

La Sicilia di Montalbano

Tour

Donnafugata

Punta Secca

Scicli



Follow in the footsteps of Salvo Montalbano and the other members of Vigata's small police force. Visit the places described in the books and the real shooting locations. Montalbano's Sicily is South West Sicily...There is a different Sicily used as a set in the TV episodes, a number of different locations clustered around Ragusa in the island's South East (Scicli, Punta Secca and the Castle of Donnafugata) and pieced together to create the fictional town seen in the TV films. A more gorgeous Sicily with breath-taking landscapes, Baroque churches and stunning views that has made millions of viewers in Italy and abroad fall in love with the area.

Departure from Syracuse

Visit to the **Donnafugata Castle**. Contrary to what the name might suggest it is not a real medieval castle but a sumptuous noble of the late '800. The house towered over those who were the possessions of the rich family Arezzo De Spuches. Since the arrival of the castle reveals its splendor. The building covers an area of about 2500 square meters and a large Neo-Gothic facade, crowned by two towers side welcomes visitors. What is striking about the exterior of the castle is the elegant Venetian Gothic loggia which dominates the central section of the main facade. The trefoil arches become a recurrent motif repeated in the two-light windows throughout the building. "Montalbano's minitour" will end with an aperitif served on the terrace of the protagonist detective's house, waiting for the sunset on the wonderful sandy beach in **Punta Secca**, characteristic seaside place in Ragusa area. You will remember there the marvellous swims that Mr Montalbano used to have in the limpid waters of this sicilian coast.

Scicli - There is a lot to see in Scicli including a number of lovely churches such as those of Sant'Ignazio, San Matteo, San Bartolomeo and Santa Maria la Nova. This latter has a Byzantine wooden statue of the Virgin Mary.

The many aristocratic palazzi, such as Palazzo Beneventano, are also fun to see, brimming over with characterful gargoyles, elegant swirls and decorative fancies.

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