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**The Sailing Seacily**



## TRAPANI EXTREME SAILING SERIES

Now in their fifth season, the Extreme Sailing Series regattas provide an exceptional spectacle. Skippers of world-class vessels, high-technology catamarans, capable of navigating at the speed of motor boats even in conditions of moderate wind, regatta fields positioned a few dozen meters from the public that are small in order to force the boats into performing real acrobatics: it is a veritable Formule One of the sea, exciting even for those who are not expert sailors. Trapani is hosting this event for the second time in 2011 and will host it again in 2012.

The regatta field is within the port of the ancient city (founded by the Phoenicians before 1000 B.C.) and surrounding it, for five days, there will be a lively village with concerts, food stands, children's entertainment and sporting activities.

It is a unique opportunity for a vacation that may be completed with many other activities.

EXTREME SAILING SERIES

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## TRAPANI AND SAILING

Excellent marine weather conditions make the coast of this province an ideal site for all sailing enthusiasts.

A few facts: mild climate with an average temperature that never falls below 8°C, average sunshine never less than 4 hours; average probability of wind on the Beaufort scale: 37; average wind speed: 9 knots.

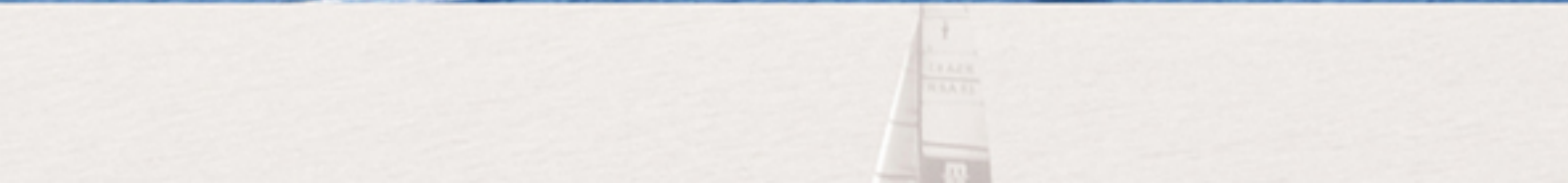
The province hosts 27 clubs dedicated to this sport (more than one per town, including those inland).

Every year on average approximately 600 people, most of whom are young, begin learning to sail in the province. Some schools accept international students. In 2010 alone, over 60 regattas of various levels were held in Trapani (on average one per week).

Harbors and landing places are distributed all along the coast and islands.

Numerous nautical charter agencies, with headquarters in various towns of the province, offer sailboat and/or motor boat hire with or without a skipper.

The Egadi islands are the ideal location for a short cruise.





## LARGE SAILING EVENTS

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Trapani has always been an ideal location for sailing. Its position almost always allows the best wind conditions to be exploited.

All this makes it the ideal setting for a high number of events on an international scale.

In 2005 Trapani hosted the Louis Vuitton Acts 8 and 9.

Bailli de Suffren (2006, 2007, 2008), dedicated to vintage vessels.

Multicup 60' (2006), dedicated to seagoing catamarans.

Garibaldi Tall Ship Regatta, (2010), a large sailing ship rally organized by STA.



**WINDSURFING**

## TRAPANI WINDSURFING

For over twenty years the province of Trapani has been the preferred destination of windsurfing enthusiasts, and is often host to the most prestigious competitions on an international level, including the World Windsurfing Championships in 2006.

Regularly chosen as the location for winter retreats of national male and female windsurfing teams, the area of Trapani has a great deal of interesting, enjoyable spots for enthusiasts of the sport, with seas and winds that allow sailing practically every month of the year.

The most famous ones include those located within the Stagnone Lagoon, a natural reserve of over 2,000 hectares that represents an extraordinary gymnasium for this sport, both for beginners and for freeride, freestyle and slalom enthusiasts.



KITESURFING

## TRAPANI KITESURFING

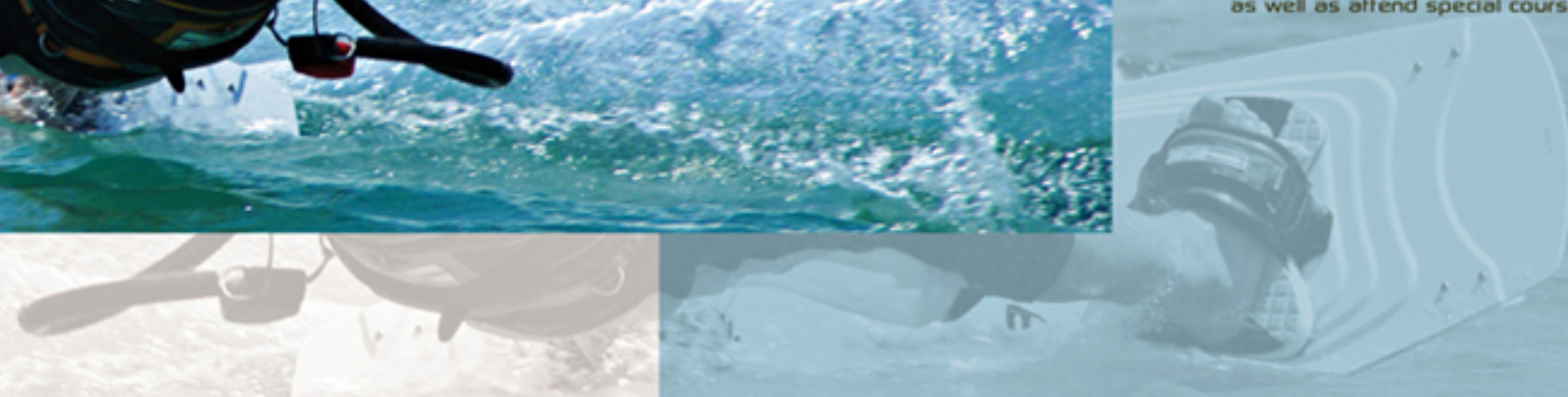
The sea and winds of Trapani are also ideal for the more recent discipline of Kitesurfing.

It was not by chance that in 2007 the Kite World Festival was held in Marsala, right on the Stagnone Lagoon, during which the third stage of the sport's World Cup (PKRA) was held.

The perfect spot for this sport is the one now well known to Italian kites, Puzziteddu.

A Wave Spot par excellence, situated 10 km south of Mazara del Vallo, this location offers extraordinary conditions for enthusiasts, especially in the fall, winter and spring.

Here, it is possible to hire high-quality technical equipment as well as attend special courses.





DIVING

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## TRAPANI DIVING

The ocean depths of the province of Trapani are a genuine paradise for scuba-diving enthusiasts, both along the coast and on the extraordinary Egadi islands and the island of Pantelleria.

The diving points are numerous and varied, most of which are within protected marine areas.

The presence of various sea caves, fascinating archaeological trails and evocative wrecks from various eras makes the province an extremely attractive destination for divers from all over the world.

There are various diving centers offering a variety of courses and dives.



## WINE AND GASTRONOMY

### TRAPANI WINE AND GASTRONOMY

After so many adventures and sports, the area of Trapani is able to refresh the most refined of palates. Salt, oil and wine are three cornerstone products of this land. Salt is still produced today in the extraordinary area of the saltworks (a natural reserve since 1995 in which it is possible to admire some of the most evocative sunsets in the world) according to an ancient working method using windmills and outdoor drying. The result is a raw material of extraordinary quality. Trapani is not only all about the coast: inland it also has hills in which excellence has always been cultivated. One example is olive growing, from which extremely high-quality extra-virgin olive oil is obtained, mostly produced by small, historic agricultural companies. Together with olives, the hills of Trapani host countless vineyards. These produce excellent wines (5 DOC wines). One that merits a mention is Marsala, which has been competing with Port and Sherry for the title of best fortified wine in the world since the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The province's Wine Roads offer guests visits to the major cellars. City and countryside restaurants provide guests with rich gastronomy, with products from land and sea and levels of service ranging from extremely simple to highly refined.

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