



## Grand Tour of Greece

7 Nights



### Summary

*Discover the land where Alexander became Great and the Gods were consulted through mysterious Oracles. Explore sun-bleached temples and magnificent monasteries, either teetering on pillars of rock or vividly painted with bat-winged demons and sword wielding saints. Greece through the centuries will unfold before you on this 8 days tour*

### Overview

**Interest:** group - family

**Level of Comfort:** 5/5

**Minimum # of passengers:** none

**Maximum # of passengers:** none

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**Day 1: Arrival – Athens**

*Upon arrival to Athen's international airport, meet greet and transfer to hotel  
Rest of the day at leisure*

**Day 2: Athens - Corinth Canal – Nauplion – Olympia**

*Leave by the coastal road to the Corinth. Drive on and visit the Theatre of Epidaurus famous for its remarkable acoustics*

*Then proceed to the Town of Nauplion (short stop) drive on to Mycenae and visit the Archaeological Site and the Tomb of Agamemnon*

*Then depart for Olympia through Central Peloponnese and the towns of Tripolis and Megalopolis*

*Arrive at Olympia, cradle of the ancient Olympic Games*

*Dinner at hotel*

**Day 3: Olympia – Delphi**

*In the morning visit the Archaeological Site with the sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the Ancient Stadium and the Archaeological Museum*

*Then drive on through the plains of Ilia and Achaia until the magnificent bridge which is crossing the Corinthian Bay from Rion to Antirion. Pass by the picturesque Towns of Nafpactos (Lepanto) and Itea, arrive in Delphi*

*Dinner at hotel*

**Day 4: Delphi**

*In the morning visit the Archaeological Site and the Museum of Delphi*

*Depart for Kalambaka, a small town situated at the foot of the astonishing complex of the Meteora, those gigantic rocks that rise steep from the plain of Thessaly*

*Dinner at hotel*

**Day 5: Meteora - Thessaloniki**

*Visit the Meteora: perched on top of huge rocks, which seem to be suspended in mid-air, stand ageless Monasteries, where you can see exquisite specimens of Byzantine art*

*Depart from Kalambaka, drive through the striking plain of Thessaly and the Valley of Tempi, and admire the gigantic figure of Mount Olympus, the highest mountain in Greece and home of the 12 Gods in Greek Mythology*

*Dinner at hotel*

**Day 6: Thessaloniki**

*In the morning visit the city that throughout the era of the Byzantine Empire was the "co-reigning" city, second in population and prestige only to Constantinople. Visit unique monuments and feel the glorious Byzantine past in some of the oldest and most characteristic churches of the Christian world as well as in the Museum of Byzantine Culture,*

*awarded with the Council of Europe's Museum Prize for the year 2005*

*Rest of the day free, to enjoy time in the lively center of the city*

*Dinner at hotel*

**Day 7: Thessaloniki – Macedonia - Thessaloniki**

*Depart in the morning for a unique approach to historical Macedonia*

*First stop at picturesque Edessa where we see the town's famous landmark, the Waterfalls*

*Then proceed to Naoussa, to a site of exceptional beauty and importance: Aristotle's School, the picturesque site where the great philosopher taught 'the doctrines of morals and politics' to Alexander the Great and the Macedonian youth.*

*Then drive to Vergina (ancient Aigai), to live the experience of a visit to the unique Museum, created in the Great*

*Tumulus covering the royal tombs of Macedonia. See the astonishing findings from the tomb of King Phillip II, Alexander's father, and feel the thrill of the greatest discovery of the 20th century. In only a few miles away is Veria (Biblical Beroea) to*

*visit Saint Paul's Bema, and then stroll through the old Jewish neighborhood and the colourful market area. A walk in a city where past is present and around. Return to Thessaloniki*

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**Day 8: Athens**

*Drive to Pella, the capital of Alexander the Great. See the exquisite floor mosaics of the 4th century B.C. villas, in situ as well as in the new Museum. Then proceed and visit the Archaeological Park of Dion (sacred city of the Macedonians, at the foot of mountain Olympus). After the visit you shall start driving south and through Thessaly, Lamia, Thermopylae (see the Leonidas' Monument) and Thebes, arrive in Athens late in the afternoon  
Transfer to the airport for your departure flight*

*This is a product sheet elaborated in order to give you a quick overview of package suggestions our destination specialists can propose. Make an appointment to order to customize it as per your needs and get a detailed quotation.*

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