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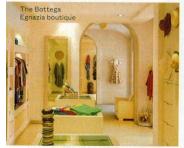


WHAT TO DO

Ask your private guide (all hotel
guests are allocated one) to organise a
trip to the nearby OLIVE OIL

MUSEUM and never buy second-rate oil
again. Or attend one of the hotel's
regular cooking classes and learn how
to make the local speciality of
orecchiette and ragu. If that's
not enough, spend an hour
wandering the fascinating
MUSEO NAZIONALE
ARCHEOLOGICO
DI EGNAZIA. WHAT TO DO





WHERE TO SHOP BOTTEGA EGNAZIA has a great selection of cashmere, kaftans and swimwear. Further afield, CYRANO PARFUM BAR in Bari has a clever edit of local and global perfumes, candles and jewellery.

Perched on Puglia's Adriatic coast, midway between Bari and Brindisi, is an atmospheric candle-lit village reminiscent of an ancient Italian citadel. But on closer inspection, Borgo Egnazia reveals itself to be one of Italy's starriest resorts (Justin Timberlake had his wedding there, Madonna is a fan). The 250acre estate - replete with five restaurants, a hotel and luxury villas, not to mention two private beaches, an 18-hole sea-view golf course and world-class spa — opened in 2010, having been created from nothing by the Melpignano family. It has everything you could want from a holiday, and the weather is beautiful nearly all year round, says Anna van Praagh





Join the locals at Ostuni's Riccardo Caffè

WHERE TO DRINK
Just 30 minutes away is
the beautiful white city
of OSTUNI. Drop in to the
RICCARDO CAFFÈ when RICCARDO CAFFE when you're there, where you can hang out with the locals sitting on cushions on the steps to the bar. Order one of the house Aperol spritzes and watch the world go by VINARIUS in Monopoli is Also well worth a trip. The wine bar has a fine collection of Apuglian wines; try the PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA (right).





WHERE TO STAY: WHERE TO STAY:
For understated glamour, you can't beat the main hotel of
BORGO EGNAZIA. The interior design — all cream stone, rope,
water features and earthy ceramics — is heavenly. The rooms
couldn't be more comfortable or luxurious. Rooms from £186 ;
per night, with breakfast (+39 080 255 5850; borgoegnazia.com)



Splash out in Borgo Egnazia's pool and, below, La Egnazia suite