

# THE AMALFI COAST AND HER ISLANDS

THE EIGHT WONDER

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INSPIRE AND RESTORE

Hit the Beach Soak up some sun at the best private beach clubs Italian style

Private boat trips around the Amalfi coast and her islands of Capri, Ischia and Procida is the only way to experience the true Amalfi coast lifestyle

Walking the coastal trails of the Amalfi coast Breathe in the balmy fresh sea air and reconnect with nature talking a walk through the olive and lemon groves dotted along the hills of the Amalfi coast

Taste the Amalfi coasts delicious local produce including fresh Mozzarella cheese and the local tippie, Limoncello. Not to mention all that incredible Italian seafood



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## DAY 1

### ARRIVAL IN NAPLES

Landing in Naples. As with all our Amalfi coast tours, you'll be warmly welcomed with a smile and a wave by both your private driver and Alma Italia tour host. There is so much to see and do that Amalfi coast trips can be complicated but with our Amalfi coast guided tours, you can relax knowing your Alma Italia host will take care of every little detail for you during your private Amalfi coast tour, ensuring you experience the very best of the soul of this stunning region.

The Alma Italia philosophy is that our tours of the Amalfi coast should be about rest, fun and adventure, to inspire and restore you. The day of your arrival then is designed for you to recharge after your long flight. Your private driver will take you straight to your stylish boutique hotel in the heart of Naples where you can relax and get refreshed. When you are ready, we will take you on a stroll through the centre of Naples to soak up the vibrant atmosphere and then to dinner at one of our favourite local restaurants in all of Naples. That's quite a statement considering we are food fanatics here at Alma Italia but the chef Alberto never lets us or his regular Napoletano clientele down!



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## DAY 2

### NAPLES ADVENTURE

Naples, is a raucous city that overflows with passion, sex appeal, just a hint of danger combined with tradition and gastronomy. This makes it a very exciting place to visit and perhaps at Travel Deeply, our favorite city in Italy (though dont tell our Roman friends!) Its evocative, historical old centre is a World Heritage-listed area. In the morning, after a delicious breakfast of fresh coffee and Italian treats, your host will take you on a stroll around the famous spanish quarter and down to the waterfront, for your first glimpse of the sparking Mediterranean sea.

Naples is the birthplace of the pizza, and for lunch your Alma Italia guide will take you to our very favorite pizzeria to taste what's truly in our opinion (and trust us we've done years of research!) the best pizza that Italy has to offer. After, your guide will take you underground to see ancient Napoli Sotterranea, the famous underground city, a fascinating experience.

Finish the day, if it appeals, with some window shopping, browsing the cool boutiques of this fashion conscious city, or simply relaxing at a waterfront bar, watching Napolitan life go by.



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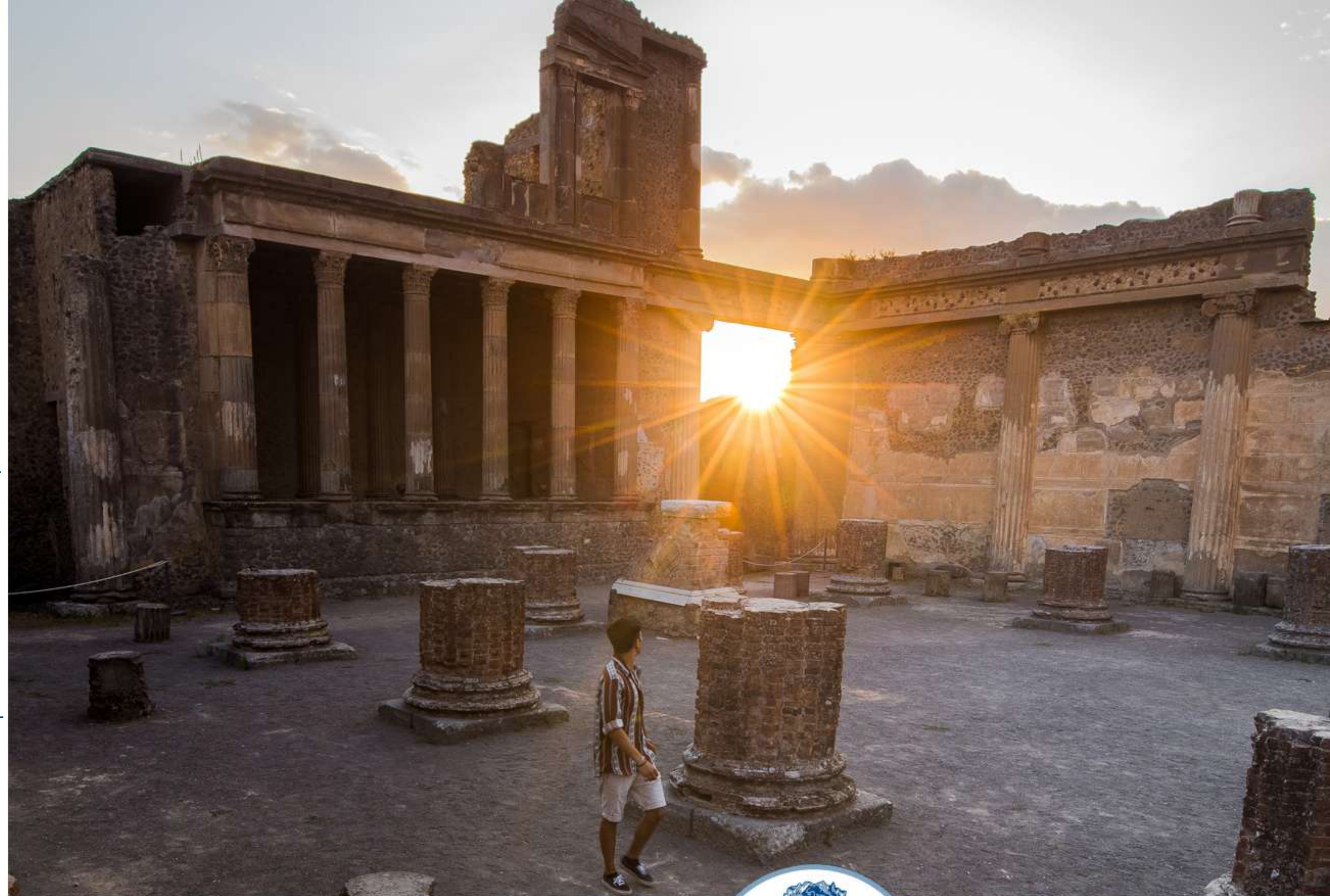


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## DAY 3

### POMPEII

Day 3 will take you to one of the most unique places in the world, the likes of which you certainly not have experienced before. Your guide will escort you to Pompeii, just outside Naples at the foot of Mt Vesuvius. The small picturesque town of 'modern' Pompeii has a wonderful old town square – the perfect place to while away some time with the locals, drinking true Italian coffee and watching the world go by. Most of today though will be spent exploring the ruins of ancient Pompeii on a guided tour. Until 26 August, 79 AD, Pompeii was a thriving Roman trading centre, where ordinary people went about their everyday business, but it was frozen in time when Mount Vesuvius erupted, killing 2,000 people and their homes under a layer of ash. The city was never rebuilt and largely disappeared from people's minds until the 18th century, when the ruins were re-discovered. Now you can take an unparalleled look back into the lives of ancient Romans and discover how they lived, worked and interacted 2,000 years ago. The finely preserved ruins include villas, temples, theatres and bustling markets. Walk along the chariot-marked streets, visit the magnificent amphitheatre and the 'Villa of Mysteries'. You can also visit the Roman Forum and basilica, temples, public baths, and the tiny Odeon created for music recitals. In the afternoon we'll head back to Naples to relax, perhaps taking a dip in your hotel pool to freshen up before another fabulous Italian dinner.



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## DAY 4

### VESUVIUS TO POSITANO AND AMALFI COAST

This morning your guide and private driver will take you up the mighty Mt Vesuvius, where you'll meet a local volcanology expert guide. Ascend to the summit of Mt Vesuvius for staggering 360 degree views over the Bay of Naples and into the steaming crater. Although Mt Vesuvius is still considered to be an active volcano, the last eruption was in 1944 so you'll feel quite safe! See first-hand the awesome power of the volcano that engulfed the cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum in 79AD.

In the afternoon, travel with your host and private driver to the famous seafront village of Positano (approximately 1 hour) and make yourself at home your Amalfi style boutique hotel before we stroll into town for our first glimpse of this iconic village at the heart of the Amalfi coast. You'll have a sunset drink and delicious dinner at our favorite restaurant in Positano to celebrate our arrival at one of the entire world's most stunning stretches of coastline dinner help you slip into another gear People have been coming to the Amalfi coast and her islands to relax for millenia.



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## DAY 5

### POSITANO

Your Amalfi coast tour really gets into full swing today as you hit peak relaxation. Enjoy a dreamy breakfast relaxing on the terrace of your boutique hotel. Later you can wonder down through Positano, browsing the boutiques on your way to the beach or simply relax at the hotel pool.

In the afternoon your guide will take you for a special wine and limoncello tasting experience at a local vineyard perched high on the hills above. What more could you want from an Amalfi Coast tour!



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## DAY 6

### AMALFI COAST ROAD TRIP

After breakfast, your private driver and host will collect you to guide you along the 25 miles of renowned Amalfi Coast highway that leads from Positano in the West to Vietri sul Mare in the East. This stunning stretch of coastal road is renowned as one of the most spectacular road trips in the world and is a 'must do' on 'Amalfi coast tours'.

You will stop off the various villages dotted along the coast exploring their unique charms before ending up in Ravello, a crowning glory of the Amalfi coast sitting high in the hills over the Mediterranean.



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## DAY 7

### CONCA DEL SOGNO BEACH CLUB AND MASSA LUBRENSE

After the adventure and exploration of the day 6 Amalfi coast road trip, another day of pure relaxation may be in order. Amalfi coast guided tours should be relaxing of course!

This morning a private boat will pick you up from the harbour near your hotel and transport you along the coast for an indulgent day at a beach club on one of the Amalfi Coast's most secluded coves accessible only by boat. Spend the day listening to the water gently lapping at the shore and enjoy a fresh seafood lunch of the catch of the day at the exquisite beach side restaurant. What else are vacations for if not to rest and restore on perfect days like this.



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## DAY 8

### SORRENTO

Set invitingly atop dramatic cliffs over sparkling, blue waters, it's easy to see why Sorrento is at the heart of most Amalfi coast trips. This classical seaside town with its fine piazzas, maze of old streets, sidewalk cafes and glamorous shops has attracted wealthy travellers from all over the world for centuries. The area is also famous for its lemon groves, producing the famous limoncello liqueur.

After the morning exploring the streets and sights of Sorrento, you will meet with a private chef who will teach you the proper way to make traditional Neapolitan pizza. The delicious treat associated with Italy was invented in Naples in the nineteenth century, using buffalo mozzarella, tomato sauce, and basil to represent the colors of the new Italian flag. Your chef will teach you how to make the dough properly, craft a delicious customary pasta sauce, and melt the creamy buffalo mozzarella over the dough as it cooks in a wood-fire brick oven. The scent of wood will fade beneath the mouthwatering aroma of crisping dough. You will then top the pizza with fresh basil, allowing the herbal taste to cut through the acidic sauce and rich, creamy cheese. Lunch will be the fruit of your labour...you'll deserve it!



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## DAY 9 - 10 - 11

### CAPRI, ISCHIA AND PROCIDA

Surely the pinnacle of any Amalfi coast tours has to be island hopping around the movie star islands of Capri, Ischia and Procida that lie just off the coast. For three dreamy days you will live like a celebrity cruising around the most beautiful and elegant islands in all of Italy. Nothing we can write here can do justice to quite how perfect an experience exploring these islands and their coastlines is.

Each island has its own particular charm, from the cinematic cliffs of Capri, the idyllic beaches and fortress of Ischia and the authentic charm of Procida. These days will be reminisced over by your group for years to come!



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## DAY 12

### DEPARTURE FROM NAPLES AIRPORT

It's finally time to wave a tearful goodbye at Naples airport. After the last delicious breakfast of your Amalfi coast trip your driver will take you safely to the airport.

Every Alma Italia private tours Amalfi coast experience is tailored to your meet your dreams so you can always stay for longer if you would like to keep the dolce Vita going for a little longer!



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