

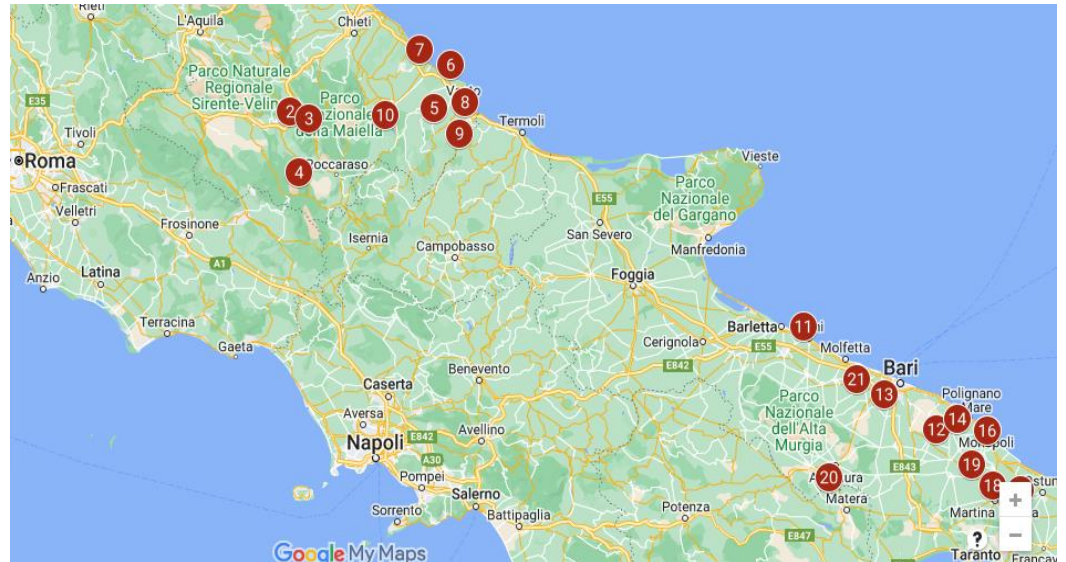
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The Abruzzo, Puglia & Matera experience tour

12 days, 11 nights

14-25 April 2024 | 12-23 May 2024 | 16-27 June 2024
15-26 September 2024 | 13-24 October 2024 | 10-21 November 2024

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- 2 Sun | Sulmona
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- 4 Tue | Scanno
- 5 Wed | Vasto
- 6 Thu | Punta Aderci
- 7 Thu | Trabocco fishing house
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Fully Escorted tour

Join us on a 12-day unique **Italian cultural and culinary escorted tour** to visit 3 of the most stunning Italian regions: **Abruzzo** with its charming mountain villages, **3 National Parks** and the fascinating **trabocchi** (special fishing structures, a symbol of the area), **Puglia** with its **UNESCO sites**, castles, beautiful medieval towns and coastal villages, and Basilicata with the enchanting **Matera**, elected European capital of Culture for 2019.

Your hosts and local guides Fabrizio and Katia, together with their families & friends, have put together amazing experiences that

combine passion, beautiful places and locals to **show you the best of Abruzzo & Puglia**, allowing you to live an **immersive adventure in the Italian culture and traditions**, where you really get to know the food, region and people. This is a fully escorted tour that will give you insights to daily life, food & wine, culture and production and will let you discover the **authentic Italy** in a balanced mix of experiences, relaxation, adventure and learning.

*The highlight of this tour is the chance to discover and **experience different local cultures** that have in common, the **warm hospitality** of local people, **great food** and **wine traditions**.*

HIGHLIGHTS

- Live like a local and sleep in the historical center of 3 charming ancient towns
- Visit 2 UNESCO World Heritage sites such as Matera and Alberobello
- Enjoy amazing landscapes that spread out from the sea to the mountains
- Prepare homemade pasta and focaccia with local women
- Discover the fascinating trabocchi fishing huts
- Explore enchanted mountain and seaside villages
- Make your own souvenir with a local artist
- Visit Abruzzo's acclaimed wine makers



Why a small group of travelers and a local tour operator

Here's why we believe that **traveling with a small group of people and a local tour operator as we are** can really make the difference:

We love our region – Attention to details – Local knowledge and experience – Live like a local – Feel part of a big family – Make new friends – Explore on your own – Everybody feels at home – Small groups tour up to 12 travelers. Click [here](#) to learn more!



Who is this tour suitable for?

Like-minded travelers - Everybody that travelled enough to know that touristy vacations are just not them - Travelers that appreciate la dolce vita and want to learn something new - Solo travelers - Couples - Group of friends - Families

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Sunday Rome Fiumicino airport pick-up, Sulmona and welcome to Abruzzo dinner (meals included: dinner)



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- Rome Fiumicino airport pick up at 12:30 pm, **transfer to Sulmona**, the town of the Roman poet Ovid, the most illustrious son of Sulmona (click [here](#) to discover more about Sulmona)
- Get to know your **local guide** and Italia Sweet Italia founder **Fabrizio** and learn more about this 12-day Italian cultural vacation
- Check in, relax and enjoy a **welcome dinner** at Hotel Ovidius in the heart of **Sulmona**

DAY 2 Monday Confetti Museum, explore Sulmona's historic center and traditional lunch wine tasting (meals included: breakfast, confetti tasting and lunch)



After a leisurely **traditional breakfast** made of freshly baked bread, whole fruit country-style preserves, cake, pastries, coffee, tea and freshly squeezed juice:

AM

- Visit the **Confetti (sugar-coated almonds) Museum**, where you can see a wide display of old-fashioned confectionery machines and equipment, memorabilia and precious, rare objects relating to the ancient Sulmonese art of confectionary
- After **confetti tasting**, we'll **discover Sulmona** and see the Medieval aqueduct on Piazza Garibaldi and the Church of Santa Maria Annunziata with its majestic bell tower
- We'll have a **traditional lunch** in the centre of Sulmona

PM

- We know that not every minute of your time needs to be packed with organized events; you will also be able to **explore on your own and actually live like an Italian**
- So today you'll have a **free afternoon for your own activities**, which could include: visiting Sulmona's museums and art galleries, taking part in some extra activities/excursions, having a **SPA** experience in the Hotel wellness center (*must be booked in advance*) or just do some time shopping, visiting artisans or taking a walk in the "piazza" to enjoy the relaxing Sulmona atmosphere

In the evening, you may experience **dinner on your own** in one of the many restaurants of Sulmona. *Obviously Fabrizio will suggest to you his favorite places*

DAY 3 Tuesday Amazing Abruzzo mountains landscapes, Scanno and Vasto on the Adriatic Coast (meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner)



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- After check out, we'll drive across the wonderful **Abruzzo mountains and National Parks** to the ancient Roman town of Vasto on the Adriatic Coast, where you will be staying for the next 3 nights
- On the way to Vasto, we'll visit the enchanting **Hermitage of San Domenico in Villalago** and the village of **Scanno (one of the most beautiful villages of Italy)** in the mountains with its fabulous alleys, churches, landscapes and artisans boutiques

PM

- Lunch in a traditional restaurant in Scanno
- We'll also visit an **artisanal jewelry shop** where they make the "Presentosa", a famous traditional jewel from Abruzzo, a very ancient piece of art which dates back to the 18th century
- Transfer to Vasto, check in at Hotel in the historical downtown
- **Group dinner in** a traditional restaurant in the heart of Vasto

DAY 4 Wednesday A visit to the market, make homemade pasta with Mamma and explore Vasto (meals included: breakfast, cooking lesson, lunch)



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- We'll walk and visit **Vasto's colorful market to get seasonal products**. Here you'll have the possibility to **practice a little bit of Italian** even if you don't speak any of it

- Next, we'll drive to the beautiful countryside of Vasto where we'll meet **Fabrizio's family** to have an exclusive **cooking class** with them and we'll learn how easy it is to **make fresh pasta** and we'll be introduced to Abruzzo sauces
- An example of a menu based on Fabrizio's family recipes, includes Bread with meat sauce, **Pasta alla chitarra with meat sauce**, polpette (meatballs) and Tarallucci (typical biscuits from Abruzzo)

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- Lunch on the scrumptious dishes that we prepared in the morning, while **enjoying the relaxing family atmosphere**
- After a short break to relax, in the afternoon we'll go on a **guided visit of Vasto's historic center**. We'll explore Loggia Amblingh, a promenade overlooking the fascinating crescent-shaped coastline, the old town with its medieval Castle, charming lanes, a tower, the Cathedral and Piazza Rossetti, dedicated to Gabriele Rossetti, a poet from the town and father of Dante Gabriel Rossetti, who founded the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood (click [here](#) to discover more about Vasto)
- In the evening you may experience **dinner on your own** in one of the many restaurants of Vasto. *After the big family lunch, based on our many years of experience, we know that nobody is looking for a rich dinner, so our travelers usually enjoy spending time like a local trying a simple aperitif, a gelato or a pizza. Obviously Fabrizio will suggest you his favorite places*

DAY 5 Thursday The Trabocchi Coast and Punta Aderci Nature Reserve, visit a winery with tasting and easy walk in the nature and make your own souvenir with an artist (meals included: breakfast, wine tasting, lunch, dinner)



AM

- After breakfast, we'll explore the famous Trabocchi coast. We'll start with a short and easy walk inside Punta Aderci Nature Reserve, one of the 12 most beautiful Italian beaches according to the [National Geographic](#), from where you can also admire snow-capped mountains at certain times of the year
- Next we'll visit an award-winning winery that sits between a marine park and the mountains. We'll sample **wine tasting** and lunch with pairings from local cheeses and salami and a **tour of the vineyard and cellars** organized by winemakers Emanuele and Nicola

PM

- After lunch in the winery and a short break at the hotel, we'll drive to the little **hilltop village of Lentella** at Ettore's "Fattoria d'Arte" (Art farm)
- Surrounded by an amazing landscape with a stunning view of the sea, mountains, hills and small towns, you can **enjoy an easy walk and an artistic experience** with Ettore, who will let you **create your own Abruzzo souvenir** (a postcard made with natural colors produced on site by mixing leaves and flowers that you can pick on Ettore's property)
- We'll have an **aperitif and a traditional dinner** with Ettore and his wife Barbara

DAY 6 Friday Explore Roccascalegna Medieval Castle, fish-based lunch on a trabocco fishing hut and free time (meals included: breakfast, lunch)



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- After breakfast, immersed in the nature and surrounded by amazing sceneries, we'll drive inland to **explore Abruzzo's enchanting castle in the sky in the charming village of Roccascalegna**, ranked by Condé Naste Traveler as one of the 9 Most Beautiful Hilltop Towns in Italy
- Next we'll visit a trabocco (the symbol of the area), mostly built with acacia wood and railway iron sleepers
- Weather permitting, Rinaldo our host will show us how to fish from it and the secrets and history behind Abruzzo's **unique fishing platforms** that have been featured in the BBC TV show: [Escape to the Continent](#)
- His wife Maria will prepare **fish from the Adriatic Sea** for us

PM

- **Free afternoon for your own activities**, which could include: going to one of the many beaches, visiting Vasto's museums and art galleries, taking part in some extra activities/excursions, or just doing some shopping, visiting artisans or having a walk in the "piazza" to enjoy the relaxing Vasto ambiance
- In the evening, you may experience **dinner on your own** in one of the many restaurants of Vasto

DAY 7 Saturday Welcome to Puglia, exploring Trani and Conversano (meals included: breakfast, dinner)



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- After check out, we'll move to Puglia where we'll meet the local guide Katia and we'll have a **guided visit of the beautiful town of Trani**: the little fishing port, the Church of the Templar Knights, and the historical district

PM

- Free time and **lunch on your own** in one of the many restaurants of Trani

- Transfer to Conversano and check in at Hotel Corte Altavilla in the historical downtown (*possibility to have a SPA experience in their wellness center to book in advance*)
- Guided **walking tour in Conversano**: ancient town with its medieval Castle and Romanesque cathedral
- Welcome to Puglia **group dinner** in traditional restaurant in the heart of Conversano

DAY 8 Sunday Exploring Bari, panzerotto tasting, traditional lunch and guided tour of Polignano a mare (*meals included: breakfast, panzerotto tasting, lunch*)



AM

- After breakfast we'll drive to Bari, the capital city of Puglia. We'll have a **guided tour to discover** San Nicola's church and the city center called *Bari Vecchia* (*Old Bari*) where you can meet local ladies making fresh pasta in the middle of enchanting streets
- We'll enjoy also a **tasting of traditional panzerotti** (a pocket of dough stuffed with tomato and vegetables or a meat sauce) in a bakery

PM

- We'll drive to **Polignano a mare** to enjoy a traditional lunch and to discover its wonderful sea views and charming alleys

After the lunch in Polignano, based on our many years of experience, we know that nobody is looking for a rich dinner, so our travelers usually enjoy spending time like a local trying a simple aperitif, a gelato or a pizza. Obviously Katia will suggest to you her favorite places

DAY 9 Monday Cooking class in a masseria, exploring Monopoli (*meals included: breakfast, cooking lesson, lunch*)



AM

- After breakfast we'll move to an ancient masseria (typical Apulian farmhouse) in Monopoli and **cooking class with traditional recipes** such as orecchiette pasta, melanzane alla parmigiana (eggplant parmigiana) and Almond sweets (a typical Apulian dessert)

PM

- Lunch will consist of the scrumptious dishes that have been prepared in the morning
- Next we'll have a **guided tour of Monopoli**, an enchanting seaside town with a lot of history, surprising corners and fascinating alleys
- Dinner at your leisure in one of the many restaurants of Conversano

DAY 10 Tuesday Olive oil tasting, explore Locorotondo and the UNESCO site Trulli of Alberobello (meals included: breakfast, extra-virgin olive tasting, lunch)



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- After breakfast, we'll drive south to visit an **ancient olive oil mill** where we'll have an extra virgin olive oil tasting
- Next we'll explore the **charming village of Locorotondo**, whose name derives from the Latin *Locus Rotundus* and literally means "round place" recalling the circular shape, which is repeated on several rings between suggestive alleys and streets
- Next we'll move to **the UNESCO site of Alberobello** to enjoy a **traditional lunch** in this unique town

PM

- Next we'll have a guided tour and walk among the trulli
- Dinner at your leisure in one of the many restaurants of Conversano

DAY 11 Wednesday Matera and its UNESCO site, focaccia tasting, and farewell dinner (meals included: breakfast, focaccia tasting, light lunch, dinner)



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- After breakfast, we'll drive to **spectacular Matera** in the Basilicata Region
- We'll have a **guided tour of the Unesco site of "the Sassi"** (cave houses and rocky churches where time seems to stop)
- After some free time to **explore Matera by yourself** or to relax we'll have a **Focaccia and bread tasting** with a light lunch in a traditional bakery in Matera

PM

- Next we'll come back to your Hotel in Conversano
- You will have more free time to relax and pack or do last minute shopping, before we enjoy a **farewell dinner** at Hotel Corte Altavilla

DAY 12 Thursday Departure and goodbye (*meals included: breakfast*)

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- After breakfast departure (normally at 09:00) for **Bari airport or your next destination** (45 minutes driving from Hotel to Bari airport and 40 minutes to Bari train station)

NOTE ABOUT YOUR ITINERARY

*Your Itinerary is a guide to your activities during the week. However, **sometimes we modify the final itinerary to take advantage of the season and the weather.** Our goal is to ensure that **everyone has a fabulous time**, and that sometimes means tweaking the schedule even after your arrival. Your guide will provide suggestions during the week, and the group will decide if any modifications are desired. Be assured that **only enhanced experiences are ever considered.***

Suggestions

- Bring sturdy comfortable shoes and a windbreaker as there are short cross-country walks leading to amazing sites and views.
- Along the way you may wish to purchase items from the wonderful artisans and local producers we visit. Remember to leave a little room in your suitcase for this.

PRICE PER PERSON

12-day package

14-25 April 2024: € 3,565.00*

12-23 May 2024: € 3,565.00*

16-27 June 2024: € 3,565.00*

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13-24 October 2024: € 3,565.00*

10-21 November 2024: € 3,565.00*

**Prices are per person and land only, with accommodation in a twin/double room with ensuite bathroom. Airfare and travel insurance are not included. Single occupancy supplement (double room for single use): + € 270.*

Click [here](#) for exchange rate

Schedule a Free Consultation with Fabrizio - [Click here](#)

INCLUSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Included in the price

- 2 nights in Sulmona at [Hotel Ovidius](#), 4 nights in Vasto at [Hotel San Marco](#) (or similar accommodation) and 5 nights in Conversano at [Hotel Corte Altavilla](#) Standard rooms, centrally located accommodations
- Daily breakfast buffet
- 13 meals (food, water & house wine) in selected restaurants, a farmhouse, a private home, a winery and a trabocco fishing hut based on traditional regional dishes. Some evenings are free for you to explore the towns by yourself
- Guided tastings of wines, confetti, olive oil, panzerotti and focaccia bread and visits to the producers
- 2 Hands-on authentic Abruzzo and Puglia cooking classes and associated food costs
- Personalized cooking booklet and apron
- Daily trips, excursions and guided tours
- All transports for daily trips and excursions will be in an air conditioned minibus or car
- Pick up in Rome Fiumicino airport or city center on request and drop off in Bari airport in an air conditioned minibus or car
- All entry fees for museums
- Art experience with a local artist
- English-speaking professional tour directors and licensed local guides as per itinerary
- All taxes except city tax

What's not included (click to see)

- Airfares. We recommend using www.skyscanner.com to check the flights
- Money spent for personal interests
- Snacks/Drinks between meals, or any meals not listed on the itinerary
- Personal expenses like phone calls, visa costs, laundry or tips
- Travel insurance (not obligatory, but recommended)
- Drinks not listed in the itinerary (an extra bottle of wine, for example)
- The cost of additional excursions or activities
- City tax (depending on period and location, varies from € 1.5 to € 2.50 per night per person to be paid at hotels)

During this tour you will stay at the centrally located 4 [Hotel Ovidius](#) in **Sulmona**, 3* [Hotel San Marco](#) in **Vasto** and 4* [Hotel Corte Altavilla](#) in **Conversano**. All of them provide a high standard of service, are meticulously clean and equipped with modern conveniences, air conditioning, elevator, free wi-fi and they are at walking distance to the main attractions and squares of their respective towns. At [Hotel Ovidius](#) and [Hotel Corte Altavilla](#) you have the opportunity to enjoy a SPA experience in their wellness center to be booked in advance.*

Regarding your staying in Vasto, you can also choose to upgrade to a lovely boutique residence located in the heart of Vasto. Originally an 18th-century mansion, it has been renovated into an upscale B&B with 5 bedrooms, located on the Amblingh promenade overlooking the Adriatic Sea. [Discover more here](#) and inquire for a quote.

FAQ

Would Fabrizio guide this trip or do you hand it over to a local guide?

Yes, Fabrizio will be happy to guide you for the first 6 days of the tour to let you discover his Abruzzo although **there may always be some unforeseen event** that may make it necessary to replace Fabrizio with another experienced and trusted Abruzzese guide who has worked with Fabrizio for many years. In Puglia there will be Katia, an **enthusiastic local guide** who **share our philosophy** and we prefer to have people that love and know everything (or almost) about their region just like Fabrizio does for Abruzzo. It's best to **have the knowledge of a local to appreciate all that is local**. Rest assured that we designed the tour together and **Fabrizio has personally met the local suppliers** to make sure they share Italia Sweet Italia's philosophy and style to **create new and unique trips to support small local businesses and sustainable tourism**.

I can't do hours of walking. Does this trip include hiking?

On a typical day there could be **0.5-2 hours** (some days even few minutes) of **slow and light walking** (with stops to see monuments, churches, piazzas, historical sites and so on, not hiking) except for days 6 and 11 when there is a more challenging walk (with some climbs and stairs) to explore wonderful Roccascalegna and Matera. Anyway, in every location if you feel tired and don't want to walk too much, we'll be happy to give you suggestions to stop to wait for the rest of the group in a nice bar or location in a nice piazza or a bench to enjoy the Italian atmosphere.

Is the laundry service available at the hotels?

Yes, both the hotel in Sulmona and the one in Conversano offer laundry service to meet the needs of our guests during their stay.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE FAQ](#)

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

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Pick up

The **pick up at Rome Fiumicino airport (terminal 3) is planned at 12:30 pm on day 1** and we'll drive around 2 hours to Sulmona. The timing depends on the traffic and if you need to stop at the motor service along the way for a snack or to go to the toilette. It is a beautiful and relaxing driving, crossing 3 National parks and from where you can see many hilltop villages, castles the Apennines and vineyards. It is a beautiful and relaxing driving crossing three National parks, from where you can see many hilltop villages and the Apennines.

Please consider also this information:

- You can also reach Sulmona or other destinations in Italy **by bus or train**. Please take a look at [this page](#). We'll organize the taxi transfer from/to Sulmona train station (5 minutes driving) or Sulmona coach station to/from the hotel in Sulmona (15 minutes driving).

- If you're having trouble finding a flight that best fits our schedule or want more time to recover from jet lag, we point out that one solution (as several of our clients do) is to stay one night before the start or after the end of the tour with us in hotels near the airport (we have no agreements for hotels near airports, but [here](#) you can easily find and safely book the accommodation that's right for you).

We recommend planning your transfer in advance to easily reach our meeting point at the airport and start your tour without stress.

Pick up at hotel in central Rome or other area

If you arrive in Rome a few days before your tour with us and have booked accommodation in the city center, we regret to inform you that, **due to logistical reasons, we cannot arrange a direct pick-up service at your hotels.** This is to avoid the inconvenience of multiple stops at different hotels and to ensure that all tour participants receive the necessary information efficiently.

However, don't worry, reaching our meeting point at the airport is quite straightforward, and we suggest a few convenient options:

1. For **taxi services**, you have the option to independently book one by dialing "[Chiama taxi +39 060609](#)." Alternatively, for added convenience and speed, you can arrange a taxi through your hotel in the central area of Rome. When booking, request a taxi with fixed or regulated fares. You can find more information and download the official app from the City of Rome's website at this link: <https://www.turismoroma.it/en/node/18690>. Additionally, for information on taxi fares starting from € 50 from the center of Rome, you can refer to this link: <https://romamobilita.it/it/muoversiaroma/muoversi-taxi>.
2. The [Leonardo Express](#) is a direct train that connects Rome's Termini Station to Fiumicino Airport. The journey time is about 32 minutes and the ticket cost is 14 euros one way. The train arrives at Terminal 3, our meeting point, which is within easy walking distance.
3. The **Tiburtina regional train** is another option to reach the airport from central Rome. The trip takes about 50 minutes and the ticket cost is 8 euros one way. You'll find additional information on fares, frequency, and schedules for regional trains on the Italian railways' website: <https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html> or at the train station.

Meeting point Rome Fiumicino airport (terminal 3)

The meeting point is very easy, and you can find all the information in [this file](#) (it is an example to see how easy it is). A few days before the tour starts, **I'll send you a pdf with the update information** regarding the driver(s) contacts.

If you arrive at Rome Fiumicino a few days before, I recommend taking a look at the meeting point in advance. This way, you'll feel more at ease in finding it later, even though it's already very easy to locate.

Drop off

For the **drop off to Bari**, we follow this program: after breakfast we leave (normally at 09:00) for Bari airport or your next destination (45 minutes driving from Hotel to Bari airport and 40 minutes to Bari train station). When we'll have information from all the people who will join the tour (about their programs on that day) we'll finalize this. If there are some specific needs, we can organize a

private transportation (before or after the planned one) from the hotel to Bari airport or train station that costs € 90.

Usually at **the end of this tour** our travelers do different things:

1. some travelers stay a few nights more in Bari or Puglia area (we could help for more activities, tours and day trips)
2. some travelers get a bus or a train to reach other parts of Italy (we could help for more activities, tours and day trips)
3. some travelers go back to Rome to fly back their countries

If you **plan to go to Rome** at the end of this tour, you can go there in different ways:

- by train (it takes around 4-6 hours) to Rome city center as you can see [here](#). It takes 45 min. from Rome Termini Station to Rome Fiumicino airport with the Leonardo Express train that usually there is every 15 min as you can see [here](#). Most of our travelers who take the train to Rome from Bari take the 12:46 p.m. FRECCIAROSSA train 8314, which arrives at Rome Termini at 4:55 p.m. (the train is normally bookable from 90 days before the chosen date)
- by flight (it takes around 1 hour) to Rome Fiumicino as you can see [here](#) (if you book in advance it could be very cheap, from 10-30 € plus the costs for extra luggage). Besides, as another option, from Bari you can find some flights to US (i.e. New York) with one change in Rome as you can see [here](#)
- by bus (it takes around 5-6 hours) to Rome city center or airport (7-10 hours with changes, it isn't very comfortable) as you can see [here](#)

Private pick-up and drop-off for group tours

Of course, we are always happy to support you to organize a **private pick up/drop off** only for you to let you join our small group tours listed in [our calendar](#). Please keep in mind that a private transfer (before or after the planned one) from Vasto to Rome airport or city center costs from € 350.

Connecting to or from another part of Italy

If you are connecting to or from another part of Italy we are **happy to assist you in planning your pre and post trip connections**. If your planned arrival or departure does not coincide with the specified meeting time we can assist you in **booking a private transfer** at an additional cost or some extra nights in Vasto or Puglia.

Once a complete booking is made you may also contact us directly for further details and assistance. **We are always here to help and have the insider knowledge** and on the ground support to ensure you find the best option available to arrive or depart from your tour.

Make sure to arrive at the meeting point on time but don't get stressed

Please note that all guests joining our tours are **responsible for ensuring they make it to the meeting point at 12:30 pm** at Rome's Fiumicino airport. Those who are unable to be on time will not be guaranteed a transfer from Rome to Sulmona and will have to seek other arrangements to participate in the remainder of the tour. Anyway, **don't worry, there are many daily public buses** that with less than € 25 **connect Rome Fiumicino airport or Roma Termini coach station with Sulmona** as you can see [here](#).

HOW TO BOOK

The booking process with Italia Sweet Italia is very simple. All you have to do is follow the 2 easy steps. At any stage you are welcome to contact us and we will help you with any doubts or problems:

1. To Pay a **deposit of 25%** per person by:
 - a. Credit card using the *book now button* on the tour page
 - b. Bank Transfer

(Italia Sweet Italia Holidays di Lucci Fabrizio)

Account number: 1231254113 IBAN: IT21R0526277910CC1231254113 SWIFT: BPPUIT33 Banca Popolare Pugliese – Società cooperativa per azioni Via XXIV Maggio, 25 66054 Vasto (CH) – Italy. Motivation of the payment: Deposit for Tour... *to add name of the tour, month and year*). Please inform your bank to make it directly in €.

2. You pay the **75% balance** within 45 days before arrival

You can pay the balance by Bank Transfer or Credit card (using the *book now button* on the tour page).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The contracts covering the programs described are governed not only by the conditions set out herein but also by the contents of Law No. 111 dated 17 March 1995, European Directive 314/90/EEC and Law No. 1084 dated 27 December 1977 which ratified the International Convention on Travel Contracts (CCV) signed in Brussels on 23 April 1970 as applicable – as well as the the "Tourism Code" (Italian Legislative Decree of 23.5.2011 No 79 - Annex I, Articles 32 - 51-novies) as amended by Italian Legislative Decree of 21 May 2018 No 62 and, where applicable, by Italian Law No 1084 of 27/12/1977 (Ratification and Implementation of the International Convention on Travel Contracts (CCV) signed in Brussels on 23.4.1970) and by Italian Legislative Decree of 6.9.2005 No 2006 ("Consumer Code") and subsequent modifications. Under no circumstances will the responsibilities of the organizer be deemed to exceed the limits set out in the law quoted.

LICENCE, INSURANCE POLICY AND GUARANTEE FUND

Italia Sweet Italia Holidays di Lucci Fabrizio operates on the basis of the Communication to the Administration of the Province of Chieti, Tourist Office, taken place on 6th July 2016. Italia Sweet Italia has an insurance policy no. 4378340 with Europe Assistance Italia S.p.A. to cover civil responsibility. The buyer of the tour package in the contract governed by these general terms and conditions is provided with the [guarantees indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 of article 50](#) of the Italian Code of Tourism when the travel agent is registered with the Travel Guarantee Fund (Fondo di Garanzia Viaggi S.r.l.) with registered office in Via Nazionale 60, Rome (www.garanziviaggi.it).

GUARANTEED PRICES

Prices quoted are shown in Euro and do not include the following goods or services: air, rail or bus tickets.

Due to the *remote* possibility of an unpredictable, but significant, rise in the cost of fuel, food, transportation, etc, there may be the need for the Tour Operator to increase the cost of this trip. According to the [Italian Tourism Code](#), that increase *must* be reported to each traveler. We will communicate this to travelers at least 50 days before the first day of the tour (Day One). If that amount exceeds 8% of the total trip cost, all travelers who have signed up for this tour may choose to cancel their reservation without penalty and will be refunded in full.

BOOKINGS & REGULATIONS

Bookings are subject to availability and only become binding after you have paid a deposit of 25% per person and received a confirmation email from Italia Sweet Italia. The balance has to be paid within 45 days before arrival. Holidays booked less than 45 days before their start date must be paid in full. You can pay the deposit and the balance by Bank Transfer (Italia Sweet Italia Holidays di Lucci Fabrizio Account number: 1231254113 IBAN: I IT21R0526277910CC1231254113 SWIFT: BPPUIT33 Banca Popolare Pugliese – Società cooperativa per azioni, Via XXIV Maggio, 25 66054 – Vasto (CH) – Italy) or PayPal.

CANCELLATIONS

If for any reason you need to cancel your trip, a penalty is charged as shown below (calculation is in calendar days):

Days before departure	Penalty per person
45 days or more	25% of the total cost*
15 - 44 days	50% of the total cost
7-14 days	80% of the total cost
0-6 days	100% of the total cost

* If cancellation is necessary due to death in family, healthy problems or other unforeseen circumstance to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and approved by Italia Sweet Italia, we'll transfer your deposit to a future date or to a different person (*who has not already booked one of our upcoming tours*).

PROGRAM CHANGES

Although we try hard to avoid cancellations and changes to the holidays, due to the forward planning of our holidays this is sometimes unavoidable. We must therefore reserve the right in any circumstances to cancel or make changes to your holiday. This includes cancellations due to force majeure or under booking. With the exception of force majeure, these changes can be major or minor. In the case of a major change or cancellation (a major change is defined as a change to accommodation of a lower rating for all of your holiday or a change of holiday dates) we will advise you as soon as possible and we give you the following options:

- Accept the new arrangements
- Take an alternative holiday subject to availability (if a lower price we will refund the difference, if a higher price you must pay the difference)
- Withdraw and accept a full refund of all monies paid (excluding holiday insurance premiums or additional costs we have incurred on your behalf).

In the event of a minor change (any change that is not defined as a major change above or force majeure), the above options will not be available to you. We also reserve the right for any reason or at any time, at our sole discretion, to decline to accept or to retain any person on a holiday as a client particularly if their conduct is disruptive and affecting the enjoyment of other participants on the trip, and we shall be under no liability for any costs incurred by such a person as a result of our doing so.

LIMITATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The organizer shall not be liable for any damage/injury (physical or otherwise) to participants as a result of the physical activity performed during the trip, the consumption of alcohol, breakage of equipment and materials or for any other reason which, within the limits of professional diligence, could not have been foreseen or resolved. The organizer is not responsible for expenses (transportation, meals, hotels) not included in the program but necessary to reach the meeting point or to leave the finishing point on conclusion of the trip.

COMPLAINTS

The consumer, as stated by art. 98 of D.L. 206 dated 06/09/05, is obliged to formally denounce, in writing and with receipt of postage, any complaints regarding problems with the tourist package to both the Organization and to the tourist structure where he or she is lodged within and no longer than 10 working days after departure from the respective holiday destination. Any breach of contract must be contested by the consumer without delay, enabling the organizer or a company representative to remedy the situation in loco.

PHOTO / VIDEO RELEASE

Italia Sweet Italia occasionally videotapes and photographs guests and activities for promotional use. Please notify us if we are not free to use images of you or your group. If produced, Italia Sweet Italia would be happy to provide you with photos or video clips where you are present.

COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION

For any controversy which might arise, the court of competent jurisdiction is that of Vasto (Chieti).