

TAVOLA TOURS Culinary & Cultural Adventures to Italy

TAVOLA TOURS: Aeolian Islands Adventure

Gems of the Tyrrhenian Sea October 17th to October 24th 2024

Your Island Paradise! \$1,595 per person LAND ONLY



- 4-Star Hotels
- Visit: Lipari, Stromboli, Filicudi & Panarea Islands
- Chic Shopping
- The Famous Stream of FIRE!
- Island Dining
- Roberto Rossellini's film location
- Daily Boat Excursions

The Aeolian Islands are a beautiful volcanic archipelago off the coast of Sicily. They are famous for their natural beauty, crystal clear aqua blue water and its local cuisine. These chic islands have been a getaway location for the rich and famous and once you visit with us you'll understand why. Relax as you unwind and enjoy this flexible extension trip at a pace that will surely leave you full of special memories to last a lifetime. Join us to explore these special islands!





ITALY: Splendors of the Aeolian Islands

DAY TO DAY ITINERARY

October 17th – 21st of 2024

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Oct. 17: Arrival – Set Sail for the Aeolian Islands (Lipari)

Leave the port of Milazzo on a shuttle boat to the port of Lipari. Here you will be met by your ground transportation and take a short drive to Hotel Mea. Once you are settled in you will be driven to the **Aeolian Archeological Museum**. Here you will learn about the ancient Roman and Greek history of the islands. A few steps away is the **16th century Castel of Lipari** and the **Cathedral of San Bartolomeo**. The cathedral is considered a gem of the island. It is rich in history and incredible works of art. The rest of the afternoon you are free to stroll the old town, shop, have a bite to eat and get acquainted with your beautiful surrounding. Close to this area is **Pasticceria D'Ambra**, a local favorite for cannoli and granita. **There will be a sunset visit to a winery for a wine tasting and then a welcome dinner at La Macine to enjoy typical island cuisine.**

Oct. 18: Chic Panarea | Museum of Cinema | Roberto Rossellini

Today you'll depart for the elegant island of Panarea, a small island known as a "hot" location for international jet setters. There will be a stop at the small islet of Basiluzzo (smoking land), where you can have a swim in the tranquil bubbling water. Once on Panarea there will be a stop at Bar da Carola known to have the very best granita in the Aeolian Islands. Next you'll have a fun golf cart tour of the panoramic sights of the island. Then it's off for some chic shopping at the many impressive island shops. You will have free time to stroll the quaint town center on your own, have lunch and enjoy the slow paced island life know as "*la* dolce vita". After you will take a short boat ride to Cala Junco, a cove with crystal clear waters and beautiful beaches making it a fabulous place to do some snorkeling (weather permitting) and relish in this island paradise. Next we set sail toward the rare natural wonder known as Stromboli (land of God) one of the world's most active volcanos. Roberto Rossellini's 1950 film Stromboli staring Ingrid Bergman and Mario Vitale, was filmed on location here. You will visit the Museum of Cinema (if open). You will have dinner at the legendary Hotel La Sirenetta. Tonight we set sail back to Lipari, if lucky you will see Stromboli's Sciara del Fuoco, the famous stream of fire!

Oct. 19: Stunning Salina | *IL Postino* | *Lingua Costal Village* Today you will sail along the coast of Acquacalda, towards the green island of Salina. Here, the first stop will be at Santa Marina the biggest town of the island. Your expert guide will help you to discover the city center, visit the characteristic

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historic churches, and the Roman baths. Then you will sail around the island to admire the gorgeous **Pollara Bay**, famous because of the movie **"IL POSTINO"**, with Massimo Troisi. A stop in Lingua is next where you will discover little coastal village, well known for its cozy restaurants, near the sea, beautiful coves where you can take a swim (weather permitting), and local vineyards. Lunch will be at a local favorite restaurant. On the way back you will enjoy seeing **the most beautiful grottos in Lipari, the Faraglioni, two enchanting giant rocks, the Angels Grotto and Vinci beach**. Tonight you are free for dinner.

Oct. 20: Travel to Milazzo | Check in Eolian Milazzo Hotel

Have breakfast and then you will sail from Lipari to the port of Milazzo. A shuttle bus will escort you to your **4-star hotel** for an over night stay. The rest of the day you are free. Tonight there will be a farewell dinner in the hotel's restaurant. Have an early night to get ready for your morning departure to Catania airport. **Shuttle transportation will be provided.**

Oct. 21: Departure Day

Everyone will board the shuttle bus to go to Catania airport. Arrivederci!







