



Emotional  
Sicily™

TRAVEL BY SENSES

# LAND OF LIGHT

Ragusa, the timeless soul  
of South-East Sicily

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Ragusa Province Experiences



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Ragusa



PROVINCIA DI RAGUSA

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AGATE\_CARRAMONTE\_GIMIGLI\_GIARATANA\_IPICA\_MODICA\_MONTEDICHILO\_PIZZALLO\_RAGUSA\_SANTA CRUCE\_SCIACCA\_VITTORIO



# About Ragusa Province

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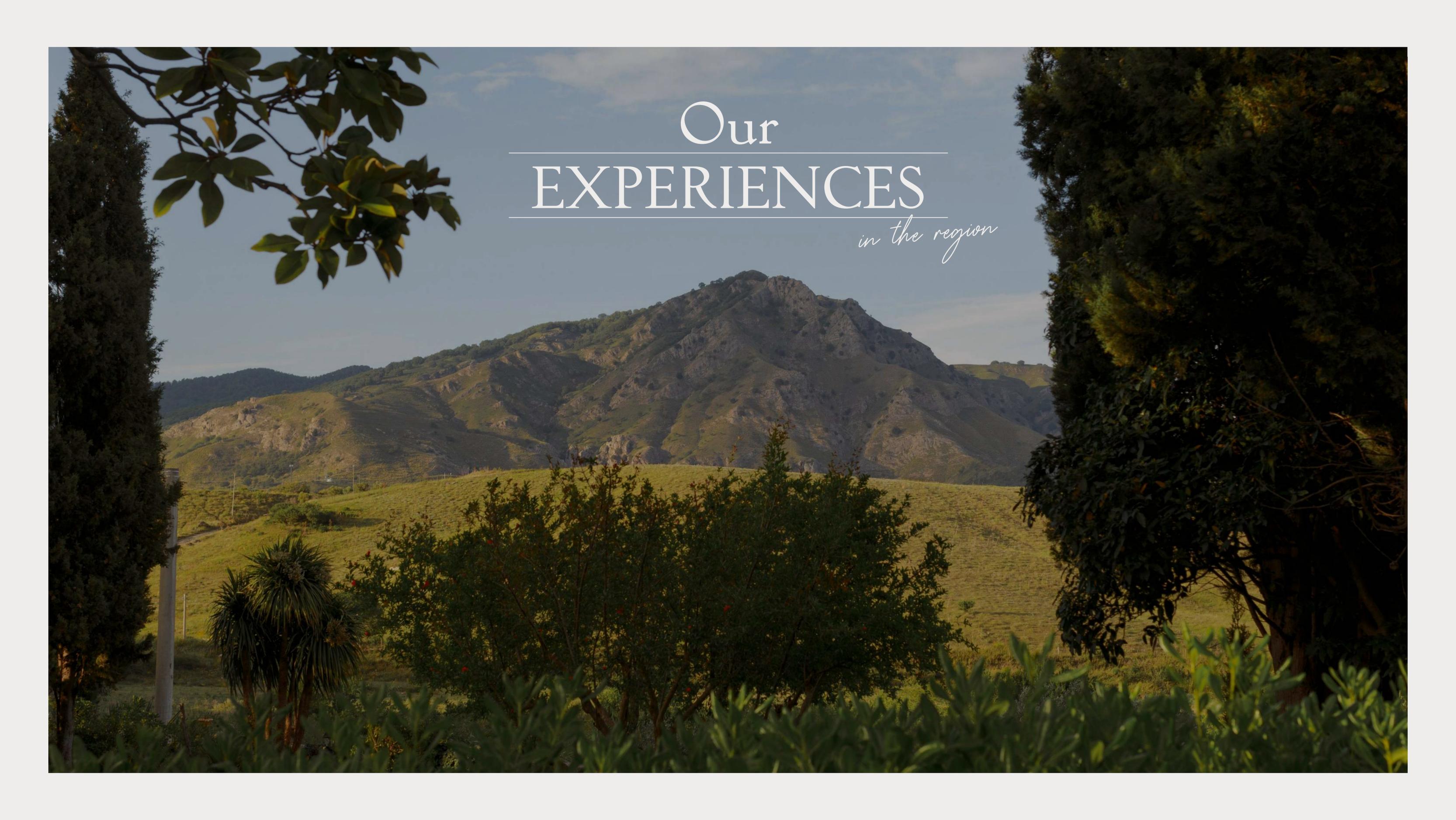


In Sicily's South-East, the Province of Ragusa shines with golden light, rolling countryside and UNESCO-listed baroque towns. Its landscapes blend fertile valleys, ancient plateaus and villages where traditions endure.

From **Ragusa, Modica and Scicli** to rural farms and coastal horizons, the area offers timeless architecture, Mediterranean flavors and authentic encounters — a land where heritage and nature meet in harmony.







Our  
EXPERIENCES

*in the region*

## From Mill to Meal:

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### A culinary Journey in Ragusa Ibla

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Step into Sicily's past with a unique culinary experience in an ancient water mill, where organic wheat was once ground into flour. In an adjoining cave kitchen, join a professional chef for a hands-on cooking class, exploring Sicily's heirloom grains and their transformation into traditional dishes. Under expert guidance, master the art of preparing fresh pasta, then sit down to enjoy your creations alongside a seasonal dish, dessert, and local wine.

After lunch, embark on a captivating guided tour of Ragusa Ibla and Modica, uncovering the baroque splendor of these historic towns. Your journey concludes with an exclusive tasting of Modica's renowned fair-trade chocolate, savored in a private garden with breathtaking views over the city—an unforgettable blend of history, culture, and gastronomy.

## Aperitrekk

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### Cava d'Ispica

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For those seeking a dynamic and flavorful way to explore, the Aperitrekk through Cava d'Ispica offers an unforgettable experience.

This guided hike winds through an enchanting valley dotted with prehistoric cave dwellings and rock-cut churches.

The adventure concludes with a well-earned aperitivo, where you will savor Sicilian delicacies and fine wine in an open-air setting, blending history, nature, and local flavors in a unique and immersive way.

## Modica Chocolate-Making Class & Private Lunch at Palazzo



Take part in a hands-on artisanal chocolate-making class in Modica, guided by a local chef who will introduce you to the city's centuries-old tradition and distinctive techniques that make its chocolate unlike any other in the world. Working step by step, you'll learn how to transform simple raw ingredients into bars rich with history and flavor.

After the workshop, continue your journey into Modica's heritage with a private three-course lunch served in the elegant setting of a historic palazzo.

Framed by frescoed ceilings, antique furnishings, and sweeping views of the magnificent San Giorgio Cathedral, the meal becomes more than a dining experience—it is a celebration of art, architecture, and gastronomy in one of Sicily's most evocative towns.

## La Dolce Vita in Modica: Pasta & Fiat 500s



Spend a day in Modica immersed in two of Sicily's most cherished traditions: food and style. Your morning begins in the welcoming home of a local chef, where you'll learn the art of fresh pasta-making using recipes passed down through generations. After preparing and enjoying a leisurely homemade lunch together, it's time to shift gears.

In the afternoon, slip into the passenger seat of a vintage Fiat 500. Driven by proud local owners, these colorful icons will carry you through Modica's winding streets and baroque piazzas in true dolce vita fashion. It's a journey that marries the warmth of Sicilian hospitality with the joy of timeless style.

## Pastures to Press: An Oil & Cheese Journey

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Travel through the Hyblaean countryside for a day devoted to two of Sicily's most prized products: cheese and olive oil. Begin at a local dairy, where master cheesemakers reveal the time-honored process of producing provola, ricotta, and the famed PDO Ragusano cheese. You'll even roll up your sleeves to craft your own provola before enjoying a rustic countryside breakfast with freshly made delicacies.

Continue to Chiaramonte Gulfi, a hilltop town synonymous with exceptional olive oil. Here, the golden PDO Hyblaean Mounts oil is born—aromatic, intense, and deeply tied to the land. At a traditional oil mill, you'll witness the cold-press extraction process and taste the subtle nuances of different varieties. End your journey with the option of a lunch of local specialties, perfectly paired with the fruits of your visit.

## Scicli & the Scents of Sicily

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Begin the day with a guided visit of Scicli, one of Sicily's baroque jewels and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Strolling through its sunlit streets, you'll admire ornate palaces, elegant churches, and stone alleyways that reveal the town's layered history and timeless charm. Along the way, pause at a traditional pastry shop to savor local specialties, from almond-based confections to delicate sweets that have been perfected over generations.

Afterward, leave the town behind and continue into the countryside to visit a family-run herb farm, where Mediterranean fragrances fill the air and fields of rosemary, thyme, sage, and wild fennel stretch across the landscape. Here you'll discover how these aromatic plants are cultivated and used in Sicilian cuisine and daily life. The experience culminates with a leisurely lunch featuring farm-to-table dishes enriched by the herbs grown on site, a fitting celebration of flavor, tradition, and terroir.



“Sicily is an island lying outside time,  
where past events endure  
in an external present...”

*Vincent  
Cronin*



# Introduction to Emotional Sicily

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Emotional Sicily is an Italian Boutique DMC and Tour Operator established in 2018.

We craft **immersive journeys** that weave together the rich tapestry of Sicilian life, connecting travelers with the warmth of its people, the richness of its culture, and the splendor of its natural landscapes.

At Emotional Sicily, we are more than a team; **we are a community** of people deeply rooted in our region, possessing a profound understanding of its intricacies and charms. This enables us to co-design journeys that transcend mere tourism, **offering transformative experiences that unveil the soul of Sicily.**

We take pride in **supporting sustainable initiatives and local businesses** that share our commitment to preserving the beauty and authenticity of Sicily, ensuring that every journey leaves a positive impact on both travelers and the communities they visit.

# Our Commitment to Sustainable Tourism



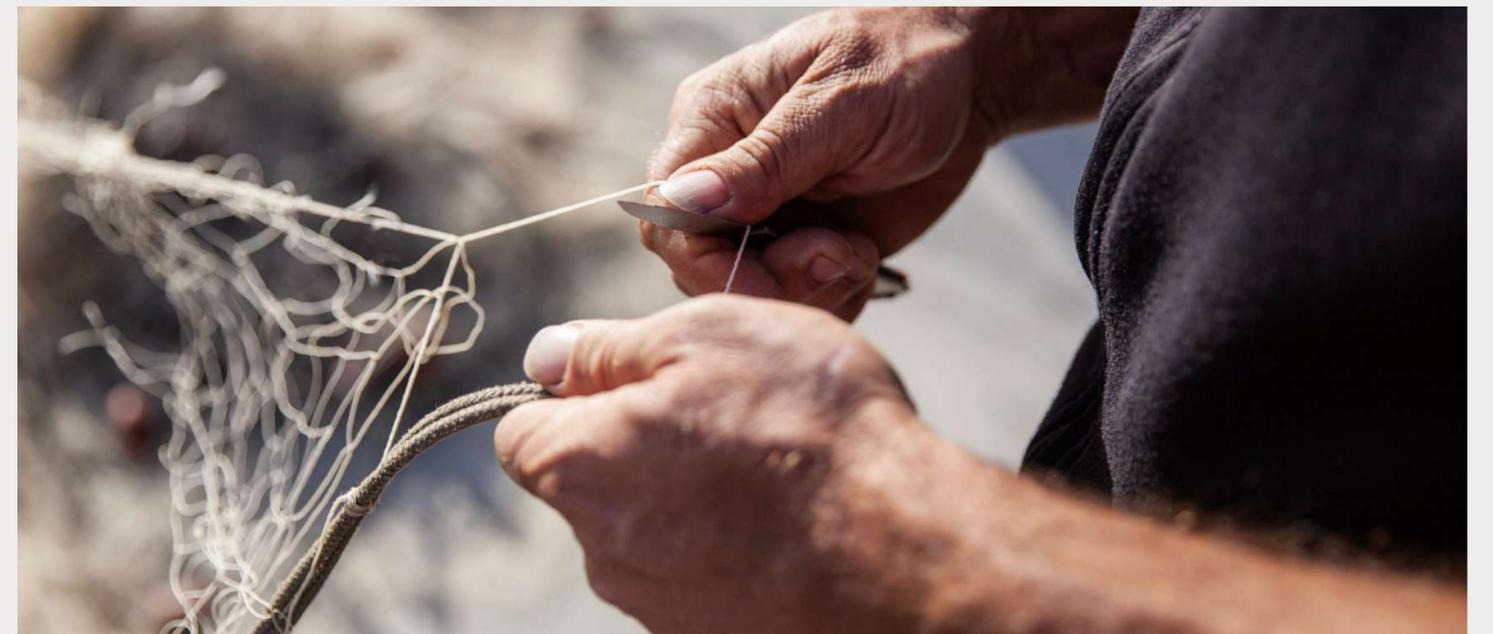
## Travel with Purpose

At Emotional Sicily, we believe that tourism should be a force for good. That's why we are committed to promoting sustainable travel that supports local communities, preserves cultural heritage, and protects the environment. All of our experiences are carefully selected to minimize their ecological footprint and positively impact the regions we operate in.

By booking an Emotional Sicily experience, your guests are contributing to initiatives that preserve Sicily's natural beauty, culture, and traditions. From eco-conscious winery tours to artisanal workshops, every journey reflects our dedication to sustainability.

## Supporting Local Communities

We collaborate with small businesses, family-owned farms, and artisans to create immersive experiences that empower local communities. This ensures that the benefits of tourism are shared with those who keep Sicily's heritage alive.



# Telling Sicily's Story Through Film



THE  
RODOLICO  
PROJECT

We believe that storytelling is a powerful way to connect people with the world around them. Our award-winning tourism films are a testament to Sicily's diverse landscapes, rich cultural heritage, and the stories that define the island. These films are crafted to inspire conscious travel, encouraging visitors to engage meaningfully with the people and places they encounter.



## Why Film Matters?

Our films aren't just promotional; they reflect our mission to showcase Sicily in its most authentic form, inviting viewers to experience the island's natural beauty and cultural depth.

This commitment to visual storytelling allows us to share the essence of Sicily with the world, building a deeper appreciation for sustainable tourism and mindful travel.



# Our AWARDS



## TERRES TRAVEL FILM FESTIVAL

Tortosa SPAIN | September 2023

Silver award in the category  
Rural Destinations for the video  
"Travel Deeper - Etna  
and Alcantara Valley"



## JAPAN WORLD TOURISM FILM FESTIVAL

Hokkaido JAPAN | March 2024

Gold award in the category  
Documentaries and Vlogs for the docufilm  
"To the southwest - People, culture  
and nature of Belice Valley"



## INTERNATIONAL TOURISM FILM FESTIVAL AFRICA

Johannesburg | June 2024

Silver award in the category Doc, TV & WEB -  
Culture and Heritage for the docufilm  
"To the southwest - People, culture  
and nature of Belice Valley"



## US INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

Los Angeles, California | June 2024

Silver award in the category Documentaries  
& Reports - Travel & Tourism for the docufilm  
"To the southwets - People, culture  
and nature of Belice Valley"



## INTERNATIONAL TOURISM FILM FESTIVAL

Izmir, Turkey | November 2024

Awarded in the category Tourism Destinations  
for the video "Travel Deeper - Etna and  
Alcantara Valley"

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MENTIONS

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How I ate my way around Mount Etna  
Niki Blasina  
August 9, 2023



Eating my way through Sicily  
Amy Rose Everett  
January 11, 2024



25 extraordinary Sicily escapes  
Sean Newsom  
March 14, 2024

# Memories from our TRAVELLERS

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"I have traveled many, many places and I have never experienced something as special as the day Emotional Sicily planned for us."

*Noelle Smith*

~ US

"We had the most wonderful unique personal exclusive experience while visting Sicily thanks to the great program Emotional Sicily put together for us. It was diverse and off the beaten tourist track."

*Anine Ekelund*

~ Sweden

"We did three experiences that were incredibly enriching and immersive, and our hosts were so passionate and enthusiastic."

*Samantha Hardcastle*

~ US

We can't wait  
to welcome you to Sicily!

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