# THE TRAVEL CLUB

# Pre-departure Itinerary The Island of Ischia with Naples 9 DAYS: Saturday, September 20-Sunday, September 28, 2025

"The paradise island that offers a taste of the real Italy...a quietly idyllic island in the Tyrrhenian Sea, Ischia offers a heartwarming dose of Italian beauty, spirit and hospitality, with a generous splash of nostalgia for the Italy of yesteryear." CNN

Called Europe's best-kept island secret, Ischia is a verdant and vivacious island-sized garden in the Gulf of Naples. Join us in September as The Travel Club discovers it gorgeous beaches, quaint pastel villages, a castle unlike any other, natural hot springs AND spends two days in vibrant Naples. We'll visit the Aragonese Castle, the enchanting La Mortella Botanical Garden, the picturesque village of Sant'Angelo and ferry to the colorful island of Procida. We end our holiday in Naples with visits to the baroque San Severo Chapel and the National Archaeological Museum.

# RATES

#### \$4499 per person double occupancy

INCLUDES round-trip airfare, fuel surcharge and fees. **Single supplement is \$555.** Triple accommodations may be available upon request. Fuel surcharge, air taxes and fees subject to change. Passport required. Per person deposit is \$300.

#### FEATURES

Half-day guided walking tour including the Aragonese Castle. Guided tour including La Mortella Gardens and the village of Sant'Angelo. Excursion by ferry to the island of Procida. Spend at day at the thermal park-(transfer and entrance fees included, treatments are at extra cost). Naples panoramic tour. Guided tour of the National Archaeological Museum in Naples.

# **INCLUDES**

- Round-trip regularly scheduled ITA Airlines flights from Boston to Naples, via Rome. (land only pricing available if you prefer to make your own air arrangements)
- Round-trip hydrofoil transfers from Naples to Ischia
- Seven nights' four-star accommodations Hermitage Resort & Thermal Spa, Ischia 4 nights Hotel Palazzo Turchini, Naples 3 nights
- Thirteen meals: seven breakfasts, four dinners with wine
- Escorted, private, round-trip airport/ hotel transfers
- Services of professional local Tour Manager

# Day 1: Overnight flight from Boston to Rome

# Day 2: Arrive Rome - connecting flight to Naples - hydrofoil to Ischia - hotel check-in

After passport control and immigration, proceed to baggage claim. Pass through customs and meet our Tour Manager, who will help you transfer to the hydrofoil crossing to Ischia. Check-in at the **Hermitage Resort & Thermal Spa**. Enjoy a guided walking tour of Ischia including a visit to the Aragonese Castle. Return to the hotel for a welcome beverage and dinner at the hotel. **(D)** 







Aragonese Castle

#### Hermitage Resort & Thermal Spa

Just 1640 feet from the historic center of Ischia, Hotel Hermitage features a wellness center, and a Mediterranean garden with sun terraces and three thermal pools. All rooms offer a balcony. Rooms at the Hotel Hermitage & Park Terme include satellite TV and cool tiled floors. Each room has a private bathroom with hairdryer and toiletry set. Breakfast is an extensive buffet including sweet and savory food. At the Cinthia dell'Hermitage spa, guests can book beauty treatments and massages. Facilities include a hot tub, sauna, and Turkish bath. WiFi is available in public areas.



# Day 3: Ischia touring

After breakfast depart for a full day's sightseeing of Ischia that includes a visit to the **La Mortella Botanical Garden** – an oasis of greenery with sculptures, water lilies and rare plants from around the world. Later we'll visit the picturesque village of **Sant'Angelo**, known for its cliffside whitewashed houses. Dinner is on your own tonight. **(B)** 



La Mortella Botanical Garden





Sant'Angelo

# Day 4: Procida Island

Today we'll take the public ferry to Procida island where we'll explore its cobblestone streets, fishing villages and authentic atmosphere. Enjoy dinner tonight at the hotel. **(B, D)** 





# <u> Day 5: Ischia – day at the thermal park – Giardini Poseidon Terme</u>

Today we'll indulge in a day of relaxation at the thermal park where we'll enjoy the thermal waters. Transfers to the park and your entrance fee are included. Individual treatments are at your own cost. THE ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDES: saltwater pools; outdoor thermal pools; indoor thermal pools; Kneipp baths; hydromassage, water jets, and cervical waterfalls; thermal showers; use of gardens and terraces; beach access; umbrellas, deck chairs, and sunbeds; changing rooms and showers. **(B)** 

Poseidon Thermal Gardens is the biggest thermal park on the island of Ischia: highly curative thermal waters feed over twenty pools surrounded by greenery, three sea water pools for swimming, a thermal steam grotto in the Greek-Roman tradition carved into the tuff, three alternating temperature baths to aid circulation and a cardiovascular exercise course for the lower limbs. There is also a private beach.



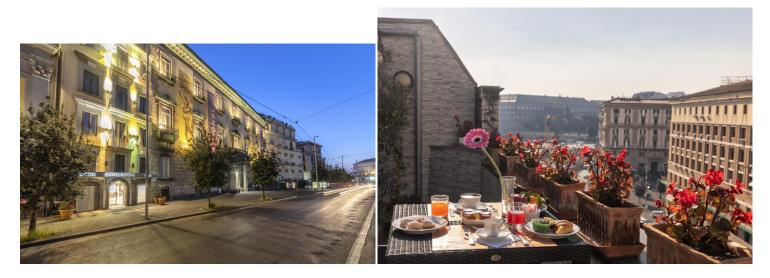
# Day 6: Ischia - transfer to Naples

Enjoy the morning on Ischia before we depart the island for Naples and check-in to the **Hotel Palazzo Turchini**. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, D)** 



#### Hotel Palazzo Turchini

Palazzo Turchini is set in the lively heart of the city, close to the most famous theaters, universities, companies and banks. The harbor, the Metro and the cable car train are all within easy reach of the hotel. When back at the Turchini, relax in the bar or on the roof terrace. Let the helpful concierge help you, making dinner reservations and offering advice on the next sightseeing hot-spots to include in your visits. Caffè Turchini also offers snacks and afternoon tea with pastries. In the evening, it provides tasty cocktails and an extensive wine list.

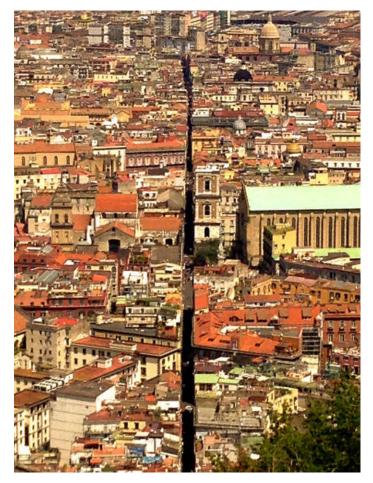


### <u> Day 7: Naples panoramic tour</u>

After breakfast we'll meet with our guide and enjoy a panoramic coach tour of Naples. We'll visit the Spaccanapoli district and explore San Severo Chapel, a Baroque masterpiece. **(B)** 

One of <u>Naples</u>' most characteristics districts is the Spaccanapoli Quarter. It is so-named because the main street, Via San Biagio, slices the city in two; literally "spacca" (split). This is where you'll find some of the city's most famous churches, and the insanely-narrow streets that teem with life. Peeling palazzi decked with balconies, artisan workshops, tiny shops that pile their wares on the street like a Marrakech market, buzzing scooters, and laundry flapping like banners that criss-cross the slender lanes - this is the quintessential Naples that you've seen in films. Vibrant, chaotic, musical and noisy, and full of the life of the densely populated city.





San Severo Chapel – THE VEILED CHRIST





**Day 8: Naples – National Archaeological Museum** After breakfast, we'll enjoy a half-day visit of one of the most significant archaeological museums in the world. This afternoon is free to explore Naples on your own. Enjoy a farewell dinner this evening at a local restaurant. **(B, D)** 

The National Archaeological Museum of Naples houses an extensive collection of artifacts from ancient Greece, Rome, and other ancient civilizations. It is well-known for its ancient Roman remains, Renaissance items and especially artifacts from the nearby Pompeii, Stabiae and Herculaneum sites.



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#### Day 9: Return to Boston

Transfer to Naples airport and board your flight to Rome. Upon arrival proceed to your international flight to Boston.



<u>Proof of Citizenship</u> 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.

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