

ROMA · NATALE · SICILIA · CAPODANNO · 2026

Rome Christmas & Sicily Baroque

23 DEC 2026 — 2 JAN 2027 · 11 DAYS · 10 NIGHTS · BY E-BIKE

A SMALL-GROUP E-BIKE TOUR · NOW TAKING RESERVATIONS

Benvenuti.

Rome for Christmas. Sicily for cycling. Noto for New Year. Christmas Eve in Rome, five riding days on e-bikes through UNESCO baroque towns and along the Mediterranean, and New Year’s Eve in Noto. Eleven days that slow the holidays down to the pace of a bicycle, with a CYC tour leader beside you from the first evening to the last.

AT A GLANCE — THE ESSENTIALS

DATES 23 Dec – 2 Jan 2026 – 2027	DURATION 11 days 10 nights	CYCLING ~175 km 5 riding days + optional ride
STYLE E-bike with tour leader	LEVEL Moderate for regular cyclists	GROUP 10–20 travellers limited to 20
STAY 3-star plus or equivalent · twin sharing · 9 hotel nights + overnight coach	COUNTRY Italy Rome & south-east Sicily	LAND PACKAGE Per person flights not included

₹1,99,000

Per person on twin sharing. Flights not included; GST and TCS as applicable.
Your price is confirmed when you pay the advance.

I · 23–25 DEC

Rome at Christmas

II · 26–30 DEC

Sicilian baroque by e-bike

III · 31 DEC – 2 JAN

New Year in Noto & Ortigia

THE ROUTE

From Rome to the baroque south

Three Roman days, an overnight coach, then five riding days through Sicily's baroque south-east.



23-25 DEC	Rome Christmas, Vatican, ancient Rome	
25 DEC	Overnight coach to Sicily Rome → Catania	coach
26-27 DEC	Palazzolo Acreide E-bike fitting, Pantalica	
28 DEC	Modica Via Ragusa Ibla	≈ 40 km
29 DEC	Pozzallo Via Scicli	≈ 30 km
30 DEC	Marzamemi Coast via Portopalo	≈ 40 km
31 DEC	Noto Via Vendicari · New Year	≈ 30 km
1 JAN	Siracusa Ortigia · farewell	≈ 35 km
2 JAN	Catania → Rome Flight, tour ends in Rome	flight

illustrative only. Distances are calculated on Google Maps cycling routes and may change with weather, road conditions, daylight and the final cycling plan.

Nine moments



1 Christmas in Rome

Illuminated streets, the Piazza Navona Christmas market and a special Christmas Eve dinner.

3 Vatican City*

Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica.

5 UNESCO baroque towns

Ragusa Ibla, Modica, Scicli and Noto, plus ancient Siracusa and Ortigia.

7 Mediterranean coast

The fishing village of Marzamemi and the Vendicari Nature Reserve.

9 Ortigia Island

Siracusa's island centre: cathedral, waterfront and the Fountain of Arethusa.

2 Ancient Rome

Colosseum, Roman Forum and Palatine Hill, then the Pantheon, Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps.

4 Sicily by e-bike

Leave the cities behind for villages, hill country and coastal roads in the island's south-east.

6 Flavours of Sicily

Local cafés, seafood, regional specialities and Modica's famous chocolate.

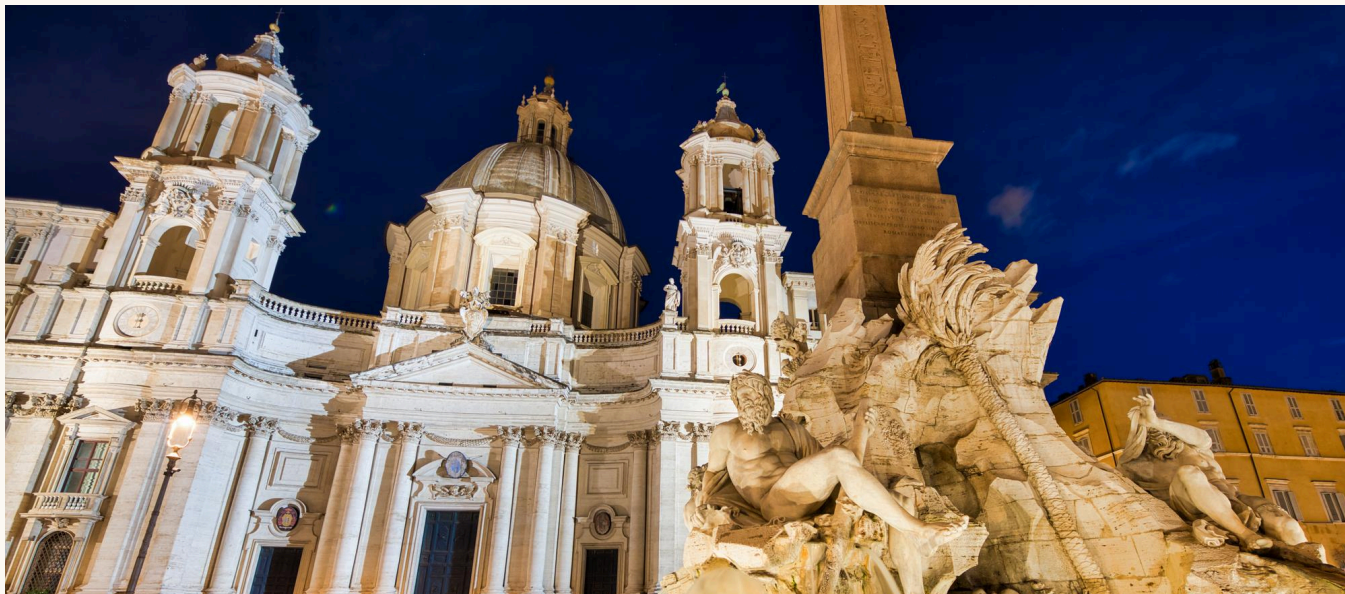
8 New Year in Noto

Welcome 2027 in the jewel of Sicilian baroque, with a New Year's Eve dinner.

* Christmas Eve Mass and the Pope's Christmas blessing are subject to official schedules, tickets and access arrangements.

Rome at Christmas

Three days in the Eternal City at its most luminous: ancient stones by day, Christmas lights by night, and the Vatican on Christmas Eve.



01

WED 23 DEC · CITY DAY

Welcome to Rome

Your CYC tour leader meets the group at Rome airport and takes everyone to the hotel to check in. We help everyone book the same flight, usually from Mumbai. Visit the Colosseum, Roman Forum and Palatine Hill, then walk past the Pantheon, Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps. Evening at the Piazza Navona Christmas market.

Stay Rome · **Meals** Welcome dinner

02

THU 24 DEC · CITY DAY

Vatican City & Christmas Eve

Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica, then Christmas Eve dinner together. Optional Mass, subject to tickets and official arrangements.

Stay Rome · **Meals** Breakfast, Christmas Eve dinner

03

FRI 25 DEC · TRAVEL

Christmas Day, then south to Sicily

The festive atmosphere around St. Peter's Square (the Pope's blessing is subject to official arrangements), free time, then an overnight coach to Catania. Fall asleep in Rome, wake up in Sicily.

Stay Overnight coach · **Meals** Breakfast

Sicilian baroque, by e-bike

Leave the cities behind for villages, hill country and coastal roads in the island's south-east, with the e-bike doing the hard work on the climbs.



04

SAT 26 DEC · BIKE FITTING

Arrive in Palazzolo Acreide

Transfer from Catania to this historic hill town. Meet the cycling team, get your e-bike fitted and join the route briefing.

Stay Palazzolo Acreide

05

SUN 27 DEC · OPTIONAL RIDE

Palazzolo Acreide & Pantalica

A relaxed day in town, with an optional warm-up ride or a trip to the ancient rock tombs of Pantalica and the Anapo Valley.

Stay Palazzolo Acreide · **Meals** Breakfast

06

MON 28 DEC · RIDING · ≈ 40 KM · THE HILLIEST DAY

Palazzolo → Ragusa Ibla → Modica

Rolling Iblei countryside to the baroque streets of Ragusa Ibla, then on to Modica, home of traditional chocolate. The hilliest day, made easier by the e-bike.

Stay Modica · **Meals** Breakfast

07

TUE 29 DEC · RIDING · ≈ 30 KM

Modica → Scicli → Pozzallo

Countryside to baroque Scicli, then down to Pozzallo where the hills meet the Mediterranean.

Stay Pozzallo · **Meals** Breakfast

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WED 30 DEC · RIDING · ≈ 40 KM

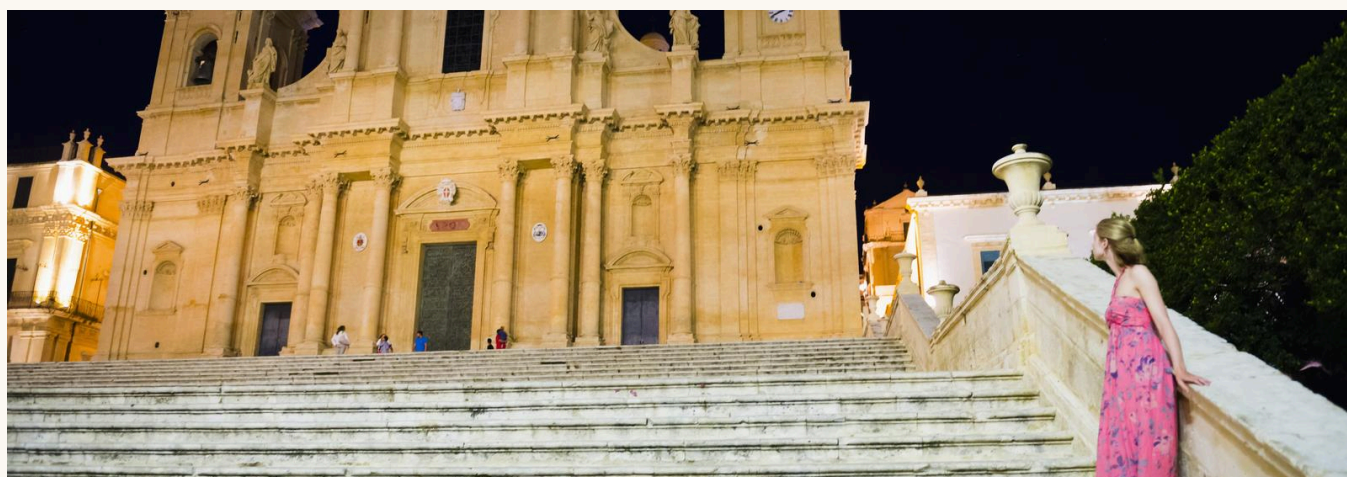
Pozzallo → Portopalo → Marzamemi

A coastal day past wetlands and the Portopalo area, ending in the fishing village of Marzamemi.

Stay Marzamemi · **Meals** Breakfast

III · CAPODANNO A NOTO · DAYS 9-11

New Year in Noto



09

THU 31 DEC · RIDING · ≈ 30 KM

Marzamemi → Vendicari → Noto

Ride through the Vendicari Nature Reserve to Noto. Explore the cathedral, Palazzo Nicolaci and Corso Vittorio Emanuele, then welcome 2027 at a New Year's Eve dinner.

Stay Noto · **Meals** Breakfast, New Year's Eve dinner

10

FRI 1 JAN · RIDING · ≈ 35 KM

Noto → Siracusa & Ortigia

An easy-paced final ride to Siracusa. Explore Ortigia's cathedral, waterfront and the Fountain of Arethusa, then a farewell dinner.

Stay Siracusa · **Meals** Breakfast, farewell dinner

11

SAT 2 JAN · DEPARTURE

Siracusa → Catania → Rome

Visit the Greek Theatre in the Neapolis Archaeological Park (subject to schedule), then fly from Catania to Rome, where the tour ends. Please book your flight home from Rome only after we confirm the Catania–Rome flight time.

Meals Breakfast

BEFORE YOU GO

Riding, weather & packing

RIDING DAYS

28 Dec · Palazzolo → Modica	40 km
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30 Dec · Pozzallo → Marzamemi	40 km
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1 Jan · Noto → Siracusa	35 km
Total	~175 km

Plus an optional warm-up ride on 27 Dec. Distances are calculated on Google Maps cycling routes and may change with weather, road conditions, daylight and the final cycling plan.

WHAT TO PACK

WARM LAYERS

Jacket, hat, gloves

FOR RIDING

Windproof jacket, padded shorts

RAIN

Light rain jacket

WALKING

Comfortable shoes

SUN

Sunglasses, sunscreen

HELMET

Bring one, or ask us

WINTER WEATHER (TYPICAL)

WHERE	DAY	NIGHT
Rome	12–14°	3–6°
Sicily hill towns	10–14°	4–8°
Noto & Siracusa	15–17°	8–12°

°C, seasonal averages, not a forecast. Expect some rain and wind. Riding times are planned around short winter daylight.

IS IT RIGHT FOR ME?

Rated moderate: for regular cyclists comfortable riding several hours on several days in a row. E-bikes help most on the hills around Ragusa and Modica. Routes can be adjusted to the group and the weather.

What's included

This is a land package: flights to and from Italy are booked separately.

STAYS

- ✓ 9 hotel nights in Rome and Sicily (3-star plus or equivalent), twin sharing. Hotel details are shared with your visa documents.

- ✓ Overnight coach from Rome to Catania

MEALS

- ✓ Hotel breakfasts

- ✓ Welcome dinner and Christmas Eve dinner in Rome

- ✓ New Year's Eve dinner in Noto

- ✓ Farewell dinner in Siracusa

CYCLING

- ✓ E-bike rental for the Sicily riding days

- ✓ Luggage transfers between hotels

- ✓ Route maps and GPS navigation

- ✓ CYC Traveller tour leader throughout

SIGHTSEEING & TRANSFERS

- ✓ Guided Rome sightseeing

- ✓ Colosseum, Roman Forum and Vatican Museums tickets

- ✓ Airport and station transfers in the itinerary

- ✓ Flight from Catania to Rome on 2 January 2027

NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to and from Italy
- Schengen visa fees and visa-centre charges
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended, and needed for the visa)
- GST and TCS, as applicable
- Lunches and meals not listed
- Drinks, tips and personal expenses
- Hotel city and tourist taxes
- Single-room supplement
- Other entry tickets not listed as included
- Optional excursions and activities
- Bike accessories or services not mentioned

The itinerary depends on weather, transport schedules, hotel availability, holiday opening hours and attraction access. Please confirm all inclusions before booking.

WHO YOU WILL RIDE WITH

Meet your tour leader



Chhatrapal Bhadane

CO-FOUNDER, CYC TRAVELLER

Chhatrapal runs the company day to day and travels with our groups. He is the person you will speak to when you book, and the one checking that everyone is happy at the end of each riding day.

1. Plans and rides every route himself before a group goes
2. Handles hotels, luggage and the e-bikes so you only ride
3. One WhatsApp away before, during and after the trip

Talk to Chhatrapal on WhatsApp: +91 77699 80888

“Unplug & unwind. We’ll take care of the rest.”

RESERVE YOUR PLACE

Andiamo?

This Christmas, see Rome and Sicily on two wheels.

Message us for availability, payment terms and the final itinerary. Group size is limited to 20.

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