



**AUCTION ITEM**

## A GRAND AND MAGICAL CELEBRATION OF SOUTHERN ITALY: Featuring Matera, the 10,000 year old 'City of Stone', Europe's Cultural Capital for 2019 and number one destination!

Featuring Neil Osborne from 54-40 and Bill Henderson from ChilliWack (both Juno winners, Canadian Hall of Fame recipients and singer/songwriters/producers), the incredible Whitehorse duo, Melissa McClelland and Luke Doucet (Juno winners and singer/songwriters) and Canada's premier wine expert, David Lawrason! Canadian Olympic medal-winning athlete will be announced shortly!

**TRAVEL DATES: MAY 15 – 22, 2022**

“ This City is like nowhere else on Earth’ — by day, it is breathtaking; lit up at dusk, it can bring you to tears.

— THE GUARDIAN - INTERNATIONAL EDITION

Matera, Basilicata's jewel in beautiful Southern Italy, may be the third-longest continuously inhabited human settlement in the world! Natural caves in the tufa limestone, exposed as the Gravina cut its gorge, attracted the first inhabitants perhaps 7000 years ago! Today, looking across the gorge to Matera's ancient neighbourhoods known as *sassi*, teetering on the edge of the ravine, it seems you've been transported back to an ancient holy land. This UNESCO World Heritage site, awarded THE Cultural Capital of Europe for 2019, will be your magical setting for seven glorious nights.

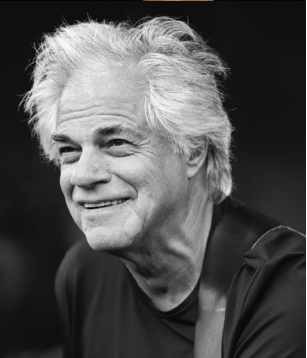
You will be charmed by the breathtaking setting, which we guarantee will be one of the most unique and awe-inspiring places you will ever visit! You will spend seven nights in one of the magnificent hotels that are unique to the Sassi at either the Aquatio Cave Luxury Hotel and Spa, the Sant'Angelo Luxury Resort or Palazzo del Duca – all unique and beautifully appointed resorts. The limestone caves are magnificent – you will sleep in a stylish room cave, eat in a cave, drink an *aperitivo* in a cave, and even view modern sculpture in a cave.

The neighbourhoods of Sasso Barisano and Sasso Caveoso will be yours to explore on foot: roaming through the labyrinth of narrow alleyways, up and down uneven stone staircases, discovering dead ends and tiny courtyards adorned with flower pots, cave churches and expansive views of the *Sassi*. You can learn all about the amazing history of Matera and the *Sassi* by foot or on a tuk tuk!

There is magic to be discovered at this UNESCO World Heritage site and along the way, you will enjoy special tastings of southern Italy's wines with Canada's premier wine expert, David Lawrason and experience ultimate Italian







gastronomic experiences on our customized wine tapas tours. Discover the rock churches in the gorge on an amazing hike, delve deep into caves to taste delicious local delicacies and perch on terraces overlooking the gorge as you sip wines of the region and listen to unplugged performances by the magnetic performer Neil Osborne of 54-40 and Bill Henderson of Chilliwick! And for the finale concert Neil and Bill will be joined by the incomparable duo of Melissa McClelland and Luke Doucet of Whitehorse!

By bike or foot, you will also venture outside Matera to the hills of Masseria to explore the golden wheat fields and olive groves and then we will all come together for a fantastic lunch at Fontana di Vite - where you will hear incredible stories from our featured Olympic medalist! David Lawrason will be offering epic wine tours to the Vulture region. With Mount Vulture, an extinct volcano, as the prominent landmark, it is the most significant viticultural zone in Basilicata growing the DOC wine Aglianico del Vulture, full of history and strength!

"Vicinato in Festa" is a tradition in Matera - a party between friends and good neighbors where guests can breathe the love of the city and all its traditions. Join us in this magical world as Canada's Great Kitchen Party creates our very own "Vicinato in Festa"!

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

- Seven nights' accommodation including breakfast in either the charming Aquatio Cave Luxury Hotel and Spa, the charming Sant'Angelo Luxury Resort or Palazzo del Duca, all set into a tufa ridge in the city's Sasso Caveoso district located in the heart of UNESCO's Sassi World Heritage site.

- Welcome reception on the rooftop terrace of Baccanti Restaurant featuring exquisite wines from the region.
- Private wine tasting with Canada's premier wine expert, David Lawrason, highlighting the very best wines of each of the regions followed by a wonderful dinner.
- A gastronomic experience at Area 8, the hyper creative space in the heart of the Sassi.
- A fantastic lunch at Fontana di Vite where you will hear incredible stories from our featured Olympic medalist.
- A special wine reception and unplugged performance by Neil Osborne and Bill Henderson at Casa Cava!
- Amazing unplugged performances in unique natural settings.
- Dinner Kitchen Party style at the very hip "The Loft" followed by a private concert with our Canadian iconic rock stars - Neil Osborne and Bill Henderson and joining us tonight the amazing duo of Melissa McClelland and Luke Doucet of Whitehorse!
- Time to roam though the labyrinth of this UNESCO World Heritage site and discover its magic and why it has been chosen as THE cultural capital of Europe for 2019!

## Optional add-ons (at additional cost):

- Guided historical walking or tuk tuk tour of the Sassi
- Guided biking in the area
- Guided rock church hike through the gorge
- Super premium wine tasting with David Lawrason
- Cooking Classes

Terms and Conditions: ALL SALES ARE FINAL. FLIGHT NOT INCLUDED. Transportation to and from property is not included. Meals only as specified above will be included. 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 processes of these live auctions are 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 offering, sponsoring, hosting or arranging the events or activities described as part of the above package. The recipients agree to these terms and conditions. Please note: Trips are suitable for those eighteen years of age and older. If you are unable to attend the trip, your option will be to sell or transfer to another buyer (based on double occupancy) over the age of 18. Canada's Great Kitchen Party will not reimburse, provide a refund, or give a credit for future trips. Canada's Great Kitchen Party and the Canadian Culinary Championships are initiatives of FWP Inc., a social enterprise that contributes to B2ten, MusiCounts and CFCC.

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