

NATIONAL TAX INSTITUTE®
2010 CONFERENCE PROGRAM
SICILY, ITALY
SEPTEMBER 23-30, 2010

- Location:** **Grand Hotel Mazzaro Sea Palace**
Via Nazionale, 147, Taormina Mare, Sicily 98030 Italy
<http://www.mazzaroseapalace.it/EN/>
- Airports:** Fontana Rossa Catania (CTA) – 50 Kilometers (31 miles) from Taormina
- Car Rental:** Call **The Malmberg Travel Group** (800) 336-8297 for additional information.
- Directions:** From Catania airport to Taormina is 68 kilometers (42 miles) – from Motorway Catania-Messina Exit Taormina.
- Transfers:** \$140 per person round-trip between Catania Airport and Taormina on same dates of arrival and departure (September 23 and 30.) Arrangements made through CPE Meetings™ with flight information and pre-payment.
- Weather:** Harvests begin around Sicily, not only of grapes but also pistachios, almonds and other nuts, as well as prickly pears (which Italians call 'fichi d'India'). Average high 81° - average low 72°
- Area Information:** www.bestofsicily.com

Mazzaro Sea Palace – 8 Days/7 Nights

The hotel is set on the beautiful and famous Bay of Mazzaro with a sandy beach only 2 km away from the city centre of Taormina. A cable car located just outside the hotel will take you to town in minutes. Overlooking one of the most beautiful bays in the world, set among the rocks and sea, and embellished by the colors of Mediterranean architecture, rises up the Grand Hotel Mazzaro Sea Palace. In this delightful setting, at the centre of the bay from which it takes its name, the Grand Hotel Mazzaro Sea Palace offers the comfort of a 5 Star deluxe hotel, in a modern, efficient structure. All of this crowned by the charm of the highest volcano in Europe – Etna.

Check-in: 2:00pm **Check-out:** 12:00pm (Surcharges may apply for late checkouts)
Hotel Rating: 5 Star **Parking:** 30,000 euros per day

Accommodations: All rooms are carefully furnished and equipped with mini-bar, TV with satellite and “in-house program,” direct telephone line, hair dryer, safe, individually programmable air conditioning, Wi-Fi and fax socket. The average room size is 30 square meters plus a large terrace with a table and two chairs. Bedding may be double or twins.

- **Sea view with Balcony:** Spacious and sophisticated with marble bath and elegant washstands. Balcony or private terrace with spectacular views of the bay.

- **Jr. Suite:** Elegantly furnished including a living area and luxurious bath with marble double washstand.

Hotel Package includes: 7-night hotel accommodations *including tax, daily breakfast, one walking tour, and one group dinner.* Third person charge for accommodations is \$173 BB per night. Children 2-12 years sharing room with 2 adults \$124 BB per night. Extra person tour charge is \$175. *Extra nights and single rates: Please ask for details. NO REFUNDS FOR EARLY DEPARTURES.*

HOTEL PACKAGE COST- 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

	(Per Person) Double Occupancy
<u>Room category</u>	<u>Package Cost</u>
Sea view with Balcony	\$2,395
Jr. Suite (limited availability)	\$2,985

Hotel Amenities:

The hotel offers fine dining on site and nearby, a complementary fitness center, high speed internet, an outdoor pool, a private beach with deckchairs, umbrellas and beach towels, and a spa facility with various treatments from hairdresser to ayurveda massages.

Dining:

Mazzaro Sea Palace is open from 7:00-10:30am for breakfast; 1:00-3:00pm for lunch and from 8:00-10:30pm for dinner.

Taormina, Sicily:

Taormina is a small town of about 10,000 inhabitants in the county of Messina and is situated on the stunning east coast of Sicily on the Ionian Sea. Taormina is famous for its beautiful landscape, its mild climate and its lush vegetation. The picturesque old city centre is located on Monte Tauro ("Tauro" mountain) between rocky mountains and the Ionian Sea. Taormina offers visitors an absolutely amazing panorama which you will not find elsewhere. From Taormina you can admire the unique bay of Giardini Naxos and the Etna volcano which gazes down the island.

Suggested Activities:

The Cathedral (Church of San Nicola) – church of Saint Pancras – Regional Archeological Museum – The Antiquarium – Sicilian Museum of Art and Folk Traditions – Mount Etna – Catania – The Aeolian Islands – Agrigento – Piazza Armerina – Picciolo Golf Club

"The Sea and The Island"

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DATE	MEETINGS	SOCIAL EVENTS/TOURS
9/23 Thursday	Arrival - no meeting scheduled	5:30-6:00pm: Hospitality Desk Welcome to Sicily Orientation Meeting
9/24 Friday	7:30am - 12:50pm meeting: New Developments-Estate, Gift and Retirement Planning - Part 1 Speaker: Albert L. Grasso, JD, LL.M CPE hours: 6 Group Study - Taxes	8:30-9:30am: Spouse/Guest Breakfast 6:00-7:00pm: Cocktail reception Receptions hosted by National Tax Institute®
9/25 Saturday	Day of Leisure – no meeting scheduled	
9/26 Sunday	7:30am-12:50pm meeting: New Developments-Estate, Gift and Retirement Planning - Part 11 Speaker: Albert L. Grasso, JD, LL.M CPE hours: 6 Group Study – Accounting 4 Auditing 2	
9/27 Monday	Day of Leisure – no meeting scheduled	
9/28 Tuesday	7:30am-12:50pm meeting: 2010 Federal Income Tax Update Speaker: James P. Sweeney, CPA, CVA, MBA, MTAX CPE hours: 6 Group Study – Taxes	
9/29 Wednesday	7:30am-12:50 pm meeting: 2010 Business Tax Developments Speaker: James P. Sweeney, CPA, CVA, MBA, MTAX CPE hours: 6 Group Study- Taxes	
9/30 Thursday	Recommended day of departure	

Note: Continental breakfast will be served in the hotel dining room starting at 7:00am. Participants receive 6 CPEs for attending each live session and may receive additional CPEs (equal to the number of CPEs purchased) by completing optional self-study courses. Self-study materials will be available in modules of 2 CPEs and 4 CPEs (taxation and A&A,) and will be distributed on site. Summary of CPEs available at this program: Live Group study=24 CPEs; Self-Study=16 CPEs for a total of 40 CPEs.

