

ATHENS

DAY 01:

..... Arrive Athens. Transfer to Divani Acropolis Hotel (www.divanis.com) or Titania Hotel (www.titania.gr), for check-in

13:00 Lunch at Diogenes Taverna (www.diogenes.gr) in Plaka

14:00 H/D Athens Sightseeing visiting the Acropolis

The greatest and finest sanctuary of ancient Athens, dedicated primarily to its patron, the goddess Athena, dominates the centre of the modern city from the rocky crag known as the Acropolis. The most celebrated myths of ancient Athens, its greatest religious festivals, earliest cults and several decisive events in the city's history are all connected to this sacred precinct. The monuments of the Acropolis stand in harmony with their natural setting. These unique masterpieces of ancient architecture combine different orders and styles of Classical art in a most innovative manner and have influenced art and culture for many centuries. The Acropolis of the fifth century BC is the most accurate reflection of the splendor, power and wealth of Athens at its greatest peak, the golden age of Perikles.



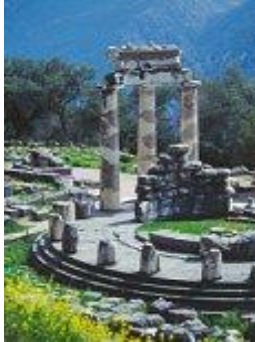
19:30 Transfer for Dinner at Archaion Gefsis (www.arxaion.gr)

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DAY 02:

..... Breakfast at Hotel

08:00 Suggest F/D Tour to Delphi



In the lee of windswept Mount Parnassus, one hundred miles northwest of Athens, lies Delphi, one of the most beautiful spots in Europe, where the famous Delphi Oracle once foretold the destiny of men. The Temple of Apollo, in which the famed Oracle functioned, was built in the 6th Century BC. Also see the Sacred Way, the Stadium and the Castilian Fountain, where pilgrims cleansed themselves in preparation for consulting the Oracle. Visit the museum which contains an impressive collection of finds from the site, including the beautiful "Bronze Charioteer".

OR

08:00 Suggest F/D Tour to Argolis (Mycenae, Epidaurus and Nafplio)

Mycenae was first inhabited during Neolithic times and is located between Corinth and Argos, on top of a hill halfway up the Euboea Mountain. It was a citadel palace that included extensive fortifications, shrines and private dwellings. The site continued to be inhabited until the end of the third century AD. Mycenae was first discovered in 1874 by the German archaeologist Heinrich Schliemann, who began excavation in search of gold and believed the site he had found to be the home of Agamemnon, the leader of the Greek assault on Troy. Highlights at Mycenae, which is one of the most popular attractions in Greece, include the Citadel, the Treasury of Atreus, the Lion Gate and the Royal Cemetery.



One of Greece's most renowned ancient sites, was the sanctuary of Asclepius, the god of medicine. Today large crowds visit Epidaurus on a daily basis, because of its ancient outdoor theatre, probably the best-preserved classical structure in the whole of Greece. It was the work of the architect Poliklitos junior (4th Century BC), seats 14,000 spectators and has amazing acoustics. The nearby museum houses Roman portrait statues, inscriptions (medical prescriptions and cures), surgical instruments and history of medicine texts from the 3rd and 4th centuries BC.

One of the prettiest towns in Greece, Nafplion was the country's first capital after independence from the Turkish rule, and has been a major port since the Bronze Age. Because of its very strategic position, it had three fortresses: the main Fortress of Palamidi, the smaller Acronafplia and the very small Bourtzi (on an islet east of the old town). The picturesque streets of the old town are filled with elegant Venetian houses and neoclassical mansions, dominated by the Fortress of Palamidi with its incredible view over the town.



20:00 Transfer for Dinner at Lalloudes Restaurant in Piraeus

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DAY 03:

..... Breakfast at Hotel

Free day to explore the city on own or enjoy a shopping spree

OR

07:30 Optional One Day Cruise: Aegina/Poros/Hydra (weather permitting)



Drive to the Pier for embarkation on the cruise boat. Sail to Aegina, which is known for its rich history and inspiring pistachio grove landscapes. Visit the port's lively fish market and colorful floating fruit and vegetable marketplace as well as picturesque seaside villages of St. Marina with its taverns, traditional shops and beautiful golden beaches. During our call at one of the ports you may choose to visit

the majestic 5th century BC temple of the Goddess Aphaia which is regarded as the best preserved ancient temple of Greece offering a magnificent view of the whole Saronic Gulf. Another possibility is a visit to the church of St. Nektarios known for its impressive Byzantine architecture and silver-carved tomb of the Saint.

Poros Town rests in a narrow strait between Poros Island and the Peloponnese, quietly nestled in the embrace of deep green pine forests and mildly scented lemon groves. A climb to the town's magnificent bell tower offers an unforgettable view.



A favorite of the international Jet-set Hydra is the beloved muse of painters, craftsmen and photographers. Its unique architecture, crystal clear waters, splendid craft & jewel shops, folk art and the island's traditional means of transport - the donkey, make it one of the last examples of "living Mediterranean history". Return to Piraeus

20:30 Transfer for Dinner at Elichrison Restaurant (www.psiri.gr/elhrison) in Psirri

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DAY 04:

..... Breakfast at Hotel

..... Transfer to Airport for departure

RATES:

Rates are valid for April 01 - October 31, 2010.

TITANIA HOTEL (www.titania.gr)

Our net rate to you amounts to € 247.50 p.p. including the following:

- R/T Transfer Airport/Hotel/Airport by private deluxe A/C motor coach, all taxes and VAT.
- H/D Athens S/S by private deluxe A/C motor coach, English speaking lecturer guide, entrance fees (Acropolis), all taxes and VAT included
- Three nights accommodation sharing twin on B/B basis, all taxes and VAT.

Supplement for single: € 165.00 for all 3 nights

DIVANI ACROPOLIS HOTEL (www.divaniacropolis.gr)

Our net rate to you amounts to € 312.00 p.p. including the following:

- R/T Transfer Airport/Hotel/Airport by private deluxe A/C motor coach, all taxes and VAT.
- H/D Athens S/S by private deluxe A/C motor coach, English speaking lecturer guide, entrance fees (Acropolis), all taxes and VAT included
- Three nights accommodation sharing twin on B/B basis, all taxes and VAT.

Supplement for single: € 228.00 for all 3 nights

This is just an example of what we can offer with basic services included in the price. The other services such as lunches, dinners and tours are at an extra cost.

This rate is good for a **minimum of 30 paying pax.**