



GELATO SISTERHOOD *on the Amalfi Shore*

New Book Puts Reader Under the Spell of Italy's Seductive Amalfi Coast

Your eyes sparkle as you envision the sun-washed ancient towns set against the turquoise blue waters of the Mediterranean Sea. You smell the lemon-scented breeze as you window-shop outside world-class ceramic boutiques. You taste the steaming cappuccino from a sidewalk café in the main piazza atop Capri, the romantic playground of the rich and famous.

A romance novel, you ask? No, this is *Gelato Sisterhood on the Amalfi Shore* by first-time author and travel executive Chantal Kelly. Part personal diary, part historical review, part travelogue, Kelly escorts the reader along with her group of ten women on a seven-day excursion to one of the most talked about locations in the world.

The European-born author knows Southern Italy intimately. In her book, she recounts her initial visit in her early 20s to the Amalfi shore, which became a life-long infatuation to her due to its people and culture. "A love of travel, a career in the industry and my personal background inspired me to write a first-hand account about one of my favorite European destinations," said Kelly. "The story probes into the rich history of the area as this eclectic group of women discover centuries-old towns, taste regional wines and swoon over the Italian men. It is anything but fiction."

Filled with humorous anecdotes, historical insights and favorite Italian recipes, the book appeals to those who love Italy and those who want to be enchanted with it. The reader wanders through the ancient stone paved streets of Pompeii and Herculaneum 1900 years after Mt. Vesuvius buried the once vibrant villages under hot molten lava. You climb the serpentine roads to Positano and see ceramic artists hand-paint tiles to be brought to life in 1000-degree kilns. And you sit in at the Sorrento School of Cooking and learn the fine art of making pasta filled with a dollop of cheese mixture that is "delizioso!"

As you read *Gelato Sisterhood on the Amalfi Shore*, you will become mesmerized by this little corner of heaven on earth where sun and inspiration are served up daily. No wonder so many literary luminaries such as D. H. Lawrence and Oscar Wilde came to Campania to stay for long sojourns. "It's been said many times that to find contentment as a writer, you must write about what you love," added Kelly. "I will tell you that I love Campania."

Gelato Sisterhood on the Amalfi Shore can be found on Amazon.com and soon in better bookstores everywhere.