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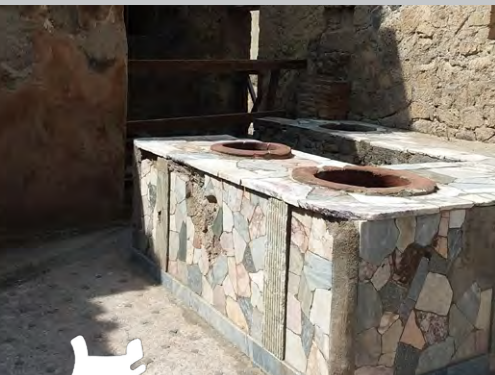


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Vulcano, just one of five hikes on this itinerary.

# HIKING SOUTHERN ITALY: Islands & Fire in the Land of the Gods

May 8-18, 2027 (11 days | 16 guests) with archaeologist Crispin Corrado



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This tour requires an elevated level of fitness.

## Archaeological Institute of America Lecturer and Host



**Crispin (Cris) Corrado** has spent her entire career creating, leading, and teaching academic programs in Italy and Greece. A classical archaeologist specializing in Roman art, Professor Corrado has taught American undergraduate and

graduate students in Rome, Italy, for the past 20 years. For several summers, she was also involved with research projects and excavations at Pompeii. Her research interests and publications focus on ancient Greek and Roman wall painting and sculpture, as well as funerary and domestic architecture. She currently teaches at several universities in Rome, including the University of California, John Cabot University, the American University of Rome, the University of Maryland, and the Catholic University of America.

Professor Corrado received a B.A. in Classical Studies and an M.A. in Art History at the University of Chicago, and a Ph.D. in Classical Archaeology at Brown University. Her training also included time spent at Brandeis University and the American Academy in Rome. She has worked in a curatorial capacity in the departments of ancient art at the Smart Museum of Art at the University of Chicago; the RISD Museum; the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; and the Vatican Museums. One of Professor Corrado's greatest joys is accompanying groups in Italy, Sicily, and Greece. In addition to leading university trips, she has guided returning student/continuing education tours, and she created an international high school summer abroad program in the city of Rome that she directed for 10 years. Professor Corrado is the founder of the Rome Society of the Archaeological Institute of America, and since 2022 she has led AIA Tours in Italy to excellent reviews.

Cover: Vulcano,  
(bottom from left) Herculaneum, Stromboli, Panarea

Capri



Welcome to an extraordinary springtime journey through the rich ancient history, breathtaking volcanic landscapes, and legendary food and wine culture of southern Italy and Sicily. Led by archaeologist Crispin Corrado, this thoughtfully paced program combines exceptional archaeological exploration with five rewarding hikes through some of the Mediterranean's most dramatic scenery. Travel among active and dormant volcanoes, walk ancient paths overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea, and discover remarkable sites that illuminate the ancient Roman world, all while enjoying distinctive four-star accommodations, excellent regional cuisine, expert local guides, and the seamless support of a professional tour manager throughout.

Highlights include:

- Pompeii, one of the world's most extraordinary archaeological sites, destroyed (but also preserved!) by the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79
- Hiking the trail of Vesuvius National Park to the crater, with amazing views over the whole Gulf of Naples
- A breathtaking hike along the "Path of the Gods," on the Sorrento Peninsula, with views of the Tyrrhenian Sea
- A ferry ride to the fabled island of Capri to hike along fragrant trails to Roman Emperor Tiberius' Villa Jovis
- A visit to the Naples Archaeological Museum, which houses one of the world's finest collections of Greco-Roman art and artifacts
- A private boat ride to Stromboli, the most active volcano in Europe, erupting at intervals of approximately 15 minutes
- A hike to the top of Vulcano, viewing numerous volcanic phenomena, including smoke clouds, vapor spouts, and sulphuric mud holes



Pompeii with Mt. Vesuvius in the background



## ITINERARY

(B)= Breakfast, (L)= Lunch, (R)= Reception, (D)= Dinner

**Saturday, May 8, 2027: Depart home for Naples, Italy**

**Sunday, May 9: Arrive in Naples | Transfer to hotel | Castellammare di Stabia**

Upon arrival at Naples-Capodichino International Airport (NAP), you will be met and transferred as a group (time TBD) to our hotel in Castellammare di Stabia. Take some time to relax before gathering for an introductory lecture and welcome reception at the hotel. Enjoy a leisurely, independent dinner. *Five nights at the 4-star [Towers Hotel Stabiae Sorrento](#).* (R)

**Monday, May 10: Pompeii | Boscoreale | Castellammare di Stabia | Welcome dinner**

Explore Pompeii, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the world's most fascinating archaeological sites that was both destroyed and preserved by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. The eruption buried the city under tons of ash, pumice, and lapilli, but excavations have revealed life in a prosperous ancient Roman city. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit Villa Regina at Boscoreale, just over half a mile north of Pompeii (and part of the Archaeological Park of Pompeii). Discover its well-preserved rooms and frescoes, and explore the Antiquarium, which showcases artifacts from nearby villas, offering insight into daily life in the Vesuvian region before the eruption. Return to our hotel and gather for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

**Tuesday, May 11: Amalfi | Hiking the "Path of the Gods" | Castellammare di Stabia**

*2.5-hour, 3.5-mile hike (650 feet up and 1150 feet down)* 🏔️

Begin the day with a visit to Amalfi, once one of Italy's four great maritime republics, and visit its stunning 13<sup>th</sup>-century Cathedral and Cloister. After lunch at leisure, a short drive takes us to Bomerano, from where we hike the breathtaking "Path of the Gods." The panoramic trail is punctuated by insights into local life, passing shepherds' huts and ancient stone houses carved into the limestone. Stop in Nocelle, before descending to colorful Positano. Enjoy some time at leisure in Positano before we return to our hotel in Castellammare di Stabia. Gather for dinner this evening. (B,D)

- 🏠 = Overnight stays
- = Itinerary stops
- 🚢 = Ferry/boat
- 🚢 = Overnight ferry
- ✈️ = Flights
- 🏔️ = Hiking Location (Distance in miles)



Villa Regina at Boscoreale



Villa Jovis, one of twelve ancient Roman villas on the island of Capri



Wall painting inside the villa of Oplontis

*“Archaeologist Crispin Corrado made everything even better. She was knowledgeable, generous, savvy, and good company.”*

- David, Michigan

## The AIA & the AIA Tours Program

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### Wednesday, May 12: Hiking Mt. Vesuvius | Oplontis | Castellammare di Stabia

*2-hour, 2.5-mile “Gran Cono” hike (600 feet up and down)* 🐾

This morning we hike the trail of Vesuvius National Park, reaching the crater from where you can enjoy the majesty of the volcano and views over the whole Gulf of Naples. Then we drive to the archaeological site of Oplontis, located in the center of the modern village of Torre Annunziata. The main surviving structure is the Villa Poppea, a grand residential villa from the mid-1<sup>st</sup> century B.C. with superb wall paintings, which was expanded in the imperial era and under restoration at the time of Vesuvius’ eruption. Return to our hotel and gather for dinner. (B,L,D)

### Thursday, May 13: Hiking on Capri | Villa Jovis | Castellammare di Stabia

*2.5-hour, 3.5-mile loop hike to Villa Jovis & Villa Lysis (500 feet up and down)* 🐾

In the morning take a ferry to the fabled island of Capri, the favorite retreat of Roman Emperor Tiberius. Enjoy a scenic circular hike to Villa Jovis and Villa Lysis, wandering through quiet lanes and traditional Capri architecture. Explore Villa Jovis, the largest and most opulent of Tiberius’ twelve villas on the island; and the elegant Villa Lysis, with its unique neoclassical charm. Along the way, take in breathtaking views of the Gulf of Naples, the Tyrrhenian Sea, and the Faraglioni (three towering rock formations just off the coast). Relax over a picnic lunch amid the fragrant Mediterranean vegetation, and then walk back to the Old Town and enjoy some time at leisure to explore its famous “Piazzetta.” Return to the mainland by ferry, transfer to Castellammare di Stabia, and gather for dinner. (B,L,D)

### Friday, May 14: Herculaneum | Naples Archaeological Museum | Overnight ferry to Lipari

Check out of our hotel this morning. Begin today exploring Herculaneum which, like Pompeii, was both destroyed and preserved by the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius. Excavations have revealed the customs, habits, and art of an ancient holiday resort for wealthy Romans. Among the most important buildings are the theater, the basilica adorned with marble and paintings, the spa with gym, and the House of Argos. Continue to Naples to taste the city’s acclaimed pizza for lunch,



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Travel on the “Path of the Gods” trail from Bomerano (Agerola) to Positano, just one of five hikes on this itinerary.

followed by a visit to the Naples Archaeological Museum, which houses one of the world’s finest collections of Greco-Roman art and artifacts. The Farnese Collection includes celebrated bronze and marble statues, as well as ancient paintings and important artifacts from Herculaneum and Pompeii. This evening, embark the overnight ferry to Lipari. Dinner is on your own in the ferry cafeteria. *Overnight aboard a Siremar Ferry.* (B,L)

### **Saturday, May 15: Lipari: Archaeological Museum | Hiking Vulcano | Panarea**

*2.5-hour, 3.5-mile “Gran Cratere” hike (1,170 feet up and down)* 🐾

Disembark the ferry at Lipari and enjoy breakfast at a local café. Lipari is the largest island of the Aeolian archipelago, comprising seven islands off the coast of Sicily: Lipari, Panarea, Vulcano, Stromboli, Salina, Alicudi, and Filicudi. They were all created by the still-active volcanoes of Stromboli and Vulcano, and today they are a UNESCO World Heritage (natural) Site. We visit the Archaeological Museum, tucked inside Lipari Castle, which stands out on the island’s eastern bay. After lunch at leisure, we take a private boat to Vulcano that, according to Greek mythology, was the home of Hephaestus/Vulcan, the god of fire, metalwork, and the fine arts. Hike to the top, from where it is possible to observe numerous volcanic phenomena, including smoke clouds, vapor spouts, and sulphuric mud holes known for their therapeutic properties. Continue to Panarea, the only car-free island of the archipelago, and have dinner at a local restaurant. *Two nights at the 4-star [Hotel Lisca Bianca](#).* (B,D)

### **Sunday, May 16: Hiking Stromboli | Panarea**

*3.5-hour, 4-mile “Sciara del Fuoco” hike (950 feet up and down)* 🐾

Take a private boat to nearby Stromboli, the most active volcano in Europe, which has been erupting for at least 2,000 years at intervals of approximately 15 minutes, with lava flow that runs down into the sea. Embark on a guided excursion to the “Sciara del Fuoco” and admire the natural spectacle of volcanic activity, its characteristic vertical eruptions boasting impressive explosions of incandescent magma. The excursion includes a picnic lunch. Return to Panarea in the afternoon. Dinner is at leisure. (B,L)

*“The local guides’ info coupled with Cris’s additional contextual information really enriched the experience!”*

- Troy, Ohio



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Stromboli has been in almost continuous eruption for the past 2,000 years.



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## What to Expect



**STRENUOUS:** Must be physically fit and prepared for multiple hours of activity per day.

This tour combines a good introduction to hiking in Italy, including trails on volcanoes, with visits to cultural and archaeological sites, and is geared toward people with an elevated level of fitness and good health. In addition to Professor Corrado, two local guides will be available so that we may offer both a shorter and a longer hiking option on most hiking days. Hiking distances, including the elevations in both directions, plus their estimated durations, are provided in the itinerary. The actual itinerary is subject to variables such as the abilities and interests of the group and weather conditions. All participants will be required to follow safety/sanitization protocols set forth by Sponsors/Operator, local staff, and host country laws. Any participant showing signs of illness will be asked to wear a mask when in close proximity to others. If the tour manager decides that a participant cannot participate in a hike or visit a site safely or in a timely manner, their judgment will be final. Where possible, an alternate activity may be suggested; additional costs may apply. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Lunches will be packed and eaten (mostly outside) at appropriate points during excursions/hikes. Hotels have been chosen for their excellent locations and generous comfort. In May, average temperatures in Naples, the Aeolian archipelago, and Catania range from 57° to 75° F. Trekking poles and layered clothing are recommended; complete pre-departure details and packing suggestions will be sent to participants.

### Monday, May 17: Catania, Sicily | Farewell dinner

Leaving Panarea behind, we take a ferry to Milazzo, Sicily, and then drive to Catania, the most important city in eastern Sicily. Although terrible natural disasters have repeatedly crossed its path, the city has preserved traces of its ancient and medieval past among the sumptuous Baroque façades of its palaces and churches, thus making it a treasure chest of art and archaeology, now recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After an independent lunch, admire the scenic Piazza Duomo with the famous Fountain of the Elephant; the Cathedral of St. Agatha, the city's patron saint; and Piazza Stesicoro, from which we can see the striking ruins of the Roman amphitheater. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure, until we gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *Overnight at the 4-star [Hotel Palace Catania](#).* (B,D)

### Tuesday, May 18: Fly home

This morning transfer as a group (time TBD) to Catania-Fontanarossa Airport (CTA) for flights homeward. (B)

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Left to right: Lipari, grape vines, local cuisine

### Tour Prices Per Person (9 Nights)

Double Occupancy (11 to 16 participants).....	\$8,895.....	\$9,395
Double Occupancy (9 to 10 participants).....	\$9,795.....	\$10,295
Single Supplement.....	\$1,275	

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November 1, 2026  
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Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required (limited availability).  
With fewer than 9 participants, a small group surcharge may be added.

### Prices Include:

- Leadership of **AIA lecturer/host Crispin Corrado** and services of professional **local guides and a tour manager**
- **Group arrival and departure airport transfers**
- **Eight nights' accommodations** in 4-star hotels, and one night aboard an **overnight ferry**, as per the itinerary
- All boat and ferry tickets as indicated in the itinerary
- **Breakfast daily, 5 lunches, and 6 dinners.** All meals include a soft drink, bottled water, and coffee/tea; dinners also include wine. **Welcome reception and dinner and farewell dinner** include cocktails, beer, and/or wine
- **All excursions and entrance fees** as per the itinerary
- Surface transportation by **air-conditioned motorcoach** and hikes with filtered water and appropriate snacks provided
- **All gratuities** to tour manager, guides, driver(s), hotel and restaurant staff, and porters
- **Baggage handling** at hotels (one bag per person)
- **Comprehensive pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading/media guide, travel guide, and packing list

### Flights & Transfers

Airfare from/to home is not included. Group transfers are provided on program dates upon arrival at Naples-Capodichino International Airport (NAP) and to Catania-Fontanarossa Airport (CTA) for departure (times TBD). Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights from/to home. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. can assist with flight arrangements for this tour. You may contact them directly at 866-200-6172 or email [studytours@vwti.com](mailto:studytours@vwti.com). Alternatively, you are welcome to book your flights independently or through your preferred travel agent. Your flight itinerary must be provided to our office prior to departure. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

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Lipari



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