Cruise Details

Name:	Enchanting Italian Coastlines
Reference:	EMERALDE06M130527-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sakara
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	13 May 27
Departs From:	Civitavecchia
Arrives On:	20 May 27
Arrives At:	Civitavecchia
Cruise Nights:	7
Total Vacation Days:	8

Itinerary

Day 1: Civitavecchia (Italy)

Your cruise begins in Italy at Civitavecchia, the historic seaport and main gateway for the ancient capital of Rome. Known as the ‘Eternal City,’ Rome is littered with iconic landmarks that bear testament to its former status as the epicentre of the mighty Roman Empire. Here, you’ll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to begin your voyage discovering the delights of the Italian coastline. Please book your flight to arrive into Rome prior to 02:00 PM. Docked: 19:00

Arrives On: 13 May 27

Day 2: Amalfi (Italy)

The stunning Amalfi Coast is one of Italy’s most famous destinations. This glorious stretch of coastline has been designated as a UNESCO World Heritage site and has been a much-loved holiday destination since ancient times. Located in Southern Italy’s Campania region, just south of

Naples, the Amalfi Coast boasts idyllic beaches, seaside towns that are home to grand Italian villas and glitzy beach clubs hugging the craggy cliffs that rise from the sparkling sea. Tonight we dock overnight in the island of Capri, giving you the opportunity to explore the island at its most intimate—bathed in golden light, quiet sophistication, and after-hours enchantment. DiscoverMORE
Amalfi and Ravello (extra expense, must be pre booked)
Perched high above the Amalfi Coast, Ravello is renowned for its spectacular views, elegant villas, and artistic heritage, inspiring generations of writers, musicians, and artists. Travel inland by minibus along the winding mountain road to Ravello, enjoying breathtaking views of the dramatic coastline. Stroll through the town's charming cobbled streets, passing the Cathedral Square and picturesque alleyways before visiting the magnificent Villa Rufolo. Dating back to the 13th century, this remarkable villa is celebrated for its Moorish-inspired architecture, iconic tower, and beautifully landscaped gardens overlooking the Mediterranean. Following your guided visit, enjoy free time to admire the gardens, browse local shops, or relax at a café (own expense) before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours Anchored: 13:00–20:00

Arrives On: 14 May 27

Day 2: Capri (Italy)

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Day 3: Capri (Italy)

The allure of Capri is timeless. From the first century AD, Roman Emperors chose this spectacularly beautiful island as their private retreat – the ruins of their grand villas still dot the shore. Take a leisurely stroll along the narrow, winding streets and dine al fresco under twinkling fairy lights, sampling the island’s traditional specialties that have become world-famous,, like caprese salad and limoncello, a sweet lemon liqueur. Admire the towering cliffs and hidden sea caves, including the Blue Grotto, which is magically illuminated. Your yacht will return to the mainland this evening to spend the night docked in Sorrento. DiscoverMORE
Capri from the sea (extra expense)
Discover the spectacular coastline of Capri from the sea, where dramatic cliffs, hidden grottoes, and crystal-clear waters reveal the island's extraordinary natural beauty. After tendering ashore (local tender boat), board a local boat for a scenic cruise around Capri, passing towering limestone cliffs, secluded coves, and striking rock formations. Admire the island's lush Mediterranean vegetation while viewing landmarks including Villa Jovis, the magnificent palace where Emperor Tiberius is believed to have ruled during the final years of his reign. Continue past the entrance to the famous Blue Grotto, the picturesque Marina Piccola, and the beautiful White Grotto, one of Capri's most impressive sea caves. Following the cruise, enjoy free time to explore Capri at your own pace before returning independently by tender.
Activity Level: Easy,

Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes Anchored: 23:00 (day prior)–22:00

Arrives On: 15 May 27

Day 3: Sorrento (Italy)

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Day 4: Sorrento (Italy)

Awake to the sun sparkling over the pastel buildings of Sorrento. This much-loved resort town is perched dramatically atop cliffs that overlook the Bay of Naples and boasting stunning views of Mount Vesuvius across the water. An impossibly romantic haven, Sorrento bewitches with its elegant Italian villas, world-class restaurants serving up mouth-watering cuisine and fragrant lemon groves, which contribute to the production of limoncello – famous the world over. Get a glimpse into its storied past as you explore grand cathedrals and palazzos built of warm golden stone, then sit down at a cafe to watch the world go by. EmeraldACTIVE
Discover Pompeii
Step back in time at Pompeii, one of the world's most remarkable archaeological sites and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where an entire Roman city was preserved beneath volcanic ash for nearly 1,700 years. After tendering ashore, board the local shuttle to the coach departure point before travelling to Pompeii. En route, enjoy views of the Bay of Naples and, weather permitting, a glimpse of Mount Vesuvius. Upon arrival, join a guided walk through the ancient streets, discovering the Forum, Stabian Baths, theatres, elegant villas, and beautifully preserved frescoes and mosaics. Learn how the catastrophic eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79 buried the thriving city beneath ash, preserving an extraordinary snapshot of everyday Roman life. Following your visit, enjoy a slice of traditional Neapolitan pizza accompanied by a soft drink before returning by coach to Sorrento.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 5 hours 30 minutes EmeraldPLUS
Neapolitan Evening Tarantella (performance on board)
Immerse yourself in the vibrant energy and captivating rhythm of the Tarantella, a celebration of Sorrento's culture and music from the late 19th century. Enjoy traditional dances, lively music, and interactive moments that make every guest an integral part of the show. Be mesmerized by the rhythmic beats and intricate footwork of the Tarantella, showcased on stage with delightful musical interludes and entertaining strolling artists. Join in the fun as the performers engage the audience, inviting everyone to clap along, feel the rhythm, and even dance along with the lively atmosphere of Sorrento's rich cultural heritage.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes Anchored: 23:59 (day prior) - 22:00

Arrives On: 16 May 27

Day 5: Gaeta (Italy)

Set halfway between Naples and Rome, Gaeta is on a headland that juts out into the sea, making for sweeping views up and down the coast. It remains one of the hidden gems of this region and a popular weekend getaway for Italians. As well as its beautiful beach and abundant fresh fish, Gaeta is best known for Montagna Spaccata (Split Mountain), a natural sea grotto and 11th century sanctuary. According to local legend, the miraculous rock split was created when God sent a lightning bolt that formed three giant cracks in the mountain, which dramatically plunges into the sea. DiscoverMORE
Sperlonga National Archaeological Museum With Tiberio Villa (extra expense)
Discover the timeless beauty of Sperlonga, one of Italy's most picturesque seaside villages, where whitewashed houses, ancient history, and spectacular coastal views combine to create an unforgettable experience. Travel by coach to the National Archaeological Museum of Sperlonga, where remarkable marble sculptures known as the "Marble Odyssey" reveal scenes inspired by Homer's epic tales. Continue to the archaeological remains of Emperor Tiberius' Villa, including the famous seaside grotto and ancient fish ponds, once part of the emperor's luxurious coastal retreat. After your visit, continue into the heart of Sperlonga for a guided walk through its charming historic centre. Wander the narrow whitewashed streets, pass through the ancient town gates, visit the Church of Santa Maria di Spelonca, and admire the historic Truglia Tower, overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea. Free time allows you to browse local boutiques, relax at a café (own expense), or simply enjoy the atmosphere before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 4 hours Docked: 08:00–13:30

Arrives On: 17 May 27

Day 6: Porto Cervo (Italy)

Part of Sardinia’s Costa Smeralda, Porto Cervo is a luxurious resort town that blends Italian, Spanish, Greek and North African influences. Effortlessly chic, Porto Cervo draws those who appreciate the finer things in life—from glamorous hotels and designer boutiques to exceptional dining and vibrant nightlife. Porto Cervo's marina is packed with opulent yachts and is the host of prestigious sailing events such as the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup. Despite its reputation for luxury, Porto Cervo hasn’t lost its unmistakable Sardinian charm and is surrounded by jaw-dropping natural beauty. DiscoverMORE
Panoramic tour and visit to La Maddalena (extra expense)
Journey through the beautiful landscapes of northern Sardinia to discover the enchanting La Maddalena Archipelago, renowned for its crystal-clear waters, granite islands, and spectacular coastal scenery. Meet your guide at the landing place before a short uphill walk to the coach. Travel through the charming villages of San Pantaleo and Arzachena en route to Palau, where you will board a scheduled public ferry to La Maddalena Island. Enjoy a scenic drive across the island, stopping at Guardia Vecchia for panoramic views over the La Maddalena Archipelago and towards Corsica. Continue to the historic centre of La Maddalena, where you will have free time to explore Garibaldi Square, browse local shops, or relax at a café (own expense) before departing for the return journey. Upon arrival back in Porto Cervo, you may either return to

the landing place with your guide or remain in the village for independent exploration.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours DiscoverMORE
Villages of Sardinia and Coddu Vecchiu Giant’s Tombs (extra expense)
Explore the ancient heritage and spectacular landscapes of northern Sardinia, where prehistoric monuments, traditional villages, and breathtaking coastal scenery reveal the island's unique character. Meet your local guide in Porto Cervo before a short uphill walk to the coach. Travel to the charming granite village of San Pantaleo, beautifully set beneath dramatic rock formations, for a brief stop before continuing to the remarkable Giants' Tomb of Coddu Vecchiu, one of Sardinia's finest examples of Nuragic funerary architecture. Dating back to the Bronze Age, this exceptionally well-preserved archaeological site offers a fascinating insight into the island's ancient civilisation and burial traditions. Continue to the seaside resort of Baja Sardinia, where free time allows you to relax and admire magnificent views across the La Maddalena Archipelago before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours Anchored: 08:00–23:00

Arrives On: 18 May 27

Day 7: Bonifacio, Corsica (France)

Perched atop a narrow limestone peninsula on the French Island of Corsica, Bonifacio has breathtaking views of the sparkling Mediterranean Sea. Take a step back in time, exploring Bonifacio’s atmospheric Old Town, a fortified medieval citadel filled with quaint narrow streets and historic structures. Don’t miss The Staircase of the King of Aragon (Escalier du Roi d'Aragon), a steep flight of steps carved into the cliffside, which leads down to the clear, blue-green sea. Included Excursion
Highlights of Bonifacio (With Tasting)
Discover the dramatic clifftop town of Bonifacio, where medieval streets, spectacular coastal scenery, and centuries of Corsican history combine to create one of the island's most unforgettable destinations. Begin with a ride on the tourist train to the upper town, passing the Bosco Quarter, the Convent of St Francis, and the distinctive Marine Cemetery, renowned for its elaborate mausoleums. On clear days, enjoy views across the Strait of Bonifacio to neighbouring Sardinia. Continue on foot through the fortified citadel, exploring its maze of narrow streets and historic landmarks, including St Dominique Church, one of the few examples of Gothic architecture in Corsica, St Marie Majeure Church, Place des Armes, and the spectacular viewpoints overlooking Bonifacio's towering limestone cliffs. Pause at a local wine bar to sample Corsican specialities accompanied by a glass of regional wine while enjoying breathtaking views over the cliffs. Your walk concludes at the Porte de Gênes and St Roch Chapel, before descending the famous Escalier de la Montée Saint-Roch to the marina. You may either return with your group or remain in Bonifacio to continue exploring independently.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours 30 minutes Docked: 07:00–16:00

Arrives On: 19 May 27

Day 8: Civitavecchia (Italy)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes today when you return to Civitavecchia. After saying farewell to your crew and fellow guests, you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to continue your travels. DiscoverMORE
Rome On Your Own (extra expense, must be booked on board)
Experience the timeless appeal of Rome, where ancient monuments, elegant piazzas, and world-famous landmarks showcase more than two thousand years of history. Travel along the scenic Tyrrhenian Coast before arriving in the Eternal City for a panoramic drive past iconic sights, including the Circus Maximus and the magnificent Colosseum, once the largest amphitheatre in the Roman Empire. Continue into the heart of the city to enjoy free time at leisure, with the opportunity to discover celebrated landmarks such as the Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, and the lively Piazza Navona, or relax at one of Rome's traditional cafés. In the afternoon, continue your orientation drive past Castel Sant'Angelo, Vatican City, and the magnificent St Peter's Basilica, pausing for photographs before departing Rome.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 9 hours

Notes: This excursion is available for guests continuing on the next cruise. DiscoverMORE
Rome Tour & Transfer (extra expense, must be booked on board)
Make the most of your final day with a journey from Civitavecchia to Rome, combining a comfortable transfer with the opportunity to experience some of the Eternal City's most celebrated landmarks before continuing to the airport. Travel through the scenic Etruscan countryside along the Tyrrhenian Coast before meeting your guide in Rome. Enjoy a guided orientation featuring exterior views of iconic sights including the magnificent Colosseum, the historic Roman Forum, and the beautiful Trevi Fountain, while learning about the fascinating history behind these world-famous monuments. Following your visit, continue directly to Leonardo da Vinci–Fiumicino Airport (FCO) for your onward flight.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 5 hours 30 minutes

Notes: Available only to participants on flights departing from FCO after 4:30 pm. Luggage will remain securely stored on the coach throughout the excursion. Please book your flight to depart out of Rome after 01:00 PM. Docked: 06:00 The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Emerald Cruises cannot guarantee the cruise will operated unaltered from the itinerary states above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

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