



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.
- Arrive in Taormina, Sicily, and immerse yourself in its rich history

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



FREQUENCY

MAY, JUNE, JULY, SEPTEMBER

DURATION
2 NIGHTS / 3 DAYS

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. Enjoy free time or choose from a selection of curated optional experiences*:

Start with a visit to the Christ the Redeemer statue in Maratea, offering stunning panoramic views of the coastline. Then, unwind at the Hotel Santavenere, where you can savour an aperitif with a scenic view of the sea.

As evening sets in, the train departs, and a refined dinner aboard promises a memorable evening, complete with live music.

**Off-board tours are an optional experience and may be excluded from the package price upon request. Please consult our team at the time of booking or inquiry for adjustments.*

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, experience the unique journey as the train is decoupled and loaded onto a ferry to cross the Strait of Messina. Once on the other side, the train continues to Taormina, where you can enjoy free time or select a curated experience to explore the beauty of Sicily*:

Transfer to Taormina and spend the afternoon at leisure, wandering through its charming streets, boutique shops, and sampling local flavours. You can end your visit with a delightful dinner at a renowned Sicilian restaurant or opt for an adventure on Mount Etna, followed by dinner at a local winery.

As night falls, the train departs for Palermo, its final destination

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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. 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



ACCOMMODATION

Choose from two categories on board the Orient Express: **Deluxe** and **Suite** Cabins. Each cabin radiates sophistication and offers thoughtful amenities and traditional room service.

The room service menu offers a tempting selection of savoury Italian delights, such as olives, fennel taralli, Italian cheese platters and breadsticks. Simply place your order with the steward via the in-room call button, and your chosen dishes will be served on trays, either at your bedside or table, allowing you to enjoy them while admiring the stunning views.

DELUXE CABIN

The 12 Deluxe Cabins are designed to help you unwind and disconnect. With carpeted floors and wood-beamed ceilings, each cabin offers a refined ambiance that sets the tone for a captivating journey. For added comfort, every cabin includes a private ensuite bathroom. As night falls, experience the "Great Transformation," where the cabin seamlessly converts into a cozy bedroom. The sofa transforms into a double bed, and the footstools turn into coffee tables and stools. The room, measuring 7 m² (75 sq ft), offers a truly enchanting experience.



Room Upgrades

Suite Cabins

Choose from one of 18 Suites, each offering an exquisitely designed bedroom that also offers the option for a twin room layout, furnished with a sofa, table, two armchairs and a private ensuite bathroom. Measuring 11 m² (118 sq ft), these Suites boast vibrant hues of orange, terracotta, and purple, creating a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Brass accents, reflective smoked mirrors, glossy lacquered "burnt sienna" ceilings, and sumptuous carpets and curtains, along with lighting fixtures by renowned 20th-century designers, infuse the space with timeless elegance and charm.



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

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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