



Puglia 2026 - Tour Programme



Day 1 - Fri 27 March (Dinner, overnight in Bari)

The tour begins in Bari with a sumptuous welcome dinner featuring local gourmet dishes.

Day 2 - Sat 28 March (Lunch, overnight in Bari)

We begin the morning with an introductory walking tour through the ancient Historic Centre of Bari. After lunch, we head out to visit the lovely city of Trani and the Cathedral of Saint Nicholas with its highly unusual bell tower.

Day 3 - Sun 29 March (Lunch, overnight in Alberobello)

Today we visit two of Puglia's most famous seaside towns, Polignano a Mare and Monopoli, with a delicious seafood lunch in between. We then head for Alberobello, perhaps Puglia's most recognisable city, to spend the next three nights.

Day 4 - Mon 30 March (Lunch, overnight in Alberobello)

A UNESCO World heritage Site since 1996, Alberobello is the capital of trulli, with over 1000 of these unique buildings making up the town. After a morning walking tour of this fascinating place, we visit a dairy farm where we shall taste some of their exquisite mozzarella, burrata and other products while savouring a fabulous lunch, following which we return to Alberobello to enjoy the town at your leisure.

Day 5 - Tue 31 March (Lunch, overnight in Alberobello)

Baroque style is the theme for today, starting with Locorotondo, considered one of the most beautiful villages in Italy, and then off to a special lunch in the countryside. A visit to Martina Franca is scheduled after this where we shall explore its winding streets with our guide.



Day 6 - Wed 1 April (Lunch, overnight in Lecce)

We leave Alberobello this morning for a private estate for a tasting of extra virgin oil pressed from the olives of centuries-old trees, followed by a guided visit to the famous "white city" of Ostuni where we shall have our lunch. We then make our way to Lecce, the magnificent jewel of Baroque architecture, where we shall follow our guide for an introductory walking tour as the sun sets.

Day 7 - Thur 2 April (Dinner, overnight in Lecce)

The day is left at your leisure to enjoy the town on your own, but we shall meet up in the evening to go out for dinner.

Day 8 - Fri 3 April (Lunch, overnight in Lecce)

Today we head to the ancient city of Otranto, dominated by the imposing Aragonese castle, where we shall we shall enjoy a seafood lunch after the morning spent walking with our local guide. For the afternoon we take a leisurely drive along the easternmost coast of Italy.

Day 9 - Sat 4 April (Lunch, overnight in Lecce)

We shall have some fun this morning participating in a cooking lesson with seafood in the famous town of Gallipoli, with the afternoon spent at leisure before heading back to Lecce.

Day 10 - Sun 5 April (Lunch, overnight in Matera)

This morning we depart Lecce for the province of Taranto where we shall visit a vineyard for a leisurely lunch and wine-tasting. We then make our way to Matera, where you shall be spending the next three nights in some very special cave dwellings overlooking a canyon.

Day 11 - Mon 6 April (Lunch, overnight in Matera)

The incredible beauty of this UNESCO World Heritage Site and European Capital of Culture for 2019 shall be revealed this morning in a guided tour of its ancient *sassi*. We then make a trip to the other side of the ravine to visit the Murgia, the regional park of historic natural and archaeological gems which features rock churches and even prehistoric rock dwellings.

Day 12 - Tue 7 April (overnight in Matera)

The entire day is left free for you to relax or explore the labyrinthine streets of this stunning town. Those of you who are keen on something more active can consider spending the day with an optional hiking guide for an exploration of the ravine and the rugged regional park of the Murgia of Matera on foot.

Day 13 - Wed 7 April (Dinner, overnight in Bari)

We return to the capital of Puglia this morning, stopping along the way in Altamura to taste their famous bread. Once settled into your hotel in Bari, you are free to spend the day as you prefer, perhaps resting, exploring or doing some last-minute shopping. A farewell dinner is scheduled for the evening.

Day 14 - Thur 9 April

Tour ends after breakfast this morning.

Notes

- Tour price is for land arrangements only; flights are not included.
- This tour begins in and ends in Bari. Eventual transfers from Fiumicino and Bari airports can be arranged at an additional cost if requested. Please contact us if you need any special arrangements.
- Travel insurance is required for all tour participants.
- Single supplement for this tour is S\$1460. For triple-sharing and other arrangements please contact us.
- Sightseeing and entrance to sights included as specified in the programme.
- Gratuities for group services and city taxes are absorbed.
- Although the programme is planned to be leisurely, comfortable walking shoes are strongly recommended
 as there will be substantial walking on both paved and unpaved ground.
- Extension of trip both before and after the tour can be arranged upon request.