



URBAN TREKKING TO SALERNO'S MEDIEVAL CASTLE



discover the Lombard and Norman influences

This tour offers the unique ability to experience a great hike combined with fascinating history, while visiting some of the most **interesting places the city of Salerno** has to offer, in an innovative and authentic manner.

Discover the Lombard and Norman influences over the town of Salerno during the Middle Ages as you explore its **tiny side streets, alleyways, and beautiful gardens.**

The tour begins from **the Verdi Theatre**, situated next to the **Villa Comunale botanical gardens**, and leads you through areas such as **Fornelle**, the former quarters of the residents of Amalfi, **the historical city center**, and past the noble palaces, courtyards, & passage ways leading up to the complex of **S.Peter at Court**, an infamous building once part of **the Palace owned by the Duke of Benevento, Arechi II.**

As we walk up the hillside towards the castle, we will pass the square where the Roman Forum once stood. You'll see orange gardens in the courtyards of the elegant palaces lying at the foot of **the Planum Montis** - the highest part of the old town, composed of beautiful gardens and cultivated land once belonging to the medieval monasteries.

Enjoy the breath-taking view over the bay of Salerno, immersed in the mountainous countryside leading up towards **Castello Arechi II** - The Medieval castle located on top of Mount Bonadies, 350 meters above sea level. The Lombard Prince Arechi II built the castle in the 8th century, when he decided to move the capital of Benevento to Salerno. It was build upon pre-existing fortifications dating back to the Roman Empire. Due to its strategic location, the castle became the primary fortress of the Lombards.

Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and don't forget your camera, as you will have the opportunity to capture the breath-taking views and natural beauty of the landscape during your tour

Activity Level: Medium



This Experience Includes:

- Private English speaking guide
- Bottled water
- Entrance Tickets to Arechi Castle

Optional / Extras (Not Included):

- Round-trip transportation

