

Our Questions:

- What is Modica's typical food?
- How do sicilian teenagers live?
- Do you feel isolated from the continent? What is your relation with mainland Italy?
- How do you feel about the Mafia? How is living with it?
- How do you handle the immigrant's issue?



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Modica Travel Guide

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MODICA:

- Modica is an attractive historic town situated in the dramatic landscape of the Monti Iblei, in the Province of Ragusa, in south-eastern Sicily, one of the area's UNESCO-listed Baroque towns particularly famous for its chocolate.



- Important in Medieval times, Modica was rebuilt after the great earthquake of 1693 and now boasts fine late-Baroque architecture as well as a medieval old town. It is divided in Upper and Lower Modica (Modica Alta and Modica Bassa).

Economics and Geography

Modica is located in the Italian region of Sicily, province of Ragusa, with an area of 290.77 km² and a population of 54,581, in the Hyblaen Mountains. Its economy is based on agriculture (olives, cereals, cattle,...), factories (textiles, cars and furniture) and tourism.

Culture and Events

Modica is the birthplace of writers, philosophers and artists, some of the most remarkable being Tommaso Campailla and Salvatore Quasimodo, awarded with the Nobel Prize for Literature. Its main events are religious festivities such as St George's Festival, St Peter's Festival and Madonna Vasa-Vasa.



Monuments

Modica has a remarkable number of impressive churches and monuments:

- the Duomo di San Pietro;
- the Duomo di San Giorgio;
- the Belvedere Pizzo;
- Garibaldi Theater;

- the Museo Civico;
- And the *Castello dei Conti*;

Food

Modica's culinary tradition features sweets, as Modica's famous chocolate, made ac-



According to ancient Aztec recipes; and savoury dishes like pastry rolls with cabbage "scaccie modicana" or the delicious creamy almond dessert "biancomangiare", which are influenced by the former Arab and Spanish occupants.

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

Hello: **Ciao!**

Good morning: **Buon Giorno!**

Obrigado: **Grazie!**

Can you help me: **Puoi aiutarmi?**

How much does it cost: **Quanto costa?**

How to get to...: **Dove posso trovare...?**