PRIVATE TOURS GREECE

(0.81) - Classical tour + Zakynthos - Crete - Santorini - Aegina / 16 Days Private Tour



ATHENS / CORINTH CANAL / EPIDAURUS / NAFPLIO / MYCENAE / OLYMPIA / ZAKYNTHOS / DELPHI / METEORA / CRETE / SANTORINI / AEGINA

16 Days Private Tour in Greece

HIGHLIGHTS

• Acropolis • Museum of Acropolis • Temple of Zeus • Panathenaikon Stadium

• Academy / University of Athens / National Library • Plaka area

• Vouliagmeni Lake • Sounion • Temple of Poseidon

• Isthmus of Corinth (Corinth Canal)

• Ancient Theatre of Epidaurus

• Nafplio

• Mycenae

• Olympia

• Archaeological site of Olympia • Olympic Museum

• Archaeological Museum of Olympia • Technological Museum of Archimedes

• Zakynthos • Blue Caves • Shipwreck • Laganas Gulf and the Sea turtles

• Delphi

• Temple of Apollo and the Archaeological site of Delphi

• Meteora • Monasteries of Meteora

• Battlefield of Thermopylae / Statue of King Leonidas

• Crete

• Knossos • Phaistos • Heraklion Archaeological Museum

• Santorini • Akrotiri • Oia

• Aegina Island



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DAY 1: ARRIVAL

Transfer to the Hotel

DAY 2: ATHENS CITY TOUR (5-6 HOURS) AND SOUNION (Optional - FULL DAY 8-9 HOURS)

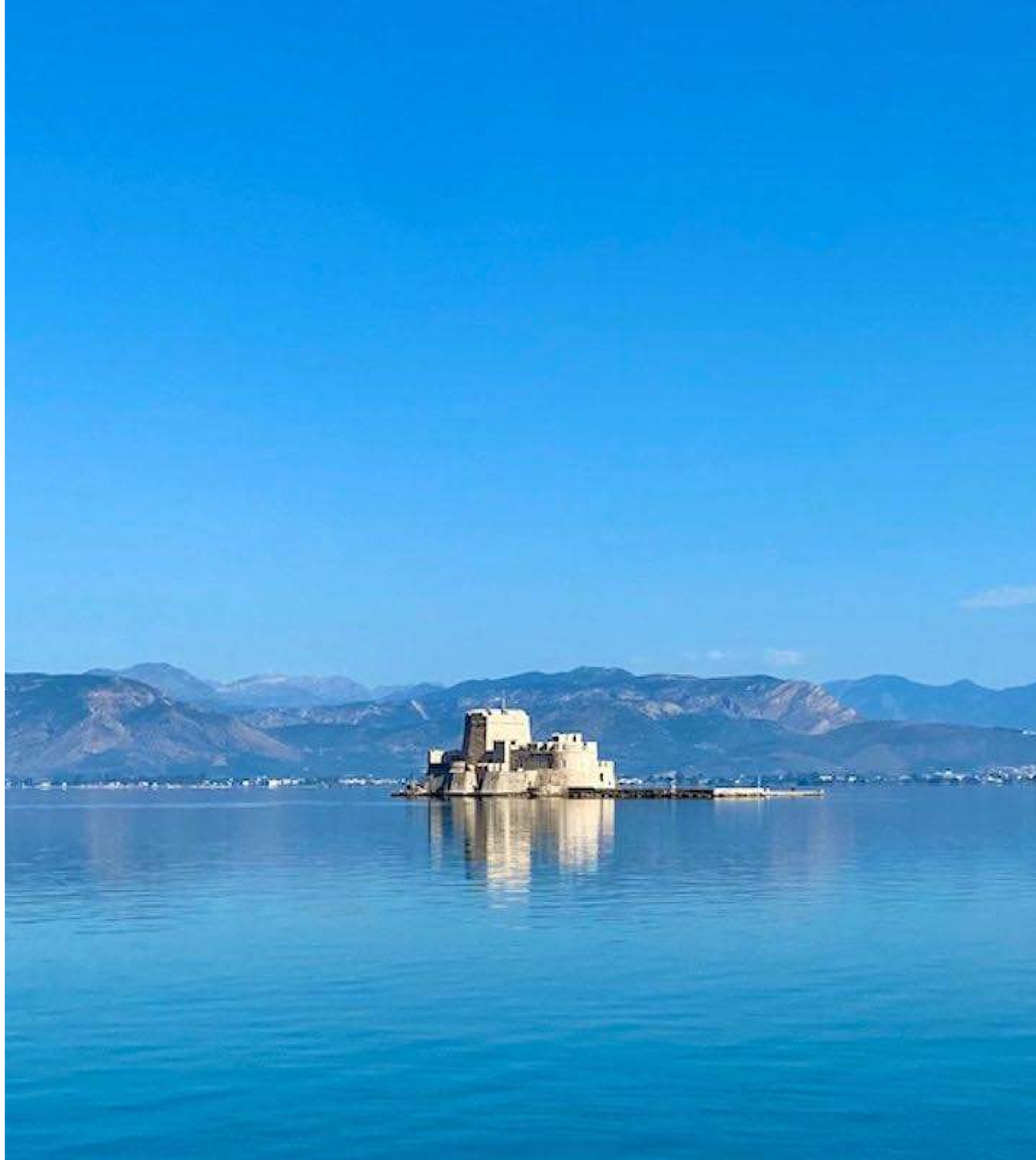
On the second day, we will begin with a city tour, visiting the Acropolis, a unique architectural complex, and the Acropolis Museum. Next, we will visit the Temple of Zeus and the Panathinaikon Stadium, and conclude the tour in Plaka (4-6 hours). If you want to include Sounio, we will drive along the scenic coastline of Attica until we reach the Temple of Poseidon (duration with Sounio: 8-9 hours). In the late afternoon, we will return to Athens.

DAY 3: ATHENS – CORINTH CANAL – EPIDAURUS - NAFPLIO

We leave Athens and drive towards the Peloponnese region. After a quick stop at the Corinth Canal, we will proceed to Epidaurus to visit the famous Theatre, renowned for its incredible acoustics, and the archaeological site of Asclepion, an ancient hospital and sanctuary dedicated to the god of medicine, Asclepius. The next stop will be the City of Nafplio, the first Capital of Modern Greece for a few years after Greece gained independence from the Ottoman Empire. Have lunch in the Old City and then explore the tourist area, characterized by its narrow streets, in this traditional part of Nafplio. We'll stay overnight in Nafplio.

DAY 4: NAFPLIO – MYCENAE – OLYMPIA

After we leave Nafplio, we will visit the nearby Archaeological site of Mycenae, which features the ruins of the Palace of Agamemnon, a museum, and the Treasury of Atreus. We will then drive to the next stop, Ancient Olympia (or Kalamata, depending on hotel availability).



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DAY 5: OLYMPIA - ZAKYNTHOS

Day five in Olympia. We will visit the archaeological site, the stadium where the ancient Olympic Games were held, and the two museums located on the site: the Archaeological Museum and the Olympic Museum. Also, in Olympia, we can visit the Archimedes Museum. After lunch, we can drive to the Port of Kyllini, from where we will take the afternoon Ferry to the island of Zakynthos. There, we will stay for the next two nights.

DAY 6: ZAKYNTHOS

The following day, we can tour the island by visiting the Blue Caves and the famous Shipwreck. Later, after lunch, we'll drive to the Gulf of Laganas and maybe swim with the sea turtles. We can also take a tourist boat for a cruise around Zakynthos. Upon arrival on the island, you book your choice of activity at the port.

DAY 7: ZAKYNTHOS - DELPHI

The next day, we will travel to Patra and cross the Rio-Antirrio Bridge, the longest in Europe (3,200 m). Cross to Mainland Greece and have a short stop at the picturesque city of Nafpaktos before we carry on the coastal road of the Corinthian Gulf, with a final stop at the village of Delphi. We'll stay overnight in Delphi.

DAY 8: DELPHI – ARACHOVA - METEORA

The following day, the first stop will be at the Archaeological site of Delphi, which includes the Temple of Apollo, the most famous Oracle of the Ancient World for more than 16 centuries; the Theater; the Stadium; and the Archaeological Museum. Delphi has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987. Later, we will drive to the picturesque Arachova for a quick stop before crossing the Holy Mountain of Parnassus towards Meteora, a place uniquely sculpted by nature. We'll spend the night in Kalambaka.



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DAY 9: METEORA – THERMOPYLAE - ATHENS - CRETE

After breakfast, we will visit the monasteries located on top of the magnificent rocks, which reach heights of up to 600 m. UNESCO has designated the monasteries of Meteora as a unique cultural heritage phenomenon and included them in the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1988. After our visit, we can have lunch in the Town of Kalambaka and then return to Athens with a short stop at the monument of the Spartan King Leonidas, next to the battlefield of Thermopylae. Returning to Athens, we will get a flight to Heraklion in Crete, where you will spend the night.

DAY 10: CRETE - HERAKLION - KNOSSOS - PHAISTOS

Next morning, we'll drive to Knossos, the ruins of the Minoan civilization, and the Palace of King Minos. Then we'll visit the Archaeological Site of Phaistos.
According to Diodorus Sikeliotis, Phaistos and Knossos were two of the three Cities founded by King Minos on Crete. Both were important centers of the Minoan civilization, a significant Bronze Age power, and have been included on the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list since 2014. Returning to Heraklion, we'll visit the Archaeological Museum.

DAY 11: CRETE - SANTORINI

From Heraklion port, we will take the ferry to Santorini. Upon arrival at the port, our driver will pick you up and transfer you to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of your day at your leisure, taking in the sights of the island, spending the day at the beach, visiting the thermal spa, or visiting Oia to watch the legendary Sunset. You can also take a Sunset Cruise to the Volcano with a buffet on board and enjoy the Sunset relaxing on the deck of a cruise boat. Upon arrival on the island, you can book your choice of activity.

DAY 12: SANTORINI

The following day, our driver will pick you up from your hotel for a tour of the island and a visit to one of the many wineries (optional). We'll also visit the archaeological site of Akrotiri. Akrotiri was a Minoan site enveloped in ash after the Volcano's eruption in the 17th century BC, destroying the Minoan civilization.



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DAY 13: SANTORINI - ATHENS

Our driver will meet you at your hotel, transfer you to Santorini Airport, and fly you to Athens. Meet you at the Athens airport and transfer you to your hotel. You will have the rest of your day to relax or go shopping. We'll stay in Athens for the next three nights.

DAY 14: ATHENS - AEGINA

Aegina Day cruise.

DAY 15: ATHENS

Leisure day in Athens.

DAY 16: DEPARTURE

Transfer to the Airport.

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