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TRULLI HOUSES
IN ALBEROBELLO

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PUGLIA COUNTRYSIDE



GARDEN GRIGLIATA AT PALAZZO MARGHERITA



ALBEROBELLO

Itinerary*

Day 1 Tuesday, October 7, 2025 🍷

Arrival in Italy | Bernalda

Upon arrival at Bari Airport, transfer on your own to Bernalda. 11497d This unique dinner is a traditional Southern Italian experience, featuring a variety of specialty pizzas served family style, alongside a selection of entrees and premium artisanal local craft beers. Overnight in Bernalda.

Day 2 Wednesday, October 8, 2025 ☕ 🍷

Matera

This morning, travel to the ancient town of Matera for a private tour with a local guide. Learn about Matera's history as the "Shame of Italy" and its present-day status as a European Capital of Culture. Ride through the iconic *Sassi di Matera* on convertible three-wheelers and see the fantastic one-room cave dwellings. Afterwards, spend the afternoon with Drs. Liz Lev and Thomas Williams at their beautiful property near Ostuni in Puglia. Both certified sommeliers and accomplished authors, they will guide you through a tasting of regional Puglia wines while indulging in great conversation on Italian culture and history. Overnight in Bernalda.

Day 3 Thursday, October 9, 2025 ☕ 🍷

Polignano a Mare

Begin your day with a visit to a classic *Masseria* for a traditional olive oil tasting, held in buildings that have been used since the Middle Ages. Afterwards, continue traveling to Polignano a Mare, one of the most spectacular and popular locations on the Apulian Coast. Enjoy lunch at the famous Grotta Palazzese, and enjoy its outdoor terrace built into a natural coastal cave. Return to your hotel in the afternoon and enjoy time at leisure. Overnight in Bernalda.

Day 4 Friday, October 10, 2025 ☕ 🍷

Alberobello

Visit Alberobello to see the *Trulli* houses, white homes built with Apulian dry stone that feature characteristic conical roofs. While in Alberobello, you will spend time with a local woman making homemade Orecchiette pasta, enjoying your creation for lunch along with focaccia, grilled vegetables, meatballs, and other traditional food. After lunch, enjoy a tour around the town led by your local host, who will introduce you to different types of *Trulli* houses. Return to your hotel in the afternoon and spend the remainder of the day at your leisure. Overnight in Bernalda.

Day 5 Saturday, October 11, 2025 ☕ 🍷 🍷

Pollino National Park

Travel to Pollino National Park for a morning walk through the woods, led by a truffle hunter and his trained dog. Afterwards, journey to a village in the heart of the National Park, where you will see a historic medieval cave and an ancient, native wine grape. Enjoy a light lunch that features a traditional truffle tasting accompanied by country eggs, truffle shavings, and other local food and wines. Return to your hotel in the afternoon and spend time at leisure before feasting on a farewell dinner at your hotel. This dinner, set in the courtyard and surrounded by lush historical gardens, features a family-style table filled with several delicacies and local foods. Overnight in Bernalda.

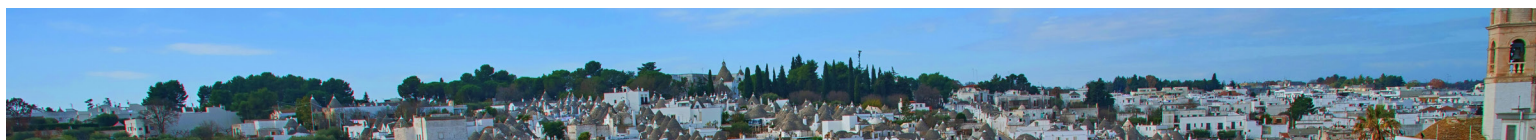
Day 6 Sunday, October 12, 2025 ☕

Return Home

After checking out of your hotel and saying goodbye to Fabio, transfer independently to the airport for your return flight home.

☕ = Breakfast | 🍷 = Lunch | 🍷 = Dinner

*itinerary is subject to change





TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights at the five-star Palazzo Margherita in Bernalda, Puglia
- Daily breakfast at hotel
- Entire tour managed and hosted by Fabio
- Welcome dinner at hotel
- Roundtrip transportation and local guide for day trip to Matera
- Private wine tasting at the house of Drs. Liz Lev and Thomas Williams in Puglia
- Roundtrip transportation for visits to traditional Masseria and Polignano a Mare
- Tour and olive oil tasting at traditional Masseria
- Lunch at Grotta Palazzese in Polignano a Mare
- Roundtrip transportation and local guide for day trip to Alberobello
- Private group cooking class in Alberobello
- Roundtrip transportation for day trip to Pollino National Park
- Private guide with truffle hunting dog for morning walk in Pollino National Park
- Lunch in Pollino National Park
- Farewell dinner at hotel

YOUR TOUR DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare
- Any necessary travel visas
- Transportation from airport to hotel upon arrival and from hotel to airport upon departure
- Meals where not specified in itinerary
- Pre- or post-trip programming
- Travel protection (see side panel for instructions on receiving a quote and purchasing a policy)
- Gratuities for drivers, guides, and tour managers
- Personal expenses and items not specified above

PRICES STARTING AT
\$6,499*

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*This price reflects a 3% per person discount for payments made by check.

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TRAVEL PROTECTION:

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PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- **Deposit:** 50% due at time of booking
- **Final Payment:** Balance due on or before August 7, 2025

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All cancellations must be received in writing. Payments are non-refundable and subject to CTS Terms and Conditions, including the CTS Liability Release.

CTS reserves the right to cancel any reservation if payments are not made according to the payment schedule. A \$25 fee will be added to any reinstated reservation. Payments received after the final due date will incur late fees.

PRE- AND POST-TRIP TRAVEL

This tour does not include pre- or post-trip travel, but our team at Exceptional Journeys is able to arrange this on your behalf. Please contact us about extending your trip.

BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS

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