





ACCOMMODATION AND TRAVELLING INFO FOR



13-14-15 OCTOBER 2022

Santa Teresa Auditorium, Via Orfanotrofio, Ragusa, Italy



Getting to Ragusa by plane

If you fly in by plane, there are two airports in the nearby area: **Airport of Catania and Airport of Comiso**

- To travel from Catania—Fontanarossa Airport to Ragusa you have different options:
- 1. Take an "Interbus"* or "Etna Trasporti" bus from Catania Airport to Ragusa-Centro Coach Station, Piazza Zama (1 hour 55 min). Then take a Taxi from Piazza Zama to the hotel.
- 2. Rent a car at Catania Airport: Best deals **here** or **here**.
- To travel from Comiso—Pio La Torre Airport to Ragusa you have different options:
- 1. Take a "Tumino" bus from the airport to Ragusa Ibla (40 min).
- 2. Take a Taxi from Comiso Airport to Ragusa Ibla
- 3. Rent a car at Comiso Airport. Best deals **here** or **here**.

It is also possible to share, at a reduced price for Sign Café Two guests, an NCC limo service from Comiso airport straight to the hotel. Contact: Ditta F. La Cognata, lcfrancesco88@gmail.com.

*all hyperlinks are highlighted in red





On bus routes...

If you book well in advance, it is likely that bus companies will not have made their bus routes schedules available. Even if the schedules are not available, the time of departure of a bus from Catania Airport to Ragusa should remain the same since the route is quite busy and used by many (both locals and tourists).

Our advice is to check the hours of departure of the bus a few weeks or maybe a month in advance. That way, you should also be able to save some money on the ticket fare (it usually varies from €6 to €8).





Getting to Ragusa by car

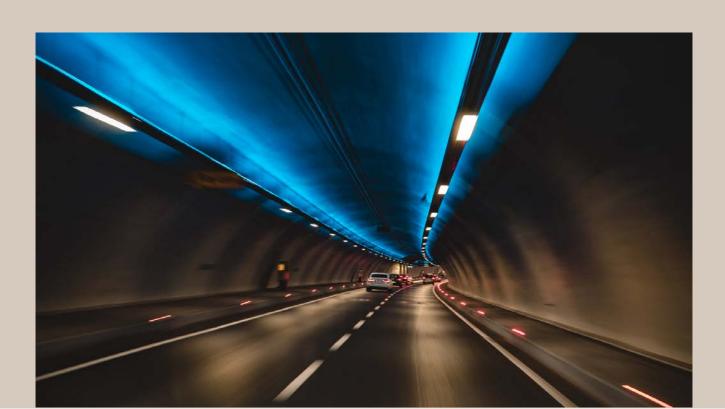
By car, from the northern coast (Messina):

 Highway E45 from Messina to Rosolini, then SS115, through Ispica and Modica, to Ragusa (about 2 ½ hour).

By car, from the West Coast (Palermo):

 Highway A19 from Palermo to Catania; then E45 from Catania to Rosolini, then SS115, through Ispica and Modica, to Ragusa (about 3 ½ hour).





Moving around





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RAGUSA

Two historical centers

Many people don't know Ragusa has **two historical centers** and therefore have some problems choosing where to stay and how to move around.

Ragusa is located in the upper area of the city, also known as *Ragusa Superiore*, whereas Ragusa Ibla (or simply "Ibla") stands in a lower area.

After the 1693 earthquake, Ragusa was rebuilt on a higher area, thus creating a separation between the "ancient town" and the "new town".

The new town is characterized by wider streets, late baroque churches, and palaces. As the centuries passed by, this part of the town widened up to the modern outskirts.

Ragusa Ibla is the "ancient town", rebuilt in the same place where it used to be before the earthquake. It kept a part of the original structure that resisted the earthquake, such as the characteristic narrow streets and the alleys of the medieval town, where new palaces and churches were rebuilt in late baroque style.

The two parts of the city are connected to each other by stairs, a lovely walking path full of beautiful spots and alleys that join the two historical centers. If you have time, take a stroll from Ragusa to Ragusa Ibla or vice versa. This is an absolute must for all travelers.





To help you understand how the city is structured, we have created a map. As mentioned on the previous page, Ragusa is mainly divided into two areas.

- 1. Ragusa "superiore" (the new town)
- 2. Ragusa Ibla (the ancient town)

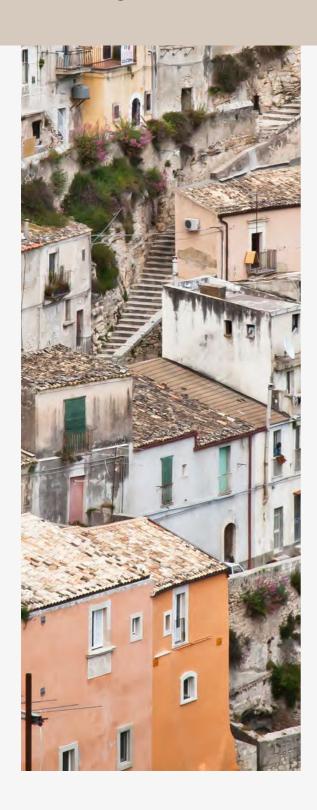
The conference will be held in <u>Ragusa Ibla</u>, at the Santa Teresa Auditorium of the Ragusa location of the University of Catania.

If you don't rent a car, our advice is to **rent a room or apartment in Ragusa Ibla**, in order to be able to get to the conference easily.



Where to stay

Our advice is to use platforms such as Booking or Airbnb to make a reservation.



If you don't have a car, your best option is to rent a room or apartment in **Ragusa Ibla**, in order to be within **walking distance** of the Santa Teresa Auditorium.

Click <u>here</u> for a list of hotels and B&Bs in Ragusa Ibla.

For more information and reservations, send an e-mail at **ragusaospitalitadiffusa@gmail.com** writing which kind of room you prefer (Double or Double in single use) and any special requirements. You will receive a list of rooms still available.



Visiting Ragusa and Ragusa Ibla





LOCATION

Ragusa Superiore is connected to Ragusa Ibla by staircase of around **300** steps. When you have some time, walk up, and back down. This is **completely doable**, and there are plenty of places to stop as you go to catch your breath.

If you want to take some time to **relax**, do this in the evening and enjoy a refreshing Spritz at <u>Al</u> <u>Gradino 284</u> to feel like a local and enjoy the view!







Il Duomo

The most famous and imposing building in Ragusa Ibla, is the **Duomo di San Giorgio**.

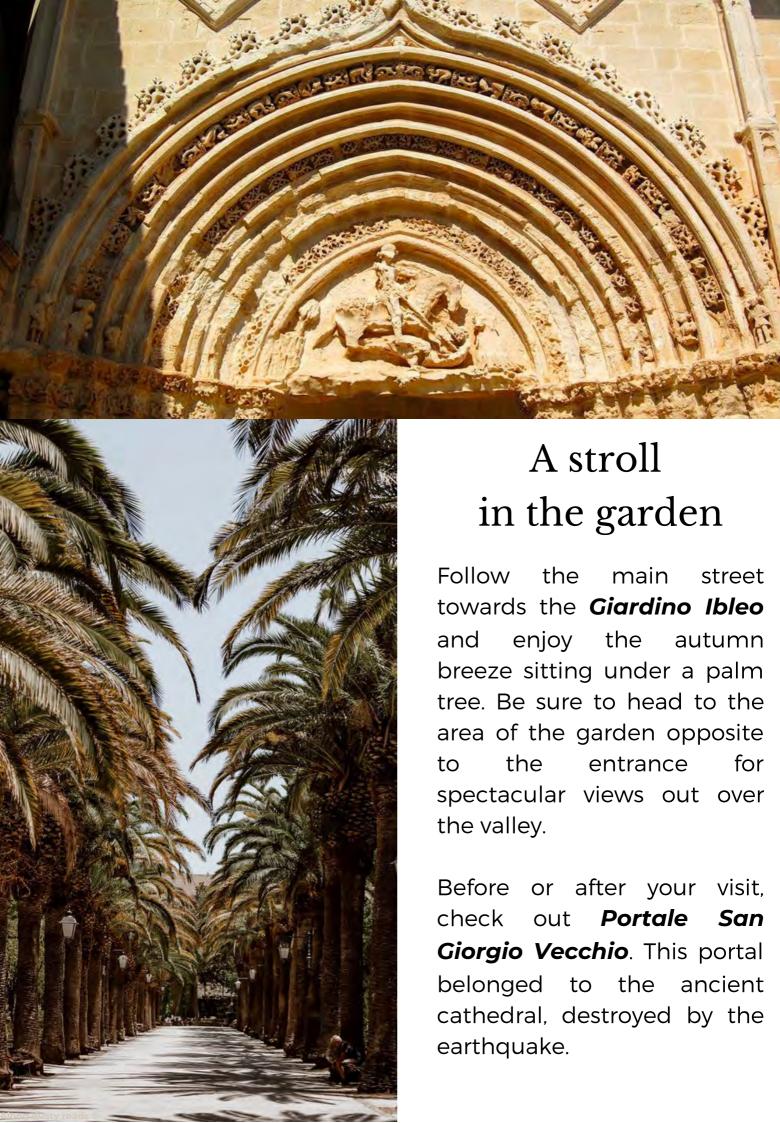
Built in 1739 and designed by Rosario Gagliardi, it is considered to be one of the greatest examples of Baroque architecture in all of Sicily.

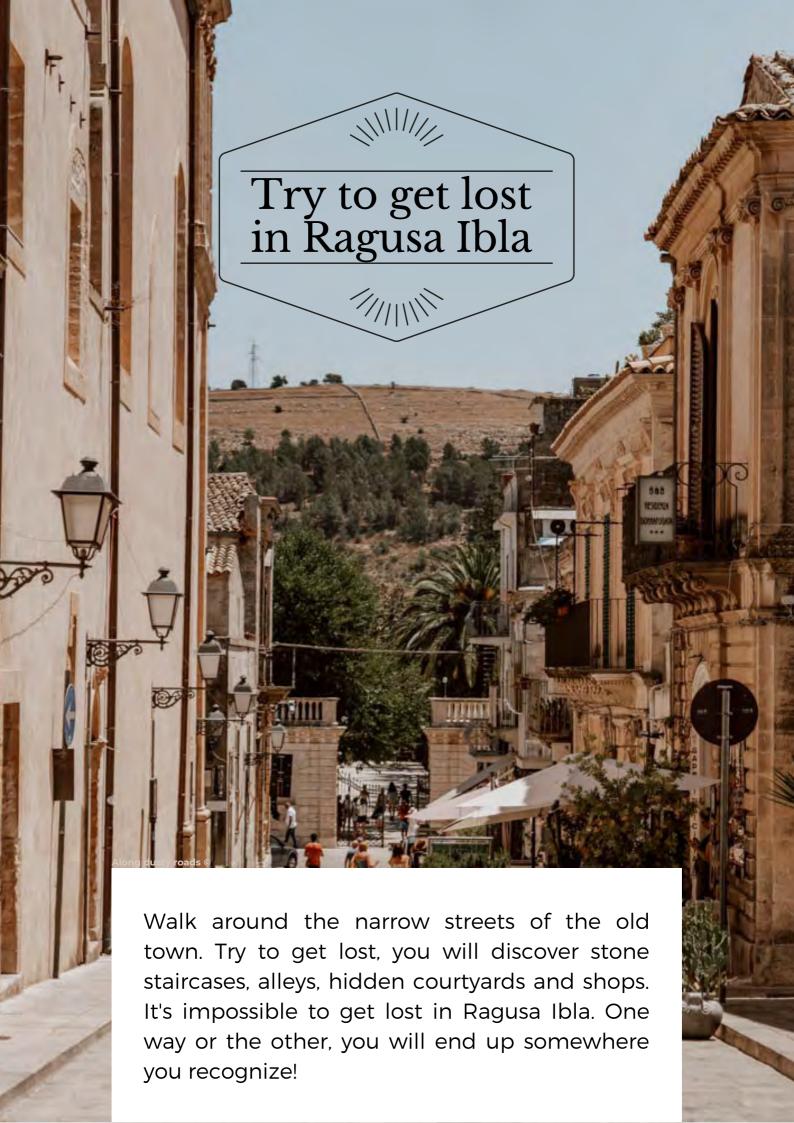
The church trail

Despite its small size, Ragusa Ibla is **crowded** with churches! Take a stroll around the old town and enter as many as you can!

Click here for a list of churches in Ibla.

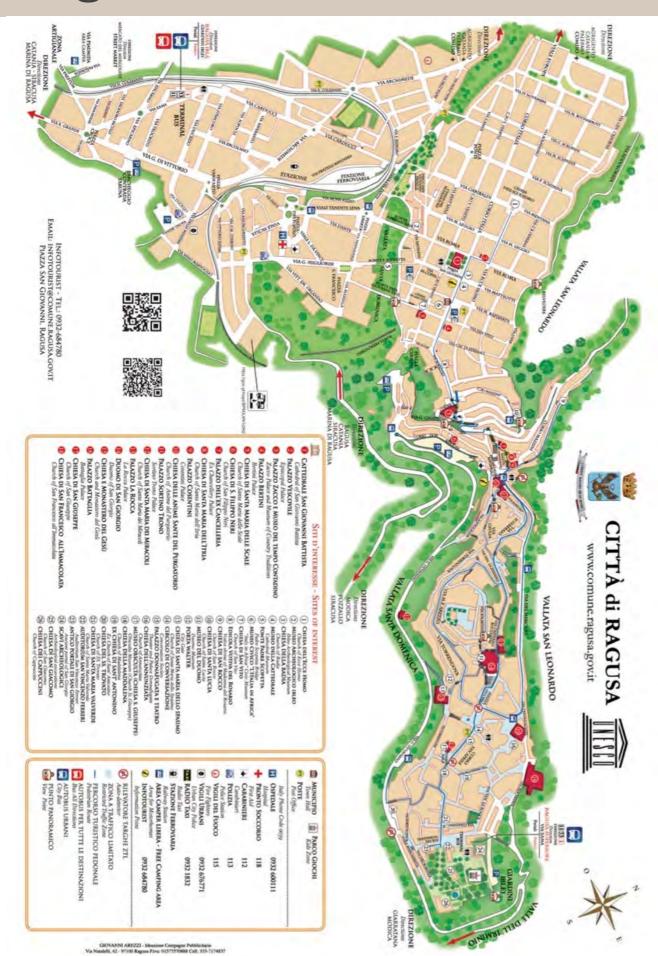






What to see in Ragusa

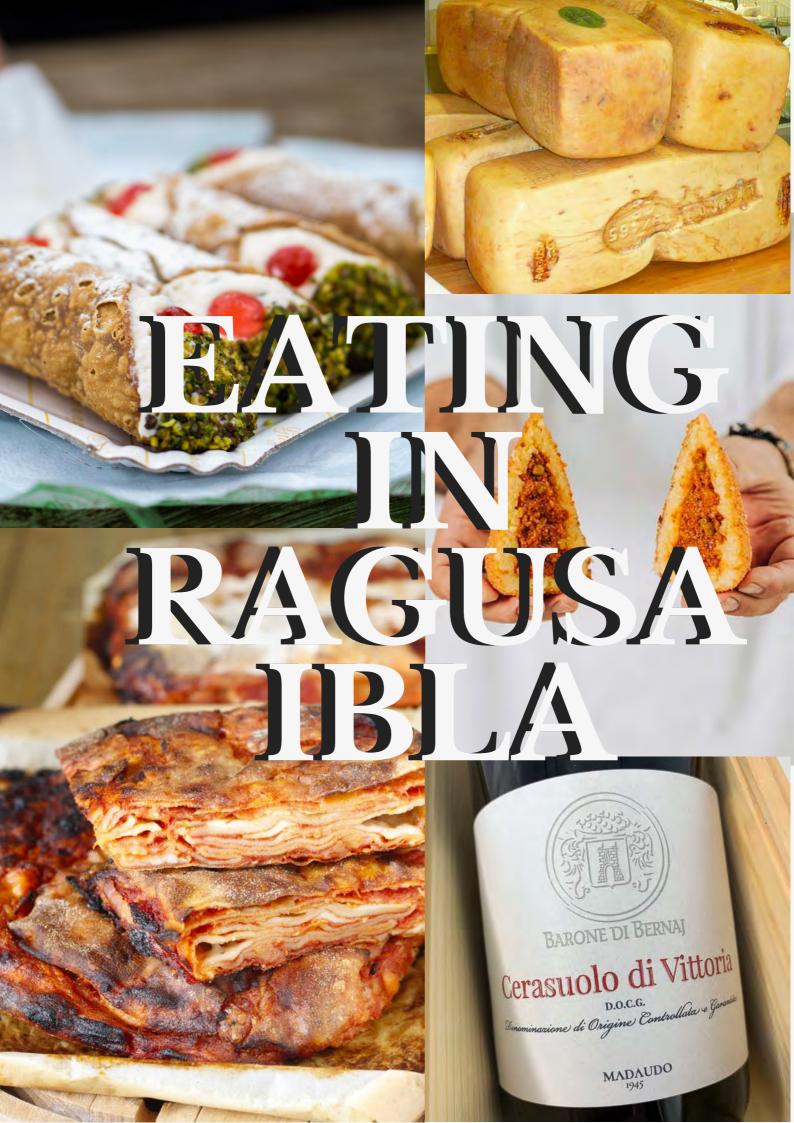
Here is a map of the tourist spots of Ragusa and Ragusa Ibla





Walking around Ragusa, Ragusa Ibla, Scicli, Modica and the neighboring towns, you will feel perfectly safe.

Ragusa province is **historically** the safest province in Sicily.



Visit <u>La Cantunera</u> for classic and gourmet arancine.

If you love cheese and lunch meats, don't miss **Salumeria Barocco**.

Try all kinds of local dairy food at **Risiu**.

For authentic Sicilian pâtisserie, visit <u>ludice</u>.

Don't miss <u>That's a Moro</u> for a characteristic restuaurant-museum where you can experience traditional dishes.

The starred chef **Ciccio Sultano** owns two
restaurants in Ragusa Ibla.
Visit <u>Il Duomo</u> or I <u>Banchi</u>.

More bars, restaurants, ice cream shops can be found here.













"The city of chocolate", Modica is an historical town in the Val di Noto, famous for being the home of Sicily's best chocolate!

Wander along *Corso Umberto* and explore the churches. If you're up to it, walk up to the *Belvedere Pizzo* for a spectacular view of the city!

Experience Modica Chocolate at **Dolceria Bonajuto**



Scicli.

Are you a fan of Inspector Montalbano? Then keep reading!

Scicli is a baroque gem, located southeast of Ragusa and Modica. Rebuilt after the earthquake. The rocky hills frame the late baroque buildings and churches, creating a magical atmosphere in the city center (look for Via Francesco Mormino Penna).

Scicli is the fictional Vigata, invented by Andrea Camilleri for his novels about the Inspector Montalbano.



Guided tours in LIS



We advise you to take some time to travel around Ragusa and the neighboring baroque towns of Modica and Scicli.

What to see in Sicily







If you decide to stay for a bit longer and travel around Sicily, you will discover a multi-faced island. From maritime landscapes to the Etna Volcano and the white coast of the West, Sicily is yours to discover.

More information at

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