

# THE TRAVEL CLUB

## *Pre-Departure Itinerary* *The Amalfi Coast*

*Saturday, March 17 – Sunday, March 25, 2012*

### **Includes**

- Round-trip regularly scheduled **Alitalia Airlines** flights from Boston to Naples, via Rome
- Seven nights' four-star accommodations at the **Hotel San Francesco** in Maiori
- Nineteen meals: 7 buffet breakfasts, 5 lunches, 7 dinners
- One cooking demonstration at hotel, one ceramic lesson
- Escorted round-trip, private airport/hotel transfers
- Services of a professional local guide during excursions

### **Please note**

- This is an exclusive SOMC group
- Not escorted by a Show of the Month travel host

### **Accommodations**

**HOTEL SAN FRANCESCO**  
Via Santa Tecla, 884010 Maiori,  
[www.hotel-sanfrancesco.it](http://www.hotel-sanfrancesco.it)

Located just steps from the beach and historical center of Maiori, the Hotel San Francesco is in an ideal position to enjoy the Amalfi Coast. Rooms offer private bath with hair dryer, cable satellite TV, air conditioning, direct dial phone and mini bar.

### **Rates**

**\$1,599** per person double occupancy  
**\$1,769** single reservations

Triple accommodations may be available upon request. Add **\$125** for current air taxes and fees and **\$356** for fuel surcharges. Passport required.

### **DAILY ITINERARY**

#### **Day 1: Overnight Flight**

Depart Boston on an early evening Alitalia Airlines flight to Rome. Dinner will be served on board. Relax and enjoy the in-flight entertainment.

#### **Day 2: Arrive Rome – connecting flight to Naples – transfer to Maiori**

Continental breakfast will be served before landing in Rome. Clear immigration and proceed to your connecting/domestic flight to Naples. Retrieve your luggage and clear customs and meet our local representative who will assist you with the transfer to the **Hotel San Francesco in Maiori**. Check in and receive room assignments. The rest of the day is at leisure to get acquainted with the hotel and surroundings. Lunch and dinner will be served at the hotel. (*L, D*)

#### **Day 3: Cooking demonstration – Pompeii excursion**

After breakfast, you are invited to watch a cooking demonstration at the hotel; a great opportunity to learn some secrets of Mediterranean cuisine. After lunch at the hotel you depart for an excursion to Pompeii. A local professional guide will lead you on a walking tour of the ruins of this Roman town buried by a sudden eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79AD. Thanks to the patient work of talented archaeologists, Pompeii comes to life once again. Walking through the ancient streets of Pompeii you'll enter ancient dwellings with exciting frescoes, pause at the baths and browse through the shops that were open 2000 years. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. (*B, L, D*)

#### **Day 4: Capri**

Perhaps the highlight of this holiday--today you'll enjoy a full-day guided excursion to the magical isle of Capri. Transfer by motor coach to the port of Amalfi and proceed by ferry across the Gulf of Salerno to Capri. Your local guide will lead you on a tour of the island by minibus, including a visit of Villa San Michele, the famous "Piazzetta" and the Gardens of Augustus that overlook the famous Fraglioni rocks. There will be free time to browse around and shop before lunch at a local restaurant. Return in the late afternoon to Maiori for dinner and overnight at the hotel. **(B, L, D)**

#### **Day 5: Maiori – ceramic lesson**

Buffet breakfast at the hotel. The morning is free to enjoy "La Dolce Vita on the Amalfi Coast." After lunch at the hotel you'll visit a local artisan shop and enjoy a ceramics lesson. Learn the secrets of this tradition from a master and watch him at work creating a masterpiece. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. **(B, L, D)**

#### **Day 6: Positano**

Depart this morning at 10:30am with your local guide for an excursion by private motorboat from Maiori to Positano arriving at 11:15am. You'll have the day on your own to explore this most elegant and well-known resort town of the Amalfi Coast. Your return is scheduled for 4:30pm, arriving back to Maiori at 5:15pm. (Please note: times are approximate and subject to change.) This evening enjoy dinner at the hotel. **(B, D)**

#### **Day 7: Sorrento – Amalfi**

After buffet breakfast at the hotel you'll depart on a full-day excursion. Your first stop will be the quaint town of Sorrento. Enjoy a walk through Piazza Tasso and the narrow streets nearby. You'll be treated to lunch at a local restaurant and later head to the town of Amalfi for time on your own. **(B, L, D)**

#### **Day 8: Maiori – Day of Leisure**

Today is your day to explore the Amalfi Coast on your own. All meals today are provided at the hotel. **(B, L, D)**

#### **Day 9: Return to Boston**

Depart from the hotel early this morning – with a to-go breakfast – for the transfer back to Naples airport and your return flight to Boston, via Rome. **(B)**

**Proof of Citizenship** is required for all trips outside the United States. U.S. citizens require a valid passport to travel; with at least 6 months' validity. All non-US citizens should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for additional entry requirements. Passports are the responsibility of each traveler.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *This pre-departure itinerary is designed to give you an idea of how this itinerary is structured. We reserve the right to make any changes to your final itinerary if deemed necessary, at any time prior to departure.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** *This is not your final itinerary. You will receive final documents (itinerary, tickets (if applicable), etc.) approximately 2–3 weeks prior to departure. Although we try our best to ensure that information is accurate at the time of publication, we are not responsible for any error, omission, misprint or liability that results from the use (or misuse) of this information.*