

07 Days Classical Greece

Day 01

Arrive Athens and transfer to your hotel.

Day 02 : Half – Day ATHENS SIGHTSEEING

Depart for TEMPLE OF OLYMPIAN ZEUS (visit). Proceed to PANATHINAIKO STADIUM cradle of the first Olympic Games took place in 1896 (short stop). Pass by the Prime's Ministers residence, Ex Royal Palace, (guarded by colourful Evzones) Zappion (Conference and Exhibition Hall), National Garden, Hadrian's Arc, St. Paul's Church, Parliament, Tomb of the Unknown soldier, Schlieman's House (Nomismatic Museum), Catholic Cathedral, Academy, University, National Library, Old Parliament, Constitution Square, Russian Orthodox Church, ACROPOLIS, (visit Propylaea, Temple of Athena Nike, Parthenon, Erechtheion and Museum of the Acropolis)

Day 03: Day cruise

Dep by bus to Piraeus and sail for Aegina. Cruise through the straits to visit Poros. Lunch on board and on to visit Hydra (time at leisure for swimming or shopping). Sail back to Piraeus and transfer by bus to Athens. Overnight at the hotel

Day 04: Depart from Athens; we pass by the **OLYMPIC STADIUM** . We continue for the **CORINTH CANAL** (short stop). Drive to **EPIDAUROS** and visit the Ancient theatre, world famous for its outstanding acoustics. Proceed to **NAUPLIA** (short stop) and through the plain of ARGOS arrive to **MYCENAE**. Visit the archaeological site and the Tomb of Agamemnon. In the afternoon (optional stop for souvenirs) depart for **OLYMPIA, the birth place of the Olympic Games**, through the cities of Tripolis and MEGALOPOLIS
Overnight stay in Olympia.

Day 05: Visit the archaeological site with the Temple of Zeus, the Temple of Hera, **the altar of the Olympic flame**, the Stadium and the archaeological Museum. Depart via **PATRAS** (short stop) to **RION**, cross the Corinthian bay by the new bridge to ANTIRION. Pass by the city of NAFPAKTOS and from there on, along the coastal road to **DELPHI**, known in ancient times as **the navel of the world**. In the afternoon visit the picturesque mountain village of **ARACHOVA**. Overnight stay in Delphi.

Day 06: Visit the archaeological site, and, the **MUSEUM** of Delphi. Depart for **KALAMBAKA** via Central Greece (short stop by Lamia). Overnight stay in Kalambaka (a small town built at the foot of the majestic grey rocks and crowned by the METEORA Monasteries).

Day 07: Leave in the morning for nearby Meteora to visit the **BYZANTINE MONASTERIES**. Return to Athens passing the heroic monument of Leonidas at THERMOPYLAE.