



Italy

On the Gulf of Naples

City life in Naples, a journey back in time in Pompeii, the view over the crater rim of Mount Vesuvius, and the sweeping curves of the *Amalfitana* – we discover the land where the lemon trees bloom. We savour Neapolitan pizza, limoncello, and the sun-kissed wine of the region. And if you'd like, you can let the Mediterranean wind gently caress you on the crossing to the isle of Capri. An enormous portion of *dolce vita*.

- Pompeii and Herculaneum
- Naples, Sorrento, and the Amalfi Coast
- Wine tasting included
- Upon request: excursion to Capri

8 days

21 Sep. – 28 Sep. 2024

from € **2599,-**

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Day 1, Sat, 21.09.2024: Benvenuti

Individual arrival in Naples (flights not included in this Marco Polo Reisen tour and transfer to the hotel (additional fee)). The afternoon is free for you to explore the area around the accommodation before getting to know your fellow travellers over a welcome dinner. D

Day 2, Sun, 22.09.2024: Pompeii and Sorrento

Politics were once conducted at the Forum of Pompeii – the wine taverns, thermal baths, and amphitheatre created a multifaceted culture of recreation. In the midst of the hustle and bustle of everyday life, a fiery shower of ash surprised the unsuspecting Pompeians and completely buried the city. We explore lavishly restored buildings with murals and mosaics and are offered a glimpse into the final hours of Pompeii. In Sorrento, we return to modern-day civilisation. The vibrant heart of the city is the Piazza Tasso with the Via S. Cesareo and numerous small shops. Cafés entice you in for an aperitif or an espresso. Afterwards, we are heartily welcomed to a lovingly tended lemon grove near Sorrento. We taste homemade jam, pastries, and lemon gelato. And of course, a sip or two of homemade limoncello is a definite must. We return to our hotel in the late afternoon. B

Day 3, Mon, 23.09.2024: Relax or hike

Enjoy an entire day at your leisure – relax at the hotel or discover more of what the area has to offer. Hiking enthusiasts can join us on an excursion (additional fee) to the outermost tip of the Sorrento Peninsula. We hike (3.5 hours, moderate) from Punta Campanella along the coast with breathtaking views of the Amalfi Coast, the Gulf of Naples, and the Faraglioni rocks on the isle of Capri. We return to the hotel in the afternoon. B

Day 4, Tue, 24.09.2024: Naples

The UNESCO-crowned centre of Naples is a masterpiece consisting of spacious squares, majestic churches, and magnificent palazzi. We stroll through Spaccanapoli, the most famous street in the historic centre.



An authentic *pizza napoletana* is an absolute must when visiting Naples. A *pizzaiole* shows us how pizza is prepared in a stone oven and shares with us some expert tips. If you'd like, you can even try your hand at tossing the dough yourself. We savour the pizza in a casual setting with a cool drink. Return to the hotel. B/L

Day 5, Wed, 25.09.2024: Amalfi Coast

"The most beautiful road in the world" winds its way from Positano to Amalfi – no wonder celebrities love staying in the fishing villages along the coast. At the edge of the road, the steep cliffs plunge straight down into the sea. At our photo stop in Positano, a view of the Gulf of Salerno awaits us. The Amalfi Cathedral with its sweeping staircase is a favourite spot for wedding couples and photographers alike. Arabian architectural elements in the Cloister of Paradise are reminiscent of the glorious past of what was once Italy's most powerful maritime republic. We take the boat to Salerno – from the water, we have a stunning view of the lemon groves and vineyards. The bus takes us back to the hotel. B

Day 6, Thu, 26.09.2024: In the mood for Capri?

Free time to explore on your own – or you can join your guide on an excursion to the breathtaking isle of Capri in the Tyrrhenian Sea (additional fee). A short bus journey to Naples and then by ferry to Capri. We take the minibus up to the Piazzetta di Capri. The island was once dominated by jetsetters from all over the world – things are no longer quite as exclusive as they once were, but it's still lovely here. In Anacapri you have two options – have a Capri Spritz on the piazza or go on a shopping spree in the island's high-end shops. Depending on

the conditions, you can take a boat ride to the Blue Grotto or climb up to Monte Solaro by chairlift. Our guide has more than enough tips for you to plan your stay on the island. In the late afternoon, we return to the mainland. B

Day 7, Fri, 27.09.2024: Herculaneum and Vesuvius

Herculaneum is in no way inferior to Pompeii when it comes to exciting finds. The baths, the College of the Priests of Augustus, and the theatre are almost completely preserved, while the Casa dei Cervi shines with its elaborate decorations and sculptures in the sprawling garden. The journey continues towards Mount Vesuvius. We visit a winery and sample various wines over lunch, all of which have a special flavour due to the volcanic soil of the region. In the afternoon, we reach the active crater of Mount Vesuvius. We cover the final stretch by foot (depending on the weather, approx. 1 hour walk, moderate). We are rewarded for our efforts with a spectacular view over the Gulf of Naples and the crater filled with sulphurous clouds. B/L

Day 8, Sat, 28.09.2024: Arrivederci

Transfer to the airport (additional fee). Individual journey home.

B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner



Flights

Arrival and departure flights are not included in the tour price. We'd be happy to provide you with an individual flight offer.

Hotels

Subject to change

Just a short walk from the water and yet still centrally located in Vico Equense, the family-run Hotel Astoria Vico*** awaits you. Its location on the Sorrento coast invites you to stop and admire the view of the Gulf of Naples. A hearty breakfast is served in the restaurant in the morning. The 23 rooms of the recently renovated hotel are all well lit and equipped with air conditioning, satellite TV, Wi-Fi, a safe, and a hairdryer.

Travel documents and vaccinations

German nationals require a valid identity card or passport. Vaccinations are not mandatory – all participants will receive detailed information on preventive health care along with their travel confirmation documents.

Climate-friendly travel with Marco Polo

This tour is carbon neutral thanks to CO₂e offsetting (www.agb-mp.com/co2).

Included in the tour price

- Excursions and round trip in good local coaches
- 7 nights in a double room
- Breakfast, 1 dinner at the hotel
- Visit to a fruit grower with a sampling of lemon specialities
- Lunch with pizza, beer or soft drink in Naples
- Sfogliatella and babà tasting in Naples
- Wine tasting at the foot of Vesuvius
- Boat ride from Amalfi to Salerno
- English-speaking Marco Polo tour guide
- City tax
- Entrance fees (according to the itinerary)
- Use of audio sets

Price per person from €

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Extras (booked separately)

- Airport transfer €170
- Excursion to Punta Campanella €200
- Excursion to Capri €200

Minimum number of participants: 8 people: if the minimum number of participants is not reached, the Tour Operator reserves the right to withdraw from the travel contract no later than 21 days before the start of the tour. Tour Operator:

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