

Classic Greece in Action, 6 days

🕒 6 ημέρες

από € 990,00

Excursion - Activity

Ancient Wonders & Epic Landscapes

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Highlights

Experience the perfect blend of history, culture, and adventure on this immersive journey through Greece's most iconic destinations. Explore legendary archaeological sites—Mycenae, Ancient Olympia, Delphi, and Meteora, with expert local guides, uncovering the stories behind temples, sanctuaries, and monasteries. Follow ancient trails and scenic hiking paths, from the forested slopes of Mt. Parnassos to the dramatic Lousios Gorge, and along the towering rock pinnacles of Meteora. Along the way, enjoy breathtaking landscapes, panoramic views, and hidden corners of authentic Greece. Savor local cuisine, wine tastings, and traditional Greek picnics, discover charming mountain villages, and stay in boutique hotels that showcase the warmth of Greek hospitality. Adventure options like sea kayaking in Nafplio and optional rappelling in Meteora add excitement to your cultural journey. This is a trip for travelers who want to move, explore, and feel Greece, connecting with its history, landscapes, and living traditions.



General Information

Highlights

- **Iconic Sites:** Explore Mycenae, Olympia, Delphi, and Meteora with expert local guides.
- **Scenic Hikes:** Walk ancient paths through Lousios Gorge, Mt. Parnassos, and Meteora's rock trails.
- **Stunning Views:** Panoramas of olive valleys, the Corinthian Gulf, forests, cliffs, and Meteora's pinnacles.
- **Authentic Greece:** Visit mountain villages, traditional tavernas, and charming boutique hotels.
- **Cultural Treasures:** Cliffside monasteries, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and world-class museums.
- **Adventure & Local Experiences:** Sea kayaking in Nafplio, wine tastings, and optional Meteora rappelling.
- **Scenic Drives:** Cross the Rio-Antirrio Bridge and travel through Greece's plains and mountains.

Equipment needed

Please consider bringing the following items on your trip. This is not a fixed list, but rather a guideline—feel free to add or remove items as you see fit.

Greece has a temperate climate, so it's best to dress in layers. This way, you can easily "peel off" layers when it's warm or quickly "dress up" if it becomes cooler or windy.

- Day pack to carry a camera, water bottle, and snacks, etc.
- Mid-weight polar fleece sweater
- Rain jacket and rain pants
- Hiking shorts & Hiking pants
- Casual clothing made of light-weight fabrics
- T-shirts
- Long-sleeve shirt
- Swimsuit
- Sun hat
- Lightweight and supportive hiking shoes
- Beach sandals
- Casual, comfortable shoes for evening
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Beach towel
- Trekking poles
- Motion sickness remedies
- Personal first-aid kit
- Insect repellent
- Water bottle

The lighter you travel, the easier you travel. Use your best judgment and pack as lightly as possible. You will appreciate light luggage towards the end of your trip.

Your package includes:

Self-Drive-Semi Guided Tour:

- Accommodation BB in 3* hotels in Twin/double rooms
- Professional licensed guides for arch. Sites
- Entrance fees in Mycenae-Epidauros, Olympia, Delphi arch. sites
- Sea kayak activity
- Hiking in Lousios gorge
- Hiking in Delphi
- Hiking in Meteora

Guided Tour:

- Transport by private car (incl. fuel/toll costs)
- Accommodation BB in 3* hotels in Twin/double rooms
- Accommodation tax
- Dinner on Day 1, 5
- Lunch on Day 3, 5, 6
- English Speaking tour leader
- Entrance fees to Mycenae-Epidauros, Olympia, Delphi arch. Sites
- Professional licensed guides in Mycenae-Epidauros, Olympia, Delphi
- One sea kayak activity
- Hiking in Lousios gorge
- Hiking in Delphi
- Hiking in Meteora

Your package excludes:

Self-Drive-Semi Guided Tour:

- Personal Expenses
- Meals
- Monastery entrance fee 5€/person in Meteora
- Hotel stayover tax payable on the spot by participants
- Anything not mentioned in above program
- Travel Insurance

Guided Tour:

- Personal Expenses
- Drinks during meals
- Meteora Monastery entrance fee 5€/person in
- Anything not mentioned in above program
- Travel Insurance

Prices

Self-Drive-Semi Guided Mode:

- 990€ (3 star hotels) for 6 participants
- 1.000€ (3 star hotels) for 4 participants
- 1.430€ (3 star hotels) for 2 participants

Guided Mode:

- 1.900€ (3 star hotels) for 6 participants (9-seater van)
- 2.350€ (3 star hotels) for 4 participants
- 3.670€ (3 star hotels) for 2 participants

Single supplement: 160€

Itinerary

Day 1: Athens to Nafplio

We depart from the vibrant city of Athens and head toward Nafplio, with a brief stop at the impressive Corinth Canal—a six-kilometer waterway linking the Ionian and Aegean Seas.

Nafplio, often regarded as one of Greece's most beautiful towns, served as the first capital of the modern Greek state and has been an important port since the Bronze Age. Take your time to wander through its charming alleys, enjoy the neoclassical architecture, and, if you're up for it, climb the famed 999 steps to Palamidi Fortress for sweeping panoramic views.

Overnight in Nafplio.

Distance: 135Km's about 2 hours' drive

Day 2: Mycenae - Epidauros and Sea Kayak

We begin our day with visits to Mycenae and Epidauros. Enter the ancient citadel of Mycenae through the iconic Lion Gate and wander among ruins that inspired Homer's epics. Marvel at the massive Cyclopean walls and visit the nearby tholos tombs, including the famed Treasury of Atreus.

We continue to Epidauros to experience its superbly preserved third-century BCE theater, celebrated for its flawless acoustics. The surrounding sanctuary, dedicated to Asklepios, offers a peaceful setting recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

In the afternoon, we switch to adventure with a refreshing sea-kayaking tour from Nafplio, the first capital of modern Greece. Paddle out to the tiny Bourtzi **fort**, then along the old town's shoreline beneath its historic fortifications, with the Palamidi fortress towering above. Following the coast under Akronauplia's cliffs, we enjoy sweeping views of dramatic rock formations and lush vegetation crowned by ancient walls.

Overnight in Nafplion.

Sea Kayaking Details

- **Difficulty Level:** Very easy
- **Suitability:** All ages and experience levels
- **Paddling Distance:** 7km
- **Duration:** 4hours Total- 1,5hours of relaxed pace paddling
- **Sea Kayak type:** Single or double Sea Kayaks and all equipment (buoyancy aid, spray deck, paddle)

Day 3: Hiking in Lousios Gorge - Ancient Olympia

Early in the morning, we continue into a lesser known yet deeply inspiring mountain region in central Peloponnese, famous for its historic villages such as Dimitsana, Stemnitsa, and Karytaina. Today's adventure is a hike through the magnificent Lousios Gorge—a perfect blend of nature and history.

We follow forested trails that run parallel to and cross over the Lousios River, visiting cliff-side monasteries that seem to hang suspended above the gorge. The hike concludes at the archaeological site of Ancient Gortys, one of the most atmospheric sites in Greece, set beside the rushing river once known as the Gortynios.

After enjoying a traditional Greek picnic lunch, we continue our journey to Olympia.

Overnight in Olympia.

Distance: 80Km, about 1,5 hours' drive.

Hike Details: 5km, we descend from 670m to 370m to Iron Bridge, then ascend to 550m at Prodomos Monastery to descend at 325m, heading to Ancient Gortys.

(optional activity instead of hiking is rafting)

Day 4: Ancient Olympia - Delphi

The archaeological site of Olympia is one of the largest and most beautiful in Greece. With our guide, we walk through a serene valley of wild olive and plane trees toward the ancient ruins. Passing beneath the towering temple columns, we feel the awe of Olympian history come to life.

We explore the Sanctuary of Zeus and the excellent archaeological museum. Given Olympia's importance, we enjoy a comprehensive guided tour followed by some free time to soak in the site's unique ambience.

In the afternoon, we continue toward Patra and cross into western Greece via the impressive Rio-Antirrio Bridge, often called the "Little Dardanelles." Afterward, we drive through the charming coastal town of Nafpaktos and follow a scenic shoreline route until we reach Delphi.

Overnight in Delphi.

Distance: 240Km, about 3,5 hours' drive.

Day 5: Delphi Hike & Archaeological Site Visit - Meteora

A historic and inspiring hike that blends the magic of nature with the mystery of ancient temples awaits us. We follow the ancient footpath once used by Pan's worshippers as they journeyed between Delphi and the Corycean Grotto—now part of the E4 European trail.

Starting from the Livadi plateau at 1,200 meters, we descend through the forested slopes of Mt. Parnassos toward Delphi. Along the way, sweeping views open over the valley of olive trees, the Corinthian Gulf, and the distant Peloponnese mountains. We pause for a picnic in a traditional sheep barn near the Cave of Pan before continuing toward the sanctuary.

Upon arriving in Delphi, we explore the archaeological site and museum with a professional guide. Highlights include the Treasury of the Athenians, the Temple of Apollo, and masterpieces such as the Bronze Charioteer and the statue of the athlete Aghias—treasures that make Delphi a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

- Distance: 8km.
- Altitude 1200m.
- Ascend 100m.
- Descend 650m.

We drive across the wide Thessalian plain to Kalambaka, a small town nestled at the foot of the Meteora rocks. In this remote corner of Thessaly lies a striking and majestic landscape, rightly famed as one of the wonders of the East. Towering above Kalambaka, the Meteora monasteries cling dramatically to the sheer rock pinnacles, creating an unforgettable sight.

Overnight in Meteora.

Distance: 230Km, about 3,5 hours' drive.

Day 6: Hiking in Meteora and back to Athens

Take in breathtaking views from the top of the rocks as our professional local guides share the history and geological significance of Meteora. Our hiking tour begins at St. Nicholas Monastery in the village of Kastraki, following the old footpaths once used by the monks, winding between the towering rock formations. We pass beneath the ruined Pantocrator Monastery on the north face of Dupiani Rock, then enter the lush heart of the forest to reach the restored Monastery of Ipapanti and the nearby ruins of St. Dimitrios. From here, the trail climbs gently upward, leading us to the clifftop monasteries of Varlaam and Great Meteoro, where we visit one of these remarkable sanctuaries.

Our descent back to Kastraki follows another ancient monastic path, passing the cave of St. George Mandila, famous for the colorful scarves climbers hang there each year.

- Hike Details: 7.2 km.
- Duration: 4 hours
- Difficulty level: 1
- Ascend: 320m.
- Descend: 320m.

After lunch we return to Athens.

Distance: 350Km, about 4 hours' drive.

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