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Salerno

Forte S. Salvatore

Madonna della Lettera

Porto

Reggio di Calabria

Villa San Giovanni

Pontile Norimberga

Ionian Sea

Osservatorio Meteorologico

Piazza S. Vincenzo

S. Giuliano

Viale Regina Margherita

S. Francesco d'Assisi

Viale Bocchetta

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Viale Principe Umberto

Tempio del Cristo Re

Monte di Pietà

Santuario del Montalto

Viale Principe Umberto

S. Salvatore

Orto botanico

Duomo

Museo Zoologico Cambria

Università

Palazzo di Giustizia

S. Maria degli Alemanni

Dogana

Rizzo

Stazione Marittima FS

Piazza della Repubblica

Stazione Centrale FS

Piazza Largo Lo Sardo Seggiola (del Popolo)

Piazza Cairoli

Piazza Padre-Francia

Viale S. Martino

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Port information

Currency	The currency used is Euros however debit and credit cards are widely accepted. Banks and ATM machines are available in the centre and currency exchange is also available at reception on deck 5.	Language	Italian is the official language, however English is widely understood.
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Getting around

Distance to town centre	500 metres across the main road from the port.	Main Highlights	The Bell Tower and the Astronomical Clock each of the various levels demonstrates an animated image of a part of the Biblical history of Christianity and the history of Messina and Sicily. The cock crows; the lion roars; the bells are struck; Christ rises from his tomb and the church rises from the ashes. As Ave Maria blares, messengers arrive with the Madonna's letter. Keep your hand on your wallet while you watch the spectacle - both the tower and the crowds that gather for the show. Worth the fifteen minutes it takes to enjoy. Cathedral of Messina This church is beautiful. It is very big inside and you can see the huge organ, the statues of Saints that line the side aisles, and the gorgeous altar. It is located in the same plaza as the fountain and the clock tower, so seeing all three makes for something nice to do while in port. After being destroyed by the volcano eruption 100 years ago, this church was rebuilt with the same materials and techniques as original. Tempio Votivo di Cristo Re (Votive Temple of Christ the King) was constructed in 1900 in a baroque style. Next to the building is a large tower holding a bell that is one of the largest ones in Italy. Inside, find displays telling the story of when St. Peter had visited Messina. In there is the crypt a memorial to fallen Italian soldiers & offers wonderful views of Messina and on a clear day, mainland Italy. La Fontana di Nettuno (Fountain of Neptune) is a little further north than the main attractions of Messina, such as the Duomo, Campanile, Teatro, etc). It is located at the north end of a park plaza, and depicts the god Neptune blessing the city of Messina.
Getting about	There is a tram network in Messina that runs up and down the length of the town, from Piazza Cairoli via the train station at Piazza della Repubblica up to the Museo Regionale, but don't forget to validate your tickets (for any public transport in Italy). Any tickets that are not validated will receive an on the spot fine. Ticket validating machines can be found in the train station of Messina. From the square opposite the main Cathedral you can catch a tourist train which will take you round part of the city at a cost of approximately €10. Also they have a sightseeing bus which you can also catch at a cost of approximately €15.		
Taxis	Taxis are available from just outside the terminal building.		
Main Highlights	The " Museo Regionale " (Regional Museum) is the main art museum in Messina and one of the City's top sights. Located in front of the last stop of the tramway at Annunziata, it is easily accessible from the port or downtown area (Duomo). The Museum includes paintings, sculptures, architectural fragments and an unusual collection of majolica pharmacy vases. The Museo Regionale is not large and its collection can be seen in a couple of hours. Non-flash photography is permitted. A modest admission fee is charged. the cruise terminal this is approximately 40 minute walk or approximately 10 minute taxi ride.		

Essential information

Tourist info	Tourist information in Corso Cavour at Palazzo della Provincia.	Shopping	The main shopping area is Viale S Martino and Piazza Cairoli.
Internet access	Internet is available in most bars and cafes; you'll often have to buy something to use the service.	PLEASE NOTE: As with many major cities, Please keep a close eye on valuables.	Opening times differ a lot around Italy, but generally are as follows: Monday to Saturday: from 09.00 - 13.00 and 15.30 - 19.30.
Nearest beaches	The nearest beach is 11km from the Messina. The beach is called Ganzirri, which is approximately a 20 minutes ride, by taxi.		

Your Destination Services team would like to wish you an enjoyable day in Messina, Sicily

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