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to join us aboard **Wind Surf** for the 2025

# EXPLORATION OF **SICILY & MALTA**

CRUISE

Visiting Rome, Giardini Naxos, Siracusa, Gozo, Valletta,  
Porto Empedocle, Trapani, Lipari, Sorrento, Amalfi

17 September to 5 October 2025



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## Flagship Sailing Ship Wind Surf

Everything about Wind Surf speaks of welcome. Come aboard and see it for yourself.



On any day, the 342-guest flagship, Wind Surf, the world's largest sailing ship, draws admiring glances as she glides majestically into port with her tall sails billowing. And her beauty is far more than skin deep. When you return to your stateroom, the luxury gets personal. Windstar's signature bowl of fresh fruit will still be waiting for you, along with rich tufted headboards, soft seascape colors, beautiful new upholstery, and fine count Egyptian cotton linens welcome you to an oasis of relaxing indulgence. Wind Surf underwent a significant renovation of public spaces and suites, including an expanded lounge with new lights and sound for upcoming stage performances. Relax into the destinations you're visiting at the new World Spa by Windstar, which will offer regional spa treatments, including massage styles like Swedish, Japanese Shiatsu and Hawaiian Lomi Lomi.

All onboard accommodations feature

- Queen size bed with luxurious linens
- Waffle weave robe and slippers
- TV with DVD player
- Fully stocked mini bar/refrigerator
- Safe
- L'Occitane bath amenities
- Fresh fruit
- Hair dryers and 110/220 outlets
- Wi-Fi (internet cards can be purchased at reception)
- Bathroom with granite countertop and shower
- Granite vanity with magnifying mirror

## EXPLORATION OF SICILY & MALTA CRUISE



**DAY 1** Wednesday, 17 September 2025

**Depart Australia**

We depart Australia today on our overnight flights to Rome, Italy.

**DAY 2** Thursday, 18 September 2025

**Arrive Rome, Italy**

This afternoon we arrive into Rome. On arrival, we are met by our private coach and transferred to the hotel for check in.

**DAY 3** Friday, 19 September 2025

**Rome**

Today we will enjoy a sightseeing tour of Rome with a local guide. We will see the famous Colosseum, the Spanish Steps, Piazza Navona, Pantheon and the Trevi Fountain, where you can throw two coins over your shoulder into the fountain and wish to return to Rome. We will also stop at St Peter's Square to see the Vatican, home of the Pope and St Pauls Basilica.

**DAY 4** Saturday, 20 September 2025

**Rome**

Today we enjoy a day tour to Tivoli on the outskirts of Rome to visit Villa d'Este and Hadrian's Villa. Tivoli is home to luxurious residences, magnificent villas, and two



famous UNESCO World Heritage sites: the Renaissance palace of Villa d'Este, known for its extravagant, gardens and water fountains, and the ruins of Hadrian's Villa the grand second-century estate of Emperor Hadrian of ancient Rome.

**DAY 5** Sunday, 21 September 2025

**Rome**

A free day for you to explore Rome. Perhaps visit the famous Vatican Museum and Sistine chapel.

**DAY 6** Monday, 22 September 2025

**Embark Wind Surf**

Late morning we are transferred to Civitavecchia to embark the Wind Surf for our 11-night Sicilian Splendors cruise. After settling into your cabin enjoy departing Civitavecchia south on the Mediterranean Sea.

**DAY 7** Tuesday, 23 September 2025

**At Sea**

A free day at sea to explore the facilities of the ship. Start your day with morning yoga on the deck, relax at the spa, attend a cooking demonstration or enjoy a cocktail by the pool.



**DAY 8 Wednesday, 24 September 2025**

**Giardini Naxos/Taormina, Sicily, Italy**

Today is free for you to discover the charming seaside village of Giardini Naxos, nestled in one of the most beautiful bays in Sicily. Or you may like to take an excursion to the hillside town of Taormina, where you can see the iconic Greek Theatre and Clock Tower.



**DAY 9 Thursday, 25 September 2025**

**Syracuse, Sicily, Italy**

Syracuse (Siracusa) captures the timeless allure of Sicily like no other city. Ancient Greek ruins emerge from verdant citrus groves, café tables spread across stunning baroque piazzas, and honey-toned medieval streets wind their way to the glistening blue sea. In its prime, Syracuse was the largest city in the ancient world, surpassing even Athens and Corinth. The day is free for you to explore – you may like to visit Parco Archeologico della Neapolis, home to the Teatro Greco, the famous Ear of Dionysius or stroll through the Old Town and see the famous cathedral that contains the ruins of an ancient Roman temple inside.

**DAY 10 Friday, 26 September 2025**

**Gozo, Malta**

Gozo, also known as the Isle of Calypso, is a gem of the Maltese archipelago and one of the Mediterranean’s most pristine and distinctive islands. It offers a serene environment where time seems to have paused, featuring some of the world’s oldest structures. Among its historical treasures are the Ggantija temples, which are celebrated as the oldest free-standing religious buildings globally, predating both the Pyramids of Egypt and Stonehenge.



**DAY 11 Saturday, 27 September 2025**

**Valletta, Malta**

The capital of Malta, Valletta was founded by the Knights of St John in 1566. Its purpose was to strengthen the Order’s position on the island, following the siege of Malta by the Turks in 1565. Enjoy a free day to explore, you may like to visit the St Johns Co Cathedral and the magnificent Palace of the Grand Masters. Another option is a tour to Mdina, Malta’s ancient capital and a medieval walled town situated on a hill in the centre of the island.

**DAY 12 Sunday, 28 September 2025**

**Porto Empedocle/Agrigento, Sicily, Italy**

Today you have a free day to discover Porto Empedocle, a picturesque Sicilian town with a lively harbor, rich maritime heritage and easy access to some of the best ancient ruins in the Mediterranean – Agrigento. The famous Valley of the Temples are an approximately 15 minute drive away. Dating from the 5th century BC, it is one of the most outstanding examples of ancient Greek art and architecture of Magna Graecia, and is one of the main attractions of Sicily.

**DAY 13 Monday, 29 September 2025**

**Trapani, Sicily, Italy**

Nestled on Sicily’s coast, Trapani boasts a blend of historical charm and natural beauty. Once an ancient agricultural center, it has grown into a lively modern city. Its distinctive scythe-like shape is said to have originated from a myth in which Demeter dropped her scythe while searching for Persephone, shaping Trapani’s unique coastline. Another option would be to take an excursion to the ancient town of Erice in the hills outside of Trapani and now surrounded by Medieval walls.



**DAY 14 Tuesday, 30 September 2025**

**Lipari, Italy**

Lipari is not only the largest of the Aeolian Islands, but it is the least “volcanic” of its 7 islands, as evidenced by the weak hydrothermal and fumarole activity. Enjoy a free day to discover its charming village, reachable only by small ships like the Wind Surf, or delve into its mythological past. Lipari is steeped in legends, often linked to Greek mythology. It was believed to be home to the Cyclops in Homer’s “Odyssey” and was associated with various ancient deities. Explore how these myths shaped the island’s cultural and historical identity, celebrated as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Another option would be to take an excursion to the volcanic island of Stromboli, the source of many ancient legends.

**DAY 15 Wednesday, 1 October 2025**

**Sorrento, Italy**

Spend a relaxing day in the beautiful resort town of Sorrento with its spectacular views of the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius. Or you



make like to take a tour and visit the ancient, perfectly preserved ruins of Pompeii, a wealthy settlement of the Roman Empire, destroyed by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79AD. See the Forum, the House of the Vetti, a well-preserved aristocratic villa and much more.

**DAY 16 Thursday, 2 October 2025**

**Amalfi, Italy**

The town of Amalfi lies at the mouth of a deep ravine and is surrounded by dramatic cliffs and coastal scenery. Wander around town and visit the cathedral, or you may like to enjoy a limoncello tasting. Or take an excursion to the towns of Positano, with its charming pastel-coloured houses or Ravello, home to the spectacular gardens of Villa Cimbrone and Villa Rufolo.

**DAY 17 Friday, 3 October 2025**

**Disembark Rome/Departure**

The Wind Surf arrives back in Civitavecchia this morning at 7.00am. After breakfast we will disembark and are transferred to Rome Airport to begin our trip home.

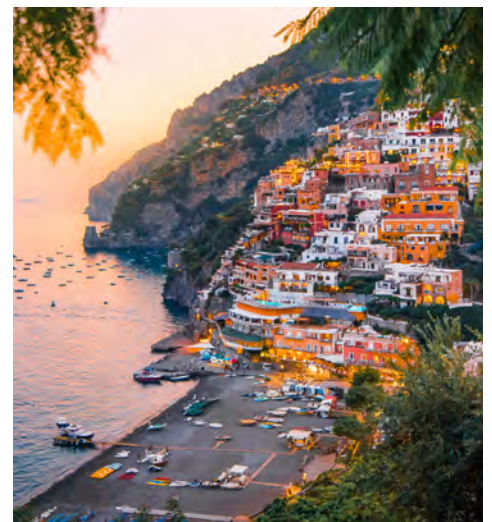
**DAY 18 Saturday, 4 October 2025**

**In-Flight**

**DAY 19 Sunday, 5 October 2025**

**Arrive Australia**

Tour arrangements conclude on arrival in Australia.



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Cabin / Description	Deck	Twin-Share	Single Fare
B Oceanview	1 Forward/Aft	\$ 12,135	\$ 17,760
BX Oceanview	1 Midships	\$ 12,770	\$ 18,860
A Oceanview	2 Forward/Aft	\$ 13,250	\$ 19,680
AX Oceanview	2 Midships	\$ 13,965	\$ 20,910
TX Oceanview	3 Forward/Aft	\$ 14,365	\$ 21,595
STE Suite	3 Midships Forward Aft	\$ 18,750	\$ 27,625
Included port and handling charges and cruise taxes		\$ 931	\$ 931
Included air taxes as at 1 October 2024		\$ 300	\$ 300

## Included in the tour price:

- Return economy-class airfares from Brisbane/Melbourne/Sydney to Rome
- 4 nights accommodation including breakfast and city taxes in Rome
- Sightseeing tour of Rome, with a local guide and a sightseeing tour to Tivoli
- 11 night cruise onboard the Wind Surf, including meals and entertainment
- Onboard gratuities, port and handling charges and cruise taxes
- Air taxes – any surcharges will be added to your final account
- Tour management by Travelrite International in Rome only – you will be unaccompanied onboard the cruise

## Not included in the price:

- Travel insurance
- Additional travel arrangements not detailed in the itinerary; these will be quoted for separately
- Passport and visa fees
- Drinks and Wi-Fi on board the ship
- Lunches and dinners when not on the ship
- Sightseeing tours onboard the ship



**Extending:** You can stay longer in Europe for minimal extra cost. Please contact Travelrite on 1800 630 343 for more information.

## General information and booking conditions

International touring can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair climbing in the places visited and it is important that all tour participants have a level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

**TOUR OPERATOR:** Travelrite International Pty Ltd, (ABN 64 005 817 078) is the tour operator. Wind Surf is operated by Windstar Cruises and the fly, cruise and tour arrangements are subject to the terms and conditions and general information detailed on the Windstar Cruises website: <https://www.windstarcruises.com/>

**TOUR COSTS:** The tour costs are based on airfare, general transport, accommodation costs and foreign exchange rate at 1 October 2024. Travelrite reserves the right to alter the costs if any of these factors change, giving any passenger that has booked the right to withdraw with full refund of monies paid or modify arrangements. No alterations to price will be made within 132 days of departure from Australia.

**AIR TAXES:** from Brisbane/Melbourne/Sydney as listed in the itinerary. Please contact us for fares and air taxes from different cities. Air taxes are as at 1 October 2024. If they change due to government and airline charges and currency variations, Travelrite International reserves the right to charge additional amounts.

**DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT:** A non-refundable deposit of \$1200 per passenger should be sent with a completed Travelrite International booking form that lists your requested cabin category. As soon as the booking is confirmed, a cruise confirmation advice will be posted to the client. The passenger must also complete and return a reservation form to Travelrite International. Final payments are due to be paid to Travelrite International 132 days prior to the commencement of the cruise.

**CANCELLATION CHARGES:** Number of days before sailing.

Days prior to Departure	Cancellation Fee:
Over 132 days	loss of \$1200
132 days or less	100% of full fare
Non appearance/no written notice	100% of full fare.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Travel insurance is recommended to cover the costs of cancellation fees due to illness, death in family, etc.

**MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS AND CONDITIONS:** The tour has been priced on the basis of a minimum number of passengers having booked 132 days prior to departure. Travelrite reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of all monies paid or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified cost.

**TOUR ORGANISATION:** Travelrite reserves the right to change advertised entrances if necessary for the smooth operation of the tour.

**REFUNDS:** The tour is based on arrangements that do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals, airfare or other services not utilized after the tour has commenced.

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:** All passengers will require a valid passport. Visas for countries visited are not required for Australian passport holders. If you hold another passport please check with Travelrite.

**BAGGAGE:** All passengers qualify for the 23kg free baggage allowance.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Travelrite International Pty Ltd is the tour organiser. Travelrite International Pty Ltd, it's agents, officers, affiliates, and/or suppliers of services pursuant to or in connection with these fly/cruise/stay holidays shall act only as agents in making arrangements for hotels, transportation including transportation by ship, restaurants, or any other service and do not assume any liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident or delay to person or property due to an act of negligence or a default of any hotel, carrier restaurant company or person rendering any services included in fly/cruises, or by act of God. Further no responsibilities are accepted for any damage or delay due to sickness, pilferage, labour disputes, machinery break-down, quarantine, government restraints, weather, terrorism or other causes beyond their control. No responsibility is accepted for any additional expense, omission, delays, re-routing or acts of any government authority. Baggage is at owners risk throughout the fly/cruise/stay holiday. The passage contract between the carriers concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the carriers and the purchasers of these fly/cruise/stay holidays and/or the passengers. The right is reserved to withdraw any fly/ cruise/stay holiday and/or make such changes in the fly/ cruise/stay holidays as may be found desirable or necessary for the convenience of the parties and the proper carrying out of the fly/cruises. This contract shall be construed in accordance of the laws of the State of Victoria, Australia.

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How To Book: Bookings can be made by sending full names and addresses of intending tour members with a non-refundable deposit of \$1200 to:

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