

CIVIC TRAVEL

SERVICE PTY LTD

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CULTURAL TOUR TO ITALY AND CRUISING THE MEDITERRANEAN

3 - 26 June 2013
SUMMARY OF ITINERARY

3 - 4 June	<i>Fly from Canberra to Rome via Sydney and Dubai on Emirates Airlines</i>
4 June	<i>Arrive Rome Fiumicino airport at 1345 hours</i>
5 June	<i>Guided tour of Rome</i>
6 June	<i>Free day to explore Rome on your own</i>
	<i>Board cruise liner MSC Splendida for your 7-night cruise.</i>
7 - 14 June	<i>Cruise: visit Genoa, Marseille, Barcelona, Valencia and Palermo</i>
14 June	<i>Arrive back in Rome in the morning and travel to Pompeii and Sorrento</i>
15 June	<i>Day trip to Capri, visit the world-famous Blue Grotto and Anacapri (Augustus Gardens)</i>
16 June	<i>Visit the archaeological area at Paestum and continue to Reggio Calabria</i>
17 June	<i>Excursion to Mt Etna, the highest volcano in Europe.</i>
18 June	<i>Free day to explore Taormina.</i>
19 June	<i>Travel to Siracuse and visit Etnea ("Via Crociferi" etc)</i>
20 June	<i>Free day to explore Siracuse</i>
21 June	<i>Visit the archaeological areas and Ortiga (baroque city) and Piazza Armerina and Agrigento.</i>
22 June	<i>Travel to Palermo.</i>
23 June	<i>Free day to explore Palermo</i>
24 June	<i>Depart Palermo for return flight to Australia via Rome on Emirates Airlines (alternatively, you may stay on in Europe and follow your own specific itinerary).</i>
26 June	<i>Arrive at Sydney and fly to Canberra.</i>

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Monday 3 June 2013

1530 (3.30pm)	Depart Canberra/Sydney on flight Virgin Australia DJ0653 at 1530 hours (check in at 1400). On arrival at Sydney airport we transfer to the International Terminal via Virgin Australia bus from gate 37. On arrival at International Terminal we check in at Emirates check in counter.
2110 (9.10pm)	Depart Sydney/Dubai on flight Emirates EK413 at 2110 and arrive in Dubai at 0545 hours the next morning. Depart Dubai/Rome on flight Emirates EK 97 at 0925 hours and arrive Rome Fiumicino airport at 1345 hours on 2 June.

Day 2: Tuesday 4 June 2013

1345 (1.45pm)	<p>Arrive at Rome Fiumicino airport. After collecting your bags from the carousel and going through customs and immigration, the tour guide will the driver of our coach company GRUPPO MAXIMO – TINTI AUTOSERVIZI on mobile phone to inform him you are ready to leave (coaches are obliged to be parked at Long Term parking area).</p> <p>Your will then be transferred to central Rome.</p> <p>Accommodation at HOTEL PALLADIUM PALACE.</p>
2000 (8.00pm)	<p>Dinner at restaurant TRATTORIA NUOVA STELLA.</p> <p>Return to hotel.</p>

Day 3: Wednesday 5 June 2013

0845 (8.45am)	<p>After an early breakfast at your hotel, meet your guide <u>Mr Francesco Marini</u> at the hotel and board your coach for a guided panoramic tour of Rome.</p>
to	<p>Theme of guided visit: COLOSSEUM (reservation fees included), view of Roman Forum, St. Peter's Basilica (headsets included).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please not that you will have a reserved entrance at Colosseum at 0950 hours (please note that the entrance fee will be at own expense).</i></p>
late afternoon	<p>Lunch (at your own expense).</p> <p>After lunch you will continue your guided tour that includes: Navona Square, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon and Spanish Steps.</p> <p>In the afternoon return transfer to hotel (HOTEL PALLADIUM PALACE).</p>
2000 (8.00pm)	<p>Dinner at restaurant TRATTORIA NUOVA STELLA.</p> <p>Return to hotel.</p>

Day 4: Thursday 6 June 2013

All day	Breakfast at hotel. Free day to explore ROME at your own pace. (Lunch at your own expense)
2000 (8.00pm)	Dinner at restaurant TRATTORIA NUOVA STELLA . Return to hotel.

Day 5: Friday 7 June 2013

1030 (10.30am)	At 1030 hours coach departure from HOTEL PALLADIUM for the PORT OF CIVITAVECCHIA. Board the MSC SPLENDIDA for your 7 nights' cruise. Visit GENOA, MARSEILLE (Provence- France), BARCELONA (Spain), VALENCIA (Spain), PALERMO , and return to CIVITAVECCHIA
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Days 5 -12: Friday 7 – Friday 14 June

All day	Enjoy the splendid comforts of the MSC SPLENDIDA (all meals and entertainment included).
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Day 12: Friday 14 June 2013

0900 (9 am)	Arrive at CIVITAVECCIA and disembark.
1000 (10am)	You will be picked up by your coach that will take you to POMPEII , the famous Roman city destroyed by the volcanic eruption on Mt Vesuvius in 79 AD. Visit the excavations and then proceed on to SORRENTO . Dinner and overnight at your hotel.

Day 13: Saturday 15 June 2013

All day	Breakfast at your hotel and Departure to CAPRI by steamer. Weather conditions permitting, visit the BLUE GROTTA . Return to Marina Grande and then transfer to Anacapri , where there is time for a leisurely lunch (at your own expense), followed by a visit of Augustus Gardens , with a view of the Faraglioni . Return to Sorrento . Dinner and overnight at your hotel.
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Day 14: Sunday 16 June 2013

All day	<p>After breakfast depart and enjoy a visit to the archeological area in Paestum then continue to Reggio Calabria. Time at leisure for lunch before a visit to the archeological museum to see the famous Bronzi di Riace. D</p> <p>Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Reggio Calabria.</p>
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Day 15: Monday 17 June 2013

All day	<p>After breakfast depart for Sicily and, conditions permitting, embark on an excursion to Mount Etna, the highest active Volcano in Europe.</p> <p>You will reach 1800 meters to visit the Silvestri Craters.</p> <p>Continue to Taormina, the small medieval village called "The pearl of the Ionic Sea". Enjoy a leisurely time shopping or walking through the tiny streets or visit the Roman-Greek theatre on your own (the second largest of its kind in Sicily situated above the city - it affords spectacular views of the bay and Mount Etna).</p> <p>Dinner at your hotel.</p>
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Day 16: Tuesday 18 June 2013

All day	<p>Enjoy a day at leisure in TAORMINA for individual activities, or just relax on the beach.</p> <p>Dinner at your hotel.</p>
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Day 17: Wednesday 19 June 2013

All day	<p>After breakfasts depart for SIRACUSE. On the way we stop in Catania, where we take a stroll through Via Etnea, the Baroque street "Via Crociferi", Piazza Duomo, and the Roman Amphitheatre and the Opera House, then continue to Siracuse.</p> <p>Dinner and overnight at the hotel.</p>
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Day 18: Thursday 20 June 2013

All day	<p>Free day at Siracuse to follow for your own activities. Explore the city at your own pace.</p> <p>Dinner at the hotel.</p>
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Day 19: Friday 21 June 2013

All day	After breakfast visit the archeological area of Siracuse , including the Greek Theatre as well as Ortiga and the baroque centre of the city. Depart for Piazza Armerina to visit the Roman Villa del Casale then continue to Agrigento . Time at leisure for lunch. Dinner and overnight at hotel.
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Day 20: Saturday 22 June 2013

All day	After breakfast visit the Valley of the Temples then continue to Palermo to admire the Cathedral and the Palatine Chapel in the Royal Palace. Panoramic visit of Palermo then Monreale . Dinner and overnight at the hotel.
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Day 21: Sunday 23 June 2013

All day	Day at leisure in Palermo for last minute shopping or own activities to explore this fascinating city at your own pace.
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Day 22: Monday 24 June 2013

1100 (11am)	After breakfast we transfer to Palermo airport for a flight to ROME to connect with your EMIRATES flight home. (For those that will stay on in Italy or Europe, make your way to the hotel booked for you in Rome or alternative flights and follow your own specific itinerary.)
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Day 23: Tuesday 25 June 2013

	In transit on the way to Australia
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Day 24: Wednesday 26 June 2013

	Arrive in Sydney in the morning. After going through immigration, collect your bags and go through customs, make your way to Virgin Blue transfer counter for the bus to the domestic terminal.
1105 (11.05am)	Depart Sydney for Canberra on flight Virgin Australia DJ Arrive in Canberra at 1200 noon.

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TOUR AND CRUISE INCLUSIONS:

- **ECONOMY CLASS AIR FARES EX CANBERRA INCLUDING ALL TAXES AND CHARGES.**
- **3/4 STAR HOTELS INCL BREAKFAST AND DINNER ON THE TOUR.**
- **7 NIGHT CRUISE ON THE BEAUTIFUL MSC SPLENDIDA, VISITING GENOA, MARSEILLE, BARCELONA, VALENCIA, PALERMO.**
- **ALL MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT ON THE CRUISE.**
- **TOURS AS SPECIFIED IN THE ITINERARY**
- **FULLY ESCORTED FROM CANBERRA**

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 24

PRICE (PER PERSON - TWIN SHARE):

Category 6 Balcony 2-berth Cabin	\$7,999.00
Category 4 Outside 2 berth Cabin	\$7,890.00

Single Supplement:

Category 4 Cabin	\$2,386.00
Category 6 Cabin	\$3,034.00

BOOKING CONDITIONS:

- ***Deposit - \$1000 per person - non refundable.***
- ***Balance due not later than 90 days prior to departure.***
- ***Cancellation fees after balance paid.***
 - ***90-15 Days before departure 60% of package cost.***
 - ***14-7 Days before departure 80% of package cost.***
 - ***6 Days before departure 100% of package cost.***
- ***Return Journey can be extended at an extra cost of \$200.***
- ***Stopovers can be taken in Dubai at an extra cost of \$100.***
- ***Travel Insurance compulsory.***

CALL **CHARLES** FOR MORE **INFORMATION AND RESERVATION**

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