

AIREDALE

12th October 2025

6 days, 5 nights

£1355 (15-17 PAX) £1275 (18-20 PAX) £1215 (21-25 PAX)

£175 Single supplement

The Arts Societies of Bournemouth & Poole Puglia - The Heel of the Boot

Puglia, with its golden beaches, crystal-clear waters, and vast olive tree groves, offers the perfect escape for those looking to explore a quieter, more unspoiled side of Italy. This charming region invites you to wander off the beaten track, discovering its hidden villages, historic towns, and tranquil landscapes away from the crowds.



Included:

- Return flights and hold luggage
- Return transfers at the destination
- 5 nights at a 4* hotel Sierra Salvana
- Breakfast and all evening meals
- Guided walking tour of Matera with entry to cave-dwelling museum
- Entry to Castel de Monte
- Visit to Trani
- Bari and Polignano a Mare
- Visit to Lecce and Gallipoli
- Visit to Abeerabello and entry to Trulli
- Visit to Martina Franca
- Visit Grottaglie and the ceramic workshop
- Transport as per itinerary
- English-speaking tour escort
- ATOL protected

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Itinerary/Excursions

Day 01

Fly to Italy. Meet your guide at the airport and head to Bari. Here we will see the impressive San Nicola Basilica and Cathedral, a pilgrimage destination for Christians all over the world. Perched on a cliff above crystal clear waters, Polignano a Mare sits with its origins dating back to 4 BC. The tiny old town combines winding, white-washed streets with beautiful old churches and terraces with panoramic views.

Day 02

Lecce, known as "The Florence of the South", features white and gold limestone streets, perfect for enjoying Southern Italy's simple cuisine. In the city, visit the Roman Amphitheatre and stunning Cathedral. Nearby, Gallipoli, meaning "beautiful city," boasts a 17th-century bridge connecting the old town to the mainland, with narrow streets leading to Baroque churches and views of sandy beaches and clear waters.

Day 03

The extraordinary Sassi Di Matera UNESCO World Heritage Site dates back to the Palaeolithic period, making it one of the oldest continually inhabited settlements in the world. The empty dwellings of the Sasso Barisano district contrast with the Sasso Caveoso's renovated, atmospheric cave restaurants and hotels. Underground churches, hand-painted frescoes and panoramic viewpoints are just some of the sights to experience.

Day 04

Castel del Monte, a 13th-century citadel built by King Frederick II, is famous for its octagonal design and became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1996. Next, visit Trani, with its charming streets, harbour, and waterside promenades. The Romanesque cathedral, completed in 1143, is a stunning example of architecture, set beautifully beside the Adriatic Sea.

Day 05

Visit picture-perfect Alberobello first today, home to the unique trulli and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and explore the narrow pedestrianised streets, little shops, and quaint eateries. Continue to Martina Franca, filled with outstanding Baroque architecture, wine bars, and cats napping in sun-drenched streets. Head to Grottaglie, famous for handmade ceramics, to see how the ceramics are made - maybe even come away with a souvenir!

Day 06

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and head to the airport for your journey home.