



Come join the Clear Lake Area Ski Club Amalfi Coast, Italy



TSC Fall Expedition Oct 22-31, 2024

Tues – Thurs
9 days / 8 nights

Est Full Package \$4450*

Est Ground Package \$3500* (no air)

Single Room add \$750



Come see the sparkling Italian coastline. Enjoy sightseeing, historical and cultural attractions, and the cuisine!



Full package includes:

- Air between Houston and Rome
- All Breakfasts and 4 Dinners
- All ground transfers
- 4* Hotels in Sorrento (5 nights) and Rome (3 nights)
- Optional excursions tour program including: Full day tour of Island of Capri, day tour of Naples.



Payment Schedule *	Full Package	Ground Package
Aug 12 meeting	\$100	\$100
Jan 5 2024 meeting	\$400	\$400
Mar 2024 meeting	\$1000	\$1000
May 1, 2024	\$1000	\$1000
Aug 1, 2024	balance	balance

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*Prices are estimates for CLASC members only, based on double occupancy, do not include baggage fees or travel insurance, and are subject to change. Cancellation policy available.

Amalfi Coast Trip Itinerary

October 22-31, 2024 (Tues – Thurs)

DAY 1: DEPART USA

Board your overnight flight to Italy.

Meals included: Breakfast B, Dinner D

DAY 2: ARRIVE ROME ITALY - SORRENTO COAST

Welcome to Italy! After clearing customs, meet your Tour Director who will assist with your transfer to the Amalfi Coast. A Welcome Dinner is included this evening. (Drive time ~ 3 hours.)

(D) Overnight: **Sorrento Coast**

DAY 3: SORRENTO COAST

Start the day with a **Sorrento Walking Tour**, a coastal town facing the Bay of Naples on the Sorrentine Peninsula perched atop cliffs that separate the town from its marinas. Sorrento is known for sweeping water views and Piazza Tasso, a cafe-lined square filled with artisan shops selling local wares. The historic center is home to the **Chiesa di San Francesco**, a 14th-century church and is the birthplace of the Limoncello liqueur. Next visit a **Cheese Factory** for an opportunity to taste the freshly made mozzarella cheese. Free time to explore, shop and enjoy lunch on your own. Return to the hotel for dinner, then the evening at leisure.

(B,D) Overnight: **Sorrento Coast**

DAY 4: SORRENTO COAST - POSITANO - AMALFI (UNESCO)

After breakfast meet your Tour Director for a full day excursion of the Amalfi Coast. The Amalfi Coast claims to be Europe's most magnificent stretch of coastline and extends from Positano in the West to Vietresul Mare in the East. Today we see why with its breathtaking scenery, glamorous resorts hidden away on the spectacular corniche that winds its way past citrus plantations, vineyards and tiny villages clinging on to jagged cliffs that plunge straight into the sea. Continue to **Amalfi** named a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The first view of Amalfi is unforgettable, with its tightly packed villas and palaces seeming to tumble down the cliff side into the fishing port and beach below. Amalfi was once a maritime power to rival Venice, and its golden age is symbolized by its stunning cathedral and the Piazza Duomo. Enjoy a **Limoncello Demonstration** on how it's made followed by a tasting, it goes down easily, Salute! We'll also visit picturesque Positano, a town full of fashionistas, celebrities, wealthy jet setters and upscale shops.

(B,D) Overnight: **Sorrento Coast**

DAY 5: SORRENTO COAST

Enjoy a day at leisure or join the full day optional excursion to the Isle of Capri.

Optional Tour: **\$185pp**. Capri is an enchanting and picturesque island, a favorite with Roman emperors, the rich and famous, artists, and writers; it's still one of the Mediterranean's must-see places. Transfer to the harbor to board a jetfoil boat for your journey across the Bay of Naples to the Isle of Capri. Upon arrival to the port of Capri you'll transfer to Ana Capri with free time to explore on your own or visit Villa San Michele, the home of Swedish doctor and writer Axel Munthe. Later we return to Capri with free time to explore and have lunch on your own. Return to the hotel later today.

(B) Overnight: **Sorrento Coast**

DAY 6: SORRENTO COAST

Enjoy a full day to explore on your own today or join the optional guided tour to Naples.

Optional Tour: **\$145 pp**. Here we will enjoy a panoramic Naples City Tour seeing the Cathedral with its treasure chapel and basilica, dating back to the 4th century. You'll also drive to Plebiscite Square to see the Royal Palace, the beautiful church of St. Francesco di Paula, the Town Hall Square and the New Castle built by the French Family of Anjou. Enjoy an included lunch at a local Naples pizzeria. The afternoon is free to shop and explore Naples on your own before returning back to the hotel.

(B) Overnight: **Sorrento Coast**

DAY 7: SORRENTO - POMPEII - ROME

This morning after breakfast depart the Sorrento area for **Pompeii**, one of Italy's most unique and famous archaeological sights. Enjoy a fascinating guided visit to this site. Imagine, a city perfectly preserved as it was on that fateful day 2,000 years ago, when Mt. Vesuvius erupted covering the city in deadly volcanic ash and lava, literally stopping time in its tracks. You'll see the tragic fossils of people attempting to escape and the haunting ruins. Continue onto the "Eternal City" of **Rome**, the capital and largest city in Italy. The center of power, culture and religion, Rome has exerted influence over the world in its 2800 years of existence. Check into your Rome hotel for a three night stay. Enjoy **dinner tonight including wine**.

(B,D) Overnight: **Rome**

DAY 8: ROME - VATICAN MUSEUM

Enjoy a **Rome City Tour** to see some of the highlights of the city such as, the Colosseum, The Arch of Constantine, Circus Maximus, Piazza Venezia, the Pantheon and more. Next it's off to visit another country – Vatican City. With our expert local guide we'll tour the **Vatican Museums** - a massive collection of ancient Greek sculptures, medieval tapestries and Renaissance paintings. Our visit ends in the **Sistine Chapel**, it's ceiling painted by Michelangelo between 1508 and 1512. This room, receives more than five million visitors each year and is also where the Pope is elected. Next visit **St. Peter's Basilica**, by far one of the worlds largest churches. We'll see Michelangelo's **Pieta**, as well as Bernini's seven story bronze canopy located above the main altar, and more. Enjoy the evening at leisure in Rome.

(B) Overnight: **Rome**

DAY 9: ROME AT LEISURE

The entire day is free to explore the 'Eternal City' on your own. Perhaps a tour inside the Colosseum, a walk on Via Veneto, indulge in an espresso or cappuccino in the Piazza Navona, climb up the Spanish Steps, sample some gelato at a local café or shop for souvenirs.

(B) Overnight: **Rome**

DAY 10: ROME - FLIGHT HOME

Transfer to the airport today for your flight home filled with wonderful memories of your Highlights of Italy's Amalfi Coast & Rome tour.

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