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Voyage of Discovery 2008 – NAPLES, ITALY

June 4:

- Arrival at Fiumicino Airport and motor coach transfer to Naples.
- Settle down in a bed and breakfast in the historical center near the Archeological Museum.
- Walking tour of the principal monuments, churches and piazzas of the city (Galleria, Piazza del Plebiscito, Castel dell'Ovo, Borgo Marinaro).
- Dinner in a local typical restaurant. A regional representative will be present for the program's welcoming remarks.

June 5:

- Morning lecture with at the Federico II University with the presence of local business men to illustrate the various aspects of the region's economy.
- Afternoon tour of the principal Borbonic locations of Naples; Royal Palace and Museum.
- Meeting with the local nativity artisans of Via San Gregorio Armeno, this is known as the nativity scene street.
- Dinner in Borgo Marinaro.

June 6:

- Morning dedicated to the "cult of the dead", which is a particular aspect of the Neapolitan culture, with tour.
- Afternoon meeting with the organizers of a theatrical festival that will be taking place in Naples during those days.
- Dinner in a local pizzeria and lesson on how to make the real Neapolitan pizza.

June 7:

- Morning conference about the social problems of the region (Camorra and Trash Strikes), with the presence of Neapolitan university students, writers, local politicians and experts.
- Afternoon tour of the Reggia of Caserta and the silk production factory of San Leucio.
- Dinner in a Caseificio with Mozzarella di Bufala tastings and other local products.

June 8:

- After an introduction to the city, each Voyage of Discovery (VOD) Participant will be "adopted" by a Neapolitan university student that will host him/her for the remaining three days. For half a day the Italian student will introduce the VOD Participant to "their Naples" and the other half of the day will be group activities.
- Evening dedicated to the Neapolitan Pastry making tradition with demonstrative lesson of the typical products (Sfogliatella, Baba' and Pastiera)

June 9:

- Visit the city of Torre del Greco, known for its artisan works on corals, cameos that are exported internationally.
- Visit to a cellar and a lecture on wine production that in the last year has greatly expanded in Campania.
- Meeting with famous artist Mimmo Paladino.
- Return to the city for dinner.

June 10:

- Visit to Vesuvius and Pompeii.
- TBD: Tour and good-bye dinner

June 11:

- Departure to Rome and visit to the Italian Parliament.
- Half day tour of Rome and free time in the afternoon to shop.

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