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9 Day Classical Greece

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DAY 1

Destination	Athens
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your Greek experience with a delightful welcome dinner.

DAY 2

Destination	Athens
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, it's your choice! Choose a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis -OR- embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including Pnyx – where democracy was formed in Greece – and the Temple of Hephaestus. This evening, perhaps you'll choose to join an optional local food tour of Athens.

DAY 3

Destination	Athens 🚗 Thermopylae 🚗 Metéora 🚗 Kalambaka
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas who died defending the city against the Persians. Arrive in 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. End your day at a family-owned taverna and savour a delicious meal with recipes passed down from generations.

DAY 4

Destination	Kalambaka 🚗 Delphi 🚗 Arachova
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

This morning, visit a local studio to see painters at work creating beautiful Byzantine icons. Continue to the ancient city

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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. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

DAY 5

Destination	Arachova 🚗 Olympia
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

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. This evening, broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances at a delightful Greek dance class.

DAY 6

Destination	Olympia
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

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 with a delightful Greek dance class.

DAY 7

Destination	Olympia 🚗 Mycenae 🚗 Nafplio
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

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. Your day ends in the picturesque seaside resort of Nafplio

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DAY 8

Destination	Nafplio 🚗 Athens
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

This morning, enjoy free time to further explore Nafplio before heading back to Athens. Celebrate the end of a memorable trip to Greece by gathering with the rest of your fellow travellers in Athens' historic Plaka district. Feast on local cuisine and wine whilst enjoying Greek entertainment.

DAY 9

Destination	Athens
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Your tour ends today.

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Inclusions

WHATS INCLUDED

Discover the magnificent ruins of ancient Greece
Temple of Zeus, the archaeological site of Olympia, and ancient artifacts of Delphi.
local experts on guided tours of Athens, Metéora, Delphi, and Olympia
15 Meals - 8 Breakfasts - 1 Lunch - 6 Dinners
Superior twin share accommodation
Sightseeing and transportation as per the itinerary

Fine Print

HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a \$250 deposit per person.
Pay a 2nd instalment of \$427 per person within 28 days.
You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.
Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
Your position on the tour will be confirmed within 48 hours of completing your order. If your place cannot be confirmed, a full refund of the deposit will occur.

OPTIONAL TOURS

Athens Local Food Tour
\$151 pp

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EXCLUSIONS

Airfares
Personal Expenses
Travel Insurance
Optional activities
Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

HOTEL LIST

Athens - Crowne Plaza Athens City Centre
Kalambaka - Grand Hotel Meteora
Arachova - Domotel Anemolia Resort
Olympia - Europa Hotel Olympia
Nauplion - Amphitryon Hotel

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation
The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement
A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra \$1200 subject to availability.

Triple Share
Not available.

Children
Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation
Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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