



SICILY: AN EPIC ODYSSEY FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN TO MOUNT ETNA

TRAVEL DATES: MAY 2 - 9, 2026

Star-Studded Musical Guests

- **Tom Cochrane** - Canadian rock legend, Red Rider frontman
- **Gowan** - Juno Award-winning solo artist & keyboardist/vocalist/songwriter of Styx
- **Johnny Reid** - Multi-platinum, Juno Award-winning artist, producer, playwright
- **Terence Gowan** - Multi-instrumentalist, vocalist, musical director, Styx
- **Michael Shand** - Keyboardist, Johnny Reid Band
- **Kevin Fox** - Celebrated cellist (Steven Page Trio)

Sicily, the Mediterranean's largest and most storied island, sets the stage for Kitchen Party's next epic adventure. This journey is a love letter to Sicily's rich history, sun-drenched climate, pristine beaches, idyllic islands, bold cuisine, and world-class wines.

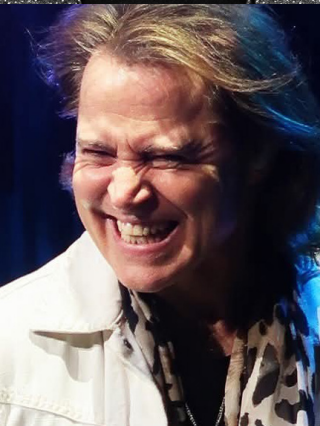
Guests will spend two nights at the 5-star Ortea Palace in Siracusa - once the Greek capital of ancient Sicily, now a vibrant hub of food, culture, art, and fashion. With ancient theatres, colorful markets, and tucked-away wine bars along sunlit streets and seaside plazas, Siracusa enchants at every turn.

From there, we head to Etna - Europe's highest active volcano and the heart of eastern Sicily. For five nights, we'll stay at the luxurious 5-star Hilton Il Picciolo Resort & Spa, surrounded by unforgettable hiking, cycling, golfing, and grand wine and culinary adventures!

Canada's most well-travelled, leading wine expert, Michael Godel, will guide us through Etna's famed volcanic wines, fast becoming Europe's next "it" region. We've also secured exclusive access to a grand Sicilian palazzo for an unforgettable dinner, along with reservations at some of the island's top culinary destinations.

This is Sicily: a feast for the senses and a true taste of *la dolce vita*.





“The culture, cuisine, and beauty made KP Peru one of our favorite trips yet. But the experience reached a whole new level thanks to Gowan’s incredible stories and musical talent. We’re beyond excited for Sicily this year - where Gowan joins Tom Cochrane and Johnny Reid. The music is going to be off the charts!”

— RYAN AND SHANNON KASKO, COALDALE, AB

YOUR EIGHT-DAY, SEVEN-NIGHT ADVENTURE FOR TWO INCLUDES:

- **Two nights at the superb 5-star Ortea Palace**, with daily gourmet breakfast in the heart of Siracusa.
- **Welcome reception and dinner** at Ortea Palace’s stunning waterfront setting, followed by live performances from our all-star musical lineup.
- **Ortigia Island experience**: one-hour boat tour and 90-minute guided walk through its ancient streets and baroque splendor.
- **Five nights at the iconic 5-star Hilton Il Picciolo Resort & Spa**, a luxurious retreat on the slopes of Mount Etna, with daily gourmet breakfast.
- **An authentic Sicilian feast at Planeta Feudo di Mezzo**, a breathtaking Etna estate known for its volcanic terroir and award-winning wines.
- **Lunch and tasting at Palmento Costanzo**, a historic winery with sweeping views of Mount Etna, featuring a rare tasting of pre-phyloxera wines.
- **Live, unplugged musical performances** throughout the week from our featured artists.

- **Final night celebration at Cavanera Wine Resort** — an elegant dinner and concert among the vineyards of Etna’s northern slopes.
- **Comfortable coach transfers** from Siracusa to Etna and to Catania Airport at week’s end.

Optional add-ons (at additional cost):

- **Golf at Sicily’s first 18-hole course**, set against the dramatic backdrop of Mount Etna, at the Hilton Il Picciolo Resort.
- **Guided cycling** around Mount Etna, weaving through lava-sculpted landscapes, hillside villages, and lush vineyards.
- **Iconic hiking experiences**, trekking through scenic hilltop villages with wine tastings and delicious lunches to follow.
- **Exhilarating 4x4 excursion** to the Summit Edge of Mount Etna, reaching 3,000 metres — the volcano’s highest accessible point. *“Top 10 wow factor experiences in my life!” – Michael Godel*
- **Two unforgettable culinary adventures** celebrating the rich food and wine culture of the Mount Etna region.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: ALL SALES ARE FINAL. FLIGHT NOT INCLUDED. Transportation to Ortea Palace is not included. Transportation from Ortea Palace to Hilton Hotel and to Catania Airport is included. Meals, drinks and activities only as specified above will be included, although we reserve the right to adjust as needed. Musician attendance may be altered for personal or professional reasons. These prizes are non-negotiable and not convertible to cash. The prize must be redeemed on the dates specified – no exceptions. The recipient agrees to accept the prize as is, fully aware of any and all restrictions. The redemption process of this item is the sole responsibility of the winners. The recipient will be required to sign a waiver of liability regarding FWP Inc., Canada’s Great Kitchen Party and their respective employees and volunteers’ involvement in the offering, sponsoring, hosting or arranging of the events or activities described as part of the above package. The recipients agree to these terms and conditions. Please note: Guests must be eighteen years of age and older. Sometimes unforeseen circumstances happen previous to the trip, and so we recommend you look into insurance that might fit that kind of circumstance. If you are unable to attend - for any reason - you will have two options: sell the trip or transfer the trip to someone (based on single or double occupancy). Canada’s Great Kitchen Party will not reimburse, provide a refund, or give credit for future trips. Canada’s Great Kitchen Party and the Canadian Culinary Championship are initiatives of FWP Inc., a social enterprise that contributes to Spirit North, MusiCounts and local grassroots food charities.

TAX RECEIPTS: According to CRA guidelines, this trip is deemed priceless (value cannot be determined because of individuals on the trips who are considered celebrities) and therefore, the purchaser is not eligible for a charitable tax receipt. No tax receipts will be issued in lieu of your purchase price if you cannot attend.