

THE HIDDEN *Aeolian Islands*



30 June to 7 July 2020

The Aeolian Islands have been described as the pearls of the Mediterranean and showcase beautiful beaches, spectacular views and enchanting sunsets. The islands have been an extraordinary and breathtaking destination for travellers worldwide since the times of classical mythology. Panarea, Stromboli, Salina, Alicudi, Filicudi, Lipari and Vulcano will captivate you in many different ways. Each Island will offer you an astounding contrast in landscape, colours, cuisine, nightlife, shopping and relaxation.

\$3198.00 Per Person Twin Share
(LAND ONLY)

Single Supplement \$525.00

Children 3-10yrs \$2838.00 per person (sharing with adults).

Highlights

Personal Australian Escort
Visits Each Aeolian Island
Typical Aeolian Food Tasting
Farewell Dinner in Lipari



Join your personal Tour Escort, Silvana Parisi on this unique and wonderful tour as she takes you on an unforgettable journey to her homeland.



Itinerary

> TUE 30 JUN 20

Arrival at Lipari

On arrival at Catania Airport, we will be transferred by private bus to Milazzo Port for our hydrofoil transfer to Lipari Island. On arrival we will be met by our local assistant who will take us to our hotel where our tour program will be explained. Our home for the next 7 nights will be Residence La Giara. Dinner will be in a typical Aeolian restaurant. (D)

> WED 01 JUL 20

Tour Vulcano

After breakfast, we will board our boat for the short journey to Vulcano and tour the island by sea. We will visit the Horse's Grotto, Venus Natural Swimming Pool and swim in the island's beautiful sea before our stop over on the island. Once there, you have the opportunity to climb to the crater optional (391 m, 3 hours return trip) or have time to visit the town, relax in the thermal mud baths or visit the Geothermal Swimming Pools enjoying the warmth of the underwater fumaroles. Lunch not included. Return to Lipari in the afternoon. Dinner in a typical Aeolian restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (BD)

> THU 02 JUL 20

Tour Panarea and Stromboli

After breakfast, we board our boat to Panarea. Our first stop is at Calajunco bay, a natural reserve, with the chance to swim in its clear waters. We visit the small town and take a walk in the narrow streets of the island. A typical Aeolian packed lunch of arancini, calzoni and pitoni will be included. In the afternoon we will travel to Stromboli, the black island and one of the most active volcanoes in the world that usually erupts every 20 minutes. Enjoy free time to visit the town with its little streets, traditional shops and scenery of the 1940's Roberto Rossellini film before our dinner in local restaurant. At sunset we will go by boat to Strombolicchio, a volcanic neck in north east of Stromboli, and then to the "Sciara del Fuoco" to see the nightly volcanic eruptions by boat. Return to Lipari at night. Overnight at the hotel. (BLD)

> FRI 03 JUL 20

Tour Alicudi and Filicudi

After breakfast, we will visit the most wild and unspoiled of the Aeolian islands, Filicudi and Alicudi. The calm atmosphere will take you back in time and you will be amazed with volcanic landscapes and archaeological sites.



Alicudi with its typical mule tracks and little houses scattered on the volcanic cone and Filicudi where we will visit the “Bue Marino Grotto” and the highest volcanic neck of the Aeolian islands “La Canna” by boat. You will have time to swim, relax and explore the islands. Lunch not included. Return to Lipari in the late afternoon. Dinner in typical Aeolian restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (BD)

> SAT 04 JUL 20
Tour Lipari and Salina

After breakfast this morning we will sail along the west coast of Lipari enjoying the different colours of the island, the white pumice, the blue sea, the black obsidian and the yellow broom. The island of Salina in front of us will welcome us with all its beauty. We will arrive at S. Marina and take a bus tour of the island. We will stop at the little town of Pollara, built in the half sunken crater of a volcano and introduced to the world in the film “Il Postino” with Massimo Troisi. Salina one of the main centres of capers production and we will visit a caper farm. Lunch today is included. In the afternoon we return to Lipari along the east side and a visit with the opportunity to swim at the “faraglioni”. Dinner in typical restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (BLD)

> SUN 05 JUL 20
Lipari

After Breakfast, we visit the historic part of Lipari: the Castle, the Cathedral with the Norman cloister and the Archaeological museum. In the afternoon we take a bus tour of the island of Lipari, stopping at the best view points of Quattrocchi, Quattropani, Pumice Quarries and Obsidian flows. Later in the day we visit a vineyard and enjoy tastings of fabulous local wine and local food products of the island. Take the opportunity this evening to explore the local nightlife. Dinner in typical restaurant and overnight at the hotel. (BD)

> MON 06 JUL 20
Lipari

Breakfast at the hotel. Enjoy a day at leisure to relax, shop and enjoy a last swim in the beautiful Tyrrhenian Sea. Optional: Cooking class on Pianoconte including shopping for fish, garden harvest, cooking class and lunch. Tonight we will enjoy our Farewell Dinner in a typical Aeolian restaurant. Overnight at the hotel. (BD)

> TUES 07 JUL 20
Departure

Breakfast at hotel and departure to Milazzo Port. Private bus transfer to Catania Airport. (B)



Tour Inclusions

- > Personal Australian Tour Escort
- > Pre-Tour Documentation Session & Travel Wallet
- > Tipping
- > Bus Transfer Catania Airport/Milazzo Port/Catania Airport
- > Accommodation in Lipari for 7 nights at La Giara 4* hotel with breakfast
- > Hydrofoil Milazzo Port/Lipari/Milazzo Port
- > 4 Island excursions as in the program to: Lipari and Salina, Panarea and Stromboli, Alicudi and Filicudi, Vulcano in a shared boat service
- > Guide for all the boat excursions, Museum visit and Lipari bus tour
- > 1 Lunch in Salina
- > Salina bus tour
- > Museum and Lipari Walking tour
- > 6 dinners in local restaurants in Lipari including Farewell Dinner (drinks not included)
- > 1 dinner in restaurant in Stromboli
- > Visit to Castellaro Vineyard including local food and wine tasting
- > Lipari bus tour
- > Lipari Island map



Tour Exclusions

- > Meals not specified
- > Optional excursion to Craters of Stromboli and Vulcano
- > Optional cooking class
- > Items of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, phone calls etc.
- > Travel Insurance



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