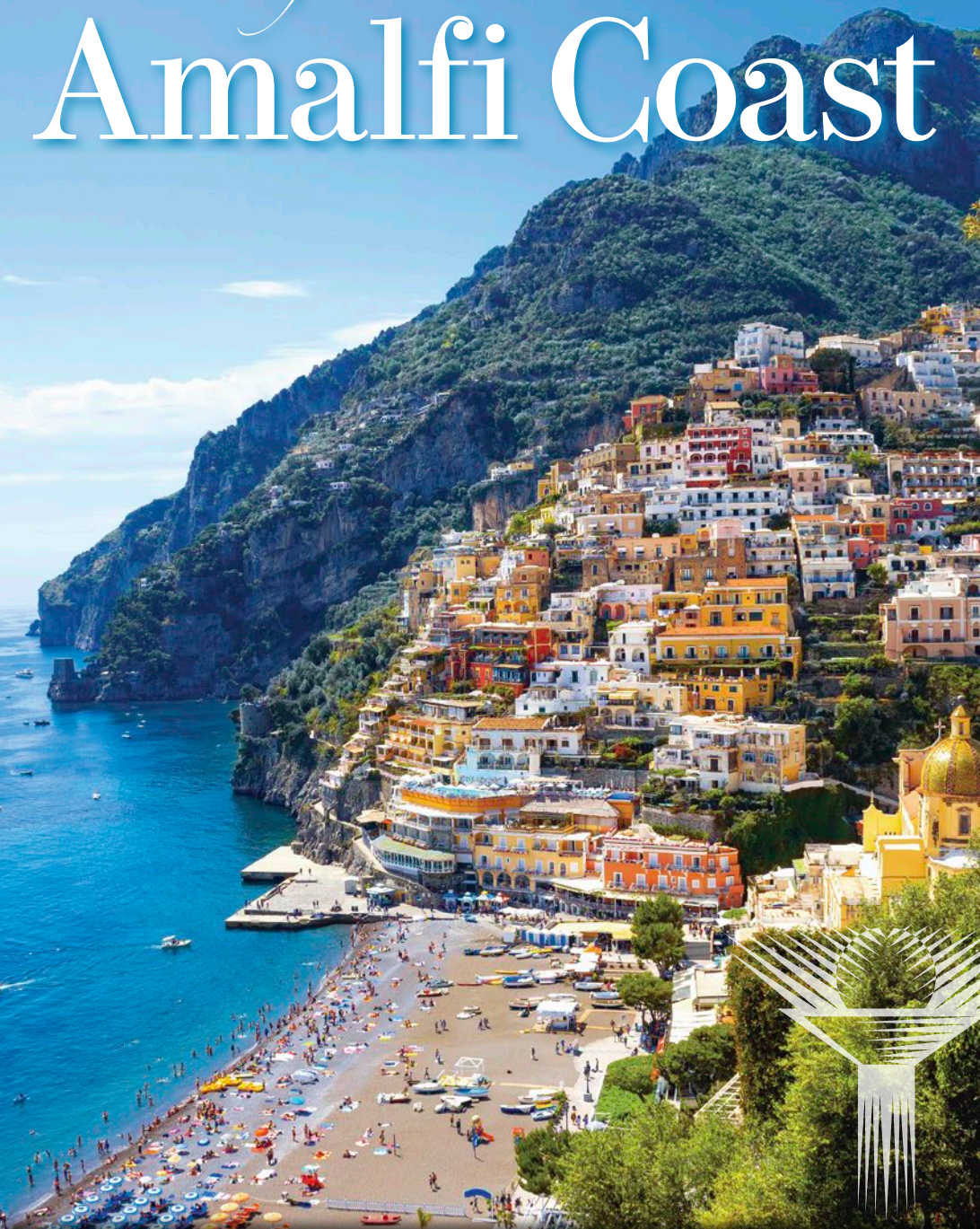


The Charm *of the*
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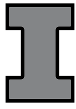
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Dear EXPLORERS and Friends,

Join us for a seven-night stay in Vietri sul Mare, an endearing village along Italy's Amalfi Coast. Together, we'll follow sinuous cobblestones to dreamy vistas and uncover this magical corner of Italy that has lured travelers, writers and romantics for centuries.

From fabled haunts to legendary islands and buried Roman towns, each day offers opportunities to discover stunning landmarks and visual splendors. Cruise along the Amalfi Coast, witnessing vertiginous villages and natural scenery that will take your breath away. Taste exquisite cuisine in the Campania region, walk through ancient ruins frozen in time and spend a day in vivacious Naples. Immerse yourself in the Italian lifestyle, witnessing firsthand why generations have fallen deeply in love with this slice of Mediterranean Europe.

This remarkable program has been thoughtfully designed with educational enrichment with expert lecturers and seasoned local guides. Delight in the camaraderie of traveling with a group, while enjoying ample free time to make your own discoveries. Space is limited and in high demand, so secure your place today!

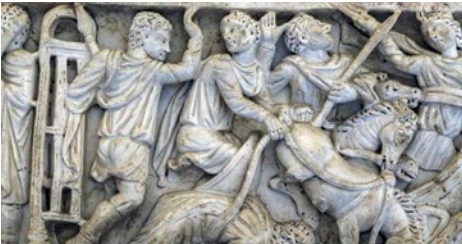
Sincerely,

David Bambrey
President

The EXPLORERS program is open to alumni of the University of Illinois, their families, and friends.

UNESCO World Heritage

1. Costiera Amalfitana (Amalfi Coast)
2. Archaeological Site of Paestum
3. Historic Center of Naples
4. Archaeological Areas of Pompeii and Herculaneum



Sarcophogus, Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Naples

Amalfi Coast





Discovery begins here



Surrender to the beauty and allure of the Amalfi Coast, fragrant with lemon zest and sweet sea breezes. From your base in Vietri sul Mare, spend sunny days discovering the region's rainbow palette. Encounter the whispering relics of ancient cities, listen to the ocean splashing along rocky shores and visit landmarks steeped in history. You'll quickly embrace the incredible ambience sweeping from Amalfi to dynamic Naples and storybook Sorrento!

Top: Amalfi Coast | Above: Neapolitan pizza

Cover: Positano | Mail panel: Pottery, Vietri sul Mare | Ruins Pompeii and Mount Vesuvius

Inspiring Moments



- Cruise along the splendid **Amalfi Coast**, where colorful homes cling to rugged hills.
- Soak up the sun and soft ocean breezes in beautiful, cliffside **Vietri sul Mare**, a charming village with a rich history in creating beautiful ceramics.
- Follow a storied path at the ancient sites of **Herculaneum and Pompeii**.
- Uncover remarkable history at the **Naples Archaeological Museum**.
- **Visit a farm** for a tour and tasting of locally made olive oils and cheeses.
- Witness three of the world's best-preserved Greek temples at **Paestum**.
- Delight in **sensational cuisine**, including the local favorite, Neapolitan pizza.
- Experience four **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.



Vietri sul Mare

Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Naples, Italy. 🌐

Day 2 | Naples, Italy | Vietri sul Mare

Arrive in Naples, transfer 🚗 to Vietri sul Mare and check in to the hotel.

Meet your fellow travelers at tonight's Welcome Reception and Dinner.

Day 3 | Amalfi | Positano

The Amalfi Coast. Experience the beauty and wonders of the spectacular Amalfi Coast. Italians nicknamed this shoreline "The Divine Coast" for its scenic grandeur, rugged shores and colorful villages that climb up the coastal hills. Begin in Amalfi with an orientation tour featuring the Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea and its piazza. After some time at leisure to explore Amalfi, board a boat for a ride to Positano. During your cruise, admire charming villages and pastel-colored villas clinging to the cliffs above sparkling turquoise waters. Arrive in Positano, where gardens climb the hillsides and terraces are draped with pink bougainvillea. Return to Vietri sul Mare and gather for a delicious dinner of regional cuisine.

Day 4 | Paestum

Paestum. Explore ancient grounds home to remarkably well-preserved Greek temples. This Greco-Roman city was overgrown with vegetation and forgotten for 1,000 years. Marvel at the features of this spectacular site, including defensive walls, the remains of three Doric-style temples and a host of impressive ruins.

🌐AHI Connects | Meet the People.

Following a tasty lunch of local dishes, meet some residents of Paestum. Enjoy an engaging dialogue as they discuss their lifestyles and experiences in Italy.

Enrichment: The Wonders of Naples' National Museum. Join a local expert to learn about this renowned museum and its art collections and riveting artifacts.

Day 5 | Naples

Naples & the Museo Archeologico Nazionale.

Energetic Naples, the capital city of Campania, welcomes visitors with a vivacious spirit. Gain insight into the ancient world at the Museo Archeologico Nazionale. With its vast collection of Greco-Roman artifacts and treasures from Herculaneum and Pompeii, the museum is one of the most important archaeological institutions in the world. Continue on a panoramic tour of Naples, taking in sprawling views of the city and the Bay of Naples from atop Posillipo Hill. Marvel at the renowned landmarks including

Frescoes, Pompeii





Amalfi



Sorrento

Castel Nuovo, San Francesco di Paola, Teatro di San Carlo and Piazza del Plebiscito.

Slow down and indulge in authentic Neapolitan pizza for lunch, expertly crafted with fresh ingredients and unforgettable savory flavors.

Day 6 | Vietri sul Mare

Free Time: Choose to visit the Isle of Capri or stay in Vietri sul Mare for a day at leisure.

🌊 Elective | The Isle of Capri. Travel by hydrofoil to the enchanting Isle of Capri, a timeless paradise that has captivated artists and writers for centuries. Enjoy a private boat ride around the island, marveling at the iconic Faraglioni rocks and pretty grottoes carved by the sea. Back on land, stroll along Capri's scenic lanes, visit the Gardens of Augustus or treat yourself to a scoop of gelato.

This evening, gather for dinner at a local restaurant and savor Italy's delectable dishes.

Day 7 | Herculaneum | Pompeii

Herculaneum & Pompeii. Spend the day exploring these captivating Roman cities. The small town of Herculaneum was preserved by mudflows while Pompeii was covered by volcanic ash. The state of preservation of these cities is unlike anything else in the world. Today, they are famous as an excavation site and outdoor museum that reveals how the people of this ancient Roman settlement lived 2,000 years ago. From intricate mosaics and frescoed walls to furniture and household artifacts, unearth a captivating history lesson as you tour the Forum, baths and houses. Relax over lunch during your excursion.

Enrichment: Contemporary Italy. Enjoy a discussion about Italian society, life in Campania, the current political and economic situation in Italy and the country's challenges.

Piazza del Plebiscito, Naples





Day 8 | Sorrento

Sorrento. Travel to cheery Sorrento, surrounded by lemon groves. During an orientation tour, walk along the Corso Italia and Via San Cesareo. Sorrento's magical old town is bursting with lively shops, market stalls and alfresco cafes. Along the way, snap photos of the glistening Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius in the distance.

Green Side of Sorrento. Journey inland to a local farm where skilled agriculturists have a passion for their land. Tour groves of olive trees, learn how fresh-picked olives are ground into delicious olive oils and see how to make fior di latte, a semisoft cheese. Sample this traditional treat and other local products.



Free Time: Spend the afternoon at leisure in Vietri sul Mare. Browse for souvenirs from the many boutiques and shops.


Raise a toast to your Italian adventure at a Farewell Reception and Dinner tonight.

Day 9 | In Transit

Transfer  to the airport in Naples for the return flight  to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

 Flights and  transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

 Elective experiences available at an additional cost.

Activity Level

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

Excursions on this itinerary require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches and boats

Included Features



Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- 7 nights in Vietri sul Mare, Italy, at the first-class Relais Paradiso.

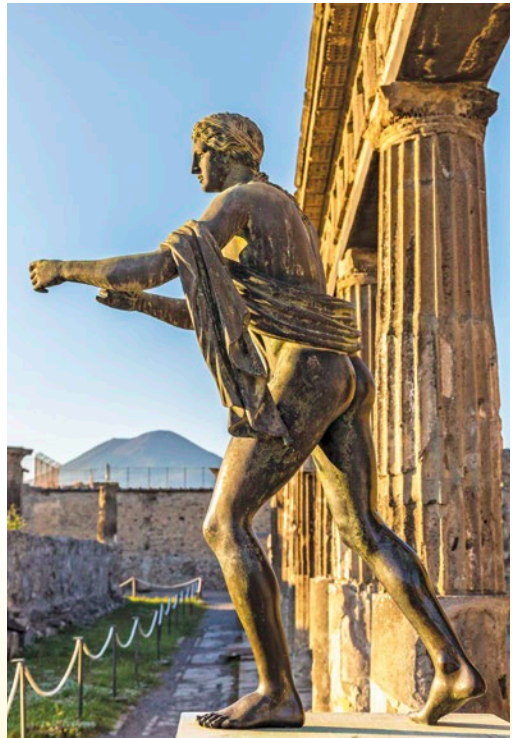
Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Small group:** Sized just right at 28 guests.
- **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.
- **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
-  **Electives** and free time to pursue your individual interests.
-  **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.
-  **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

Temple of Apollo, Pompeii





Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea, Amalfi



Above: Archeological site of Paestum | Below: Olive grove near Sorrento



2027 | Departure Details

Program Dates

Travel dates † **June 16-24, 2027**

† Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

Tour dates* **June 17-24, 2027**

* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

Land Program

Category	Full Price	Special Savings Price*
Pool/Mountain View	\$5,145	\$4,645
Partial Seaview	\$5,545	\$5,045

***This Special Savings Price includes our \$250 Early Booking and \$250 Pay-in-Full discounts and is valid if you book by the date on the address panel and pay in full at booking.**

Deposit amount is \$1,000 per person.

Final Payment is due at least 150 days prior to departure.

Price includes applicable program taxes (such as VAT and port charges).

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

Single accommodations are an additional \$1,295 (limited availability).

Please note: Program-specific terms and conditions are available at <https://il.ahitravel.com/destinations/2042A?schoolid=69>.

AHI FlexAir

Let us arrange your flights

Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase
- arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates
- **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservation before departure on most flights (Fees may apply.)
- **assistance** in the event of schedule changes or delays

AHI Travel Expertise

Travel Consultants guide you through the reservation process.

Travel & Air Coordinators offer assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

Travel Information provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

Your Travel Director, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

Handpicked Expert Guides and Knowledgeable Lecturers deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Accommodations



Relais Paradiso | Vietri sul Mare



Situated on the hills of Vietri sul Mare, the Relais Paradiso offers a lovely stay overlooking the Amalfi Coast. Enjoy panoramic views while dining on the outdoor terrace or savor a cocktail in the intimate lounge. This elegantly designed boutique hotel features modern amenities, friendly service and a relaxing atmosphere. Wi-Fi is complimentary.



 TripAdvisor

Olive oil and cheese



Colorful tiles, Vietri sul Mare



Book your journey today!

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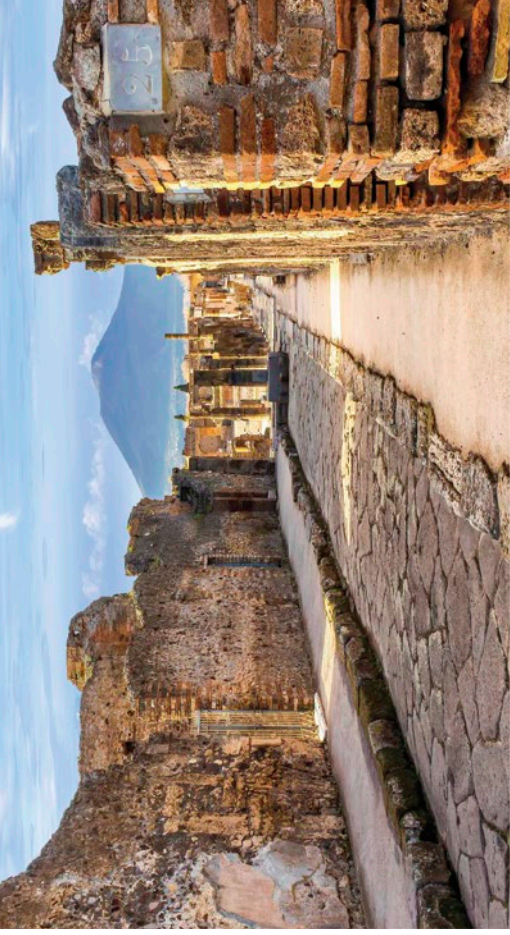
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