



THE TRAVEL CLUB

Pre-Departure Itinerary

Ischia Island Holiday

A Jewel in the Gulf of Naples

Sightseeing, Relaxation and Spa Package

Friday, October 9 – Saturday, October 17, 2009

Stay on a fabled island, wake up to stunning vistas, relax by a thermal swimming pool, cruise to the magical **Amalfi Coast** and famous **Capri**, indulge in a wine tasting, visit a 14th-century castle and pamper yourself with spa treatments—this holiday is well on its way to becoming our favorite new trip! After a flight to Naples, you'll be transported (in more ways than one!) by boat to the fashionable island of **Ischia**, surrounded by crystal blue waters, and your hotel that overlooks the sea as well as the **Gardens of Poseidon**. Begin your holiday with a full-day mini-cruise in the Gulf of Naples that stops at **Positano** and **Amalfi**, two Costiera Amalfitana gems. You'll also enjoy a half-day jaunt to amazing Capri. We've arranged for you to receive a **Wellness Spa Package** consisting of four types of massage spread out over four afternoons at the hotel. The sea, glorious scenery, a sip of wine, and a well-earned massage—this vacation is truly a taste of "la dolce vita!"

Includes

- Round-trip regularly scheduled Alitalia Airlines flights from Boston to Naples, via Rome
- Seven nights' three-star accommodations: six at **Hotel Imperamare**, Ischia and one night at a hotel in Naples
- Fourteen meals: seven breakfasts, seven dinners
- Roundtrip boat transfers to Ischia
- Round-trip, private airport/hotel/dock transfers with assistance
- Four session "Wellness" Spa Package
- Services of professional local tour manager

Rates

\$1,659 per person double occupancy

\$2,189 for single reservations

Features

Four-session Wellness Spa Package: anti-stress massage, anti-cellulite massage, relaxing massage, reflexology foot massage; Gulf of Naples full-day mini-cruise including stops at Positano and Amalfi, half-day boat excursion to Capri, visit to the Aragonese Castle and the Pietratorcia Winery for a wine tasting, guided visit of Pompeii

Accommodations

Hotel Imperamare

S.S. 270, 193 - Baia di Citara, Forio D'ischia

The Hotel Imperamare lies in a very calm, exotic garden area and enjoys a marvelous view of the sea. From all rooms and the common areas of the hotel you are able to see the most beautiful sunsets of the Island of Ischia. The hotel has a direct way to the beach and the famous Giardini Poseidon. Rooms have sea view, lateral sea view, garden view, balcony or terrace, shower, hairdryer, Tv-Sat, telephone and, minibar.

Triple accommodations may be available upon request. Add \$395 for current air taxes, fees, charges and surcharges. Passport required. This package is available without the Spa Package at an \$80 reduction.

DAILY ITINERARY

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Depart from Boston on Alitalia Airlines. Dinner is served aloft along while crossing the Atlantic. Relax and enjoy in-flight entertainment.

Day 2: Arrive Rome - connecting flight to Naples - boat transfer to Ischia

A continental breakfast will be served on board before landing. You will clear immigration and proceed to your domestic flight for Naples. Upon arrival, you clear customs and meet your guide who will assist you with your motorcoach transfer to the port of Beverello. Here, you will take a boat to the Island of Ischia and transfer to the Hotel Impermare (www.hotelimpermare.com). In the evening you'll get acquainted over a welcome dinner at the hotel. **(D)**

Day 3: Ischia

After breakfast, enjoy the morning relaxing in the thermal swimming pool with hydro- massage, Finnish sauna or herbal Kneipp bath at the hotel. This afternoon you'll have your first wellness session -- antistress massage. Dinner at the hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 4: Gulf of Naples - Positano - Amalfi

Set off for a full-day minicruise of the Gulf of Naples with stops at Positano and Amalfi. Once you arrive at each location you will have free time to explore the area on your own. The boat will navigate alongside the islands of Ischia, Procida, Vivara, Capri and return to Ischia via the peninsula of Sorrentina. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 5: Ischia

After breakfast once again enjoy the morning relaxing. Your second wellness session -- anticellulite massage – is scheduled for the afternoon. Dinner this evening at the hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 6: Capri

In the morning after breakfast you will depart for a half-day boat excursion to the Isle of Capri. Once on this beautiful island you will have time to discover it on your own. Cap off the day with a relaxing massage, your third wellness session. Dinner at hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 7: Ischia - Aragonese Castle

Depart this morning after breakfast for a visit to the Aragonese Castle, the most impressive historical monument in Ischia. The castle stands on a volcanic rock connected to the island by a 228-metre bridge built in 1438 by Alfonso of Aragon. Under the d'Avalos family, the castle rose to great splendour. Later historical events caused it to pass to the French, the English and finally the Bourbons, who used it as a prison. Presently it is private property. In the afternoon you will visit the Pietratorcia Winery and enjoy a wine tasting. After you return to the hotel you have your fourth wellness session -- riflessologia plantare (foot massage). Dinner this evening at the hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 8: Transfer to Naples

Enjoy breakfast and then depart Ischia by boat for Naples. Upon arrival you will have an excursion by private motor coach to Pompei for a guided visit to the excavations. In the afternoon return to Naples and check into your hotel. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. **(B)**

Day 9: Return flight

Transfer by motor to the Naples Airport for your return flight to Boston via Rome. **(B)**

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. Flight schedules are approximate, and will not be guaranteed until 30 days prior to departure.*

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