



Set Departure: 8-Day Apulia Tour



DAY 1 | Saturday: Central Apulia

Arrival in Bari/Barletta, transfer from the airport, and check-in at the hotel (check-in starts at 4:00 p.m.). Before dinner, meet with your guide. Welcome cocktail and presentation of the tour. Dinner and accommodation in a hotel in the Bari/Barletta area or surroundings.



DAY 2 | Sunday: Trani, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte San Angelo, Gargano

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Trani to visit the Cathedral on the sea. Departure to San Giovanni Rotondo, a place of a congregation of faithful from all over the world, bordering the Margarita de Savoy salt flats, the largest in Europe, home to an essential colony of pink flamingos. Lunch. Visit the places where San Pio developed his work and left his legacy for more than 50 years. Departure to Monte San Angelo, which has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, and visit the Sanctuary with the Grotto of Saint Michael the Archangel. Arrival at the hotel in the Gargano area and dinner.



DAY 3 | Monday: Gargano, Vieste, Foresta Umbra, Gargano

Breakfast at the hotel and depart to Vieste along the coast of Gargano, the most famous tourist town in Gargano, and enjoy a guided tour of its beautiful historic center—free time and lunch. In the afternoon, return to the hotel through “the Umbra Foresta,” the largest lush forest in Italy, the heart of the Gargano National Park. Dinner at the hotel in the Gargano area.



DAY 4 | Tuesday: Gargano, Barletta, Bari, Valle de Itria

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Barletta where we will enjoy a pleasant walk through the old town admiring the main monuments of the city such as the Norman Castle, the Cathedral of Santa Maria Maggiore, the Colossus of Barletta or “Eraclio” and the “Sótano del challenge.” Next, visit an oil mill in the area and taste the famous Altamura bread. Lunch and departure to Bari, visit the historic center with the Basilica of San Nicolas, a masterpiece of the Pugliese Romanesque. Transfer to the hotel in the Valle de Itria area for your accommodation and dinner.



DAY 5| Wednesday: Valle de Itria, Grutas de Castellana, Alberobello, Ostuni, Valle de Itria.

Breakfast at the hotel, then departure to Grotte di Castellana to visit the grottoes. Arrival in Alberobello, the “capital of the Trulli,” and walk through its monumental area declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Lunch. Departure to Ostuni, the “white city,” and walk through its picturesque historic center with a visit to its Romanesque-Gothic cathedral. Return to the hotel in the Valle de Itria area and have dinner.



DAY 6 | Thursday: Valle de Itria, Lecce, Otranto, Valle de Itria

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Lecce, the “Florence of the South” and capital of Pugliese baroque. Visit the historic center with the Basilica of Santa Croce, Piazza Duomo, and Piazza San Oronzo. Small oil tasting. Lunch. In the afternoon, depart to Otranto to visit this city called the “Gate to the East” with its Romanesque Cathedral, the chapel of the tomb of the Holy Martyrs, and the suggestive Crypt. Return to the hotel in the Valle de Itria area and enjoy dinner.



DAY 7 | Friday: Valle de Itria, Matera, Apulia Central

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Matera to visit the historic center, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO thanks to the famous “Sassi” neighborhoods and their tiny houses, wineries, and churches excavated mainly in the rock, with particular attention to the “Sassi” Barisano and Caveoso neighborhoods—lunch and departure toward Bari or surroundings. Transfer to the central area of Apulia. Accommodation in the Bari/Barletta hotel and dinner.



DAY 8 | Saturday: Central Apulia

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport for your departure flight.