

Etna and Wine

Every Tuesday / Friday / Sunday

Duration: about 7 hours

Highlights

- Pick up from hotel
- Arrival at Rifugio Sapienza
- Visit of crateri Silvestri (1892)
- Trekking through natural path of Parco dell'Etna **or** Etna high altitude option
- Visit of a lava cave with helmets and lamps
- Sampling of wine and visit of a wine cellar
- Return to hotel

Detailed description

After being picked up from your hotel you will head for Rifugio Sapienza, stopping in certain view points on the way up. The guide will give you all the information you need about the history and the territory of the volcano and you will visit the sites of the last eruptions and the old Silvestri Craters.

From Rifugio Sapienza (1920 mamsl) you can choose one of the following options:

- Do some trekking in one of the nature paths of "Parco dell'Etna", up to 2000 m.
- Buy the Etna high altitude option: from Rifugio Sapienza you will take the cable car and reach, in 15 minutes, 2504 meters. From here you will continue with special 4x4 minibuses and reach, in 20 minutes, 2900 meters (Torre del Filosofo). You will find your self in front of a scenery stretching right down to the sea. Here it will be possible to admire the great central crater, the South-East crater and the historical lava flows that characterize the landscape of Etna. With the alpinist guides you will visit the places where the life of the volcano flourishes, in full safety. You will return to Rifugio Sapienza by minibus and cable car.

The excursion will continue with the visit of a lava cave with helmets and torches and will then end by visiting of one of the best wineries of the volcano, where you will sample of one sparkling wine and four glasses of local wines, with cold cuts, cheese, pate and olive oils produced locally.

Suggested Equipment

Windbreaker / Tennis shoes / Water / Hat and sunglasses.

Costs

Price per pax: € 80

The cost includes:

Shuttle bus (return) / Multilingual guide / Trekking shoes (on request) / The kit for visiting the Cave / Sampling of wine and visit to the wine cellar

The cost does not include:

All that is not specified under “the cost includes”.

Extra cost high altitude

2.500 m (cable car): **€ 30.00** per person

2.900 m (cableway + 4x4 minibus with local alpinist guide): **€ 64** per person