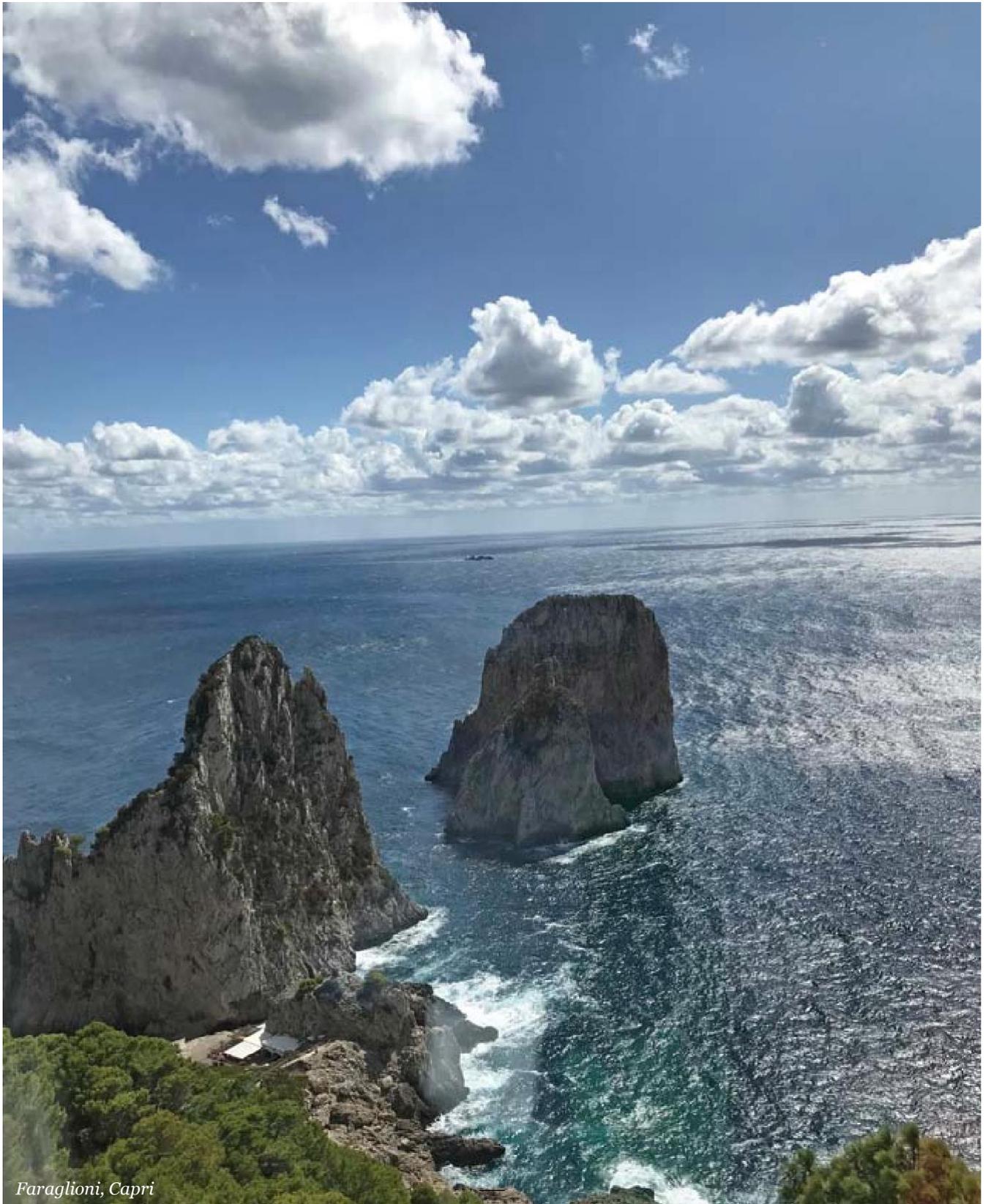


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Faraglioni, Capri

THE SEASON IS OPEN

Endless greens, deep blues, panoramas from heaven...

Where are you going to be this summer?



Faraglioni, three rocks standing side by side in the sea off the South coast of Capri which now symbolize the island

Little Italy

*From Naples to Capri, Milan to Portofino;
The most popular addresses from two special routes.*

Ilker Topdemir

We are in Italy, at Capri, the most photographed island in the world. There are so many places to visit on the island, where the time passes blissfully—from May to September! Anacapri, Faraglioni, Blue Grotto, Marina Piccola, Villa San Michele, Punta Carena Feneri and of course the magnificent restaurants, as well as the must-do boat trip around the island... The duration of the flight between Istanbul - Naples is approximately 1 hour 30 minutes. Naples is the nearest airport to the entire Amalfi coastline and the most popular destination among tourists especially in the summer months. It is possible to travel between Anacapri and

Capri by taxi or on foot. My suggestion is to walk down at least once; you will capture incredible panorama photos.

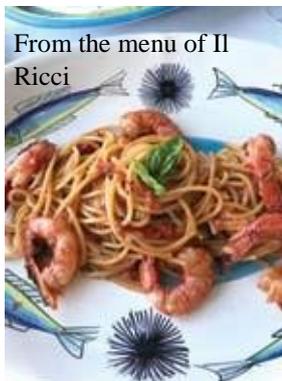
Hotel Capri Palace Hotel & Spa has been the stage of many films. Situated at the highest point of the island, it has 69 rooms and suites with balconies or terraces. As part of Mytha Hotel Anthology, I may say that this address is totally an art and design hotel. Its bar and swimming pool areas are very popular; in addition to the hotel guests, these two spots are also the meeting places of Capri residents. My favorites are the suites referred to as CapriTouch. The flitting linen curtains which are dominated by Capri blue and white colors give the impression that you are in a dream.

The only 2 Michelin star restaurant on the island L'Olivo is located within Capri Palace at Anacapri. The restaurant

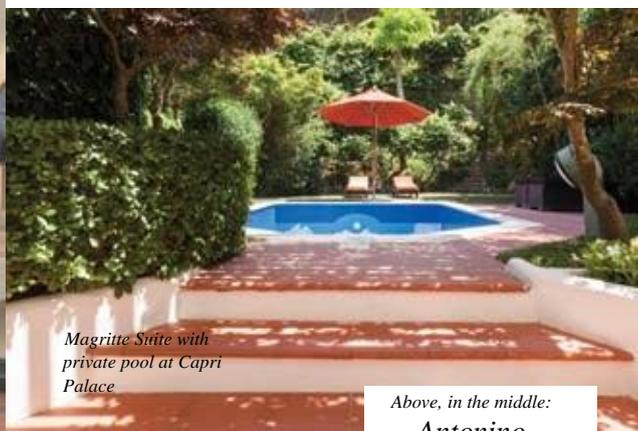


Capri Palace Hotel & Spa





From the menu of Il Riccio



Magritte Suite with private pool at Capri Palace

Above, in the middle:
Antonino Aiello, owner of 100 % Capri boutique
Below and undermost, on the left :Swimming pool area of the hotel and living room of a suite.

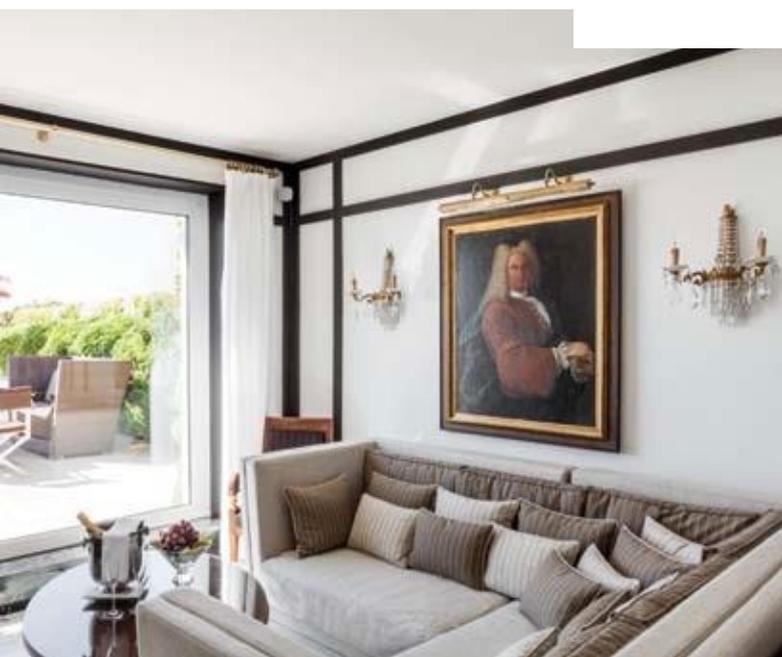
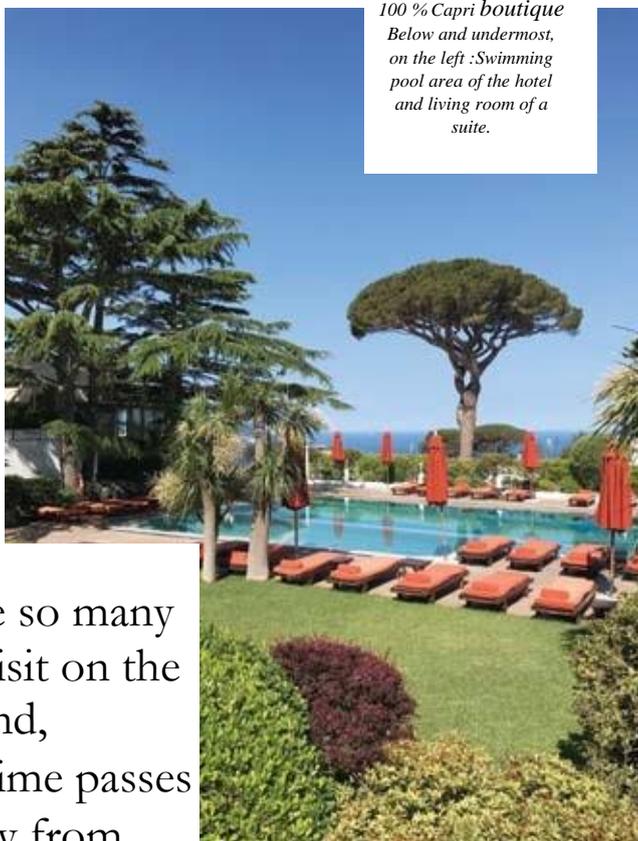
which overlooks Ischia island is the perfect address for a beautiful night with its panorama and the songs of cicadas. It has a menu which consists of nine dishes as well as its A La Carte menu. I tasted the best burrata cheese, clam and focacia bread that I have eaten lately. No slouching when it comes to their pasta. The after dinner tea service is quite an art. The tea and fresh spice trolley is perfect for social media.

Undoubtedly, the most special point of the island is *Il Riccio*. Other than in Italy, it was also opened in Bodrum and it will also be opened in Dubai shortly. It is especially the number one for lunches. I don't know whether the reason is the air or the water, but everything is so tasty from the tomato salad to the olive oil. Besides, grilled octopus, zucchini blossom fritters, pasta with pesto and a variety of fresh fish! And its legendary temptation room of sweets.

Recognizable for most of you from the advertisements and films, I may refer the two rocks in the sea

as the best beach club of Italy. This is *Fontelina BeachClub*. With an entrance fee of 22-Euros and limited space, it is a special place that offers sunbathing on the rocks. Fontelina Beach Club is a must-see address where you can get tired of seeing beautiful people and eat salad and pasta at the best restaurant when you are hungry.

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Located at only 15-minutes walking distance from the center of Capri, *Ristorante daTonino* is the meeting point for Italian dishes which originate from the Naples region . Situated at a location which is close to the highest point of the island, the restaurant with a splendid panorama is closed once a week, check their web sites before you go. *Melia* is a simple and luxurious boutique hotel located on the shopping street of Anacapri. If you are a massage lover, you may be thrilled to know that the spa and therapists of the hotel are excellent. This is the right address for those who would like to let off steam after a stressful day. Besides, The prices are very reasonable compared to other hotels. Boutique 100% Capri, so to speak the symbol of the island, offers designs made from the best linens in the world; they are so beautiful that you can not take your eyes off. It is difficult to get hold of Antonino Aiello, the owner of the brand as he owns stores in every corner of the world but I was lucky enough to both take a photo and engage into a conversation. You cannot miss it among the shopping stores which extend from the square of the island. >



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THE MOST POPULAR OF ITALIAN RIVIERA

Liguera region is an attraction location for the visitors throughout every season of the year. Thanks to its eye-pleasing architecture with pastel colors, Portofino, the pearl of Liguera and a true fishermen's village, is invaded by the tourists during the day time, whereas the stage belongs to the residents of the village and the guests staying at the hotels as from 7:00 pm. Turkish airlines has four round trip flights between Istanbul and Milan every day. It is possible to reach PortofinoSanta Margherita Liguera station in two and a half hours from Milan Airport. The history of *Belmond Hotel Splendid* with its 67 rooms and suites and *Splendido Mare* with its 16 rooms dates back to 16th century. Built as a monastery, the building was firstly converted into the summer house of Baron Baratta. It has been serving as a hotel since 1902. The hotel has hosted renowned guests from

Winston Churchill to Elizabeth Taylor All the rooms overlook the Portofino bay. If you would like to enjoy a very special accommodation experience, I would recommend Dolce Vita Suite; you will have a villa, garden and an endless panorama, which will be all yours. The hotel also has a restaurant called LaTerrazza. I specially recommend their home-made pestos and self-produced olive oils.

Overlooking Portofino square and open until 30th of October, *Chufay* has a menu which is prepared daily by the Chef Roberto Villa based on fresh seafood.

Gelateria San Giorgio, the organic ice cream shop of the village, is open from the early morning hours until 11:00pm. Don't wait until late hours to taste their spicy sorbets and fresh fruit ice creams, they may be sold-out.

Run by twin brothers, *Da I Gemelli* is mainly a seafood restaurant. At the restaurant, which serves lunch and dinner, the brothers Matteo and Paolo take care of each guest personally. ■ Booking is recommended, otherwise you may not find a place.



Above: *Il Riccio Beach Club & Restaurant* On the Right: *Belmond Hotel Splendido*, Below, on the Right: *İlker Topdemir*



“One of the best things to do is to watch the sunset at Camogli, the neighboring village of Portofino”

