



ITALY

LA DOLCE VITA ORIENT EXPRESS: ETERNAL STONES OF MATERA

(TOUR CODE: 14283)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Rome

TRAVEL PERIODS

Apr - Dec 2025 (except Nov)

EXPERIENCE

Luxury
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

From Rome, set off to discover the splendours of Matera and its UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Highlights

- Savour a Michelin-starred dinner by Chef Heinz Beck with Italian-inspired, seasonal dishes
- Explore Matera's Historic Charm on a guided tour through its historic streets and cultural landmarks, followed by a unique lunch in a cave restaurant where traditional flavours perfectly complement the town's rustic charm.
- Wander through the medieval streets of Palena, uncovering its hidden gems and cultural treasures, then savour a traditional lunch featuring the authentic flavours of the town's heritage cuisine.

La Dolce Vita Orient Express offers a luxurious journey from Rome, featuring Michelin-starred dining by Chef Heinz Beck, Italian breakfasts and captivating tours in Matera and Pescocostanzo. Experience exquisite cuisine, cultural immersion and the elegant ambiance of Italy's landscapes as you travel in opulence, creating unforgettable memories.

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ROUTE

ETERNAL STONES OF MATERA
ROME - MATERA - PESCOCOSTANZO - ROME



INCLUSIONS

- Two nights private ensuite accommodation onboard the train in a Deluxe Cabin
- 24-hour onboard service and entertainment
- Table d'hôte meals featuring innovative Italian cuisine with beverages, including selected wines, spirits, mineral water, soft drinks, tea and coffee
- Off-train excursions and entrance fees as per itinerary
- Round-trip transfers to and from the train station in Rome

ITINERARY

Day 1

Depart Rome

As your journey commences, La Dolce Vita Orient Express departs from Rome Ostiense, embarking on an odyssey of luxury and indulgence. As night descends, immerse yourself in the culinary delights of the Italian-inspired dishes crafted by 3-Michelin starred Chef Heinz Beck. Delight in the flavours of seasonal and locally sourced ingredients, each dish a testament to Italy's rich gastronomic heritage.

Dinner



Day **2**

Matera

As dawn breaks on the second day of your journey aboard the La Dolce Vita Orient Express, wake to the enticing aroma of an Italian breakfast. Indulge in culinary delights, from freshly brewed espresso to delicate pastries, setting the tone for another day of exceptional experiences.

In the early morning, the train arrives in Matera, a UNESCO World Heritage site famed for its iconic Sassi – ancient cave dwellings carved into the rugged landscape. Embark on a captivating city tour, immersing yourself in the rich history and cultural fabric of this extraordinary destination. For lunch, enjoy the unique ambiance of a cave restaurant, where traditional flavours seamlessly blend with the rustic charm of Matera's ancient surroundings.

As the afternoon unfolds, reboard the train for a journey filled with elegance and indulgence. Savour an Italian aperitivo, a delightful prelude to the evening's festivities.

As night falls, Le Grand Soir dinner awaits, where exquisite flavours and a refined atmosphere come together for an unforgettable dining experience. Let live music and entertainment add a touch of magic to the evening's proceedings.

As the night draws in, let the gentle rhythm of the train lull you into a blissful slumber, eagerly awaiting the adventures that the next day will bring.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



MATERA

Day **3**

Palena Rome

As dawn breaks on the third day of your magnificent journey aboard the La Dolce Vita Orient Express, indulge in the delights of a traditional Italian breakfast. The rich aroma of freshly brewed coffee and the taste of artisanal pastries will awaken your senses, setting the stage for another enchanting day.

The train arrives in Palena, a medieval town brimming with history and charm. Explore its ancient streets, uncovering hidden gems around every corner. Immerse yourself in the atmosphere of times past as you admire Palena's medieval architecture and cultural landmarks. For lunch, savour a traditional feast, enjoying flavours passed down through generations.

In the afternoon, reboard the La Dolce Vita Orient Express, reflecting on the memories and experiences gathered throughout your journey across Italy's breathtaking landscapes. Upon arrival at Rome Ostiense, carry with you treasured memories of exquisite dining, cultural immersion, and luxurious travel aboard the La Dolce Vita Orient Express.

Breakfast, Lunch



PALENA

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

2025 departure dates:

- 13 & 19 April
- 05 & 17 May
- 01 & 14 June
- 17 & 24 July
- 01, 09, 17 August
- 08 & 26 September
- 10, 16, 20 October
- No departures in November
- 03 & 13 December

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc. (unless specified)
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package