

Naples and its surroundings

5 Days Rome-Naples-Milan

Day 1 – ROME-NAPLES

Arrival at Rome International airport and flight to Naples. Pick up and transfer to the hotel; time for relax

Private Transfer for Dinner to a local pizzeria to taste the original Neapolitan pizza. Transfer back to the hotel.

Day 2 – Capri

After breakfast private transfer to the pier. Meeting with the local guide and departure by hydrofoil to the island of Capri. Arrival at Marina Grande, transfer by minibus and guided tour through the famous “Piazzetta”, where the international VIP meet, the Monastery of San Giacomo and a walk through the marvelous Gardens of Augustus, from which one can admire the famous “Faraglioni” rocks, Marina Piccola and Via Krupp. Transfer to Anacapri, situated at the foot of Mount Solaro and walking to the Phoenician Stairs, to Villa San Michele. Free Lunch and time for shopping. Return to Naples. Dinner in a local restaurant.

Day 3 – Volcano Vesuvio and Pompei

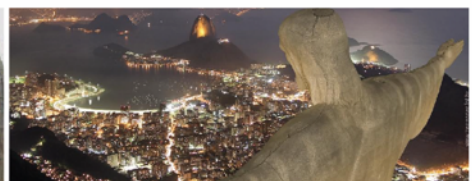
After breakfast meeting with the local guide and departure with private bus for a Full Day Tour to the volcano and the ruins of Pompei.

Arrival at the Vesuvio, the only active volcano in Italy. Bus arrives till quote 1000 and guests can then continue by foot to the crater (45 min.on a dirt road). The Vesuvio has two ends: the Mount Somma (1132 m), the most ancient and the Vesuvio (1277 m) the most recent one, formed during the eruption of 79 a.c.

Transfer to the ruins of Pompei. The city was completely covered during the terrible eruption of 79 a.c. and still keeps its original touch.

Free lunch. At the end it is possible to visit the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary www.santuario.it in Pompei, a really wonderful church.

Return to the hotel. Dinner in the hotel or in a local restaurant.



Day 4 – AMALFI COAST

After breakfast in the hotel meeting with the local guide and departure with private bus for a full day tour of the Amalfi Coast which zigzags around hair-pin bends and hugs the coastline and is said to be one of Europe's most spectacular roads starting from the beautiful town of Sorrento for the first stop. Enjoy then the scenic views as you drive along the coast, before stopping to explore the splendid town of Amalfi. Here we visit its outstanding cathedral, on the top a long series of steep steps. Free lunch and short shopping before taking the way back to the hotel.

Alternatively:

we propose a regular short cruise with transfer from Naples by minivan to Castellamare pier and from there by boat to Positano and Amalfi.

In the evening private transfer to a cooking class experience to learn how to cook typical dishes of the area and then taste them.

Return to the hotel.

Day 5 – Naples and Caserta Royal Palace

After breakfast meeting with the local guide and start of the historical city tour from Gesù Nuovo square visiting S. Chiara Church, S. Domenico Maggiore square and its Church, San Lorenzo Maggiore Church, reaching the famous street San Gregorio Armeno “the Christmas crib street”. In the middle of the tour stop to taste the real Neapolitan “sfogliatella”.

Return to the hotel to collect the suitcases.

In the afternoon meeting with the local guide and departure with private bus to the half day tour of the Royal Palace of Caserta that is an architectural masterpiece by Luigi Vanvitelli (XVIII century) with 1200 rooms connected by 34 staircases and illuminated by 1970 windows. Free time in the gardens with the great waterfall and its marble statues representing Actaeon at the moment of being transformed by the goddess Diana into a stag.

At the end of the visit transfer to the airport to catch the flight to Milan or back to Rome.