



ITALY

LA DOLCE VITA ORIENT EXPRESS: FROM ROME TO SICILY

(TOUR CODE: 14284)

STARTS AND ENDS

Rome to
Palermo

TRAVEL PERIODS

May, Jun, Jul & Sep 2025

EXPERIENCE

Luxury
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

A coastal odyssey to Sicily's shores, venturing through Maratea, the "City of 44 churches," with its azure Mediterranean vistas and idyllic beaches.

Highlights

- Savour a Michelin-starred lunch by Chef Heinz Beck with Italian-inspired, seasonal dishes
- Discover the picturesque town of Maratea with its stunning coastal vistas and cultural landmarks. Visit the iconic Christ of Maratea statue overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea, and enjoy a cooking masterclass at Santavenere hotel.
- Arrive in Taormina, Sicily, and immerse yourself in its rich history with a visit to the ancient Greek Theatre. Take in breathtaking sea views while savouring a traditional Sicilian dinner
- Explore Palermo, Sicily's vibrant capital. Wander through historic streets, visit lively markets and experience the blend of culture, cuisine and heritage that defines this iconic city.

Embark on a luxurious journey through Italy aboard the La Dolce Vita Orient Express. Begin in Rome, with exquisite Italian-inspired dining by Chef Heinz Beck, before exploring scenic Maratea. Enjoy gourmet breakfasts and iconic sights, from Sicily's Taormina to Palermo's bustling streets. This unforgettable voyage combines refined flavours, vibrant culture and breathtaking landscapes for an unparalleled travel experience.

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ROUTE

FROM ROME TO SICILY

ROME – MARATEA – TAORMINA – PALERMO



INCLUSIONS

- 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
- Two nights private ensuite accommodation onboard the train in a Deluxe Cabin
- Round-trip transfers to and from the train station in Rome

ITINERARY

Day 1 Rome Maratea

As your journey commences, La Dolce Vita Orient Express departs from Rome Ostiense, beginning a voyage of luxury and cultural discovery. At lunchtime, immerse yourself in the culinary delights of the Italian-inspired dishes curated by 3-Michelin starred Chef Heinz Beck. From seasonal delicacies to locally sourced ingredients, each bite is a celebration of Italy's vibrant culinary heritage.

In the afternoon, the train arrives in Maratea, a picturesque coastal town renowned for its stunning vistas and cultural

landmarks. Embark on a visit to the Christ of Maratea, a towering statue overlooking the azure waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Afterwards, enjoy an aperitif at the Santavenere hotel, where you'll also partake in a cooking masterclass, learning the secrets of traditional Italian cuisine from skilled chefs.

As evening descends, bid farewell to Maratea. Let the soothing melodies of musical entertainment onboard set the stage for a memorable evening. Delight in Le Grand Soir dinner, where exquisite flavours and refined ambiance converge for an unforgettable dining experience.

Lunch, Dinner



Day **2**

Taormina

As the sun illuminates the dawn of the second day aboard La Dolce Vita Orient Express, awaken to the comforting aroma of an Italian breakfast. Indulge in the simple yet exquisite flavours of freshly baked pastries, artisanal breads, and rich Italian coffee, setting the tone for a day of exploration and culinary delight.

In the afternoon, the train arrives in Taormina, a charming town nestled on the rugged cliffs of Sicily's eastern coast. Immerse yourself in history with a visit to the ancient Greek Theatre, where echoes of the past resonate against the backdrop of breathtaking sea views. Afterwards, delight in a Sicilian dinner, savouring the bold flavours and vibrant ingredients that define Sicilian cuisine.

As night falls, bid farewell to Taormina as the train departs for Palermo.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

Palermo

As La Dolce Vita Orient Express continues its journey, awaken to the comforting aroma of a homemade Italian breakfast served in the morning. Delight in the simple yet exquisite flavours of freshly baked pastries, artisanal breads and rich Italian coffee, savouring each bite as you prepare for the day ahead.

The train arrives in Palermo, the vibrant capital of Sicily. Step off the train and immerse yourself in the bustling streets, where history, culture, and culinary delights await around every corner. As you bid farewell to La Dolce Vita Orient Express and embark on the next chapter of your journey, carry with you the memories of indulgence, elegance, and the unparalleled experience of traveling in luxury aboard this iconic train.

Please note: No tour is offered in Palermo. However, please discuss options for adding a tour if desired.

Breakfast



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

2025 departure dates:

- 01 May
- 01 June
- 04 July
- 03 September

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.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package