

#### **Athens & Classical Greece**

# Athens - Epidaurus - Mycenae - Nafplio - Olympia - Delphi





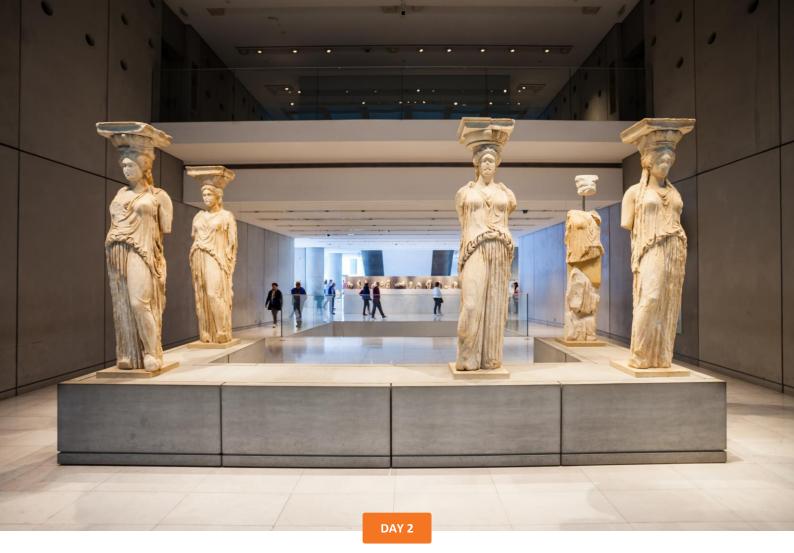


# **Arrival in Athens**

- Upon arrival at Athens International Airport, you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel.
- Balance of the day at leisure.
- If time permits depending on your arrival time to Athens, you may enjoy one of our optional tours. (Cape Sounion or Athens By Night Tour with Traditional Greek show).
- Overnight stay in Athens.

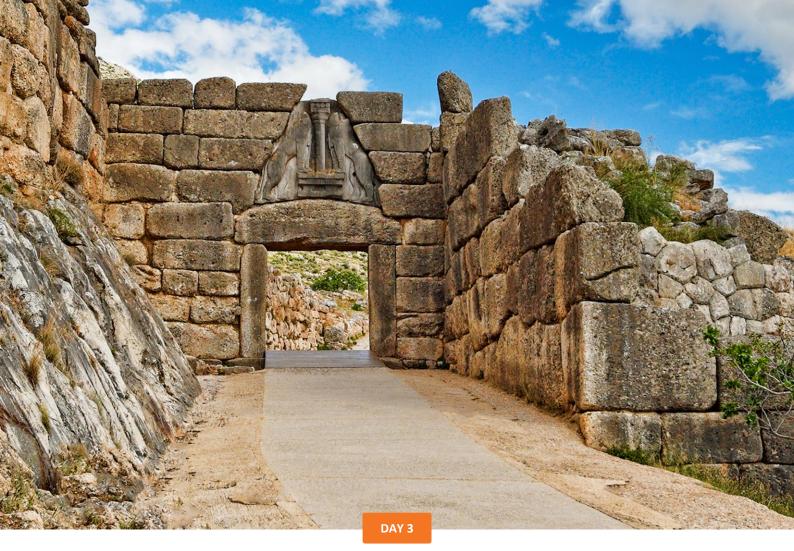






### **Athens**

- After breakfast at hotel, pick up for our Athens Sightseeing Tour. Our Athens Half Day Tour begins with a panoramic drive around Syntagma square, passing by many sightseeing hot spots such as National Garden, Hadrian's Arch, St. Paul's Church, Parliament, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Catholic Cathedral and Schliemann's House. We will then drive past the Athens Trilogy which includes the University of Athens, the Academy of Athens, and the National Library. Our licensed guide will make you feel as if you are experiencing firsthand Athens's old and new history as you look at these stately buildings. We continue for a photo stop at Panathenaic Stadium, otherwise known as Kallimarmaro Stadium, where the first Olympic Games took place in 1896. As we proceed, we pass by Zappeion and the Temple of Olympian Zeus. Last but not least, we make our way to the archaeological site of Acropolis, an UNESCO'S world heritage monument and we visit Propylae, as well as the small Temple of Athena Nike. Of course, our visit shall not be completed without the Parthenon and Erechtheion. The expert guided Athens sightseeing and museum tour continues with a pleasant short walk passing by Herodion and Dionysos Theater, in order to visit the New Acropolis Museum. With this Athens half day tour, you will enjoy one of the top UNESCO'S world heritage monuments.
- At the end of our tour, transfer back to your hotel & balance of the day at leisure.
- Overnight stay in Athens.



## **Epidaurus - Nafplio - Mycenae - Olympia**

- After breakfast, pick up from hotel for your three-day Classical Greece tour to explore the glory of ancient Greece with and visit five UNESCO'S world heritage sites.
- We depart from Athens along the scenic coastal road, with a short stop at the Corinth Canal, an impressive 19th-century engineering feat connecting the Ionian and Aegean Seas.
- We continue to Epidaurus, where you'll visit the Ancient Theatre, world-renowned for its exceptional acoustics and still in use today for live performances.
- Next, enjoy a short photo stop in Nafplio, the first capital of modern Greece, with its romantic old town and Venetian architecture.
- Travel through the fertile plain of Argos to reach Mycenae, one of the most important archaeological sites of ancient Greece. Explore the ruins of the citadel, the legendary Lion's Gate, the Cyclopean Walls, and the Tomb of Agamemnon, the mythical king who led the Greeks to Troy.
- In the afternoon, journey through the scenic Central Peloponnese, passing Tripolis and Megalopolis, and arrive in Olympia, the birthplace of the ancient Olympic Games.
- Dinner and overnight stay in Olympia.



# Olympia - Delphi

- Breakfast at hotel and we begin our day with a guided visit to the archaeological site of Olympia, home to the Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the Temple of Hera, the ancient Stadium, the altar of the Olympic flame, and the Olympia Archaeological Museum, housing some of Greece's finest classical treasures.
- Later, we travel north through Patras (short stop), and cross the breathtaking Rion— Antirion Bridge, one of the longest cable-stayed bridges in the world.
- We pass the charming town of Nafpaktos (Lepanto) and drive along the coastal road to the sacred site of Delphi, once considered the center of the ancient world.
- Dinner and overnight stay in Delphi.



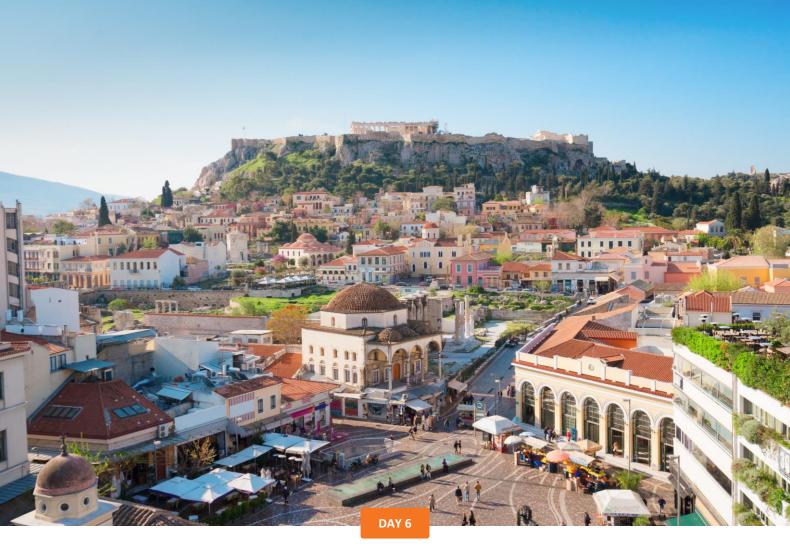




## **Delphi - Athens**

- After breakfast, we explore the spectacular archaeological site of Delphi, one of Greece's most important cultural and religious centers. Walk the Sacred Way, visit the Temple of Apollo, home to the Oracle, and explore highlights such as the Castalia Spring, the Athenian Treasury, the Stoa of the Athenians, the Polygonal Wall, and the Monument of Platea.
- Our visit continues to the Delphi Museum, with must-see exhibits including the famous bronze Charioteer, the Naxian Sphinx, the Statue of Antinoos, and treasures from across the ancient Greek world.
- In the early afternoon, we begin our return to Athens, passing through Arachova, Levadia, and Thebes, and arriving in the city by early evening.
- Our tour returns to Athens late in the afternoon.
- Overnight stay in Athens.





# **Departure from Athens**

- Breakfast at the hotel, check-out and morning at leisure for your last-minute shopping or strolling down the streets of Athens.
- Depending on your international departure flight, transfer to Athens International Airport.





#### **Inclusions**

- 3 Nights Athens Hotel accommodation (3\*/4\*/5\*) on Breakfast basis
- 1 Night Olympia Hotel accommodation (3\*/4\*) on Half Board basis
- 1 Night Delphi Hotel accommodation (3\*/4\*) on Half Board basis
- SIC (shared basis) Half day Athens Sightseeing Tour, including the Acropolis Arch. Site and the Museum of Acropolis (entrance fees included) with professional guide & transfers from/to hotel
- SIC (shared basis) Three Days Classical Greece (Epidaurus, Mycenae, Olympia, Delphi) Sightseeing tour on HB basis, including transfers to/from hotel & guided visits with professional guide (tour operates on specific days of the week)
- Entrance fees at Museums & Archaeological sites as mentioned above
- Licensed professional Guide on tours
- Private transfers in Athens, from/to airport with professional driver
- All taxes

#### **Suggested hotels:**

Athens: 3\* Athenian Montaza or similar

4\* The Stanley or similar

5\* Radisson Blu Park / Wyndham Grand Athens or similar

**Olympia & Delphi:** Accommodation (3\*/4\*) as allocated by the shared tour provider, according to the selected tour category.

#### **Not Included**

- International and/or Domestic flights
- Other optional tours
- Other Meals or Beverages
- Other transfers
- Climate Resilience Tax to be paid directly to the hotel
- Gratuities (optional)
- Any personal expenses
- In case of an increase in the VAT or other taxes, including entrance fees, rates are subject to change without prior notice.
- Rates may change during special periods such as Authentic Marathon dates, Christmas, New Year, Easter, International Congresses, Conventions and Fairs.
- We would like to inform you that guests shall be required to pay directly to the hotel a "Climate Resilience Tax", per overnight, per room. This tax goes directly to the state and the Hotel and/or travel agents have no interference. Hotel guests shall be requested to pay the Climate Resilience Tax directly to the hotel and is not included in our above offer.





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