

Puglia, Southern Italy

May 13 - 19: 7 days 6 nights

At Naomi Tours we aim to create spectacular Kosher travel experiences. The best there can be in any given destination.

The most luxurious accommodations (which will work with us on our Kosher "special needs"), a comfortable itinerary (time-wise and vehicle-wise), exquisite local flavors, expert local guides and, where relevant, the Jewish story.

Sometimes the area is well known to all, as are the highlights. Puglia is different!! Completely different.



"The heel of the Italian boot, caught between the Adriatic and the Ionian seas, the region feels like an island, peripheral, a place apart, only tenuously European. Puglia is the end of something, and the beginning of something else. Down here on the edge of Europe, you feel other worlds.

The white cubist houses could be North Africa and the labyrinthine towns, their lanes a bewildering maze of privacies, could be the backstreets of Istanbul.

Puglia was never the new Tuscany. It is nothing like it. Tuscany is elegant as a Renaissance painting, all terracotta-roofed farmhouses and slender cypresses adrift among vineyards.

Puglia is grittier, less pretty, less considered. It is raw edged, big skied and flooded with ocean light. Its seas are as clear and sparkling as the Caribbean, and its coast feels like it has been chiselled out of leftover bits of the Scottish Highlands.

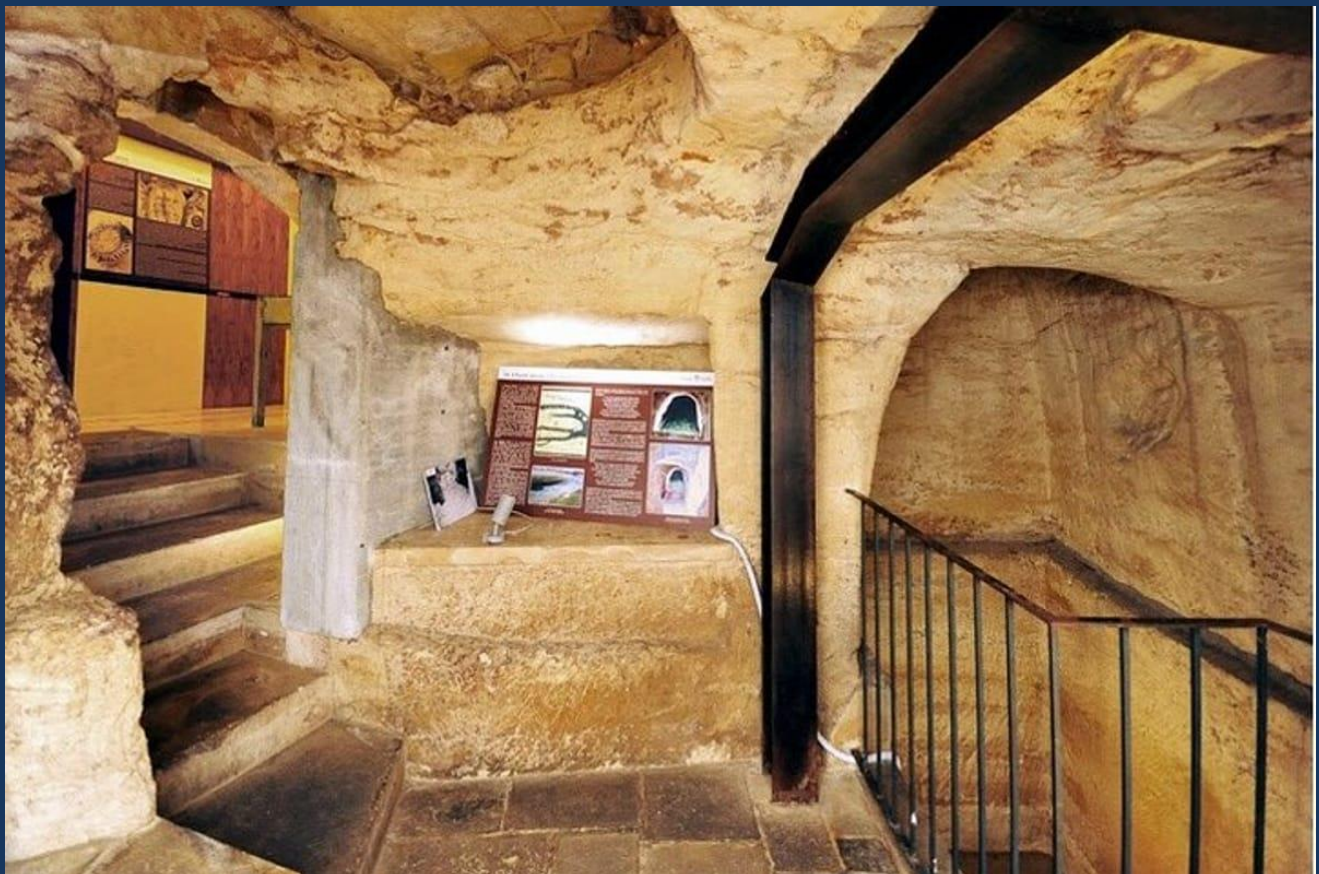
Celebrities may have discovered its retro charms; Helen Mirren, Meryl Streep and Gérard Depardieu are among those who have purchased houses here.

But the real connoisseurs – ordinary Italians – know and love Puglia for its food, its sea, its people and its simplicity. This is where they come for summer." (Conde Nast)

Overview – the place names are possibly unfamiliar as high-end tourism is a relatively recent phenomenon. Some photos will perhaps help....



Lecce, above ground rococo architecture; underground – the mikveh!!





Alberobello, famous for its hundreds of trulli houses



Altamura, the bread town – where the traditional local bread is kosher!!

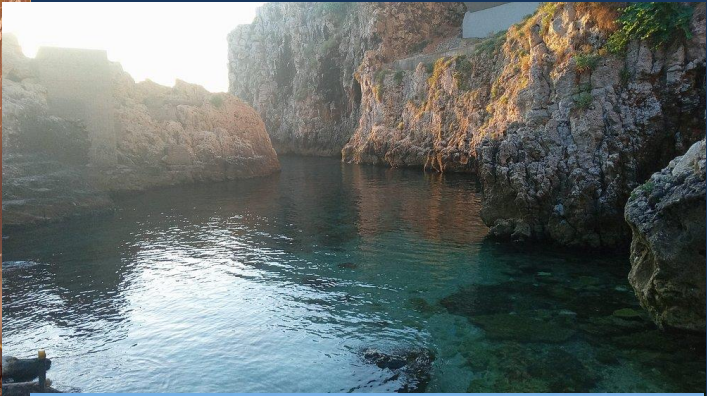


Santa Maria al Bagno, where there is a tear-jerk museum dedicated to the Jewish DP camp called "The Museum of memory and Hospitality". This was one of several DP camps for those transiting from the nightmare of the concentration camps to the dream of Israel.



Ostuni, one of several "white towns" in the area. Gorgeous by day and magical as a place to get a drink in the evening, before or after dinner

Jewish Puglia, you'll hear of the past and see the present!!



Activities:

May is a fantastic time to visit for: cycling, hiking, magnificent beaches, golf, spa treatments, dolphin-watching – you name it, we'll arrange it

Our Masseria Accommodations:

Based in one of the finest "masserie" in Puglia, this vacation combines a wonderful opportunity for discovering a totally different region of Italy, authentic cuisine and as much or little relaxation and activity as you wish!



For the gallery go to: <https://www.masseriapalombara.com/en/gallery>

Arrival and Departure info

Arrival day – Tuesday May 13

Meeting point will be either Bari or Brindisi airport – we'll let you know soon

Departure day – Monday May 19 Brindisi airport (BDS)

IMPORTANT SUGGESTION

We strongly recommend that you consider coming to Italy the day before the tour and stay at a hotel in Rome. This will help you recover from the journey and avoid any risk of your missing the start of the tour.

We can direct you to companies who organize tours (including specialist Jewish tours) and there are several kosher restaurants. Many guests come to Rome for the Shabbat before all our Italy tours.

From Rome you take a one hour flight to the Bari / Brindisi airport

BONUS BENEFITS

Those joining this tour from our Tuscany tour the previous week will be **OUR GUESTS** for the connection and extra overnight stay!!

Those continuing from this tour to the Amalfi Coast tour will be **OUR GUESTS** for the flight to Rome, the overnight in Rome and the connection to Naples!!

Kashrut and Shabbat Observance

As always, we are delighted to offer the opportunity to enjoy this region to the full while meticulously observing Kashrut and Shabbat. A mashgiach tmidi will be present. We use regular approved milk and milk products, but chalav yisrael observers can be accommodated, if notified in advance. Tefillot every day. Sefer Torah.

**Price for 7 gorgeous days and 6 nights
from \$8950 pp sharing (DLX room and single supplements available)**

The tour price includes

all accommodation, all meals, all soft drinks, unlimited wine, all tours, all entrance fees, all transfers listed

The tour price does NOT include

flights: we will meet you at the airport of arrival which we'll notify asap

upgrades: deluxe rooms (DLX) and single occupancy are available at an additional price (see booking form).

insurance: all clients should be aware that while all efforts are made to avoid any problems before during or after your trip, Naomi carries no insurance for your health or luggage. While using the services only of registered suppliers, we recommend that you purchase fully comprehensive travel insurance including for cancellation as Naomi cannot be held liable for any mishaps before or during your stay.

tips: at your discretion, but we recommend \$350 per person for the tour for drivers, chefs, waiters and chambermaids and we can distribute for you

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We look forward to have you join us for this fabulous tour!!