



MEETING PLANNER

# MATERA & ALBEROBELLO

14 June 2023

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## PROGRAM

9:00 am Meet with guide and departure from Torre Cintola  
Arrival in Matera - guided tour of the *Sassi*  
Lunch in a typical local restaurant  
Departure from Matera  
Arrival in Alberobello - guided walk through the town  
5:00 pm Return to Torre Cintola

## TOUR INFORMATION

20 guest minimum

**Cost per person is € 80 + VAT and includes:**

- Grand Tourist bus
- Expert professional tour guide
- Entrance to Casa Grotta and Rock Church in Matera and Trullo Sovrano in Alberobello
- 3-course lunch (beverages included)
- Insurance

# MATERA

A UNESCO site and 2019 European Capital of Culture, Matera was first settled in the Paleolithic period. It is famous for its "Sassi", the typical stone dwellings that make it unique in the world. Matera has become an internationally popular movie set for big box office hits and a major tourist destination whilst preserving the charm of its traditions and authenticity.

By day, sunlight floods its stone houses, casting them in a color very similar to that of the buildings in Palestine. At night, with its roads lit with tiny torches, Matera looks like an immense nativity scene under a starry sky with the moon watching over.



# ALBEROBELLO

Alberobello is a town in the hinterland of Bari and one of Italy's 53 sites on UNESCO's World Heritage List with its Trulli. The Italian term *Trullo* comes from the late Greek *τροῦλος*, meaning "dome," and best describes the town's cone-shaped dry-stone dwellings of prehistoric origin. The stone used for the buildings came from the limestone rocks of the Murge Plateau.

A visit to the typical craft workshops is included in the tour.

Known as the "Trulli capital", Alberobello is characterized by its historic center consisting entirely of these distinctive pyramid-shaped buildings that make it unique in the world.

