

ITINERARY-OCTOBER 1-9, 2027 SICILY

October 1- Over night Flight to Palermo, Italy

October 2- Arrive in the City of Palermo

Check into your hotel. Spend the rest of your day exploring this great city
Tonight meet your Tour Director (Dinner Included)

October 3- A full day to enjoy this busy and brilliant city with many
interesting squares and marketplaces, churches, and palazzos in every
style from Moorish to

Baroque. Sightseeing tour to learn more about the history
and culture and visit the magnificent Baroque St. Catherine Church.

In the afternoon, free time in Palermo. (Dinner on Own)

October 4- Day Four-Two Sicilian treats are on the agenda today. First,
visit enchanting Trapani with a Local Guide. Set on a harbor that was
once at the heart of a powerful

trading network stretching from Carthage to Venice, the city center skirts
the port and was built primarily in Baroque style. Next, take a cable car to
visit the medieval hilltop town of Erice. Situated about 2,500 feet above
sea

level, it immediately impresses with its defensive walls and castle,
affording

breathtaking views over the Gulf of Trapani and Egadi Islands. On clear
days, see all the way to the African coast. Overnight in nearby Marsala.

Today's Distance: 121 mi/ 195 Breakfast and Dinner

October 5 - This morning, spend some time on your own in Marsala, or
awaken your

palate with an optional excursion to learn about Sicilian wine and to
experience the ancient salt pans and mills, created by the Phoenicians
and

still active today. The salt pans, according to temperature, weather, and
water evaporation, display different colors reflecting the Sicilian sky.

Then

head towards Selinunte, one of the most striking and interesting
archaeological sites in Sicily. Here, you will see the remains of the
acropolis,

with its temples and fortifications. Continue to Agrigento.

Today's Distance: 93 mi/ 150 km. Breakfast and Dinner

October 6 - Enjoy a guided visit of the spectacular Doric temple of Concord, and the temple of Juno Lacinia, archaeological jewels of the Valley of the Temples

near Agrigento. On to Piazza Armerina, a maze of steep streets positively

overflowing with the vibrant atmosphere of Sicilian life. At nearby Casale, visit the well-preserved Roman villa, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and famous for its mosaics, including the whimsical “Bikini Girls.”

Today’s Distance: 158 mi/ 255 km. Breakfast. Dinner on Own

October 7 - Drive up the heights of Mount Etna with the option of a jeep or cable-car

ride for a better view of Europe’s largest active volcano (subject to weather

conditions). Descend to sun-kissed Taormina, magnificently situated on a 700-foot plateau overlooking the Ionian Sea. The heart of Taormina is Piazza Nove Aprile, a paved square with unmatched views of the sea and

Mount Etna. Take a stroll along the Corso Umberto and maybe taste a refreshing granita or a sumptuous cannolo. Dinner and Breakfast

October 8 - Arrive in the coastal town of Cefalù, featuring medieval squares, narrow

streets, and ancient churches. During your visit, marvel at the sight of the Norman cathedral, a 12th-century fortress-like structure with elaborate Byzantine mosaics and soaring twin towers. Later, return to Palermo.

During

your final day in this glorious city, catch up on some last-minute shopping or explore more of the city on your own. Today’s Distance: 186 mi/ 300 km. Breakfast Included and Dinner on your own.

October 9 - Head back to the U.S. with great memories and wonderful experiences in beautiful Sicily.