



HERCULES 8 Days / 7 Nights

Athens, Delphi, Olympia, and Meteora. From € 766.61

Guaranteed departures every Friday, Saturday and Sunday from November to March and daily from April to October.

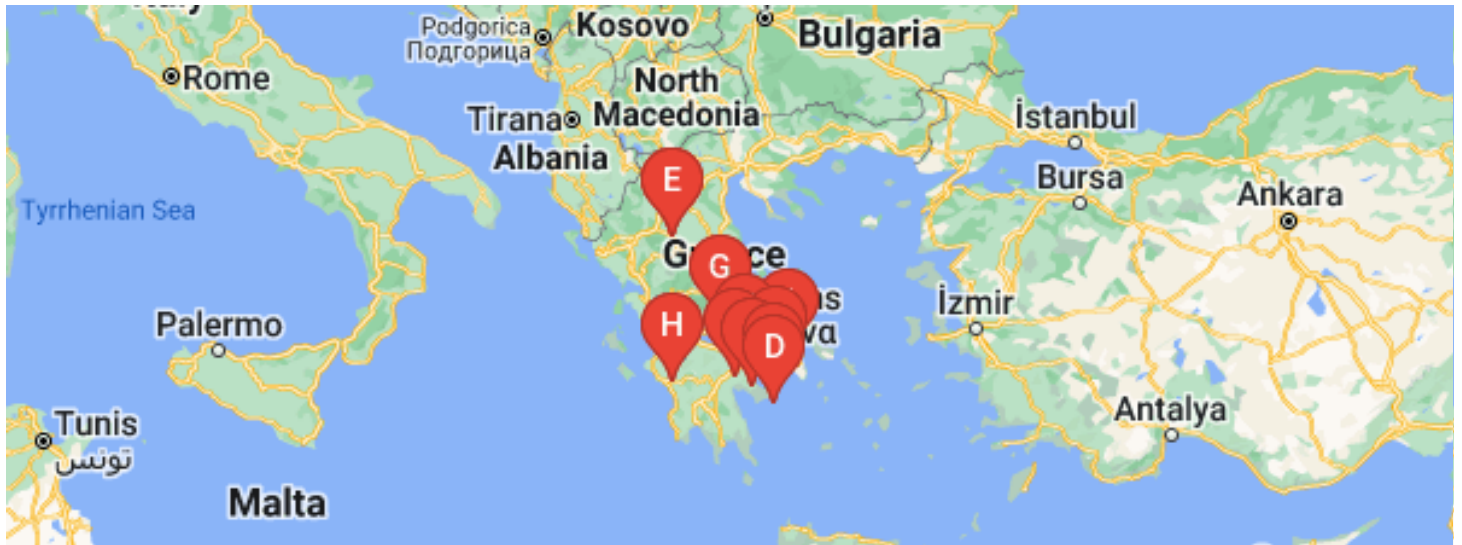
Free Cancellation up to 31 days before your arrival

What is included in this Package

- ✓ 4-night Accommodation in Athens.
- ✓ Classical Tour on Half Board basis.
- ✓ 1-night Accommodation in Olympia in 3* or 4* hotels.
- ✓ 1-night Accommodation in Delphi in 3* or 4* hotels.
- ✓ 1-night Accommodation in Kalambaka in 3* or 4* hotels.
- ✓ Half-day Athens sightseeing tour with an official English-speaking guide.
- ✓ Acropolis Museum tour with an official English-speaking guide.
- ✓ Evening walking tour through Monastiraki, Plaka, and Anafiotika.
- ✓ Entrance fees and tickets as per description.
- ✓ All transfers as per description.
- ✓ 24/7 Emergency phone line.
- ✓ Daily breakfast.

Not included Package & Optionals

- + Personal expenses, Gratuities (optional) & Municipality tax.
- + International air tickets.
- + Book more nights in Athens by clicking on "Customize your Program" or during step 1 of your booking
- + Travel with an absolute peace of mind by adding our cancellation and/or health insurance in step 1/3 of your booking.
- + Click on the [FAQs](#) for more information on hotels and rates.



Itinerary Hercules



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ATHENS - CRADLE OF CIVILIZATION

Arriving in **Athens**, we'll smoothly transfer you to your hotel in our comfortable vehicles. Our English-speaking assistant will be with you, ensuring your comfort and care throughout the journey. In the afternoon, at the hotel, our representative will provide you with all the essential trip details. Get ready for an engaging presentation about the city, where you'll gain insights into its vibrant daily life. Feel free to ask questions and clear any doubts, setting the stage for a pleasant and hassle-free experience throughout your trip.

With the rest of the day at your leisure, embrace Athens at your own pace. Immerse yourself in the captivating sights, sounds, and flavors of this remarkable city.

Greca Tip: Enhance your experience by easily extending your stay. Add more nights during the booking process!



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FROM ATHENS TO OLYMPIA - CRADLE OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Today, we'll head to the **Corinth Canal**, where you'll make a brief stop to take photos and admire this famous waterway that connects the Aegean Sea and the Gulf of Corinth. This impressive engineering marvel eliminates the need for ships to travel over 400 kilometers around the Peloponnese peninsula to reach the Ionian Sea.

Continuing on our journey, we'll reach the **Theater of Epidaurus**,

renowned worldwide for its exceptional acoustics and still used today for various performances, particularly during the summer. We'll also have time to explore the **Archaeological Museum of Epidaurus**, which pays homage to the origins of modern medicine. Next, we'll **travel to the city of Mycenae**, where you'll have the opportunity to visit the prehistoric **Acropolis**, the iconic **Lions Gate**, and the **tomb of Agamemnon**.

In the afternoon, we'll make our way across the central **Peloponnese region**.

By early evening, we'll **arrive in Olympia**, where you'll check into your hotel, enjoy dinner, and rest.

Greca Tip: Don't miss the chance to wander through the charming **Old Town of Nafplio**. Its narrow cobblestone streets are adorned with Bougainvillea trees, creating a picturesque setting. Consider picking up kombolyia, a circular chain with amber beads, as a lovely gift for yourself or your friends.



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FROM OLYMPIA TO THE NAVEL OF THE WORLD - DELPHI

In the morning, you will visit the site of the ancient **Olympic stadium**, where the first games were held at around 776 BC. The importance of these games was widely accepted, given the extensive participation of the Greek cities, which suspended hostilities throughout the celebrations. The **Olympiad** was recognized as the only chronological event in Greece and represented four years between two consecutive events.

Olympia was also the most important sanctuary of Ancient Greece, a place to worship Zeus, the first among the gods. The gigantic gold and ivory sculpture crafted by Phidias was considered one of the seven wonders of the ancient world.

After we **visit the Museum of Olympia**, you will continue your journey across the suspension of the **Rion-Antirion Bridge**, a modern engineering wonder, until you reach your destination. Upon your arrival at **Delphi**, you will have dinner and a well-deserved rest.

Greca Tip: In the evening you can go in search of the traditional character of nearby Arachova and enjoy a drink in a stylish café or a local kafeneio (coffee shop).

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FROM THE ORACLE TO METEORA, KALAMBAKA

Start your day with a delightful breakfast before embarking on a **visit to Delphi**, an esteemed UNESCO World Heritage site and the heart of the ancient world.



Here, the famous Oracle of Delphi advised kings and pilgrims. Don't miss the chance to **explore the Delphi Archaeological Museum**, home to the remarkable "Bronze Charioteer," a masterpiece of Greek sculpture.

Conclude your enriching **Delphi tour** by descending **Mount Parnassus** and making your way to the Thessaly plains, where the captivating city of Kalambaka awaits.

Upon **reaching Kalambaka**, indulge in a satisfying dinner and enjoy a well-deserved rest.

Greca Tip: Use your free time to **visit the Temple of Athena Pronaia** at Delphi.



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FROM KALAMBAKA TO ATTICA - ATHENS

Early in the morning, you will **visit Meteora**, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1988. In this mysterious landscape, the natural beauty is combined with the compelling presence of the eternal monasteries suspended or "Meteora" on top of the huge rocks. Currently, there are only six in use, five for the male and one for the female monastic community.

Dress code to the Monasteries: Sleeveless clothing and shorts above the knee are not allowed. Skirts, shawls, and trousers are available at the entrance of the Monasteries in case visitors do not have such clothing to cover themselves with.

On the way back to Athens, you will briefly stop at **Thermopylae**, where you can see the statue of the Spartan King Leonidas, famous for leading the battle against the Persians in 480 BC. In the late afternoon, you will arrive in **Athens**, where we will drop you off at your hotel.

Greca Tip: Take a stroll in Kalambaka's old town and look for handmade wood-carved objects and religious icons as well as home-made sausages, honey, fruit sweets and jams, and the regional pudding "spatoula" or "halva" for a sweet aftertaste.



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ATHENS SIGHTSEEING WITH ACROPOLIS, TEMPLE OF ZEUS & NIGHT TOUR

Start your day with a delightful breakfast before embarking on a **panoramic tour** of Athens' Neoclassical Center. Our licensed **English-speaking tour guide** will share captivating stories about their history and significance.

Athens' Neoclassical Center is home to significant landmarks like the Parliament building, which houses the Hellenic Parliament and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Other notable structures include the University of Athens, the National Library of Greece,

and the National Academy of Athens. The district also features attractions such as the Iliou Palace, the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Gate, and the iconic Panathenaic Stadium.

Next, prepare to be amazed by the legendary **Acropolis** and the captivating **Acropolis Museum**. The entrance fee to both sites is included, allowing you to immerse yourself in their grandeur.

Afterward, you can either return to your hotel or venture into the charming streets of Plaka for leisurely exploration.

As the sun sets, join us for an **evening walking tour of Athens**, through the enchanting residential districts of Anafiotika, Thissio, Monastiraki, and Plaka.

Marvel at their beauty and soak up the ambiance of these picturesque neighborhoods.

Greca Tip: In Plaka, indulge your senses with enticing finds, from exquisite ceramics and musical instruments to handmade jewelry. Also, you'll find specialty food shops overflowing with olives and spices, offering a true culinary delight.



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FREE DAY IN ATHENS AND OPTION FOR A DAY-CRUISE

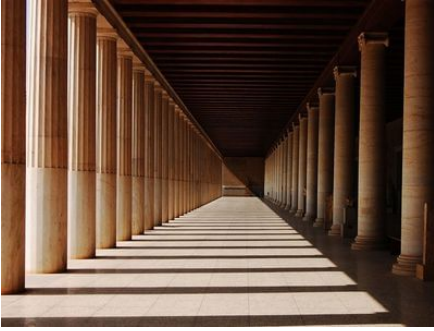
Today, you have the opportunity to enjoy a **free day in Athens**, allowing you to explore the city at your own pace. Alternatively, if you're in the mood for an enchanting experience, you can opt for a captivating [one-day cruise](#) to three stunning islands nestled in the picturesque **Saronic Gulf**.

On the one hand, if you choose to embark on the **full-day cruise**, you will be conveniently transferred to the port, where your adventure begins. The itinerary includes visits to three remarkable islands: **Aegina**, renowned for its delightful assortment of pistachios; **Poros**, celebrated for its scenic beauty; and **Hydra**, the greenest among these islands, boasting elegant stone mansions, a tranquil atmosphere, and car-free streets.

On board the ship, you can indulge in a delectable lunch accompanied by traditional Greek music and dance. At the end of the day, you will be comfortably transferred back to your hotel, ensuring a seamless experience.

On the other hand, if you decide to spend the **day in Athens**, you will have the freedom to explore the city's rich history, vibrant culture, and iconic landmarks at your own leisurely pace.

Greca Tip: You can add the cruise during step 1/3 while booking. If you do, make sure to try the different varieties of pistachio nuts grown on the famous **island of Aegina!**



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GOODBYE ATHENS - FAREWELL GREECE!

At the appointed time, one of our drivers will transfer you to **Athens International Airport**, where you will check in your luggage and benefit from the tax return resulting from your last-minute tax-free shopping for family and friends.

Having spent a few fantastic days with Greca, we hope to see you again soon to create together new and extraordinary moments that will be lovingly etched in your memory.

Have a nice trip! Or, as the Greeks say, "Kalo taksidi!"

Greca Tip: As a going-away gift you can choose from a wide range of brightly colored flokati rugs, handmade sandals, embroidered covers, and Greek honey or olive oil.

What other travelers say about us



Excellent Personal Service

I went on a tour of Delphi and Meteora with GRECA VIAJES and my experience was exceptional. The tour took place according to plan, very punctual, our guide Maria was in charge of making the trip very pleasant with her stories and anecdotes about Greece and especially all the information she gave us about the sites themselves, highly recommended.

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