

Evenings and Birthday in Syracuse – April 25 & 27, 2018 – Syracuse, Sicily, Italy

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Not all our time with Anna and Edmund was looking at old things. We spent three evenings in Ortygia, which is the original settlement of Syracuse. Ortygia is located on a small island to the south of Syracuse. We would take a five to seven minute taxi rides each way and had what I tasted as very good meals.

Anna volunteered to introduce Nancy and me to several desserts and drinks – sometimes in the late afternoon and others after dinner. I don't remember the names of the desserts but I do remember what they look like and have continued to order when I see them in a pastry case.

Our drinks and the free bar food. This was at the small café shop next to the entrance to our hotel.



Standing on one of the bridges and looking at another bridge connecting the island of Ortygia to Syracuse.



From the bridge looking at the first street on the island of Ortygia.



One of the main shopping streets.



Not all shopping has to be expensive.



What's an Italian city without a ruin or two.



On our last night with Anna and Edmund we celebrated Nancy's birthday a day early. Again, Anna did the honors by sourcing an Italian birthday cake for Nancy.





I don't know how many pieces everyone else had but I know I had at least two and I believe it was more likely three pieces.





Edmund had celebrated his birthday the night before they arrived in Syracuse. The birthday kids.

