



NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
for Solo Travelers

SMALL GROUP
Maximum of
24 Travelers

LAND JOURNEY

Apulia

Undiscovered Italy

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ From your hotel's terrace, witness **magnificent Adriatic** skies melt into the cerulean sea.
- ▶ View the Sassi districts of Matera, a **2019 European Capital of Culture**.
- ▶ Delight in **Lecce's architecture**, from its Roman amphitheater to churches adorned with cherubs and gargoyles.
- ▶ Take in sweeping panoramic views of the **Apulian countryside** at a local vineyard.
- ▶ Discover **Alberobello's** fascinating conical trulli houses and wander the narrow lanes of luminous **Ostuni**.
- ▶ Taste **Apulia's simple, fresh cuisine** crafted with homegrown flavors and family heirloom recipes.
- ▶ Delight in the exquisite charms and laid-back atmosphere of **Locorotondo**.
- ▶ Experience two **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **7 nights** in Polignano a Mare, Italy, at the first-class Hotel Covo dei Saraceni.

Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Bari and transfer➡ to hotel in Polignano a Mare
- Day 3** Bari | Polignano a Mare
- Day 4** Locorotondo | Alberobello
- Day 5** Lecce | Ostuni
- Day 6** Polignano a Mare
- Day 7** Matera
- Day 8** Trani | Bisceglie
- Day 9** Transfer➡ to Bari airport and depart for gateway city✈

✈ Flights and ➡ transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



Lecce



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Discovery

AHI Connects: Family Winery. Visit a family-owned vineyard, famous for its white grape varieties. Tour the property and enjoy a tasting of wine made from native white grapes, followed by a light snack.

AHI Connects: Olive Oil Mill. Travel to the countryside to tour a family-run olive mill. Sample freshly pressed oils and enjoy lunch, followed by a gathering with the staff or owners to discuss life in Italy.

Beautiful Bari. The ancient seaport of Bari boasts narrow lanes and a pretty harbor with colorful boats bobbing on their moors. Step inside the 11th-century Basilica of St. Nicholas, tour the historic port and revel in views along Bari's pretty seaside promenade.

Wonders of Polignano a Mare. Discover an ancient village rising dramatically from craggy limestone cliffs. Admire its medieval Marchesale Arch, wend the Old Town's cobbled streets and inhale the fragrance of flowering plants and baked goods. Peek inside artisans' workshops, and experience the warm hospitality of local residents.

Locorotondo. Journey to medieval Locorotondo, where gleaming white buildings swirl down a hilltop setting.

Alberobello. Discover this village's enigmatic trulli dwellings, mysterious dome-shaped buildings dotting the landscape, many of which are pieced together without mortar.

Barocco Lecce. Lecce's 17th-century structures display beautiful caryatids and lyrical scrolls. Visit Piazza Sant' Oronzo, and view the Roman amphitheater, which dates from Emperor Hadrian's era. Visit the Basilica of Santa Croce and admire its rose window and intricately carved capitals.

White City of Ostuni. Admire the white-washed buildings that cascade over the side of Ostuni's hilltop perch. Get lost in the labyrinthine passages of the Old Town, visit the magnificent cathedral, and soak up vistas from atop the ancient city walls.

Sassi di Matera. Initially gouged out by troglodytic nomads, the rock-hewn cave dwellings of Matera were carved into the soft calcareous rock straddling both sides of a steep ravine. Honeycombed throughout the Sassi are more than 100 rock churches decorated with delicate frescoes. During a visit, marvel at the intricate, ornate façades.

Trani. Explore the historic seaport of Trani. Known for its Moscato di Trani wine and savory figs, this fishing town is home to a 13th-century fort and a cathedral nestled in the harbor of the Adriatic. Take note of the distinguishing Norman houses, a typically English Romanesque style of architecture.

Enrichment

- ▶ **History, Agriculture and Beauty of Apulia**
- ▶ **Slow Food and the Mediterranean Diet**
- ▶ **Contemporary Italy**

UNESCO World Heritage

1. The *Trulli* of Alberobello
2. The Sassi and the Park of the Rupestrian Churches of Matera



Alberobello



Sassi di Matera



AHI Sustainability Promise

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

Environmental Impact | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

Social Impact | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

Economic Impact | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, "shoulder seasons."

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

AHI FlexAir | Our **personalized air program** features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

Sept. 29 – Oct. 7, 2021

From Price **\$3,405**

Special Savings **\$250**

Special Price \$3,155

VAT is an additional \$295 per person. All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

Accommodations

Hotel Covo dei Saraceni ●●●●●



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