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Sicily & Aeolian islands

VOLCANIC HIKING ON ETNA & STROMBOLI.

This exciting hiking tour is a real highlight for volcano fans: you will experience the world-famous volcanoes Etna and Stromboli up close. The exciting volcano hikes are rounded off with a visit to the extinct crater Vulcano. On this multi-faceted hiking tour, you get the chance to admire the volcanoes from different perspectives. You can hike to the most interesting spots or take a boat around the islands to view the volcanoes from there. A nice change from the spectacular walks in nature is a visit to the romantic hill town of Taormina, high above the sea. There you can visit an amphitheatre and enjoy the fantastic view of the coast.

- Here you will find even more tips and tour suggestions for [island hiking](#) throughout Europe.

Details of the hiking tour Sicily & Aeolian Islands

From Milazzo you go by hydrofoil to the island of Lipari. The next day you can relax on the beach or visit the island of Vulcano. The volcano hike continues on the island of Stromboli with the volcano of the same name. The black beaches are also particularly worth seeing. On the last days you hike in the surroundings of Taormina and around Mount Etna.

Highlights of the hike in Sicily and the Aeolian Islands

- **Vulcano Island:** The island of Vulcano lies off the north coast of Sicily. In Roman mythology, the forge of Vulcanus, the god of fire, is located there. You can hike to the large crater and experience the active volcano up close.
- **Stromboli volcano:** A gigantic natural spectacle awaits you at the famous Stromboli. You will remember the sight of the eruptions and fire fountains for a long time. At the Sciara del Fuoco fire band, lava rocks fall from the volcano into the sea.
- **Etna Volcano:** The hike around the legendary Mount Etna is another highlight of this trip. You hike past lava flows and summit craters while experienced hiking guides tell you interesting facts about the special flora and fauna of the volcanic region.

Useful information about the hiking tour Sicily & Aeolian Islands

The routes lead through a multi-faceted, at times hilly landscape. You should be in good physical condition and need sure-footedness for the various volcano hikes, as the routes can be steeper in places. The tour to Stromboli is a bit more demanding. The walking times are three to six hours per day.

- Find all information and further tour tips on our [hiking tours in southern Italy](#) here.

Walking



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum number of participants: 2 persons

To the online version



Itinerary

DAY

1

Arrival in Milazzo

DAY

2

Milazzo – Lipari

In the morning by hydrofoil to island Lipari (duration about 1 hour). Enjoy the beautiful view onto the island before you leave the boat. Nested houses are located on the mighty cliff, which is topped from the massive fortress and the cathedral. After a round tour through the lively city you walk along the idyllic western side of the island with its steep cliffs.



approx. 3 hours



8 km



290 m



290 m

DAY

3

Excursion Vulcano

Rest day. Enjoy the beautiful beach of Lipari or go by hydrofoil to island Vulcano. You can visit the crater there. The climb up to the peak is strenuous, but you will be rewarded with a wonderful view onto six further Aeolian Islands. Alternatively hike on the island of Salina, as the climb to the crater may be closed at times.



approx. 3 hours



6 km



390 m



390 m

DAY

4

Lipari – Stromboli

In the morning cruise to island Stromboli (duration about 1 hour). Take your time to visit the beautiful village San Vincenzo, to go by boat around the island or to explore the bewitching village Ginostra, one of the most beautiful parts of the whole archipelago. In the afternoon you climb up the active volcano Stromboli accompanied by a guide, where up there a breathtaking spectacle of fire-spouts and eruptions awaits. If the ascent to the crater is not possible, optional hike to about half of Stromboli.



approx. 6 hours



10 km



920 m



920 m

DAY
5*Circular walk Stromboli*

Relax at the beautiful black beaches of Stromboli. We recommend doing a walking tour to "Sciara del Fuoco" in the late afternoon. Be surprised from volcano Stromboli and enjoy the beautiful panorama view. Or you go by hydrofoil to the nearby, lively island Panara where you can walk to the picturesque beach of Cala Junco.



approx. 4 hours



6 km



290 m



290 m

DAY
6*Stromboli – Taormina*

In the morning by hydrofoil from Stromboli to Milazzo (duration about 2 hours). Transfer from the harbour of Milazzo into bewitching Taormina in the northeast of Sicily, which is located on a cliff high above the Ionian Sea. Lemon- and orange trees are growing, the whole village is looking onto the water and afar volcano Etna is impressing backdrop. During your exploration of Taormina you should visit the well-known amphitheatre.

DAY
7*Circular walk Mount Etna*

Already the journey through the various vegetation forms of the Etna-area is an absolute highlight! At an altitude of more than 2000 metres an experienced guide waits for you, he will lead you along lava flows and past impressive crater peaks through this unique lunar landscape and enlighten you with interesting facts on flora and fauna. Again and again you will enjoy unbelievable views onto the Ionic coast.



approx. 4.5 hours



9 km



500 m



500 m

DAY
8*Departure or extension*

Tour character

The daily tours lead through slightly hilly terrain. The walks up onto the volcanoes are steeper in parts, surefootedness is required. Daily walking times vary between 3 and 6 hours. A good shape is necessary. The excursion onto volcano Stromboli is the most challenging.

Prices and events

Place of arrival: Milazzo

Season 1	Season 2
01.04.2023 - 14.06.2023 16.09.2023 - 31.10.2023 Arrival daily	15.06.2023 - 31.07.2023 01.09.2023 - 15.09.2023 Arrival daily

Sicily & Aeolian Islands, 8 days, IT-SIWMT-08X		
Base price	999.00	1,159.00
Surcharge single traveler	359.00	359.00
Surcharge single room	239.00	239.00

Category: beautiful 3***- and 4****-hotels
Extra nights upon request on each day Finish

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Luggage Transfer
- Transfers according to program
- 1 Arrival Transfer airport Catania – Milazzo
- 1 Guided tour onto volcano Stromboli (English)
- 1 Guided tour onto volcano Etna (English)
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- Service hotline

Optional extras:

- Transfer from Taormina to airport Catania available (up to 2 people), price per fare EUR 140, Reservation required, payable in advance.

Infos

Arrival / Departure:

- Catania airport. Organized transfer airport Catania– Milazzo. Duration approx. 1.5 hours, included in the price.
- Departure from Taormina by train/bus to the airport of Catania in approx. 1.5 hours.

Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Luggage transfer for ferry trip on the 2nd day on your own
- Hydrofoil trips, approx. EUR 80 per person
- Ascent of Vulcano and Stromboli closed in some cases, optional hikes possible
- Excursion to Stromboli: The hike is only allowed in the company of a certified guide, and only as long as the volcano is not closed. We reserve the right to cancel the ascent at short notice for safety reasons (weather & current volcano monitoring), or to adjust the course of the hike according to local conditions.
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here](#)!

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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