Eternal Stones of Matera on La Dolce Vita Orient Express

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Overview

The Highlights

- Accommodation for two nights on *La Dolce Vita Orient Express;*

- Gourmet meals designed by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck;

- Picturesque views of Italy while relaxing in luxury;

- Matera and its UNESCO World Heritage sites;

- Optional excursion of Matera including lunch in the cave restaurant;

- Optional visit to Sulmona with special excursion to Pescocostanzo by Transiberian of Italy historic train;

- 24-hour onboard service from your butler;

- Onboard entertainment;

- All meals and a selection of beverages onboard the train (top shelf drinks at additional cost);

- Private transfer from your Rome hotel to the train station;

- Luggage handling throughout.

The Tour

Beginning in Rome, join *La Dolce Vita Orient Express* on this 3-day voyage through Italy and discover the wonders of Matera and Sulmona.

In Matera, you can either explore the city on your own or reserve the special excursion of a guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site. Learn about the city's rich history before enjoying lunch in a cave restaurant.

Rejoin the train to head towards the next destination: Sulmona. Here, you can enhance your experience by joining the historic Transiberian of Italy train to visit Pescocostanzo. Walk the ancient streets and enjoy lunch before boarding the *La Dolce Vita Orient Express* back to Rome.

This journey is also available via Naples (instead of Pescocostanzo) — contact us for information.

Itinerary

Day 1: Rome – Matera

Transfer included to Rome Ostiense train station, where you will board *La Dolce Vita Orient Express* in the afternoon.

Enjoy a special curated dinner menu by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck, followed by live entertainment and drinks in the bar lounge car.

Overnight on the train in your cozy cabin.

Day 2: Matera

Begin your morning with an Italian breakfast in the dining car before arriving in Matera.

Disembark and take time to explore Matera, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its ancient

cave dwellings.

You can also reserve an optional curated excursion to explore the city's rich history and have lunch in a unique cave restaurant.

Rejoin the train for drinks, live entertainment and dinner onboard.

Overnight on the train.

Day 3: Sulmona – Rome

Enjoy breakfast as the train arrives in Sulmona.

Disembark to tour the city at your leisure, or enhance your experience with the curated excursion to Pescocostanzo.

On this excursion, you will board the historic Transiberian of Italy train for drink and entertainment as you journey to the medieval city of Pescocostanzo. Lunch is served here.

Rejoin the *La Dolce Vita Orient Express* in the afternoon to return to Rome, where you journey on *La Dolce Vita* comes to an end.

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The train journey includes a private transfer to the train station, where you will be escorted to the fabulous private *La Dolce Vita* lounge. Your bags are whisked away to be stowed in your cabin on the train before you board.

We recommend the Orient Express La Minerva Hotel in Rome, the perfect match for the train, and just 10 minutes from the station. This stylish new hotel, the first in the Orient Express brand, is located in the heart of Rome on a quiet piazza but just steps from the Parthenon. Contact us for more information about our concierge service to make your arrangements and to secure your Virtuoso amenities for your VIP stay.