



Itinerary

Classical Greece

Sep 4, 2021 - Sep 13, 2021

Pre Night: Athenaeum Grand Hotel



Would you like to begin your vacation with an additional Hotel in Athens?

Day 1: Overnight Flight



Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. This fascinating tour of Greece begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Athens, Greece - Tour Begins



Arrive in Athens, cradle of Democracy and capital city of Greece. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your Greek experience with a delightful welcome dinner.

Hotel

Athenaeum Grand
Athens

Culinary

Dinner

Weather

High 83°
Low 67°

Day 3: Athens



Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Parliament, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, ascend the steep hill of the Acropolis. Greek for "highest city," the Acropolis was the religious center of ancient Athens and is crowned by the Parthenon, considered the pinnacle of classical Greek architecture. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens.

Hotel

Athenaeum Grand
Athens

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 83°
Low 67°

Day 4: Athens - Thermopylae - Kalambaka



Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas who died defending Greece against the Persians. This afternoon, visit a local studio to see painters at work creating beautiful Byzantine icons. End your day at a family-owned taverna and savor a delicious meal with recipes passed down from generations.

Hotel

Grand Hotel Meteora
Kalambaka

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 82°
Low 63°
Rain 1"

Day 5: Kalambaka - Metéora - Arachova



This morning, visit Metéora and enjoy guided tours of two remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape of limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

Hotel

Domotel Anemolia Resort & Conference
Arachova

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 84°
Low 66°

Day 6: Arachova - Delphi - Olympia



This morning tour the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centers during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of mankind. Then travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. Visit a local farm in the countryside and meet with the owners to learn about everyday life. Following the tour, enjoy a tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades and sweets.

Hotel

Amalia Hotel Olympia
Olympia

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 83°
Low 67°

Day 7: Olympia



Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium – where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. – and the museum. Next, learn how to cook some of the region's best dishes as you partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances at a delightful Greek dance class.

Hotel

Amalia Hotel Olympia
Olympia

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 83°
Low 67°

Day 8: Olympia - Mycenae - Nafplio - Tolo



Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the ancient city of Mycenae for a guided visit of the excavations featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate. Later stop in Nafplio, Greece's first capital city and a favorite among locals for its elegant neoclassical architecture. Your day ends in the picturesque seaside village of Tolo.

Hotel

King Minos Hotel
Tolo

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 83°
Low 61°

Day 9: Tolo - Athens



This morning, cross the Corinth Canal on your way back to Athens. Celebrate the end of a memorable trip to Greece by gathering with the rest of your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Hotel

Holiday Inn Athens Attica
Athens

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 83°
Low 67°

Day 10: Athens - Tour Ends



Your tour ends today.