

3rd International Homelink Meeting

Palermo (Sicily) 2nd June 2012

For the 3rd consecutive year, the annual international meeting (9th National) takes place in Italy. This time HomeLinkers will discover beautiful Sicily, both the historical and mysterious one. **The Official Meeting will be held on SATURDAY 2ND JUNE in the Cloister of the Convent of Carmine Maggiore** in central Palermo. Guests will meet in the afternoon and will have dinner there. For the ones who wish to stay longer we have planned something special, as follows.

THE PROGRAM:

- **Thursday, May 31:** arrival, accommodation, Welcome. Day off.

For those interested in something particular:

6:00 pm - meeting point at the Teatro Massimo. Starting to the walking tour "Walking tour ... The steps of the Law " led by Addiopizzo Travel, that provides ethical tours of Sicily. Addiopizzo provides a fascinating walking tour through the places and businesses who have said "no" to the Mafia's requests for protection money. The name given to this protection money is 'Pizzo', join us and you will travel "mafia-free" and 'pizzo-free'! (time: about 2).

Price: walking-tour with easy dinner (starter, sandwich or first course, Sicilian cannoli)
15.00 Eur/person

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EN: <http://www.addiopizzotravel.it/eng/> - DE: <http://www.addiopizzotravel.it/deu/>

- **Friday, June 1st:**

Visit to Piazza Armerina where we will visit the splendid Roman Mansion dating 4th Century After Christ, famous for its mosaics (tickets free for over 65 and about 7 Euros for younger)

Official Website: <http://www.villaromanadelcasale.org>

Lunch at restaurant/farm holiday 'Il Gigliotto' (www.gigliotto.com)

Menu:

Starter: Pasqualora sausage, eggplant crouton, mozzarella roulade, flavored tuna, mixed omelettes, grilled eggplant and zucchini

First Course: pasta alla Norma

Second Courses: roasted sausage, mixed salad,

Dessert: Sicilian Cassata and seasonal fruit

Drinks: Nero d'Avola, mineral water, coffee/espresso and cappuccino, liquors

Price: 25.00 Eur/person

- **Saturday, June 2nd**
official day of the 3rd International Meeting

Visit to Cefalù, remarkable little town by the sea.

Tour at the Ballarò, the oldest market in the historic center of Palermo. A stroll among the stalls can also be an opportunity to know the past of Sicily.

9:00 pm - Dinner in the Cloister of the Convent of Carmine Maggiore

Next to the Ballarò Market, the Carmelite convent is annexed to the Carmine Church. Built in the second half of '600 and based on the original one of the thirteenth Century, it is important for the devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmine which is a statue of silver foil and carried in procession on the last Sunday of July. Inside the Church, the altars of the Virgin of Carmine and the Crucifix, with stuccos (<http://carminemaggiorepa.blogspot.com/>). The dinner will be accompanied by the music of the **Nat Soul Band**, the official band of the Homelink Meeting.

Menu:

Starter: cocktail with prosecco
almonds, hazelnuts and pistachios
Little sandwich with spleen
Croquettes and fritters
Seafood salad served in little glasses
Sicilian swordfish caponata served in little glasses
Sicilian caponata served in little glasses
Sicilian apple caponata served in little glasses
Gastronomic cone filled with crustaceans
Mussels au gratin
Gastronomic Panettone
Stuffed zucchini flowers

First Courses: Anelletti baked Timbale
Pasta with sardines and fennel
Pistachio and prawns Risotto

Second Courses: Little fish rolls – Little meat rolls

Garnish: battered vegs

Dessert and Fruit: buffet of seasonal fruit and dessert

Drinks: water, wine, sparkling wine and coffee

Price: 30.00 Eur/person

- ***Sunday, June 3rd:*** day off and/or departure