Experience Calabria

# Tour of the Villages: Experience Calabria

Discover the
enchantment of
Italy's hidden
villages, immersed



in timeless tradition and breathtaking landscapes, where history whispers through ancient streets

10 DAYS 9 NIGHTS



# NATURE AND ADVENTURE 80%





## HISTORICAL BUILDINGS AND HISTORY 75%



### **Travel Mood**

Join us for the 16th edition of the National Festival of "The Most Beautiful Villages of Italy," a celebrated annual event that shines a spotlight on the heritage, culture, and timeless beauty of Italy's 354 picturesque villages. This year, we are delighted to host the festival in the stunning region of Calabria, specifically in the charming municipalities of Oriolo and Rocca Imperiale in the province of Cosenza. These villages, nestled in the heart of Calabria, stand as a profound testament to the region's rich historical and cultural tapestry, making them the ideal backdrop to celebrate the authenticity and splendor of Italian village life.

Throughout this extraordinary journey you will immerse yourself in a world where traditional cultures thrive and ancient practices continue to enchant. Experience the vibrancy of local festivals, indulge in authentic Calabrian street food, and sip on the unique wines of the region, such as the passito muscat of Saracena. Discover hidden rites in the secluded reaches of the Pollino area, where age-old arbëreshë and apotropaic rituals are preserved.

Calabria opens its arms to the world, inviting you to traverse

### What is included

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accomodations for double occupancy



All launches

Selected aperitivo and dinners per itinerary



All experiences/exc



transportation

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the cradle of great civilizations, situated at the nexus of the Mediterranean's two seas and three dramatic peaks. It's an invitation to awaken your senses to the wonders of Calabria.

### Location

### Casa Castello in Rocca Imperiale

Casa Castello is situated in the quaint square of the majestic castle of Rocca Imperiale. This location offers a unique experience as it is nestled within the historic walls of a commanding medieval fortress. The setting provides visitors with a picturesque view of the surrounding landscape and a direct connection to the rich history and cultural heritage of the area. Casa Castello serves as an ideal spot for those looking to immerse themselves in the charm and history of Rocca Imperiale.

### <u>Il Borghetto di Tropea</u>

Il Borghetto di Tropea is an enchanting accommodation nestled in the heart of Tropea, Italy, one of the most picturesque towns along the Calabrian coast. This charming retreat offers guests a serene and cozy stay, with beautifully appointed apartments that blend rustic charm with modern comforts. Each apartment provides a private space to relax and enjoy the stunning views of the surrounding medieval town and crystal-clear waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. The property is ideally located within walking distance of Tropea's vibrant historical center, famous for its narrow streets, traditional restaurants, and beautiful beaches. Il Borghetto di Tropea is the perfect destination for travelers seeking a peaceful getaway in a breathtaking Italian setting.

### <u>Grand Hotel Excelsior - Reggio Calabria</u>

The Grand Hotel Excelsior is a prestigious hotel located in the vibrant heart of Reggio Calabria, offering unparalleled luxury and comfort. This elegant hotel boasts an impressive array of amenities, including well-appointed rooms and suites that offer spectacular views of the Strait of Messina and the city's historic landmarks. Guests can indulge in gourmet dining experiences at the hotel's restaurants, which serve a variety of

local and international dishes prepared with the finest ingredients. The hotel also features a state-of-the-art fitness center, a relaxing spa, and versatile conference facilities suitable for both business and social events. With its prime location, the Grand Hotel Excelsior provides easy access to Reggio Calabria's cultural attractions, shopping districts, and stunning waterfront, making it an ideal choice for discerning travelers seeking luxury and convenience in southern Italy.

### Travel Date Options

### 2024

From September 6th to September 14th

Price (per person)

\$6,000

### Additional Information

Additional supplement for single \$ 500,00

Request more info

DAY 1

### **ITINERARY**

DAY 2

Welcome to Calabria
Oriolo Exploration
Civita and Saracena

STAGE 1 - Pick up from Bari
Airport and transfer to Rocca
Imperiale
STAGE 1 - Breakfast at the hotel
followed by a guided tour of
Oriolo

DAY 3

**STAGE 2** - Chech-in and welcome dinner in Rocca Imperiale. Enjoy the local festival atmosphere

STAGE 2 - Relax on the beach

**STAGE 3 -** Aperitivo and dinner, followed by festival activities

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast, then departure for Civita to explore the Arabesque culture and visit "The 7 Houses" by artist Kodra

**STAGE 2** – Visit the Cantina Viola winery in Saracena

**STAGE 3** - Return to Rocca Imperiale for aperitivo and festival enjoyment

DAY 4

### DAY 5

### DAY 6

### **Journey to Tropea**

### **STAGE 1** - Breakfast and departure for Tropea, with a stop at Paola to visit the Sanctuary of San Francesco di Paola

**STAGE 2** - Lunch in Fuscaldo and continuation to Tropea

STAGE 3 - Check-in in Tropea

### **Tropea Leisure**

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast followed by a leisurely morning on the beach

STAGE 2 - Visit Tropea borgo.

Tropea is a picturesque town in Calabria, known for its clifftop setting overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea. Its historic old guarter is a labyrinth of narrow streets and traditional architecture, leading to stunning beaches below. Tropea is also famed for its culinary delights, especially the sweet 'Cipolla di Tropea' onions. This charming town combines natural beauty, rich history, and vibrant flavors, offering a quintessential Italian coastal experience.

### Tropea's Coastal Beauty

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast followed by the "Onion Experience"

**STAGE 2** - Boat tour to view the sunset with aperitivo on board

### **STAGE 3** - Aperitivo in town

DAY 7	
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### DAY 8

### DAY9

### **Towards Reggio Calabria**

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast and departure for Reggio Calabria, with a stop in Scilla, a charming fishermen's borgo

**STAGE 2** - Lunch and walking tour in Scilla

**STAGE 3** - Check-in in Reggio Calabria. Aperitivo on the boardwalk. Enjoy gelato at Cesare, one of the best gelateria in all of Italy

### **Discovering Reggio Calabria**

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast followed by a visit to the Museo of Reggio Calabria

**STAGE 2** - Light lunch and free time

**STAGE 3** - Aperitivo along the most beautiful kilometer in Italy

### **Bergamot and Farewells**

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast and a visit to the Bergamot Museum

**STAGE 2** - Lunch and free time

STAGE 3 - Farewell dinner

### **DAY 10**

**STAGE 1** - Breakfast, check-out and transportation to Lamezia Terme Airport Italy. Every hill a village. Every village a story. Every story a secret to tell. F. Carampana

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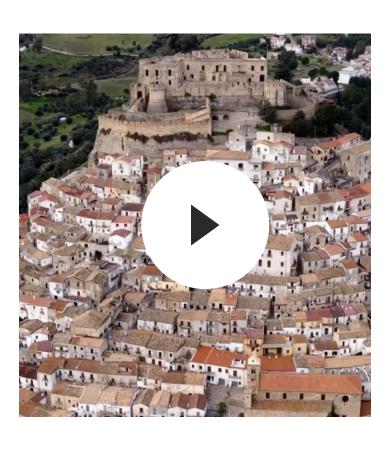
# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What forms of payment do you accept?	_
Cash, Credit Card, Check, PayPal.	
What is your cancellation policy?	+
What document are required to travel to Italy?	+
Can you accommodate gluten- free travelers on your tour?	+

OUT OF TIME

# Rocca Imperiale

Rocca Imperiale is a charming



village in Calabria, Italy, known for its spectacular views of the Ionian Sea and rich history. The centerpiece is its 13th-century castle built by Emperor Frederick II, which offers a glimpse into medieval times. The village is famous for its lemon cultivation, highlighted during the annual Lemon Festival that features local food, music, and crafts. The quaint streets, lined with stone houses and flowering balconies, along with local artisan shops and eateries, showcase the authentic Calabrian lifestyle. The surrounding countryside and pristine beaches provide numerous opportunities for outdoor activities, making Rocca Imperiale a delightful destination for both history buffs and nature

Bergamot Food Home Tour













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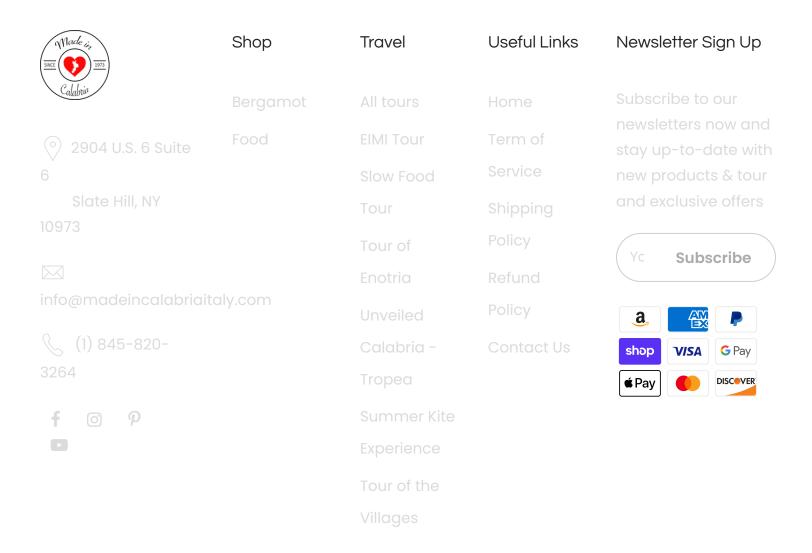




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