

## Day 10



Day at leisure to explore the Amalfi Coast.

Final document includes suggested things to do walking distance from your hotel

## Day 11



Amalfi Coast Scenic Tour



10:00 AM

Start Time

3:00 PM

End Time

5hr

Duration

**Meeting Point**  
Hotel Lobby

Private drive tour through the Amalfi coast.

You will be able to admire one the beautiful town of the coast, such as Ravello, with its Villa Rufolo where you can have an amazing view over the coast or Positano, considered one of the most picturesque towns of the Amalfi Coast. The drive tour will last about 5 hours.

**INCLUSIONS:**

Private transfer with Mercedes E Class and English-speaking driver at disposal 5 hours.

**Day 12**



**Transfer · Hotel to Airport**

**Departure Location**  
Castello di Spaltenna

**Arrival Location**  
Florence Airport

**Notes**

Private transfer with Mercedes E Class and English-speaking driver from Castello di Spaltenna to Florence airport. Night supplement NOT included.