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## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS





## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

**T**he **embark or disembark tour in Athens** is a half day private tour in Athens with a visit to the Acropolis. It is a classic tour, designed mainly for those visitors embarking or disembarking from a cruise ship at the port of Piraeus, without excluding anyone else!

It is a private tour, which means that everything is planned to suit your needs and accommodate you in the most relaxing and comfortable way:

- If you are embarking your cruise ship, then we will pick you up from Athens airport and drop you off at Piraeus Port at the end of the tour
- If you are disembarking from your cruise ship, we will pick you up from Piraeus Port and will drop you off at the Athens International Airport or Athens hotel at the end of the tour .

#### **Itinerary of our private embark / disembark tour:**

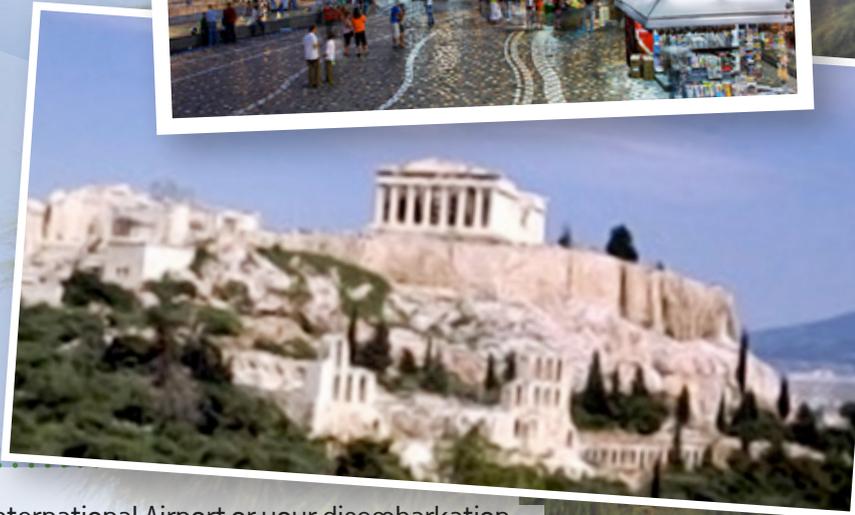
**During the tour you will see:** Athens Airport or Piraeus Port - The Acropolis - the Parthenon – Erechthion - Temple of Athens Niki - Plaka - Ancient Agora - Roman Agora - Hadrian's library - Monastiraki - Temple of Vulcan - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - monument of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - ex Royal House - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill - Piraeus Port or Athens Airport

**During the tour you will visit:** Athens Airport or Piraeus Port - The Acropolis - the Parthenon - Erechthion - Temple of Athens Niki - Plaka - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - monument of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - ex Royal House - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EMBARK / DISEMBARK TOUR IN ATHENS**

- \* It is a 4 hour sightseeing private tour of Athens
- \* Specially designed for visitors embarking or disembarking from their cruise ship at Piraeus Port
- \* Transfer from / to the airport of Athens (El. Venizelos International Airport)
- \* Transfer from / to Piraeus port (Cruise port)
- \* It blends harmoniously the best of modern and ancient Athens (Acropolis, Plaka, Monastiraki, Lycabettus Hill)
- \* English-speaking experienced driver

## Embark / Disembark Tour in Athens with transfers



### DESCRIPTION

The tour starts upon your arrival at the Athens International Airport or your disembarkation at the port of Piraeus. You can join either a 4, 10 or 17 seater private vehicle, depending on the size of your group. After a short drive of through the picturesque quarters of the town we will be reaching the city center.

**The tour basically starts from the Acropolis, which is by default the highlight of the city. It is considered an architectural masterpiece of the 5th century BC and one of the most important sites in the world.**

**During the visit to the Acropolis you can see the Propylaea, the Erechtheum, the Temple of Athena Nike (Victor) and the Parthenon which will definitely awe you. The Temples of the Acropolis are dedicated to Goddess Athena who is also the Patron Goddess of the city, and of course Zeus, who was the father of all Gods.**

**After the Acropolis, the tour will continue towards the Temple of Zeus, which is one of the most imposing temples in Greece; it is also the largest temple of Corinthian style that stands. Almost at the front of the Temple stands the Hadrian's Arch, which was dedicated by the Athenians to the Roman Emperor Hadrian, separating the old city from the modern.**

The half day tour to Athens continues with a visit to the famous buildings of the Parliament Building, the Ex Royal Palace, the National Library, the Academy and the University of Athens.

**You will also have the chance to visit the Temple of Hephaistus in ancient agora, and the Ancient Agora at the heart of the Athens flea market in Monastiraki.**

**Along the way, you will also see the Panathenaic Stadium, which hosted the first modern Olympic Games in 1896. Today, special events are still held there.**

**The driver will then bring you to the more modern part of the city, towards Kolonaki and the hill of Lycabettus, which is the higher hill in Athens and offers splendid views to the entire city.**

**After the end of the tour in Athens, we will take you to your cruise ship at the Port of Piraeus or to the Athens Airport to catch your flight back home.**

# HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

**Explore Athens and visit the New Acropolis Museum with a half-day private tour!**

The 6 hours private tour in Athens with the Acropolis Museum is designed to meet the needs and requirements of even the most demanding visitor.

It is a private sightseeing tour in Athens that allows you to make the most out of your visit in Athens and get to know the best parts of the city in a truly comfortable and time efficient way.

### Athens Half-Day Tour Itinerary

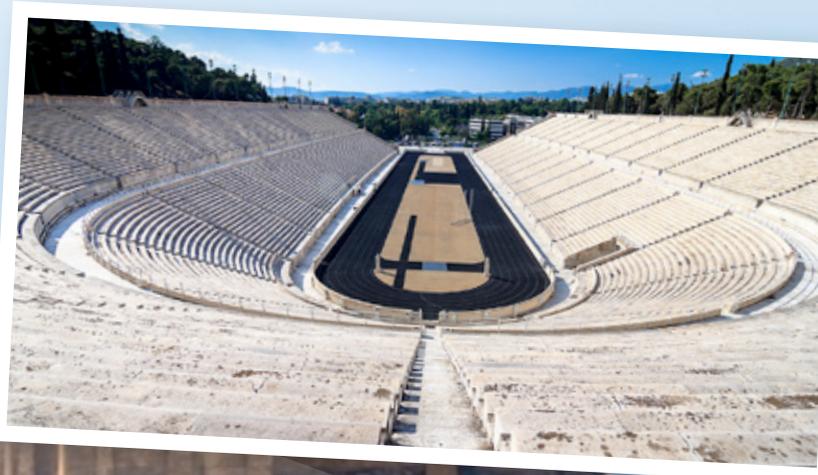
*The private 6 hour tour in Athens will take you to: the Acropolis - the Parthenon - Erechtheum - Temple of Athens Nike - Plaka - Ancient Agora - Roman Agora - Hadrian's library - Monastiraki - Temple of Hephaestus - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - the Ex Royal House - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill - the New Acropolis Museum or the National archaeological museum*

*During the private sightseeing tour in Athens, you will visit: Acropolis and Acropolis Museum - Parthenon - Erechtheum - Temple of Athens Nike - ancient agora - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - Lycabettus Hill*

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-DAY TOUR IN ATHENS

- \* The half day tour lasts approximately 6 hours and can be customized according to your available time and special requirements
- \* The professional English speaking drivers of Athens Tours Greece will take you to the modern and classic sites of Athens
- \* You will visit the Acropolis which is the highlight of the city and the most important reminiscent of the Athenian culture
- \* The half day tour combines the best of ancient and modern Athens, giving you an overview of how the city used to be and how it is today
- \* The drivers can pick you up and drop you off from your hotel in Athens or your cruise ship

# Golden Age of Athens 6 hours private tour including the Acropolis Museum



## DESCRIPTION

The first time visitor of Athens can benefit from the half day 6 hour tour which is an overview of Athens and is specifically designed for those who either want to make the most of their short stay in Athens, or those who want to plan carefully their remaining days in Athens.

The private tour connects the ancient and modern symbols of the city and the ancient agora with the modern commercial districts of Athens. The private tour in Athens starts from the **Acropolis**, which is inevitably the most intriguing site in Athens. Its great advantage is that it combines the tour with a visit to the **Museum of Acropolis**, which gives you an overview of the monument and its remains.

The **Sacred Rock of the Acropolis** is the highlight of the ancient Athenian architectural style, and has become the trademark of the city of Athens since the 5th century BC. When visiting the Acropolis and its Parthenon you will see the **Propylaea** and the **Erectheum** with the **Caryatids**, and you will find yourself up the Sacred Hill, where you can also admire the city of Athens at its whole. The Rock of the Acropolis offers you a panoramic view of the city that stretches from the north mountains to the south shores of the sea and the port of Piraeus. After the Acropolis, the private tour will take you to **Plaka**, which is one of the most colorful and picturesque

neighborhoods of the city, known for its lovely coffee shops and the amazing tourist shops where you can buy your memorabilia and souvenirs to bring back home.

Later on, the half day tour will take you to some of the most significant parts of the city, such as the **Tomb of Unknown Soldier** and the **House of the Parliament** at Syntagma (Constitution) Square. Driving towards the **Panathenaic Stadium** you will pass by the imposing **Hadrian's Arch** and you will soon arrive at the Panathenaic (Kallimarmaron) Stadium that hosted the first modern Olympic Games in 1896.

Then, the tour will bring you to **Panepistimiou Avenue** where you can see the **Trilogy of Buildings of Athens**, the **Academy of Athens**, the **University of Athens** and the **National Library** that stand out due to their amazing architecture.

One of the highlights of the tour is a visit to the **Museum of the Acropolis** which houses the most important artifacts, statues and relics from the Parthenon and the Acropolis. It also houses the half of the marbles of the Acropolis, and the **Caryatids**.

The end of the half day tour will take you to the modern district of Athens called **Kolonaki**, and **Lycabettus Hill**, the tallest part of Athens that will give you the chance to take amazing pictures and admire the city once more from above.

## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

#### Explore Athens with a half-day tour by Athens Tour Greece!

A well designed and organized **sightseeing tour in Athens** is the perfect way to get to know the historical capital of Greece and its worldwide known monuments. Our private **half day tour in Athens** offers to you an excellent opportunity to visit the most important sites and monuments of Athens, in a comfortable and hassle-free way.

#### Athens half-day tour itinerary

**Our half-day tour in Athens will take you to:** the Acropolis - the Parthenon - Erechtheum - Temple of Athens Nike - Plaka - Ancient Agora - Roman Agora - Hadrian's library - Monastiraki - Temple of Hephaestus - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - the Ex Royal House - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill

**During the sightseeing tour in Athens, you will visit:** the Acropolis - the Parthenon - Erechtheum - Temple of Athens Nike - Plaka - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - the Parliament - tom of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - Lycabettus Hill

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN ATHENS

- \* 4-hour, morning or afternoon, sightseeing private tour of Athens
- \* Visit to Athens' modern and classical sites with expert drivers
- \* Explore the Acropolis, the cornerstone of the Athenian culture
- \* Our tour combines the highlights of ancient Athens, Constitution Square and Panathenian Stadium, with its picturesque quarters, such as Plaka, and the modern meeting points, such as Kolonaki - the high end of Athens, or Lycabettus Hill, the highest hill of Athens
- \* English-speaking driver
- \* Pickup and drop off from your Athens hotels, cruise terminal, or cruise ship

# Athens half-day tour | Enjoy a **private** sightseeing tour in Athens

## DESCRIPTION

**O**ur half-day tour in Athens will give you an overview of the modern city of Athens, and an insight to the ancient monuments and sites that have made Athens known all over the world.

*If you are first-time visitor of Athens, this tour will help you in orientation and a possible plan you want to make for the remaining days. Athens is a balanced mixture of ancient and modern characteristics, reflected in each and every corner of the city.*

**This private tour in Athens** stretches from the Acropolis to the Lycabettus Hill and Kolonaki, connecting that way the most ancient symbol of the city with the commercial area of modern Athens.

**The highlight of this sightseeing tour in Athens** is of course the Acropolis, the trademark of the city. The Sacred Rock, the symbol of the Greek culture, features the highest point in town that used to serve as a fortress. The word Acropolis with a capital "A" indicates in all world languages the Acropolis of Athens, the most famous Acropolis, the cradle of Western civilization.

**Visiting the Acropolis** you will have the chance to pass through the Propylaea, admire the Erechtheum, and the Caryatids, while watching the city spreading in front of your feet, allowing your eyes to wander from the distant mountains to the blue waters of Piraeus harbor. The most important monument of Athens dominates the Acropolis: The Parthenon of Athens, the most perfect example of classical architecture in the world, was designed as a shrine

to Goddess Athena, the patron God of the city, and used to house a massive gold and ivory statue of the Goddess of Wisdom.

**At the feet of the Acropolis lies** one of the most wonderful and picturesque quarters of Athens, Plaka, known also as the neighborhood of Gods. You will have the chance to see its lovely paved streets with the colorful art and tourist shops.

**After the visit to the Acropolis,** the sightseeing tour in Athens continues with a drive to the most important parts of the city. You will pass by the Tomb of Unknown Soldier and the Parliament on Syntagma (Constitution) Square, and you will see Hadrian's Arch.

**Soon afterwards,** the tour will bring you to the Panathenian Stadium where the first modern Olympic Games took place, in 1896. And then you will see many government buildings, the Presidential Palace ( ex-Royal Palace) and elegant houses built on streets half covered by sour orange trees.

**Close by you will also drive down the Panepistimiou Avenue** where you can see the Catholic Church of Athens, and pass by the Academy, the University of Athens and the National Library. And you will see one of the busiest parts of Athens getting to Omonoia Square.

**After that, the half day tour in Athens** will bring you to the more buzzing part of the city, Kolonaki and will lead you to the Lycabettus Hill where you can see the Orthodox church of St. George, allowing your eyes and senses to rest on the city that will remain to your heart for your entire life.

## WHY A PRIVATE TOUR?

*This private half-day tour in Athens is highly recommended as a cruise excursion for tourists visiting Athens for a day during their cruise in Greece."*





## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

Experience the best of the coastal part of Athens and enjoy a private sightseeing tour to Cape Sounion with the half day tour to Sounion and the coast of Athens (Athens Riviera).

#### Itinerary of the half day tour to Sounion

Athens - Glyfada - Vouliagmeni - Varkiza and Sounion

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR TO CAPE SOUNION AND ATHENS RIVIERA

- \* 4 -hours tour to south Athens and Sounion
- \* Visit the modern coastal suburbs of Athens, such as Glyfada and Varkiza
- \* Visit Sounion, the Temple of Poseidon and the classical sites of the coastal Athens
- \* The tour combines the archaeological sites with the modern parts of the city
- \* Experienced English speaking driver
- \* Pickup and drop off from Athens hotel or cruise ship pier

# Poseidons Cape Sounion and Athens Riviera Half Day; private tour



## DESCRIPTION

### Description of the half-day tour to coastal Athens and Poseidon's Temple at Sounion

The half day tour to Cape Sounion and the coast of Athens starts from your hotel or the cruise pier. The driver will take you along the beautiful coastal road of Athens that leads to the Southern Suburbs of Athens, Glyfada and Vouliagmeni.

You will stop for a short visit to **Lake Vouliagmeni**, which is a unique phenomenon, as it is a lake in the city that allows swimming. Its unique characteristic is that its temperature remains the same all year long, at the 22C. No matter when you visit it, you can swim and feel rejuvenated.

After the stop at Vouliagmeni, the tour will take you towards the coves of Varkiza which are not only interesting but also offer splendid views towards the Saronic Gulf.

The highlight of the private tour is of course Cape Sounion, which is considered one of the most beautiful and important archaeological sites in Greece. The crowning feature of the site is the Temple of Poseidon, the God of the Sea which allows you to admire the entire coast of the southern suburbs.

You will also get to take some truly gorgeous pictures since the Temple overlooks the blue waters of the Aegean Sea, which is definitely one of the most impressive sceneries in the world.

If you find yourself at Cape Sounion during the afternoon you will also get to see a breathtaking view of the romantic sunset at Sounion.

AthenSTours Greece can take you to Cape Sounion just before the sun dips into the deep waters of the Aegean Sea. As most visitors of Cape Sounion will tell you, this is definitely one of the most thrilling moments in your life: check our Sunset tour to Sounion.

At the end of the half day tour you will also enjoy a lovely lunch or dinner.

# HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

The private half-day Christian tour to Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth is a well-appointed biblical tour in Greece, that gives you the chance to visit one of the most important cities located relatively close to Athens.

It is a private tour that lasts approximately 4.5 hours and will allow you to spend some time in one of the most unique sites in Greece, that combines the beauty of the scenery with its historical importance for Christianity and Ancient Greece.

### **Itinerary of our Christian tour in Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth**

Athens – Corinth Canal - Ancient Corinth - the Temple of Apollo - Kechreae - Isthmia (the sub bridge) - Acrocorinth - Archaeological Museum of Corinth

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-DAY CHRISTIAN TOURS TO CORINTH CANAL AND ANCIENT CORINTH**

- \* A 4.5 hours private tour to Corinth with a professional English-speaking driver
- \* The sites where St Paul preached the word of God in South Greece
- \* The Fortress of Acrocorinth and Ancient Corinth
- \* The famous Corinth Canal

# Half-day tour to Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth

## DESCRIPTION

The half day tour to Corinth starts from Athens early in the morning. Your professional driver will drive you along the scenic coastal road that leads to the Corinth Canal and Corinth.

**After an hour drive you will reach the famous Isthmus, one of the most significant strategic locations in Greece and the Mediterranean, because it connects the mainland of Greece with the Peloponnese Peninsula.**

**The Isthmus is 6,5 km wide and the Corinth Canal** is constructed at the narrow point of the Isthmus. This place offers you the chance to take some pictures of the truly breathtaking views, before continuing to Ancient Corinth.

**Ancient Corinth was a very important city state** in the ancient years. The main city was spreading below the imposing fortress of Acrocorinth, which offered a significant strategic position for the city, because it allowed its people to control the bypassing ships trading goods between Italy and Greece.

**Our Christian tour to Corinth** will take you to the heart of the city where **St Paul** lived and preached for 2 years, teaching people the word of the new religion at the time.

**Ancient Corinth is much associated with St Paul**, who lived in Corinth close to Akillas and Priscilla, a Jewish couple living in the area. St Paul established

a Christian church in Corinth and also a church at ancient **Kechreai**.

**After a 2 years' stay in Corinth**, Apostle Paul left for Ephesus (Acts 18:18) leaving behind him a great church, which would prove a difficult church with many problems because of the cultural surroundings. He wrote at least 3-4 letters trying to solve these problems and after nearly six years he visited Corinth during the third missionary journey and preached again in the area. St. Paul's trial by Gallio took place in the agora (Acts 18:12-17). It is from Corinth, also, that St. Paul wrote to the Thessalonians.

**After the visit to the ancient Corinth**, you will visit the **Fortress of Acrocorinth**, which fortified the city in a solid and exemplary manner, allowing it to be a very strong and safe city.

**You will also have the chance to take some amazing pictures** to the sea and the land of Corinth. You will also see the **Cathedral of St Paul** along with the pretty, new marina and the harbor of the city with numerous boats of all sizes.

**Once we finish the tour to the castle**, we will return to the village of Ancient Corinth, and visit the Archaeological Museum of Corinth with important findings and the impressive sculptures that are definitely worth your time.

**Your driver will then bring you back to Athens**, where you will have time to enjoy your lunch.

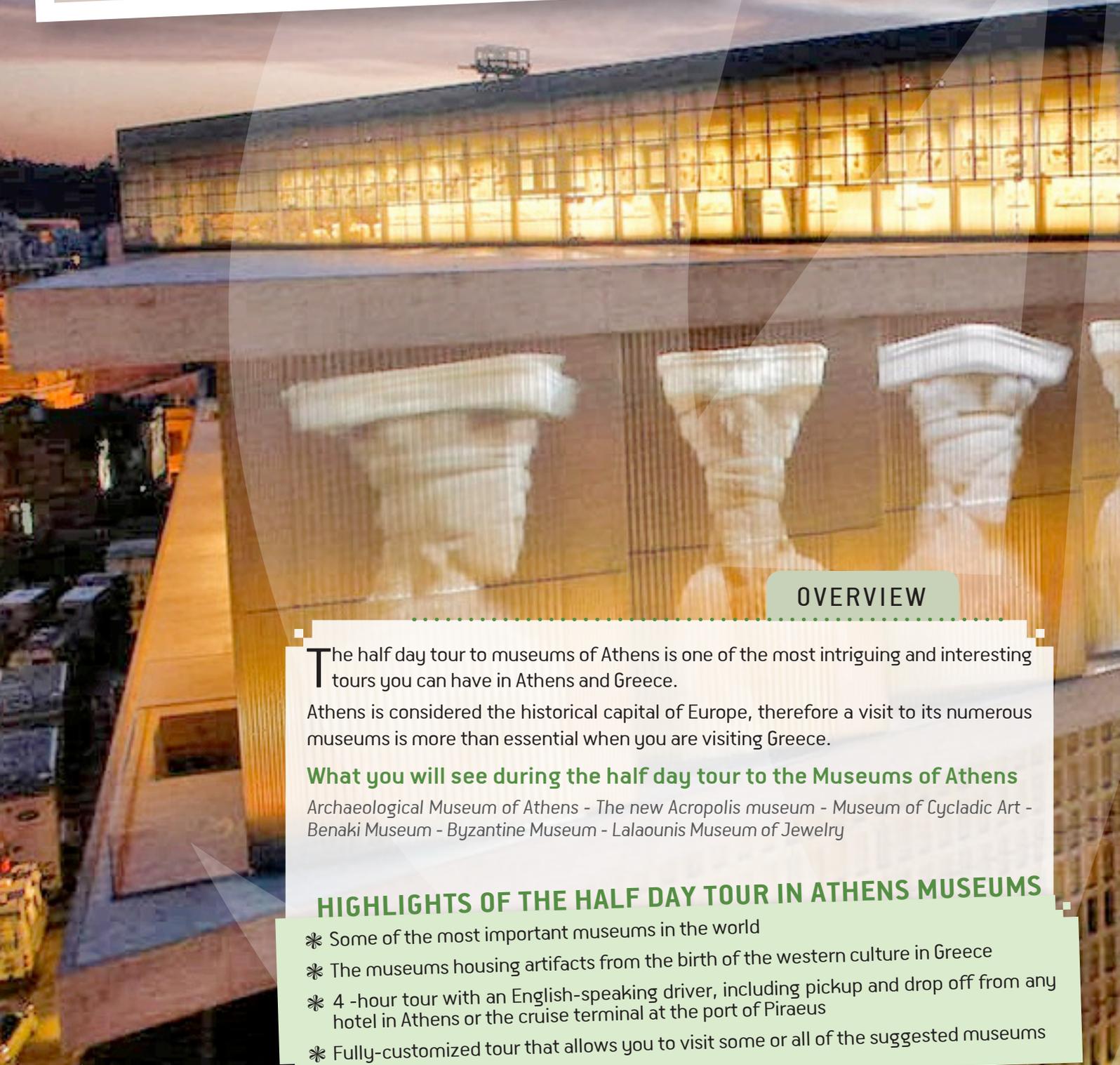


### READ MORE ABOUT:

- Ancient Corinth
- Corinth Canal



## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The half day tour to museums of Athens is one of the most intriguing and interesting tours you can have in Athens and Greece.

Athens is considered the historical capital of Europe, therefore a visit to its numerous museums is more than essential when you are visiting Greece.

#### What you will see during the half day tour to the Museums of Athens

Archaeological Museum of Athens - The new Acropolis museum - Museum of Cycladic Art - Benaki Museum - Byzantine Museum - Lalaounis Museum of Jewelry

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN ATHENS MUSEUMS

- \* Some of the most important museums in the world
- \* The museums housing artifacts from the birth of the western culture in Greece
- \* 4 -hour tour with an English-speaking driver, including pickup and drop off from any hotel in Athens or the cruise terminal at the port of Piraeus
- \* Fully-customized tour that allows you to visit some or all of the suggested museums

# Athens Museums half-day; private tour

## DESCRIPTION

Athens Tours Greece will take you to an enjoyable half day tour to the museums of Athens, ranging from Archaeological museums to modern art centers and thematic museums.

The private tour to Athens museum starts with a visit to the **Museum of Acropolis**, which is a new museum that opened its gates in 2010.

The **New Acropolis Museum** is located at the feet of the Holy Rock of the Acropolis, with a magnificent view to the Parthenon. It houses the parts of the Marbles of the Parthenon that are still Greek, the Maidens from the temple of Erechtheion and some truly gorgeous statues and artifacts.

The private half day tour will continue to the **National Archaeological Museum of Athens**, which features a large collection of ancient artifacts from all over Greece.

It is considered one of the most important and significant museums in the world, due to its impressive collections from all over Greece, Middle East and the Balkans. It is housed in an impressive neoclassic building in the heart of the city and has a very interesting museum shop as well, where you can buy authentic copies of the actual exhibits.

Later on, you will have the chance to visit the **Museum of Cycladic Art** in downtown Athens, where you can see an amazing collection of Cycladic statues, sculptures and artifacts, featuring the most important civilizations of ancient Greece, such as Santorini, Paros, Mykonos, Sifnos and more.

The **Benaki Museum**, also part of the half day tour, is one of the most distinguished museums in the World, since it has an impressive collection of artifacts from the Byzantine Era. You will have the chance to get to know a culture that influenced the entire Mediterranean and South Europe.

Last but not least, the half day private tour will take you to **Lalaounis Museum of Jewelry**, where you can see a truly breathtaking collection of jewels dating back to the 9th century BC, as well as a collection of modern jewels as well.



## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The half day Christian tour in Athens is an excellent opportunity to see the most important parts of the city making the most out of your visit in Athens, even if you are coming to the city just for a few hours. It is a combination of Ancient Greek and Christian points of interest, specifically designed for those who are interested in all parts of Athens.

#### What you will see during the half-day Christian tour in Athens

*The Acropolis - the Parthenon and Erechtheion - Mars Hill (Areopagus) - the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Parliament House - Presidential Palace - Panathenaic Stadium - Temple of Olympian Zeus - the Academy - the University and the National Library - the area of Monastiraki - Plaka - the ancient agora (St. Paul's meeting place) - the Roman agora and Lycabettus Hill*

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-DAY CHRISTIAN TOUR IN ATHENS

- \* Mars Hill and Ancient Agora, where St Paul preached in Athens
- \* The Acropolis of Athens and other important sites of Athens
- \* Private tour with a professional English-speaking driver

## Half-day Christian tour in Athens in the footsteps of St. Paul



### DESCRIPTION

**A**thens Tour Greece will take you to a half day Christian tour in Athens, starting early in the morning. Athens is the cradle of the Western Civilization and this city tour will most definitely prove it to you.

**The half day tour starts from the most important site of Athens, and one of the most important sites in the world: The Acropolis of Athens.**

**The Acropolis is the highlight of the city with the Parthenon** being the most recognizable part of the city, and one of the trademarks of the ancient culture of Athens.

**After the visit to the Acropolis,** the half day tour will continue taking you to the Mars Hill (Areopagus) (Acts 17:22) where Apostle Paul preached the word of the Christian God that was the new religion at the time.

**The private half day tour will continue taking you to a city tour** around the important sites of Athens, such as the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Parliament House, Presidential Palace, Panathenaic Stadium, Temple of Olympian Zeus, the Academy, the University and the National Library.

You will also visit the picturesque quarter of Monastiraki and Plaka, **where you can see the Ancient Agora of Athens, which was one of the major St Paul meeting points. Here, St Paul spent a great part of his stay in Athens, trying to inform the Athenians on Christianity and give an alternative to the established religion of paganism.**

**You will also spend a little time wandering around the little shops in the area,** before heading to the hill of Lycabettus that offers breathtaking views to the city of Athens and to the main port of the city, Piraeus, where St Paul disembarked when coming to Athens.

**The private half day Christian tour will end on time for your lunch in Athens or your cruise ship.**

## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The **6 hours Jewish tour in Athens** is a unique private tour, specifically designed for Jewish people visiting Athens, or for those interested in this intriguing part of the city. Our Jewish tours in Athens offer an excellent chance to combine Ancient Greek with Jewish culture in just a few hours.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-DAY JEWISH TOUR IN ATHENS

- \* Visit the old and new Synagogue of Athens
- \* The Jewish museum of Athens
- \* Visit the Acropolis and Parthenon
- \* Enjoy a city tour in Athens with a professional English-speaking driver
- \* The Jewish tour is also available as a shore excursion from your cruise ship at the Port of Piraeus (Athens)

# Jewish tour and Athens sightseeing in 6 hours



## DESCRIPTION

The private tour starts in the morning.

Your driver will pick you up from your hotel or cruise ship and will drive you to the heart of Athens, where you can see the **Old synagogue of Athens** built in 1904.

You will also visit the **New Synagogue** built in 1935, as well as the **memorial of the holocaust**. Close to it you can see the **Ancient cemetery of Keramikos** from 8th century BC.

After the visit to the Synagogue, you will head towards **Plaka**, one of the most beautiful parts of the city, with lovely little houses and shops.

You will also get to see the new **Jewish Museum**, which is considered one of the most important Jewish museums in Europe, due to its architecture but also due to the items commemorating the Holocaust, and the interesting collection of Hebrew books and artifacts ([website of the Jewish museum of Greece](#)).

After Plaka, the private tour will take you to the **Acropolis**, which is considered the trademark of the city. Passing by the gates of the Holy Rock of Athens you will see the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the temple of Erechtheion with the Maidens, and of course the highlight of the tour, the Parthenon, which is the perfect example of classic architecture.

Later on, the private tour will continue to the center of the city, taking you to the central Syntagma square, where you can see the Parliament of Greece (ex Royal Palace), the National Gardens, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The private Jewish tour in Athens runs every day, however, you should note that the Jewish Museum is closed on Saturdays and the Synagogue holds the Sabbath services. On Sundays the New Synagogue is closed, and the old Synagogue is closed both on Saturdays and Sundays.

## What is included in our Jewish tours in Athens

- \* Pick-up service from your hotel or cruise ship
- \* An English-speaking driver with a solid knowledge of history and culture of Greece
- \* Toll road fees, fuel charges and all taxes

## What is not included in our Jewish tours in Athens

- \* Entrance fees to archaeological sites and museums
- \* Meals & drinks
- \* The Synagogues do not have entrance fees, but you will be asked to make a donation.
- \* An official licensed tour guide

### Note:

- \* A full-day Jewish tour in Athens is also available

# HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

Visit Marathon and Artemida (Brauron) from Athens or Piraeus Port with Athens Tour Greece. Experience a visit to important sites outside the beaten path of most popular tours in Athens.

Marathon, Artemida and Brauron are not only historically important areas, but are also truly gorgeous places to see.

### Itinerary of the tour to Marathon and Artemida

Athens - Agia Paraskevi - Gerakas - Pallini - Rafina - Nea Makri - Marathon - Loutsa - Vravrona - Athens

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR TO MARATHON AND ARTEMIDA

- \* 5-hour private shore excursion to Marathon and Artemida, combining modern and classical sites
- \* Marathon, the actual starting point of the famous race, and the battlefield of the 490BC battle of Marathon
- \* English speaking professional driver with pickup and drop off at Piraeus cruise terminal or your hotel in Athens

# Marathon and Artemida - Brauron from Athens or Piraeus Port



## DESCRIPTION

We will pick you up from your cruise ship pier and take you to a fascinating trip to history. The tour will drive you through the interesting Northern suburbs of Athens, towards **Marathon**. After an hour drive you will reach the place where the actual Marathon race started. It is the most famous foot race of 42,195 kilometers (26 miles).

The event took its name from this region, and is associated with the **battle of Marathon in 490BC between the Athenians and the Persians**.

When the Athenians won this hard battle, a messenger named **Pheidipides** ran the distance from Marathon to Athens to announce the victory. When he reached Athens and informed the Athenians that the Persians lost, he passed away from exhaustion. Commemorating this event the **Marathon race** takes place every year all over the world.

At Marathon you will see the tomb of the fallen Athenians. Later, the tour will continue towards **Artemida**, famous for the **Temple of Goddess Artemis** in Brauron that gave her

name to the region.

The temple dates back to the 6th century BC; you will also visit the local museum featuring artifacts from ancient Athens and Marathon.

During this private shore excursion, you can get to know **Brauron**, one of the renowned ancient towns located so close to Athens.

*King Theseus of Athens was the one who united all these areas to the Athenian State. Brauron was mostly known due to the Temple of Artemis and the yearly festival, Brauronia, organized as a tribute to the Goddess of hunting, who was also the protector of the region. Artemis was the sister of God Apollo and was incorporating characteristics of both a kind and a ferocious Goddess.*

Artemida is also known for the impressive beaches and seaside coast, as well as its typical Greek taverns and bars. This tour aims at combining the classic with the modern, therefore you will truly enjoy passing by all these cozy little places.

We will end this private shore excursion driving back to Athens from the same route, and dropping you off to Piraeus Port or your hotel in Athens.

### Note:

\* An alternative tour is the **full-day sightseeing tour in Athens with a visit to Martathon**.



## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The half-day tour to Corinth Canal and Nemea is an ideal tour for those who have little time, but still want to get to know the wine roads and tasteful wines of Greece within just a few hours.

#### Itinerary of the half-day wine tour in Greece

*Corinth canal - Nemea - the wine roads - wineries - Athens*

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-DAY WINE TOUR

- \* Visit the famous Corinth Canal with the scenic coastal road
- \* The wineries of Nemea
- \* The tasteful wines of Greece
- \* The lovely natural environment

## Half day tour to Corinth Canal and wineries of Nemea



### DESCRIPTION

The half day wine tour starts in the morning from Athens. Your private driver will drive you along the coastal road of Attica towards the **Corinth Canal**, where you will have the chance to admire the breathtaking views to the sea and get some truly marvellous pictures.

After the short stop, the half day tour will continue towards **Nemea**, an area known for its Games (Nemean Games), that took place every two years, while the Olympic Games every four. The Nemean games included gymnastics, horse riding, music and drama – some of the most known tragedies were presented during the Games in Nemea.

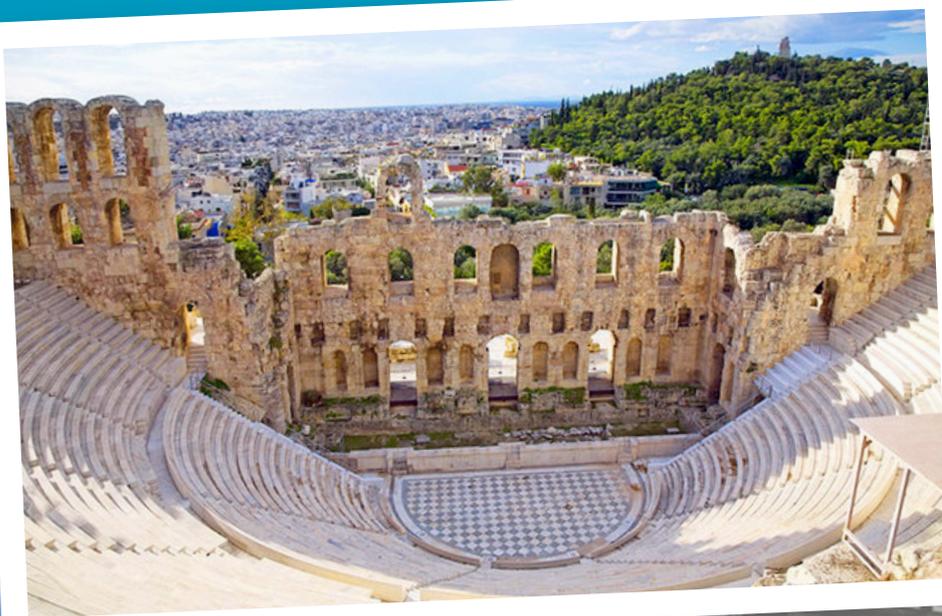
The Games took place in the premises of the Temple of God Zeus, whose ruins have been discovered during the excavations and are available to see today. There are traces of the gymnasium, the palaestra and the Roman baths, as well as the original stadium of the Games.

Nemea is also known today due to its amazing **wineries**. It is one of the main wine producing regions in the Peloponnese and Greece in general, producing famous and tasteful red wines.

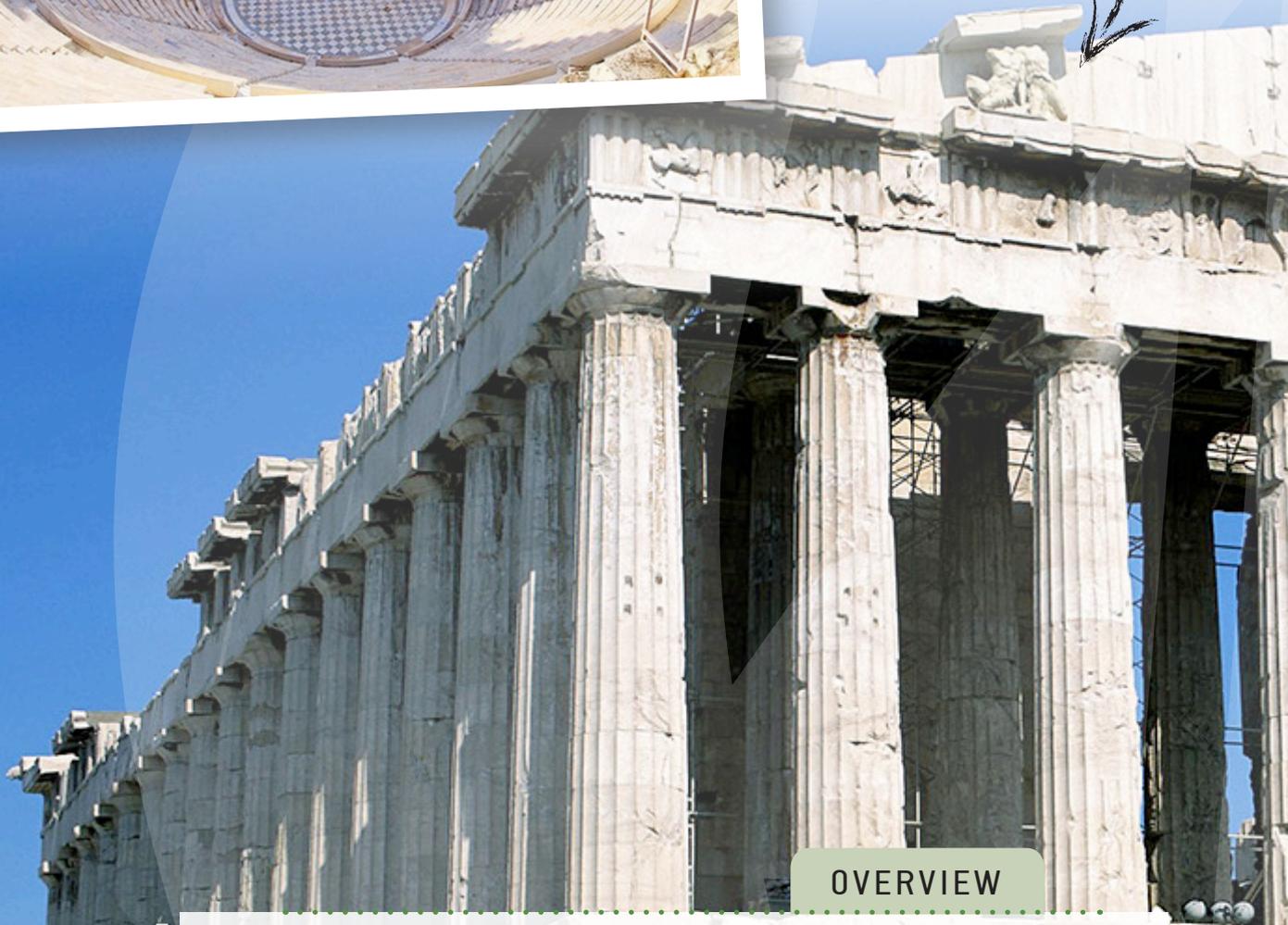
The private wine tour to Nemea will give you the chance not only to visit the vine fields and wineries of the area but also to taste these wines yourself; and why not bring some of them with you back home to celebrate with friends.

After the visit to the **Nemean wineries**, your driver will bring you back to Athens in the afternoon.





## HALF-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

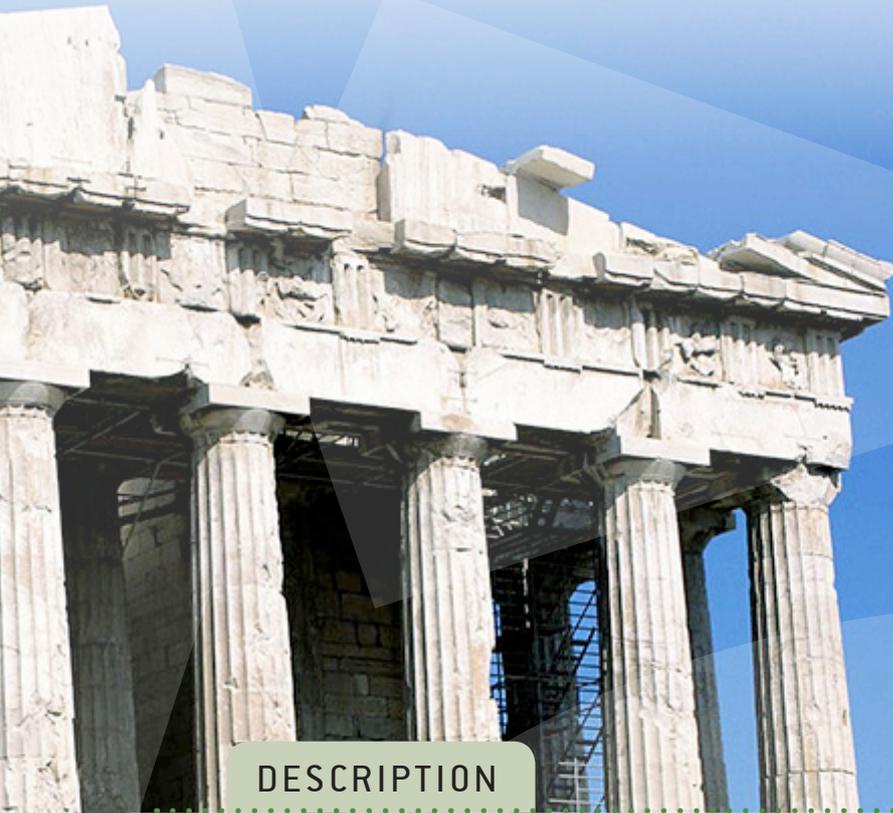
The self tour designed for cruise passengers don't want to participate in any group tour and they want to discover Athens by themselves. The Acropolis and Plaka in 4 H self tour with the information of our tour driver experts will help you to enjoy your acropolis athensfreedom in the land that discovered it.

The land immortalized by Homer and Euripides, go on pilgrimage by foot to the temples of the gods, experience Greece the way people have seen it for thousands of years—from the ground up. This self tour of Athens and its iconic ruins lets you walk in the footsteps of Plato and Socrates. Get a map and chart your own course and take advantage of its knowledgeable tour drivers of Athens Tours Greece.

### HEADLINES OF THE ACROPOLIS AND PLAKA IN 4 H SELF TOUR

- \* 4 hours touring Athens by your self
- \* Explore the Acropolis and Plaka
- \* Sightseeing private tour to the most important memorials of Athens
- \* English speaking professional tour driver
- \* Pick up and drop off at the cruise ship pier

# The Acropolis and Plaka in 4 hours self tour



## DESCRIPTION

In the morning our driver will pick you up at your cruise ship pier, waiting for you, holding a name plate with your name on it. Drive along the scenic suburbs of Piraeus Athens. In Plaka in Athens approx 20 min drive to Athens, you will have a short sightseeing tour to Panathenean stadium (first modern Olympic game 1896), drive through Kolonaki which is the high end of Athens center, to visit the hill of Lycabettus with its breathtaking views. Drive by the royal gardens, and by Plaka to show you where you will be met after 4 hours in order to transfer you back at Piraeus cruise port.

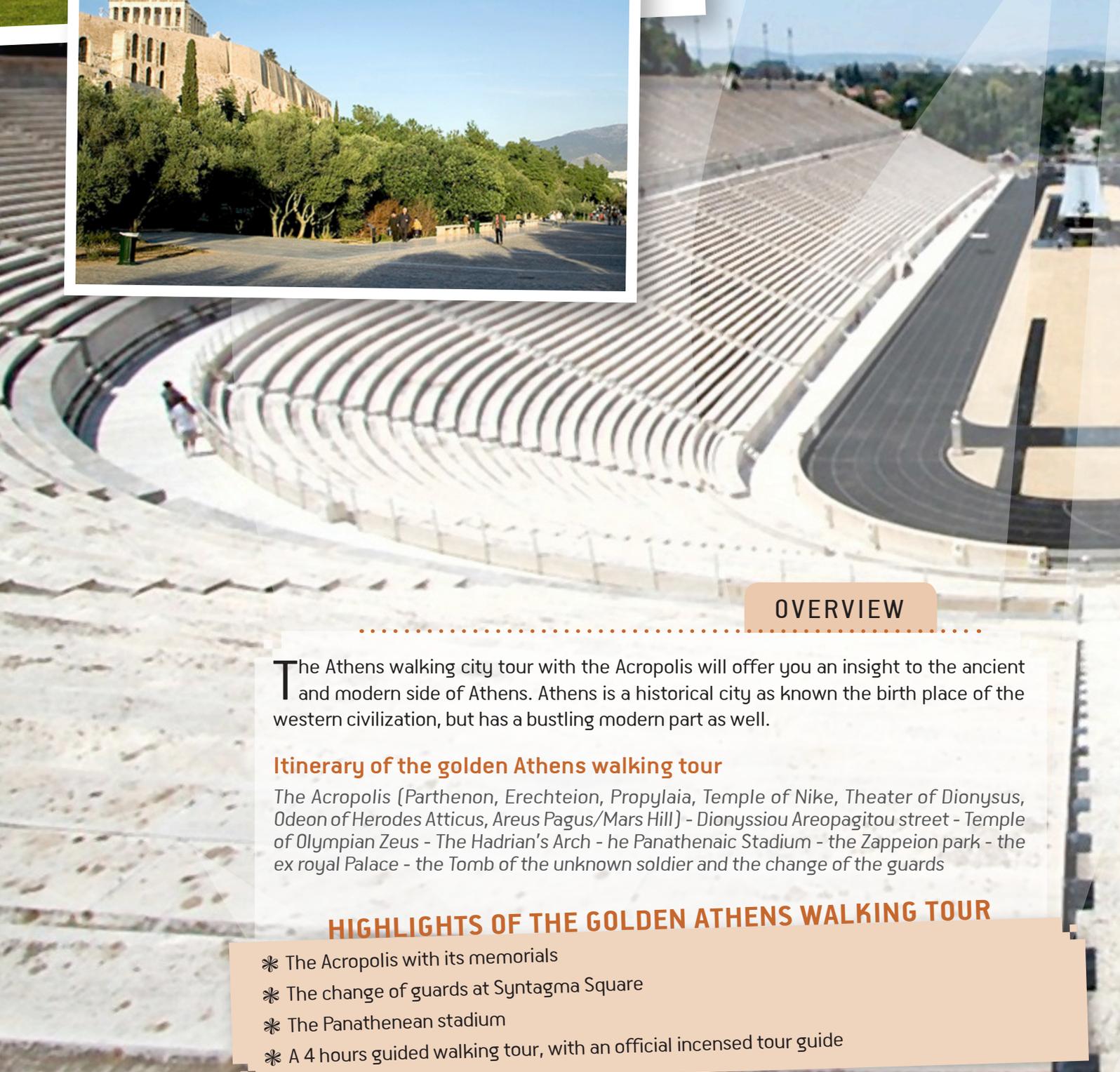
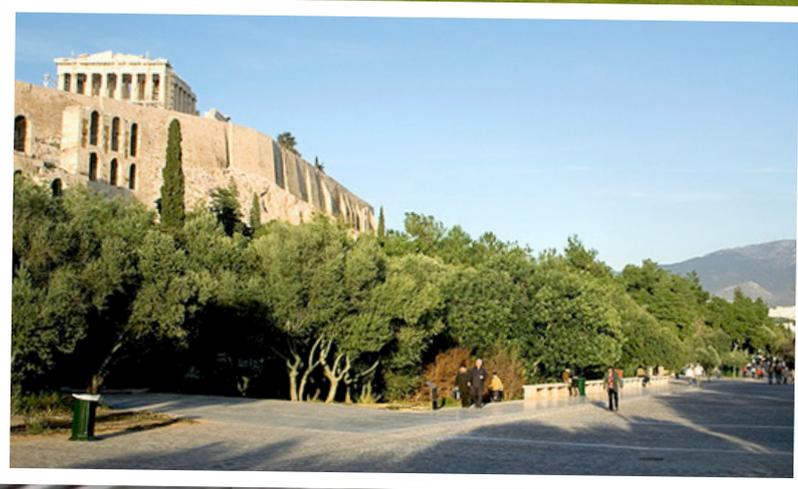
Enjoy a day in Athens, hiking to the Acropolis and visiting the old city. Visit early (08:00AM is proposed) the Acropolis to avoid crowd. The walk turns into a climb as you head up to the Parthenon, the Nike Temple and other structures that once honored the gods. Wander around the Acropolis, photographing ruins and views of the Aegean. Visit the nearby Dionysus sanctuary and the Agora.

Next to walk is the Dionysiou Areopagitou, a pedestrian walk that leads from the Acropolis to Plaka. Meander through the Plaka, the old city of Athens and enjoy the winding pedestrian streets, small shops and tavernas, glimpses of ancient and century-old architecture and a number of museums. Plaka is what Athens used to be before it grew to a sprawling modern metropolis.

Today Plaka has artists' galleries, monuments to ancient playwrights, cobblestones and no cars, and the ambiance of a lively village that isn't quite part of the 21st century.

Grab your map, check out the ruins and remains uncovered when Greece built the Syntagma metro station. There are artifacts displayed right in the station. Walk past the Greek parliament and stop at Zappeion Hall where you can view columns from the Temple of Zeus and see Hadrian's Arch, before heading back to the meeting point that our driver has pointed to you, and drive you back to your cruise ship pier.

# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

The Athens walking city tour with the Acropolis will offer you an insight to the ancient and modern side of Athens. Athens is a historical city as known the birth place of the western civilization, but has a bustling modern part as well.

### Itinerary of the golden Athens walking tour

The Acropolis (Parthenon, Erechtheion, Propylaea, Temple of Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill) - Dionysiou Areopagitou street - Temple of Olympian Zeus - The Hadrian's Arch - the Panathenaic Stadium - the Zappeion park - the ex royal Palace - the Tomb of the unknown soldier and the change of the guards

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN ATHENS WALKING TOUR

- \* The Acropolis with its memorials
- \* The change of guards at Syntagma Square
- \* The Panathenean stadium
- \* A 4 hours guided walking tour, with an official incensed tour guide

## The golden Athens walking tour; private

### DESCRIPTION

The golden Athens walking tour will start from the base of the Acropolis, exactly in front of "Dionysos Restaurant, Robertou Galli 43, Athens 117 43, at 08:30 is proposed to avoid crowd on the Acropolis.

Visit the Parthenon, Erechtheion, Propylaea, Temple of Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill. Then start a real pleasant walk through the Dionysiou Areopagitou street to reach and visit the temple of Olympian Zeus, and Hadrian's Arch.

Next Walk through the Zapeion hall, till you reach the Panathenaic Stadium where the first modern Olympic games took place in 1896.

We'll cross the street to see the presidential house "ex royal palace" and walk through the beautiful national garden (ex royal garden) to visit the syntagma square, the tomb of the unknown soldier, the parliament of Greece and see the change of the guards.

If you are staying in hotel, any address in Athens or arriving on a cruise ship in Piraeus port, we can arrange to pick you up from there with a taxi, minivan, minibus or coach according to the number of your group for an extra cost.

# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

This Athens private walking tour with the Acropolis and the Acropolis museum will offer you the chance to feel the real power of the ancient and the and its influence to our today living. here is the birth place of the western civilization, and the birth place of democracy.

### **Itinerary of the Acropolis and the Acropolis museum walking tour; private**

*The Acropolis (Parthenon, Erechtheion, Propylaia, Temple of Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill) - Dionyssiou Areopagitou street - and the Acropolis museum*

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ACROPOLIS AND THE ACROPOLIS MUSEUM WALKING TOUR; PRIVATE**

- \* The Acropolis with its mythical temples
- \* The Acropolis museum
- \* Private for your group only
- \* Guided by an official licensed tour guide

## The Acropolis and the Acropolis museum walking tour; private

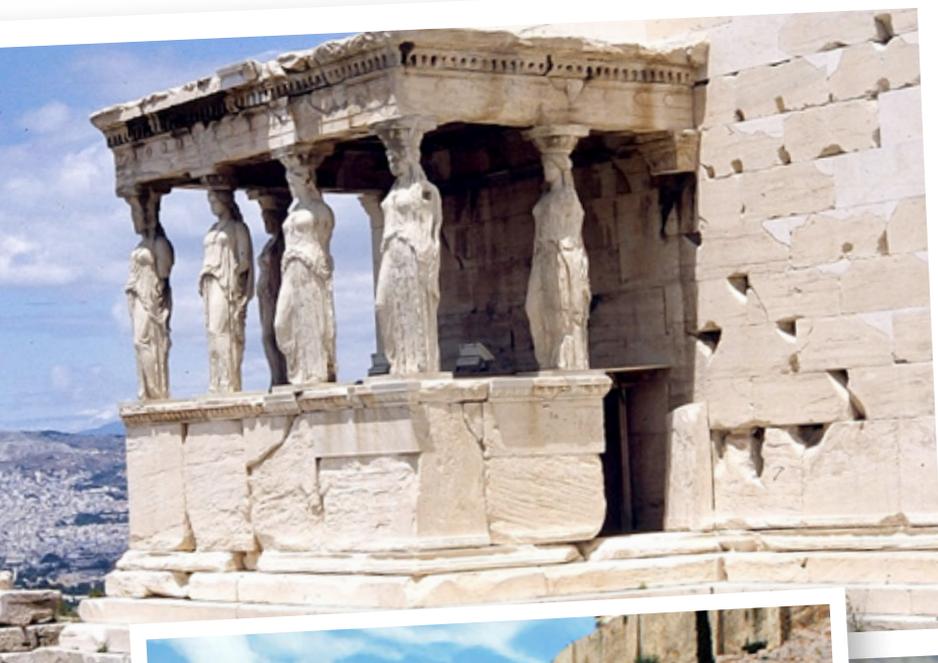
### DESCRIPTION

The private Acropolis and the Acropolis museum walking tour start's from the base of the Acropolis. Visit on the Acropolis the Parthenon, Erechteion, Propylaia, Temple of am300Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill.

**Walk down the nice pedestrian street of Dionyssiou Areopagitou street till you reach with your guide the Acropolis museum.**

**If you are staying in hotel**, any address in Athens or arriving on a cruise ship in Piraeus port, we can arrange to pick you up from there with a taxi, minivan, minibus or coach according to the number of your group for an extra cost.

# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

This 4 hours private walking tour of Athens is specially designed for those want to combine a Christian tour with what Athens is mostly known of, its famous memorials, history and cultures. It is a tour you will definitely enjoy.

### *Itinerary of the Athens walking tour in the footsteps of apostle Paul; private*

*The Acropolis (Parthenon, Erechtheion, Propylaia, Temple of Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill), the ancient Greek agora [Stoa of Attalos & Temple of Hypaestus], the Roman agora and the tower of Winds*

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRIVATE ATHENS WALKING TOUR IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF APOSTLE PAUL

- \* The Acropolis with its mythical temples
- \* The Mars hill, meeting point of philosophers and Paul
- \* The ancient Greek agora
- \* Guided by an official licensed tour guide

## Athens walking tour in the footsteps of apostle Paul; private

### DESCRIPTION

Your private walking tour begins from the base of the Acropolis. Visit on the Acropolis, the crown of the Holy Rock is of course the Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, and of course the Mars Hill (Areopagus) (Acts 17:22) where Apostle Paul came to preach the word of the Christian religion to the Athenians.

Continuing with your walking tour, your private licensed tour guide will take you to ancient Greek agora, a spectacular small quarter of Athens where St Paul preached and met his followers. St Paul as well all the philosophers, scientists and artists spent almost the entire day there, meeting people, making friends, exchanging ideas and discussing on the new religion. An important part of Athens and significant for Paul's stay in Greece. Visit the Roman agora with tower of the winds.

If you are staying in hotel, any address in Athens or arriving on a cruise ship in Piraeus port, we can arrange to pick you up from there with a taxi, minivan, minibus or coach according to the number of your group for an extra cost.

# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

This 4 hours private Walking tour of Athens, with the Acropolis and Plaka; private will offer you a contrast of the ancient civilization and the modern site of the city. It is a tour you will definitely remember as both the Acropolis and Plaka are the most famous of Greece.

### *Itinerary for the Walking tour of Athens, with the Acropolis and Plaka; private*

The Acropolis (Parthenon, Erechtheion, Propylaia, Temple of Nike, Theater of Dionysus, Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Areus Pagus/Mars Hill), and Plaka.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WALKING TOUR OF ATHENS, WITH THE ACROPOLIS AND PLAKA; PRIVATE**

- \* The Acropolis monuments
- \* The Plaka, old part of Athens
- \* Guided by an official licensed tour guide

## Walking tour of Athens, with the Acropolis and Plaka; private

### DESCRIPTION

This delightful private walking tour of Athens will start from the base of the Acropolis. First visit the crown of the city, the Holy Rock of the Acropolis, how hosts on , the famous Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechthion and the Mars Hill.

After almost an hour an a half visit on the Acropolis we will head on to Plaka, the picturesque old part of Athens with its colorful neighborhoods, graphical paths full of life , restaurants, shops, cafes etc. Enjoy a Meze with Ouzo or a Geek coffee, feel in you the full of life Greek stile of living.

If you are staying in hotel, any address in Athens or arriving on a cruise ship in Piraeus port, we can arrange to pick you up from there with a taxi, minivan, minibus or coach according to the number of your group for an extra cost.

**Departures:** All year round

**Meeting point:** At the base of the Acropolis, exactly in front of "Dionysos Restaurant, Robertou Galli 43, Athens 117 43"

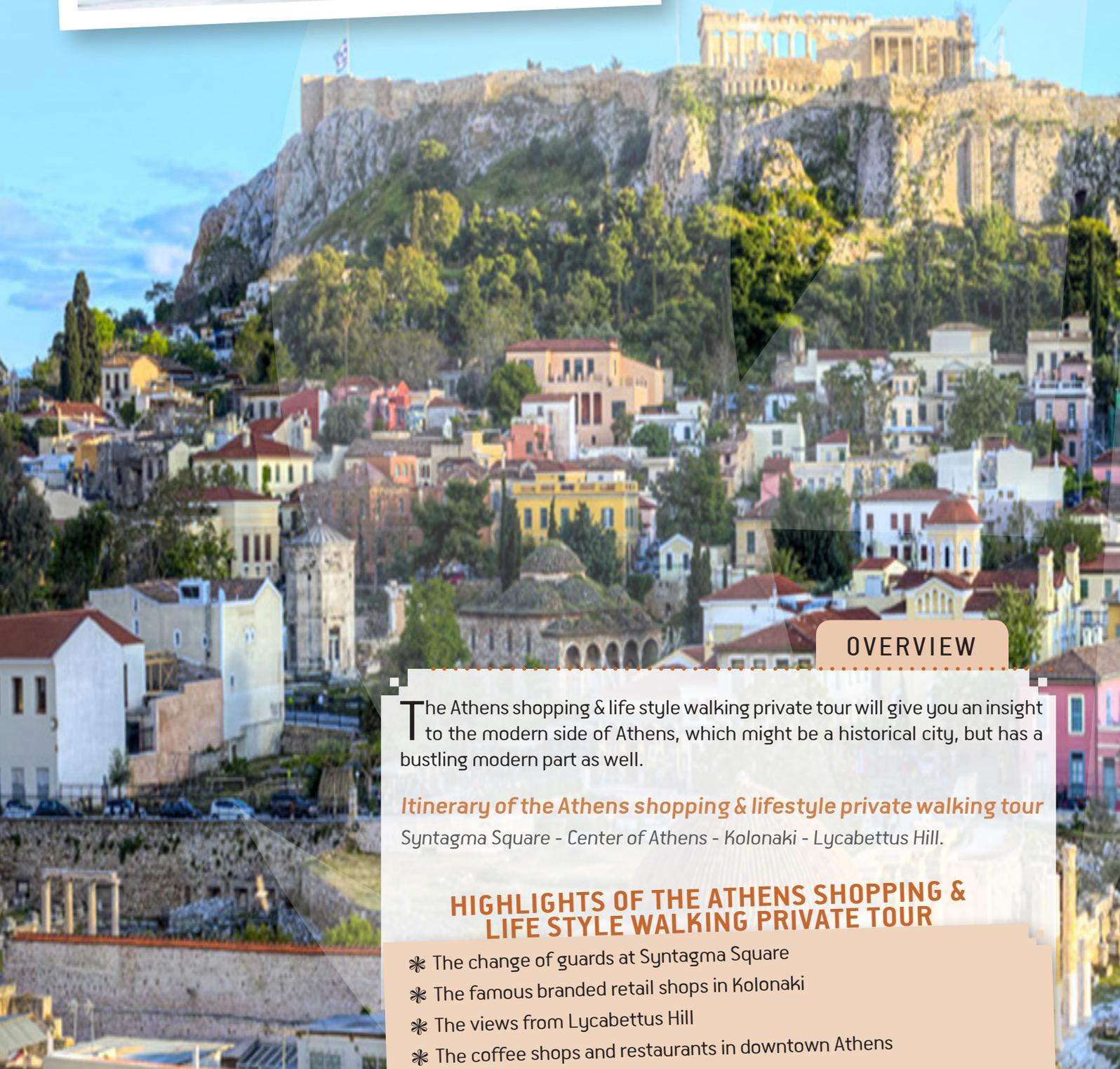
**End point:** Drop off at the same point

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Starting time:** At 08:30 (is proposed) in order to avoid crowd on the Acropolis



## WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The Athens shopping & life style walking private tour will give you an insight to the modern side of Athens, which might be a historical city, but has a bustling modern part as well.

#### *Itinerary of the Athens shopping & lifestyle private walking tour*

Syntagma Square - Center of Athens - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ATHENS SHOPPING & LIFE STYLE WALKING PRIVATE TOUR

- \* The change of guards at Syntagma Square
- \* The famous branded retail shops in Kolonaki
- \* The views from Lycabettus Hill
- \* The coffee shops and restaurants in downtown Athens

# Shopping & Lifestyle walking tour in Athens



## DESCRIPTION

The Athens shopping & life style walking private tour will start from **Syntagma Square** (Constitution Square) where you will see the change of the guards in front of the Greek Parliament and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

You will then walk to one of the most interesting and elegant shopping districts of Athens, **Kolonaki**, where you will be able to see some of the most known designer brand names in the world, and numerous famous or prominent Athenians walking by.

**Kolonaki is the area where the heart of modern Athens beats**, since the shops blend with numerous stylish small coffee shops and bars, but also several galleries and small museums where you can enjoy modern and classic art. Here you can also taste some traditional Greek flavors, presented in a more contemporary way.

The Athens shopping & life style walking private tour will continue towards **Lycabettus Hill**, the highest hill of Athens that over shadows the city.

**Bring your camera along**, because Lycabettus offers breathtaking views to the entire city, from its northern hills to Piraeus, the famous port of the city. Especially if you are taking the evening walking tour in Athens, the thousands of small lights of the city will dazzle you. The views from Lycabettus are truly stunning.

The Athens shopping & life style walking private tour can be excellently combined with the history tour, because it will provide you a full idea of how the city lives and breathes. Your English-speaking guide will give you any information you need and will also ensure that you make the most out of your time in Athens.

The Athens shopping & life style walking tour is a flexible private tour, which can be customized based on your specific needs and requirements, allowing you to see the city at your own pace.

**Departures:** All year round

**Meeting point:** At the base of the Acropolis, exactly in front of "Dionysos Restaurant, Robertou Galli 43, Athens 117 43

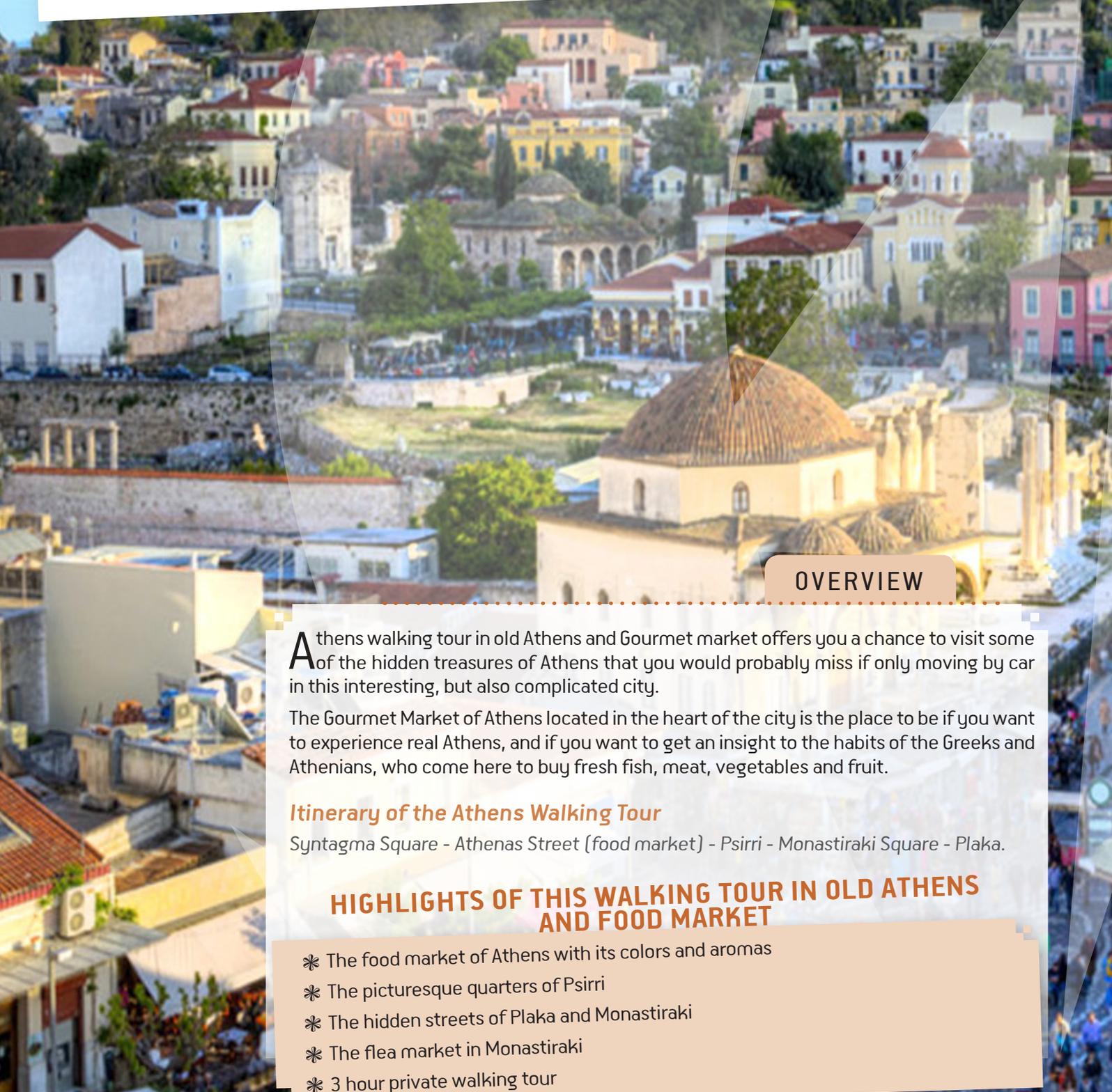
**End point:** Drop off at the same point.

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Starting time:** at 09:00 [is proposed]



# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

**A**thens walking tour in old Athens and Gourmet market offers you a chance to visit some of the hidden treasures of Athens that you would probably miss if only moving by car in this interesting, but also complicated city.

The Gourmet Market of Athens located in the heart of the city is the place to be if you want to experience real Athens, and if you want to get an insight to the habits of the Greeks and Athenians, who come here to buy fresh fish, meat, vegetables and fruit.

### *Itinerary of the Athens Walking Tour*

Syntagma Square - Athenas Street (food market) - Psirri - Monastiraki Square - Plaka.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WALKING TOUR IN OLD ATHENS AND FOOD MARKET

- \* The food market of Athens with its colors and aromas
- \* The picturesque quarters of Psirri
- \* The hidden streets of Plaka and Monastiraki
- \* The flea market in Monastiraki
- \* 3 hour private walking tour

# Walking tour in Old Athens and Gourmet market; private



## DESCRIPTION

Our walking tour in Athens will take you to one of the main pedestrianized streets in the heart of the city, with its famous little shops that line up and down the street, offering everything you can imagine, from local delicatessen to products grown in every part of the country.

**The hustle and bustle of the food market located just on this street is something you definitely need to experience.**

**We will visit the old food market of the city**, with its bustling sounds and intense aromas.

**You will stand in front of a large variety of fresh meat and fish**, but also fresh and dried fruits, and tons of herbs and spices that create truly unique scenery, just in the heart of the city. The merchants promoting their goods, and the buyers negotiating the prices is also something to see, since it is part of our "buying" tradition in markets.

**The next stop of the walking tour in Old Athens is Psirri**, one of the oldest quarters in the city which is renovated the last few years. Here you can have lunch at one of the numerous small tavernas, or enjoy a coffee with a traditional Greek dessert that will introduce you to the idea of going out with friends for "a sweet", as Greeks say.

**Later on, we will be visiting Plaka and Monastiraki**, where you can see an array of small tourist and local shops, selling all kinds of traditional products and souvenirs of the city.

**Athens is one of the most significant capital cities in the world**, boasting great cultural and historical interest.

**A walking tour in the heart of the city will reveal you** the real side of the city and its people and will allow you to understand its true charm that makes most visitors come back again.

**Departures:** All year round

**Meeting point:** At the base of the Acropolis, exactly in front of "Dionysos Restaurant, Robertou Galli 43, Athens 117 43

**End point:** Drop off at the same point.

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Starting time:** at 09:00 (is proposed)

# WALKING TOURS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

The Athens shared walking city tour including the Acropolis will offer you an insight to the ancient and modern side of Athens in a small group. Athens is a historical city as known the birth place of the western civilization, but has a bustling modern part as well.

- ◆ *Daily Service from April to October.*
- ◆ *Dep. 09.45 from Amalia Hotel.*
- ◆ *The tour ends approx 13.00 hrs. at the Acropolis.*

**Itinerary of the Athens walking city tour with the Acropolis**  
Syntagma Square - Center of Athens - temple of Zeus - Plaka - the Acropolis.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ATHENS WALKING CITY TOUR WITH THE ACROPOLIS

- \* The Acropolis with its world wide famous monuments
- \* The change of guards at Syntagma Square
- \* The Plaka
- \* The coffee shops and restaurants in downtown Athens

# Athens shared walking tour including the Acropolis



## DESCRIPTION

The Athens walking city tour with the Acropolis will start from Syntagma Square (Constitution Square) at approx 09:45 where you will see front of the Greek Parliament the change of the guards and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Then start a real pleasant walk through the national garden (ex royal garden) and the Zapeion hall, the temple of Zeus, and Hadrian's arch.

Continue from there to the Plaka heading to the Acropolis. Visit with your guide the Glory of ancient Athens, The Parthenon, the Propylea, the temple of Athens niki, the Erechthion witch reached its maximum expand in the 5th century BC called the golden age of Pericles or the golden age of Athens.

In the surrounding of the Athens Agora see the Observations, the Hill of Democracy (Pnyx), the Mars hill, the Philopapou hill, the Odeon, and the ancient theater of Dionysus.

At the end of the Athens walking city tour with the Acropolis do not miss to visit on your own the Acropolis museum.

The Athens walking city tour is a shared walking tour following your guide, and allowing you to see the city at the best way.



## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The full day private tour in Athens is a unique way to see one of the most interesting cities in the world that has been charming visitors for centuries. Travelers who have taken this tour were more than satisfied because it presents Athens as it is: a magical place to visit.

The full day private tour in Athens includes a blend of historical and archaeological museums, sites and artifacts that cover the entire history of the city. Book a tour by Athens Tours Greece today and get to see the Best of Athens!

#### *Itinerary of the private tour*

**The full-day tour includes a visit to the following sites in Athens:** The Acropolis (Parthenon, Propylea - Erechthion - Temple of Athens Niki - the Odeon Theater - The Dionysus Theater, Mars Hill / Areopagus) - Temple of Zeus - Panathenean Stadium (first modern Olympic Games in 1896) - Ex-Royal Palace - Change of the Guards Ceremonial - Greek Parliament - Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Ancient Greek Agora - Roman Agora (Tower of the Winds) - Hadrian library - Plaka (the old city of Athens) with time for lunch and leisure - The Acropolis Museum or the National Archaeological Museum - Lycabetus Hill with its breathtaking panoramic view of the city - Sightseeing from inside the vehicle

**Also you will have a Panoramic tour from the car:** Adrian's Arch (Athens Gate) - Syndagma Square (Constitution square) - National Garden - Catholic Cathedral, - Academy of Arts - University of Athens - National Library - The Kapnikarea Byzantine church - Monastiraki (also known as the flea market) - Theisio - Central Orthodox Church - Kolonaki - The prestige area of Athens

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BEST OF ATHENS TOUR

- \* An 8 hours private sightseeing tour in Athens
- \* Visit the trademark of the city of Athens, the Acropolis of Athens with its Parthenon
- \* Visit the New Museum of the Acropolis
- \* Visit the picturesque neighborhood of Plaka and enjoy lunch in a Greek restaurant
- \* Highly recommended for cruise passengers visiting Athens for a whole day or for several hours
- \* Professional English speaking tour driver

# The Best Of Athens

## Full Day Sightseeing Private Tour

### DESCRIPTION

The private tour starts early morning from your hotel or any other place convenient to you, for example your cruise terminal.

Your driver will drive you towards Queen Amalia Avenue by the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the House of the Parliament located at the famous Syntagma Square (Constitution Square). The Parliament house used to be the ex Royal Palace .

Then the private tour continues towards the Panathenian Stadium, which is also known as the Kallimarmaron Stadium, the site of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896 in Athens.

The tour continues towards Panepistimiou Avenue where you can see the Catholic Cathedral of Athens and the Trilogy of Neoclassical Buildings of Athens.

The Academy of Athens, the Athens University and the National Library will definitely impress you with their aesthetics and architectural design.

At the end of Panepistimiou Avenue you will see the Omonoia Square, which is the second largest square of Athens after Syntagma.

The tour to Athens continues with a drive to the Temple of Zeus and the Hadrian's Gate that blend the Ancient and Roman Era in Athens. The destination now is the crown of the city, the imposing Acropolis of Athens with its glorious Parthenon.

The Parthenon is the most characteristic example of classic architecture of the 5th century BC, constructed to house the immense statue of Goddess Athena, the protector Goddess of the city.

You will get to see the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike and the temple of the Erechtheion that is mostly known

due to the statues of the Caryatides, the Porch of Maidens.

You can enjoy the amazing vista to the entire city of Athens, along with the surrounding mountains and you will allow your sight to reach the shores of Athens and the famous port of Piraeus.

Once you descend from the Acropolis, you have the chance to visit the New Museum of the Acropolis that is built at the feet of the Sacred Rock and admire the marbles of the Parthenon and an impressive collection of artifacts and relics found on the Acropolis during the excavations.

Later on, the private tour will drive you through Plaka, the picturesque quarter of the city, where you can see lovely little shops with handmade crafts and gifts, the Ancient Agora of Athens where the philosophers and orators of Athens used to present their views and Roman agora.

The full day tour to Athens will also give you the chance to get a glimpse of modern Athens as well, visiting the fish and meat market in downtown Athens and walking by the Monastiraki market, which is the famous flea market of the city.

However, a visit to Athens is never complete if you do not get to taste the famous Greek cuisine; the tour will take you to a traditional Athenian restaurant or tavern, where you can indulge to the colors and flavors of the most known Greek dishes (home cooked food).

Finally, you will enjoy the breathtaking views from Lycabettus Hill, which is the highest hill in the city of Athens, to take some spectacular pictures and an image of the entire city in your hearts and minds.

Finishing the private tour in Athens, your driver will drop you at your hotel, your cruise terminal or any other place you want in Athens.





## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

Our 8 hours **full day tour to Sounion** is a combination of the half-day private tour to Athens and a tour to the **Athens Riviera** (Athens coastline: Glyfada, Varkiza, Lake Vouliagmeni) and **Cape Sounion**.

This tour is actually a harmonious blend of history and natural beauty, the elements that make Athens so unique throughout the centuries.

Experience the best of Athens and its unique coastline towards Cape Sounion and the Temple of Poseidon with the full day tour by Athens Tours.

#### **Itinerary of the Athens sightseeing and Cape Sounion tour**

**Before you visit Sounion, you will enjoy a private half-day sightseeing tour in Athens, that will take you to the most important sites in Athens:** The tomb of the Unknown Soldier - the Parliament House - the Constitution Square - the Panathenian Stadium (site of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896) - the Presidential Palace (ex Royal Palace) - the Catholic Cathedral - the Academy of Athens - University, National Library and Omonia Square - the Temple of Olympian Zeus - the Adrian's arch - the Acropolis with the awesome Parthenon - the Propylaea - the Temple of Athena Nike and the Erechtheion with its Porch of Maidens - the Plaka (old Athens) - the ancient agora - the Roman agora and Lycabettus hill.

The sightseeing tour in Athens lasts approximately 4,5 hours and the tour to Sounion another 3 hours.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ATHENS AND SOUNION TOUR

- \* All significant monuments and sites in Athens
- \* The coastline of Athens
- \* The Temple of Poseidon and Cape Sounion
- \* English-speaking driver

# Athens sightseeing and Cape Sounion full-day private tour

## DESCRIPTION

The private tour to Athens and Sounion starts with the half day tour to Athens that will take you to the most important sites in the city. You will get to see all monuments and archaeological sites that have made Athens the cradle of civilization and you will enjoy a tasteful lunch.

After your lunch, the private tour to the Athens Riviera and Cape Sounion starts. The tour will drive you along the impressive coastal road of Athens towards the southern suburbs and you will soon be getting to **Glyfada** and **Vouliagmeni**, where you will see the **lake of Vouliagmeni**, an impressive lake that stands hidden from the bypassers, but gathers numerous visitors and bathers each summer.

Later on you will be reaching **Varkiza**, one of the modern south suburbs of Athens that stands out due to its amazing coffee shops and restaurants, but also due to the amazing views it offers to the **Saronic Gulf**.

After an hour's drive you will get to **Cape Sounion**, with the crowning feature of the **Temple of Poseidon** that overlooks the Aegean Sea in a dramatic scenery that will definitely take your breath away.

The **Temple of Poseidon is of Doric Style** and was built in the 5th century BC is one of the most spectacular sites in the world, offering panoramic views not only to the sea, but also to the southern part of Attica and Athens.

According to the myth, King Aegeas of Athens stood there to see whether the ship bringing his son Theseus from Crete would have white or black sails, that would inform him of the potential death of his son. Aegeas saw the mistakenly forgotten black sails of the ship in the sea and dropped himself to the waters that took his name ever since and are called "Aegean Sea".

The private tour to the Athenian Riviera and Cape Sounion is truly remarkable and you cannot miss it if you want to see something more than downtown Athens. It is highly recommended for cruise passengers visiting Athens from morning till late in the afternoon.



## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

Experience a 8 hours full-day sightseeing tour in Athens, Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth with Athens Tour Greece, visiting some of the most important sites in close proximity to Athens.

#### **Itinerary:**

**During our tour you will see:** Acropolis - Parthenon - Temple of Zeus - The Mars Hill - Ancient Agora - Plaka and the Roman Agora of Athens - Constitution Square - House of Parliament - Unknown Soldier - Corinth canal - Ancient Corinth - Lycabettus hill

**During our tour you will visit:** Acropolis and Parthenon, Mars Hill, Temple of Zeus - The Ancient Agora - Plaka - Parliament - Unknown Soldier - Corinth canal - Ancient Corinth - Lycabettus hill.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FULL DAY TOUR IN ATHENS AND CORINTH

- \* A visit to the Acropolis and the Parthenon of Athens
- \* A visit to the picturesque quarter of Plaka
- \* Take impressive photos at the Corinth Canal
- \* The archaeological site of Ancient Corinth
- \* An experienced and skilled English speaking driver for a safe and comfortable tour
- \* Also available as a shore excursion from the port of Piraeus (Athens), or as a Christian tour

# Full-day sightseeing tour in Athens, Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth

## DESCRIPTION

The full day tour in Athens and Corinth is an excellent chance to combine the beautiful landscape with major archaeological sites in Greece.

The tour starts early in the morning from Athens and aims at providing a thorough overview of the modern city and Ancient Athens.

The tour will take you to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the house of the Parliament located at the Syntagma Square. After a short stop to watch the change of the guards, you will drive down Panepistimiou Avenue and see the Neoclassic Trilogy (Academy, University and National Library) reaching the Omonoia Square, which is one of the main squares of Athens.

Later on, the full day tour will take you to the Temple of the Olympian Zeus and the Hadrian's Arch. The highlight of the tour in Athens is the visit to the Acropolis, which is the crowning monument of the city. Entering the site of the Acropolis, you will pass by the Gates known as Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Mars Hill, known as one of the main stops of St Paul and the Erechtheion with the Caryatides Maidens.

The tour will also drive you through the lovely and picturesque quarter of Athens, Plaka, and you will get to the Ancient Agora, where the most

famous artists, scientists and philosophers like Solon, Socrates, and Plato used to spend their day. The Agora is also one of the preaching points of St Paul in Athens.

After seeing these sites, the tour will continue towards the Lycabettus Hill, where you can admire the view before heading to Corinth.

After a lunch with tasteful Greek flavors, the tour continues towards Corinth, driving by the coastal national road that will give you the chance to see some beautiful small seaside villages before reaching the Corinth Canal that connects the Ionian with the Aegean Sea.

Shortly afterwards, you will get to you will get to Corinth and the place where St Paul preached and wrote some of his famous letters.

Ancient Corinth was also a very important state city during the ancient years, the richest and most famous port of the ancient world, something evident even today from its remains.

Ancient Corinth includes important monuments, such as the Ancient Agora and the Temple of Apollo, that will give you an insight of how Corinth used to be.

The return to Athens will take place late in the afternoon, after almost 8 hours of a comfortable and safe tour in Athens and Corinth.



# FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

The private full-day tour to Ancient Corinth and Corinth Canal, Mycenae and the city of Nafplion is a fascinating trip to the Greek history and beauty with Athens Tours Greece .

The full day tour to Corinth, Mycenae and Nafplio is specifically designed for those visitors who wish to enjoy a relaxed day-trip and visit some of the most interesting and impressive archaeological sites in Greece. The destinations of this tour are simply the ones you cannot afford to skip when in Greece.

### *Itinerary of our tour to Corinth, Mycenae, Nafplion*

Athens - Corinth Canal - Ancient Corinth - Mycenae - Nafplion - Athens

*The private full day tour departs early in the morning from Athens and lasts approximately 8-8,30 hours.*

### Note:

\* If you would like to visit the theater of Epidaurus as well, then check our 10-hour private tour to Corinth, Epidaurus, Mycenae and Nafplion.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS TOUR TO CORINTH, MYCENAE, NAFPLION

- \* The impressive Corinth Canal
- \* The archaeological site of Ancient Corinth with its agora and museum
- \* The Arched Tombs of the Kings and the Lion's Gate in the archaeological site of Mycenae
- \* The picturesque town of Nafplio
- \* The inviting landscape of the Peloponnese Peninsula

# Full-day tour to Corinth, Mycenae, Nafplion

## DESCRIPTION

The tour starts from Athens early in the morning. We will be driving along the lovely and picturesque coastal road towards **Corinth**. The first highlight of our tour is the **Isthmus of Corinth** and **Corinth Canal**. We will have a short stop here for pictures and we will continue towards Ancient Corinth.

In the archaeological site of **Ancient Corinth**, you will see the unearthed **agora**, shops of the ancient time and a variety of interesting structures of the antiquity. The **Archaeological Museum of Corinth** is also a must see, since it houses some astounding pieces from the ancient times, dating back to the 5th century AD, as well as some impressive artifacts and statues from the Roman times, such as the gorgeous **Lucius statue**.

Our next stop will be **Mycenae**, which is one of the definite highlights of this full day private tour.

**Mycenae was the birthplace of the Mycenaean**

**civilization** and its archaeological site proves the importance and grandeur that this city state used to have in Ancient Greece.

The **gigantic Lion's Gate**, the Cyclopean Walls and the impressive arched **Royal Tombs** will stay in your memory for a long time!

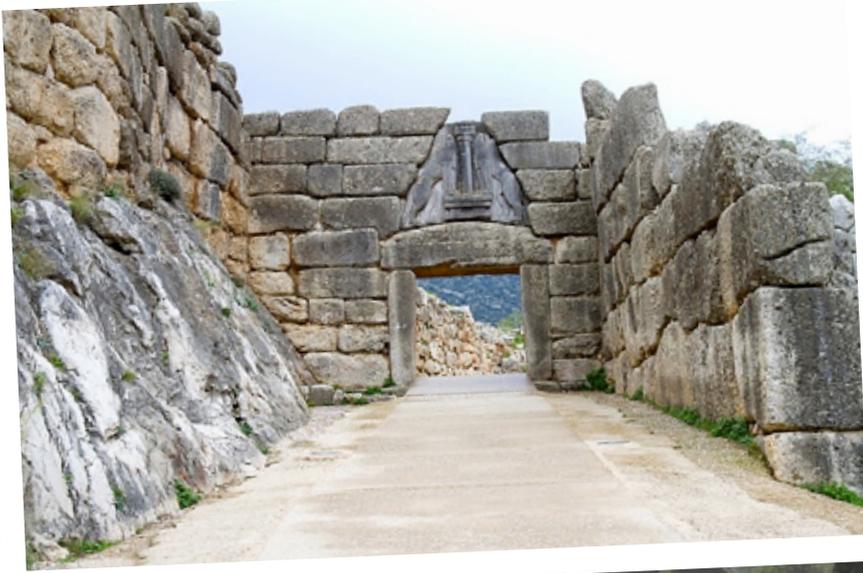
In **Mycenae** we will also enjoy our lunch in the countryside.

After lunch, the private tour will continue towards **Nafplion**, the lovely Venetian town of Argolis Prefecture that used to be the first capital city of modern Greece in the 19th century.

We will have the time to see the imposing fortress of **Palamidi** that stands above the town and enjoy a nice, leisurely walk in the streets of the town, where you can see the authentic old houses of the town, but also an impressive variety of local shops that sell all kinds of handmade objects and jewelry.

After visiting **Nafplion** the full day private tour ends, thus we will be returning back to Athens late in the afternoon.

## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

Enjoy a private full-day tour to Ancient Corinth and Corinth Canal, Epidaurus Theater, Mycenae and the city of Nafplion with Athens Tours Greece.

The full day tour to Corinth, Epidaurus, Mycenae and Nafplion is specifically designed for those visitors who wish to make the most of their day, and visit some of the most important areas in the Peloponnese Peninsula, including some of the most interesting and impressive archaeological sites in Greece.

#### **Itinerary of our tour to Corinth, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Nafplion**

Athens – Corinth Canal – Ancient Corinth – Epidaurus Theater – Mycenae – Nafplion – Athens

This is a private full day tour that starts early in the morning in Athens and lasts approximately 10 hours. If you prefer a shorter tour, then check our [8,30-hour tour to Corinth, Mycenae and Nafplion](#).

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR TO CORINTH, EPIDAUROS, MYCENAE, NAFPLION

- \* The impressive Corinth Canal and the archaeological site of ancient Corinth
- \* The ancient theater of Epidaurus, which is one of the best preserved ancient theaters in the world
- \* The Arched Tombs of the Kings in the archaeological site of Mycenae
- \* The picturesque Venetian town of Nafplion
- \* The amazing countryside with the lemon and orange trees in the Peloponnese peninsula

# Full-day tour to Corinth, Epidaurus Theater, Nafplion and Mycenae

## DESCRIPTION

**O**ur full-day private tour to Corinth, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Nafplion starts early in the morning.

Our experienced driver will drive along the coastal road towards Corinth and will take you to **Corinth Canal** that connects the Aegean with the Ionian Sea.

You will enjoy a short stop for pictures and will continue towards the archaeological site of Ancient Corinth where you can visit the Temple of Apollo and the fortress of Acrocorinth that offers magnificent views to the plains and the sea.

If you are following the steps of St Paul, the tour to Corinth will be of great interest to you, since this is also the place where **Apostle Paul** lived for two years and preached the Christian word.

After Corinth the private full day tour will continue towards **Epidaurus** (or Epidavros in Greek), where you can admire the famous ancient **theater of Epidaurus** with the impressive acoustics. This is the hub of the summer Greek festival, with theatrical plays and music concerts all summer long.

Later on, the private tour driver will take you to **Mycenae**, the capital of the ancient Mycenaean Civilization. You will have the chance to visit the Cyclopean walls of the city, the Lion's Gate, the Royal Tombs of Agamemnon and the entire archaeological site. We will have a short lunch here.

**The best is yet to come.** The tour will depart for **Nafplion**, the historical first capital of Greece, which is a lovely small town nesting at the foot of a hill crowned by the Fortress of Palamidi. You will stroll in its picturesque cobbled stone streets and visit the several local shops with great pieces of art and crafts. Later, the tour will take you slowly back to Athens.

**We will return to Athens in time for dinner**, where the full day tour ends.

### Considerations

*During winter time, there will be slight changes in the itinerary due to the fact that the archaeological sites close at 3pm, while remain open till 5-6pm during summer time. Athens Tours Greece offer you the chance to create your own plan and customize it based on your preferences and requirements, making the most of your valuable time.*

*Also, the full day tour is available for driving with a mini bus or bus, for larger groups. In this case the itinerary can also be customized and will be shorter, again based on your specific needs and requirements. Your private guide is at your disposal at any time to discuss and plan your private full day tour accordingly.*

*This tour is highly recommended for Cruise passengers visiting Athens for a day or for a few hours. You can customize your private tour contacting the Athens Tours Greece team.*

# FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

**D**elphi is one of the most renowned places of ancient Greece. Until today, its importance is discussed and its legends are considered a mystery. The **Oracle of Delphi** was the place to visit before a very important decision or a life changing event in Greece.

Delphi is today one of the most important archaeological sites in Greece, and definitely a place you cannot afford to skip when you find yourself in Greece. Except for its significance, it is also known for the amazing landscape and its very positive aura.

### *Itinerary of our tour to Corinth, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Nafplion*

Athens - Levadia - Arachova - Delphi - Cheronia - Athens

## HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR PRIVATE TOUR TO DELPHI

- \* A private full day tour with an English speaking driver from Athens to Delphi
- \* Drive through the picturesque landscape of Central Greece
- \* Drive through Arachova, a famous ski resort
- \* A typical Greek lunch with traditional food you will love
- \* The archaeological site of Delphi, the Museum and the Temple of Apollo
- \* Visit the famous Lion of Cheronia

## Visit Delphi, private full day tour to Delphi

### DESCRIPTION

The private tour to Delphi starts from Athens early in the morning. The driver will pick you up from your hotel or cruise ship and will drive you towards an impressive but also scenic countryside.

You will pass by Levadia, one of the known and influential towns in Central Greece and Thebes the important city state of the ancient years.

After a drive of less than two hours you will be arriving to Arachova, a very small but extremely cute and picturesque mountain village that lies at the feet of Mt Parnassus.

Arachova is known as a major tourist destination in winter, especially for those who ski, and for the quality of its handmade carpets and kilims. It is also a place that serves delicious local dishes and a variety of cheeses that you will not find in other areas in Greece.

After a short stop in Arachova, the private full day tour will continue towards Delphi, which is located just 8km away. Delphi is known due to the Oracle that dates from the Mycenaean period, although its fame grew bigger around the early 6th century BC.

The Oracle of Delphi gained significant political and

religious importance and became extremely rich. The richness and the importance of the place is evident even today.

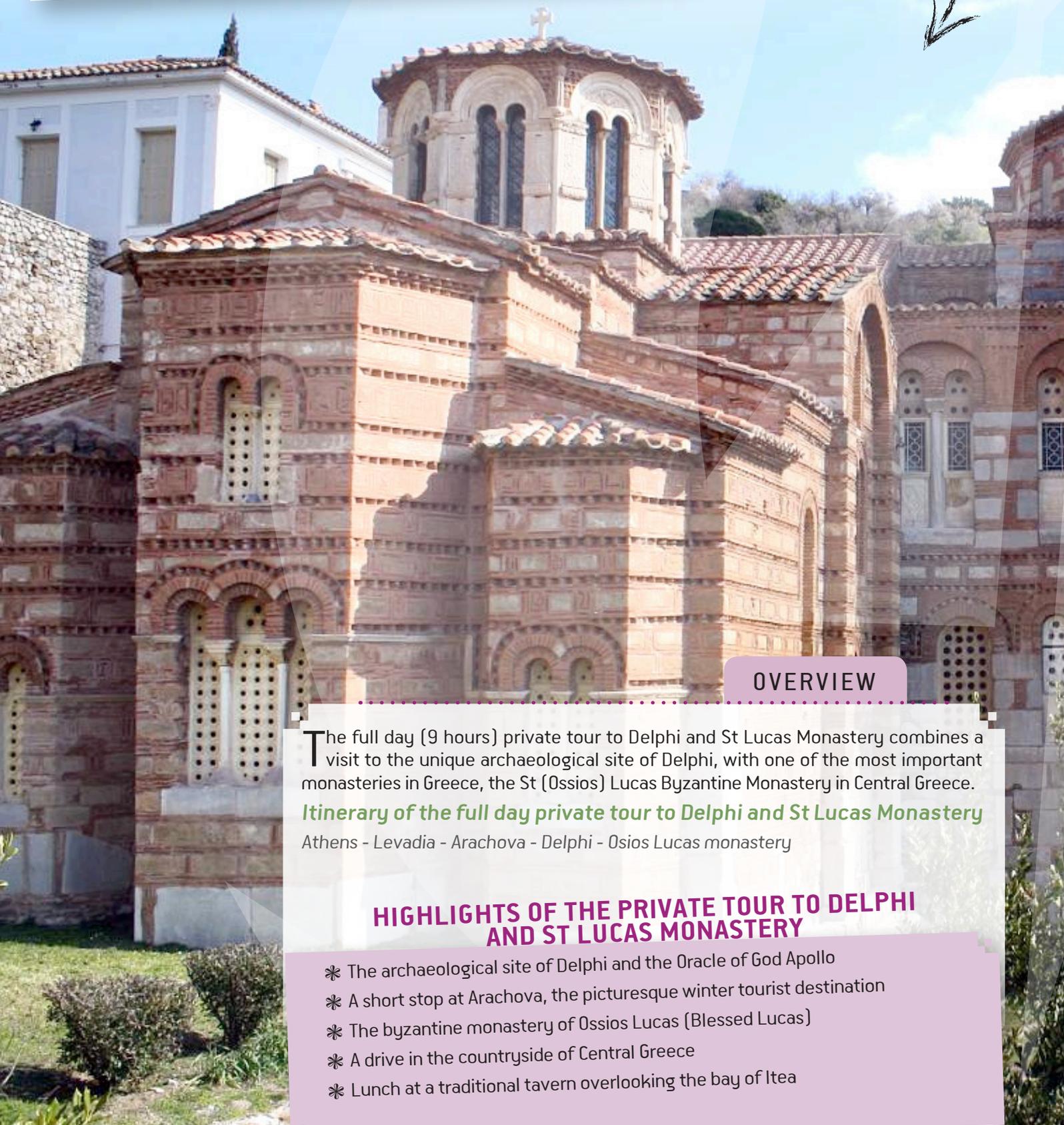
During the private full day tour you will be visiting the archaeological site of Delphi which is one of the most impressive sites you will ever visit in your life. You can visit the Oracle, the navel of the Earth called omphalos in Greek and of course the Museum of Delphi that houses some impressive treasures of the antiquity.

In the museum of Delphi you will see the statues of the Twin brothers, the Sphynx from Naxos and of course the immense bronze Charioteer called Eniochos. After the museum you will visit the Athenian treasury and the Temple of Apollo.

You will have the chance to choose between a meal in Delphi or Arachova and after your lunch, leaving Parnasos mountain line with its famous Delphi and Arachova villages, you will have a short stop at Cheronia to visit the famous statue of the Cheronian Lion. It was erected at the battlefield in 338 B.C. from the king of Macedonia Phillip the 2nd, father of Alexander the Great, as a memorial for his victory against the Athenians and Thebeans. After the Lion of Cheronia the private full day tour will drive you back to Athens, following the same route.



## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The full day (9 hours) private tour to Delphi and St Lucas Monastery combines a visit to the unique archaeological site of Delphi, with one of the most important monasteries in Greece, the St (Ossios) Lucas Byzantine Monastery in Central Greece.

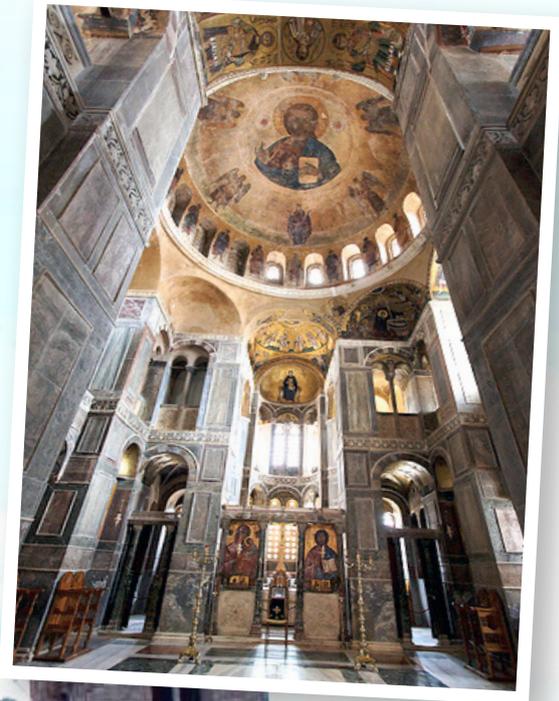
***Itinerary of the full day private tour to Delphi and St Lucas Monastery***

Athens - Levadia - Arachova - Delphi - Osios Lucas monastery

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRIVATE TOUR TO DELPHI AND ST LUCAS MONASTERY

- \* The archaeological site of Delphi and the Oracle of God Apollo
- \* A short stop at Arachova, the picturesque winter tourist destination
- \* The byzantine monastery of Ossios Lucas (Blessed Lucas)
- \* A drive in the countryside of Central Greece
- \* Lunch at a traditional tavern overlooking the bay of Itea

# Visit Delphi and Osios Lucas Monastery in a full day tour



## DESCRIPTION

The full-day private tour starts early in the morning from Athens, with a direction towards Central Greece. You will enjoy lush greenery and a typical Greek - Mediterranean landscape on route.

You will pass by Levadia and soon afterwards you will arrive at the **Monastery of Osios Lucas**, which is perhaps the most important monument of the Middle Byzantine period in Greece.

During the ten centuries since its inception, it played a leading role in the historic adventures of the place, winning the favor of emperors and officials during the Byzantine period. During the Frankish occupation it came under the occupation of the Order of Catholic monks and saw the destructive fury of the conquerors, both Catalans and Turks. In the war of 1821 against the Turkish army, the monastery was the base of Greek warriors.

After a short visit at the **Monastery of St Lucas**, the tour will continue towards **Delphi**, the outstanding archaeological site of **Delphi**, which used to be the center of attention of the entire known world in the antiquity.

The famous **Oracle of God Apollo** impresses the visitors even today; during our full-day private tour, you will have the chance to visit the actual site of the Oracle and the **Museum of Delphi** that houses the bronze Charioteer and the Sphinx of Naxos and a number of significant and well preserved monuments.

After the visit at the archaeological site, you will enjoy a lunch in the little village of Delphi, enjoying a magnificent panoramic view of Itea bay.

After lunch we will drive through **Arachova**, which is a picturesque mountainous village, built at the south slopes of Parnassus. It is renowned for its tasteful food and sweets, as well as for the handmade carpets and artifacts.

Later you will be returning to Athens, following the same route back. The tour lasts almost 9 hours.

# FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

If you love gastronomy and wine, do not miss the thrilling experience of a fascinating wine tour to Corinth, Nemea and Nafplion.

This private tour is organized with the tourist in mind; all participants are given the chance to discover the wealth of tastes and flavors that exist in Greece. After all, Greece is one of the main wine producers in Europe, with several wines being awarded in festivals all over the world.

The wine tour includes a visit to important wineries, wine tasting and lunches in typical local taverns and restaurants catering local flavors.

### *Itinerary of the full day wine tour to Corinth, Nemea and Nafplion*

Corinth Canal - Ancient Nemea - Wine tasting in Nemea - Nafplion

### *You can also choose one of the following alternative itineraries:*

- 1) Corinth canal, ancient Corinth and wine tasting in Nemea
- 2) Corinth canal, ancient Nemea and wine tasting in Nemea
- 3) Corinth canal, visit wineries and wine tasting for the rest of the tour

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FULL-DAY WINE TOUR FROM ATHENS

- \* A visit to Corinth Canal
- \* Visit Ancient Nemea and its wine roads in the Peloponnese peninsula
- \* Discover the picturesque town of Nafplion
- \* Savor the local wines and tastes

# Full-day Wine tour to Corinth, Nemea and Nafplion



## DESCRIPTION

**O**ur full-day wine tour starts early in the morning from Athens; the experienced driver will take you from the coastal road that drives along the Saronic Gulf towards **Corinth**.

After an hours' drive you will be reaching the **Corinth Canal**, where you can admire the splendid views to the Sea and take some amazing pictures.

After a short stop, the tour will take you to Nemea, where some awarded Greek wines are produced. In Nemea you will visit the archaeological site of Ancient Nemea and the Stadium of Nemea.

Nemea was very much known in the ancient times because of the Panhellenic Games organised in the Temple of Zeus, featuring contests in music, drama, horse riding and gymnastics.

### The Games of Nemea

Ancient Greeks celebrated athletic religious holidays, organized like the Delphic Games. The other known games of the time were the Isthmia and the famous to date Olympic games, which formed the circle of the holy Panhellenic Games.

In each of these four sites, alternating each year and for some time, a sacred truce was announced, preventing every war and every warfare and all the Greeks, declared their presence, recognizing their common human nature and origin.

Nemea Games held both athletic and equestrian events. Subsequently musical games were added. The events were Stadium (178 meters), Diavlos (355 meters), Hippios (710 meters), Horsegram (3,600 meters), Hoplite road (3,600 meters), Pangratio, boxing, wrestling and pentathlon.

Today, Nemea is also known as one of the most important wine producing regions in Greece. The production of **red wine from Nemea** is truly famous. Therefore, the private wine tour will take you not only to the archaeological site of the region that is nice to see, but also to the winery that will truly amaze you.

Nemea lies at an altitude of 200 to 800m ASL and the most

predominant variety cultivated here is the red Agiorgitiko. It is one of the most tasteful varieties and provides the opportunity to create a wide range of wines: some of the most known ones are the V.Q.P.R.D. **Nemea wines**, along with a rosé, and some full flavored aged red wines.

Some of the other known varieties produced in the Nemea Wineries are: Plagion, Argous, Pterotou, Peloponnesian, Corinthian, Plagion of Mountainous Corinthia, Klimenti and Iliou. These are red wines which are mostly known due to their strong aroma and fruity flavor.

After the visit to the winery and the wine tasting, we will be driving towards **Nafplion**, the picturesque town in Argolis that was the first capital city of Greece. Here you will have the chance to have free time for lunch or to visit the Palamidi Fortress.

Nafplion is a wonderful small town, known for its narrow cobblestone streets with the numerous little shops that provide you with either local food and wine products or with amazing hand made objects and artefacts.

Nafplion is also known due to its **Fortress**, the imposing Palamidi, which stands above the city. You can reach the fortress by car, or if you are up to some adventure you can climb the 999 stairs that lead to it! And when you are up there, you can admire the breathtaking views to the entire bay and the city of Nafplion and Argos.

The full day tour will be completed with a return to Athens late in the evening.

### Important information on the wineries at Nemea

- ☞ **Location:** The vineyards are cultivated on an altitude of 250-800m to the SE of Corinth.
- ☞ **Climate:** Mild winters with abundant rainfall and quite hot summers
- ☞ **Grape variety:** Agiorgitiko
- ☞ **Wines:** Red, Dry, Rose, Aged Red

# FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



## OVERVIEW

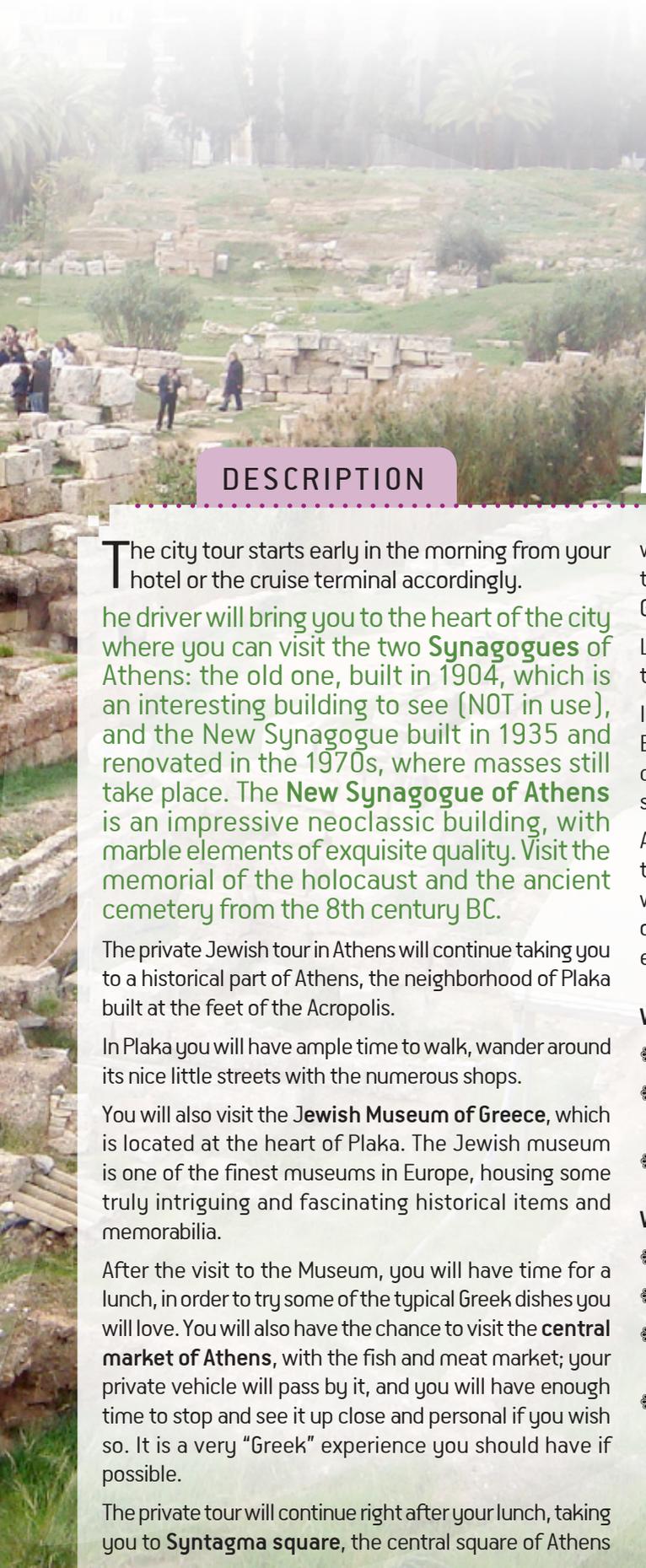
The full-day **Jewish tour in Athens** is an excellent chance to see the city beyond the beaten path, visiting some of the most important Jewish sites in Europe.

It is a full-day private tour combining the best parts of the city of Athens along with the Jewish monuments and Synagogues of the city.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FULL-DAY JEWISH TOUR IN ATHENS

- \* The Jewish Museum in Athens
- \* The Jewish Synagogues in the city
- \* The Lycabettus hill of Athens
- \* The Acropolis
- \* A professional English speaking driver

# Full-day Jewish tour in Athens



## DESCRIPTION

The city tour starts early in the morning from your hotel or the cruise terminal accordingly.

The driver will bring you to the heart of the city where you can visit the two **Synagogues** of Athens: the old one, built in 1904, which is an interesting building to see (NOT in use), and the New Synagogue built in 1935 and renovated in the 1970s, where masses still take place. The **New Synagogue of Athens** is an impressive neoclassic building, with marble elements of exquisite quality. Visit the memorial of the holocaust and the ancient cemetery from the 8th century BC.

The private Jewish tour in Athens will continue taking you to a historical part of Athens, the neighborhood of Plaka built at the feet of the Acropolis.

In Plaka you will have ample time to walk, wander around its nice little streets with the numerous shops.

You will also visit the **Jewish Museum of Greece**, which is located at the heart of Plaka. The Jewish museum is one of the finest museums in Europe, housing some truly intriguing and fascinating historical items and memorabilia.

After the visit to the Museum, you will have time for a lunch, in order to try some of the typical Greek dishes you will love. You will also have the chance to visit the **central market of Athens**, with the fish and meat market; your private vehicle will pass by it, and you will have enough time to stop and see it up close and personal if you wish so. It is a very "Greek" experience you should have if possible.

The private tour will continue right after your lunch, taking you to **Syntagma square**, the central square of Athens

where you can see the Parliament, the National Gardens, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Change of the Guards.

Later on, you will be visiting the **Acropolis**, the historical trademark of the city.

It is a magnificent rock, adorned by the temple of Erechtheion with the Maidens, the Athena Nike and of course the impressive Parthenon that dominates the sky of Athens.

At the end of our full-day private tour, we will take you to Lycabettus hill, to admire Athens from a special spot with a panoramic view of the city. Drive back to your hotel or cruise ship; the duration of the tour is approximately eight hours.

### What is included in our Jewish tours in Athens

- \* Pick-up service from your hotel or cruise ship
- \* An English-speaking driver with a solid knowledge of history and culture of Greece
- \* Toll road fees, fuel charges and all taxes

### What is not included in our Jewish tours in Athens

- \* Entrance fees to archaeological sites and museums
- \* Meals & drinks
- \* There is no entrance fee to the Synagogues, but you will be asked to make a donation.
- \* An official licensed tour guide

### Note:

- \* Another option is the **6-hours Jewish tour in Athens**



## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

The full-day **Christian tour** in **Athens** and **Corinth** is a tour you will definitely enjoy. It is specifically designed for those interested in following the footsteps of St Paul in Greece, without missing what Greece is mostly known of: its ancient monuments and history.

#### **What you will see during the full-day Christian tour in Athens and Corinth**

Athens - Acropolis - Parthenon, Mars Hill - Iaka and the Ancient Agora of Athens - Constitution Square - House of Parliament - Unknown Soldier - Corinth Canal - Ancient Corinth - Archaeological Museum of Corinth - Cechrae

#### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FULL-DAY CHRISTIAN TOUR IN ATHENS AND CORINTH**

- \* Visit Athens, the cradle of the Western Civilization
- \* The Acropolis of Athens
- \* The famous Mars Hill, the meeting point of St Paul in Athens
- \* Spectacular views at Corinth Canal
- \* Visit Ancient Corinth, where St Paul preached in Greece
- \* A professional, English speaking driver

# Following the footsteps of St Paul in Athens, Corinth Canal and Ancient Corinth

## DESCRIPTION

Our Christian tour in Athens and Corinth will start early in the morning from **Athens**, where you will have the chance to enjoy a full city tour that will take you to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Parliament House on Constitution Square, the Panathenaic Stadium, where the first modern Olympics took place in 1896, and some of the most significant buildings of Athens, such as the "Neoclassical Trilogy," including the Academy, the University and the National Library of Athens, and Omonia Square.

Moreover, the tour will take you to the Temple of Olympian Zeus and Hadrian's Arch, before heading towards the most important monument in the city, the famous Acropolis of Athens.

The crown of the Holy Rock is of course the Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, and the **Mars Hill** (Areopagus) (Acts 17:22) where Apostle Paul came to preach the word of the Christian religion to the Athenians.

After the visit to the Acropolis, the tour will take you to Plaka, a picturesque small quarter of Athens where St Paul preached and met his followers at the **Ancient Agora**. St Paul spent almost his entire day in the agora, meeting people, exchanging ideas and discussing on the new religion. It is a very important part of the city, and quite significant for the stay of St Paul in Greece and Athens.

During the full day private tour you will also have time to visit the Lycabettus Hill that offers magnificent views to the entire city of Athens.

Later on, you will enjoy a nice Greek lunch, and you will head towards the important city of Corinth.

Driving along the coastal road of Athens and Attica you will reach the **Corinth Canal**, after almost an hour's drive and you will enjoy a short stop to take some gorgeous pictures of the amazing views.

Shortly afterwards you will reach **Ancient Corinth**, one of the most important city states of ancient Greece and definitely one of the most important parts of St Paul's journey in Greece.

In **Ancient Corinth** Apostle Paul spent 18 months, preaching to the Jews and Gentiles. The site is overlooked by the Acropolis housing the remains of the Temple of Aphrodite, the goddess of love.

In Corinth, St. Paul worked with Aquila and Priscilla. He founded a community here that caused him much grief and prompted him to write at least four letters. St. Paul's trial by Gallio took place in the agora (Acts 18:12-17). It is from Corinth, also, that St. Paul wrote to the Thessalonians. We celebrate our liturgy today in Corinth with a reflection on Paul the Missionary.

We will visit the ruins of **Cechrae** or **Kechrae**, the harbour from which St. Paul sailed to Ephesus (Acts 18:18).

You will see the ancient agora, the Temple of God Apollo and the ancient port of Kechrae in Corinth, where St Paul disembarked when visiting Corinth to preach. Kechrae is also known due to the important church established in the area by St Paul before leaving for Ephesus.

The private full day Christian tour will end late in the afternoon bringing you back to Athens via the same route.





## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

This tour is designed for cruise passengers or other travelers interested in culture and natural phenomena.

The private 8-hour tour in Athens city and the phenomenon of Evia island combines the famous monuments of Ancient Athens and a geological phenomenon that happens every 6 hours, together with breathtaking picturesque landscape and views.

#### You will see:

The Acropolis - The Parthenon - Erechthion - Temple of Athens Niki - Plaka - Ancient Agora - Roman Agora - Hadrian's library - Monastiraki - Temple of Vulcan - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - The Parliament - Monument of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - Plaka - Ex-Royal House - Kolonaki - Lycabettus Hill

#### You will visit:

The Acropolis - The Parthenon - Erechthion - Temple of Athens Niki - Temple of Zeus - Hadrian's Arch - The Parliament - Monument of the Unknown Soldier - Panathenian Stadium - Lycabettus Hill - Evia island - New bridge and old bridge of Chalkis - The phenomenon of Evripos Channel in Chalkis

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRIVATE TOUR IN ATHENS & CHALKIS

- \* 8-hours sightseeing private tour of Athens and Chalkis in Evia island
- \* Explore the wonders of the Acropolis and other modern and classical sites in Athens
- \* Cross the second biggest bridge in Europe from mainland Greece to the island of Evia
- \* Observation of the world's unique phenomenon of Chalkis
- \* Professional English-speaking tour driver
- \* Pickup and drop off at your cruise ship pier in Piraeus, or your hotel in Athens

# Visit Athens and admire the phenomenon of Evia island - 8 hours tour

## DESCRIPTION

The tour starts from the ship pier or your hotel in Athens, with a modern and comfortable vehicle ready to accommodate you and your group of friends.

You will be visiting the Acropolis of Athens, whose temple of Parthenon dominates the city of Athens, the Propylaea (entrance to the Temple), the Erechtheum, the Temple of Wingless Victory, which allows you a full idea of how the Holy Rock of Athens used to be in the ancient years.

According to the Myth at the Erechtheum, Goddess Athena and God Poseidon are said to have held a contest to decide who would be Patron of the city. When Poseidon thrust his trident into the ground, water burst forth. Athena touched the ground with her spear, an olive tree grew and Athena was named goddess of the city of Athens.

The building itself contains the graceful Porch of the Caryatids, which features replica columns of marble maidens supporting the roof of the temple. All temples on the holly rock of the Acropolis are dedicated to Athena, the patron goddess of Athens. Parthenon is Greece's largest and most impressive ancient temple (5th century BC).

Our next visit is the famous Temple of Olympian Zeus, the largest (3rd century BC) Corinthian style temple in ancient Greece. Hadrian's Arch symbolizes and separates the old and new towns by the Roman era.

Our private shore excursion includes sightseeing of the National Gardens, the National Library and the Parliament Building, the ex-Royal Palace, plaka, roman agora, Monastiraki Temple of Vulcan.

We continue this full-day private shore excursion and along the way and we will pass by the ex-royal house. Afterwards we will visit the Ancient Olympic Stadium for a brief photo stop. Re-built in 1894 to host the first modern Olympic Games of 1896 in Athens, the stadium is made all of Pentelic marble (like the Parthenon) standing on the site of the original stadium, dating from the 4th century B.C. The Panathinean stadium is used today for very special events, like for the every year finish of the marathon and the archery competition. Also, it was used in the 2004 Olympics games.

Just before we end our private tour in Athens city, we will drive you up on Lycabetus Hill, the highest hill in Athens, where you can admire the incredible views of Athens.

Afterwards we will have lunch in a Greek restaurant with home-cooked food and we will continue our tour by taking the highway to the north.

### Visit Chalkis in Evia Island

After almost one hour we'll cross the bridge, that connects the mainland of Central Greece with the island of Evia.

The second part of the tour is dedicated to the beautiful island of

Evia or Evoia, starting with its capital town, Chalkis or Chalkida.

Just one hour from Athens, Chalkis has been "declared" in recent years the new suburb of the capital, due to its taverns with ouzo and meze for Sunday outings and the beautiful beaches to the north and south. Chalkis has the advantage that it extends along the coast, which allows splendid views almost from every part of the town.

The national road passes by the new suspension bridge, but the old sliding bridge Negroponte (the "black bridge", as it was called by the Venetians) has not lost its grace.

From here you can watch the changing of the direction of water every six hours in Evripos channel, a classic family attraction for the last decades.

Besides the lovely seaside aspect, Chalkida hides a very beautiful inside part as well. Stroll through the narrow streets with the carved stones, watch the store windows that combine old-fashioned dresses with contemporary fashion, to reach the Market Square, where there is a small flea market on Sundays. One of the most atmospheric neighborhoods of Chalkida spread around the church of Agia Paraskevi. Poor but picturesque houses dig up memories of the old Turkish neighborhood, while the nearby Syntagma Square raises the minaret of the only extant mosque of the city.

### The water-flow in Evripos channel, Chalkis

One of the most significant highlights of Chalkis is the tide of Evripos channel. The tide of Euripos is a unique complex phenomenon, which due to tidal forces is observed only in the Strait of Euripos in Chalkida, hence the name.

The channel of Euripos is a narrow strip of sea width 39 m, length 40 m and a depth of about 8,5 m connecting the North with the South Evia Gulf, between Central Greece and Chalkida. In this area, you can see the unique complex phenomenon: waters moving continuously, while changing the direction of movement. Sometimes water is directed towards the North and sometimes to the South Evian Gulf.

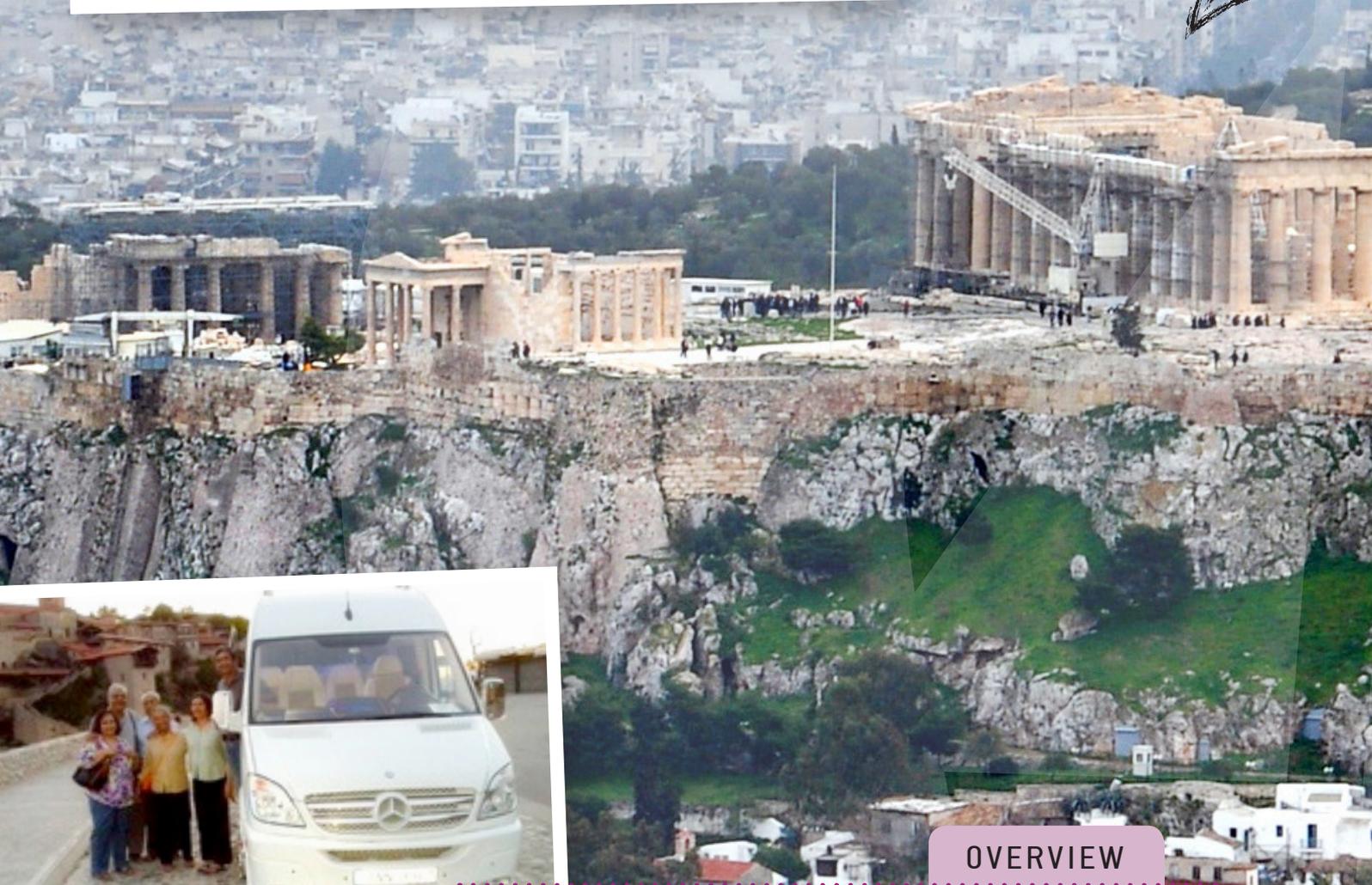
This constant movement of the waters has inspired the imagination of the ancient and modern Greeks, hence, numerous poems and texts have been written about it, either praising its charm, or discussing its origins. It was said that this phenomenon is so unique that the great Aristotle did not manage to solve the mystery throughout his lifetime.

The old bridge of Chalkida is built on the narrowest part of the channel, allowing a great observation point for those interested in watching the reversion of water flow, which takes place every six hours. The position of the moon determines the exact reversion time. From there, you will be able to take some truly gorgeous pictures, or videos of the phenomenon.

Transfer back to Piraeus cruise ship pier where your Athens private shore excursion ends, carrying with you the best of Greece.



## FULL-DAY SHORE EXCURSIONS IN ATHENS



### OVERVIEW

Are you visiting Athens with a cruise ship? Treat yourself with a guided tour to the Acropolis and all the other world-famous monuments of Athens.

Visit the cradle of the western civilization, the historical capital of Europe, and experience the Golden age of Greece.

Join our **Semi Private Shared Shore Excursions in Athens** and enjoy your tour in a luxurious minivan car, able to accommodate a **small group**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR

- \* Eight-hour guided tour in Athens by minivan
- \* English-speaking tour guide with an official license
- \* Your tour begins as soon as your cruise ship arrives at the port of Piraeus
- \* Visit the Acropolis, the Parthenon and the New Museum of Acropolis
- \* Walk in the picturesque neighborhood of Plaka
- \* Optional lunch in a Greek restaurant in Plaka

# Semi Private Guided Shore Excursions in Athens

## DESCRIPTION

Your driver and the tour guide will be waiting for you at the Port of Piraeus, the main port of Athens and the biggest port of Greece. Your tour will begin as soon as your cruise ship arrives at the port.

The first stop of your tour will be at one of the most well-known monuments of Greece, the Acropolis. There, you will be able to visit and see some of the magnificent masterpieces that were built during the Golden Age of Pericles, such as the Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion, the Caryatids, the Herodion theater, the ruins of the Theater of Dionysus, and Areopagus (the Mars Hill). A detailed tour will be held out, by the professional, English speaking tour guide that will be accompanying you.

Afterwards, you will have the opportunity to visit the Temple of Olympian Zeus and the Panathenaic Stadium, also known as Kallimarmaro Stadium; the original stadium was built in 1863 for the first modern Olympic Games in 1896 in Athens. You will not be able to enter the Panathenaic Stadium, but there is going to be a short break to take photographs there, while your tour guide will be explaining to you about the history and the details of the monuments.

The following stop for you will be at the Lycabettus hill, where you should grab the chance to take some exceptional photographs of the breathtaking view of Athens, from the place that is the highest point of the city.

Your next destinations will be the Old Palace, the Academy, the National Library and the First University of Athens, where you will be able to take more photographs and learn a great deal of information about the monuments and their history, from your tour guide. The Tomb of The Unknown Soldier and The Changing of The Guards will be the next places you will visit during your tour, where you

will have the opportunity to watch and photo shoot the well known ceremony of the changing of the Hellenic Parliament guards.

A stroll at the picturesque alleys of Plaka and some free time for shopping and to taste the delicious traditional Greek cuisine will follow (Optional). After your lunch you are going to visit the final destination of your tour that will be the New Acropolis Museum \*\*.

The New Acropolis Museum is one of the most extraordinary museums of the city, where you will see the huge collection of relics and sculptures that were found during the excavations at the archaeological site of the Acropolis. Visiting the New Acropolis Museum, will definitely be a lifetime experience for you.

**Itinerary of the 8 hours private shore excursion in Athens guided by a licensed English speaking tour guide**

*The 8 hours Athens tour includes: The Acropolis (see the Temple of Parthenon which is dedicated to Athena Parthenos, Propylea the monumental entrance to the sacred area, Temple of Athena Nike the dedicated to Athena-Apteros Nike, Temple of Erechtheion the dedicated to Athena Polias, the Caryatides, Herodean Theater, the Theater of Dionysus, the Areopagus or else the Mars Hill), Temple of Zeus the largest ancient temple in Greece in the Corinthian order, Panathenaic Stadium also known as The Kallimarmaro; the original stadium built in 1863 for the first modern Olympic games in 1896, Plaka with time for lunch and shopping, Hill of Lycabettus the highest hill of Athens center, the Old Palace else the ex royal palace #2, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier & the Changing of The Guards, the Catholic Cathedral, the "Neoclassical Trilogy" (Academy, National Library, First University of Athens), and finally The New Acropolis Museum\*.*





Welcome to paradise on earth!



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN GREECE



# SHORE EXCURSIONS IN CORFU



## OVERVIEW

Reach in history, the island of Corfu boasts an extremely beautiful natural landscape, dotted with vineyards, nice beaches, and reach gardens.



# Corfu Shore Excursion to Achillion Palace Palaeokastritsa Greece

## DESCRIPTION

**S**tart from the new port of Corfu heading direction to Achillion Palace. Visit the famous c8300Palace, which was constructed in 1892 for the Empress Elisabeth of Austria.

**This ill-fated Empress obsessed by the Greek hero, Achilles, commissioned a statue of Achilles "Dying".**

**In 1907, the Palace was bought by Kaiser William II of Germany, who erected a contrasting statue, of Achilles "Triumphant ". Nowadays, both statues are still standing in the gardens.**

**Your Athens Tours Greece private chauffeur will drive inland, see the traditional villages before arriving at beautiful Palaeokastritsa where you will visit the 13th Century Monastery of the Virgin Mary, located on top of a hill.**

**We continue your private tour driving through Ropa Valley to arrive at Gastouri village, past the Kaiser's Bridge to view, from a distance, the convent of Vlachernaie and the Mouse Island, the landmark of Corfu.**

**On the way back to port, stop in Corfu Town.** Visit by walking, the St. Spyridon Church, the patron saint of Corfu, or for those who would like, stroll through the numerous narrow streets with balconies.

**We end you private shore excursion driving you back to the cruise terminal.**



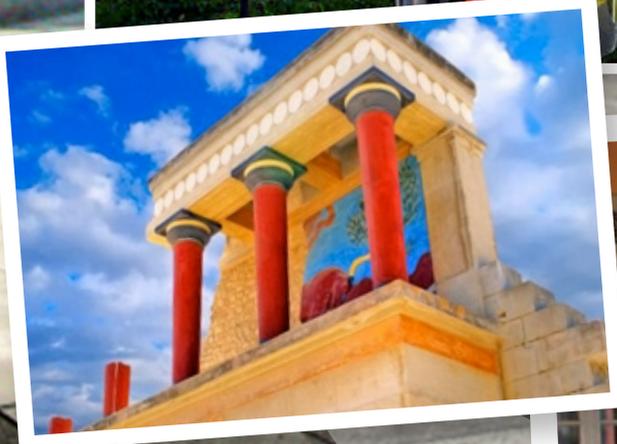
## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN CORFU



### OVERVIEW

Reach in history, the island of Corfu boasts an extremely beautiful natural landscape, dotted with vineyards, nice beaches, and reach gardens. Achillio, Kanoni, Triklino Vine Yard, Garitsa, Old Town.

Enjoy this 4 hour Corfu private tour and experience the best sites on the Island that can timely fit in this Corfu shore excursion.



# Corfu Private Shore Excursion with A Wine Yard 4 Hours Greece

## DESCRIPTION

**A**thens tour Greece private chauffeur will pick you up from the port to drive towards Achillion the trade mark of Corfu island. Achillion is near the village Gasturi and it was built on behalf of princess Elisabeth. It's got its name from Achilles, whom Elisabeth admired very much. After her death, Achillion was empty until Kaiser bought it and made some alterations both inside and outside. During the War, Achillion was used as hospital and a headquarters. When the Wars were over it became a public estate. Inside there are many beautiful paintings, personal belongings of princess Elisabeth, such as her furniture and jewels, and statues. The most important item is one painting that shows Achilles dragging Hector in front of Trojan walls.

Outside Achillion there are two magnificent statues of Achilles, most important of them the statue of "Dying Achilles". There are also the statues of The Nine Muses of ancient Greece and of course beautiful gardens all around the palace.

**Drive to Kanoni situated north of Old Town of Corfu.** It was named after the cannons that the French had placed there. One cannon is still there in a small square. Kanoni is situated north of Palaiofoli of Corfu. It was named after the cannons that the French had placed there. One cannon is still there in a small square. Before Kanoni lies the famous Pontikonissi. According to legends Pontikonissi is the place where Odysseus crashed due to a terrible storm. Others say that Pontikonissi is the ship of Odysseus that turned into stone when the Phaiakes transferred him back to Ithaki. From Kanoni you can visit the church of Vlacherna and from there take the small boat to go opposite to Pontikonissi. At Kanoni there is also the casino. Finally from Kanoni the air lane of Corfu airport is visible, so you can see the planes landing and taking off.

**Continuing your private shore excursion** your private chauffeur will take you to a Vine Yard located on a hill with panoramic view of central Corfu, we grow local varieties of grapes, around a building of local architecture in which olive oil and wine production tools are displayed.

**Taste Corfu through its local wine tasting** and take back home with you the best tasty memories of the island.

**In contrast visit the coastal region of Corfu Garitsa.** Garitsa is the coastal region of Corfu. The best time to take a walk in Garitsa is as the sun sets down. The colors of the sky are overwhelming. There you can meet joggers, bikers, mothers with children, street vendors. You can start your walk from the old fortress and reach Anemolylos for a café or a drink or vice versa. Either way it will take approximately half an hour. And if you got hungry opposite the

sea there are plenty of restaurants to discover the corfiot cuisine. Note that the best time to take a walk in Garitsa is as the sun sets down. The colors of the sky are overwhelming.

**Finlay your Athens tour Greece** private chauffeur will travel to Corfu town. It is the capital of the island and it is divided in the old and the new city. The old city is inside the fortress walls. There are two fortresses the old and the new. They protected Corfu from the Turkish invasion. The old city kept the Venetian architecture while outside the walls you can find more modern buildings. Corfu town has many sightseeing such as the church of Agios Spyridon, Liston, Spianada, Garitsa bay, the two fortresses, several museums and of course the famous "kantunia", narrow roads with shops that sell folkloric art and traditional products. Visit the Church of Agios Spyridon, is the protector of Corfu. The church that is devoted to Him is an attraction for every religious person. Tradition mentions many miracles that Agios Spyridon made. First of all it is believed that He help the people of Corfu against the Turkish invasion. The church's bell tower is very high and it's visible from all around Corfu town. Inside the church there are remarkable icons of saints. But the item that attracts more attention is the body of Agios Spyridon that is kept inside a coffin in a special room. It only comes out four times a year along with all the philharmonic orchestras of Corfu. A spectacular event that everyone should watch.

**The most famous site in Corfu, Liston.** There isn't even a single one visitor of Corfu that hasn't drunk his coffee in one of Liston cafes. Liston is opposite Spianada Square. It was built by French aristocrats. It's a building complex that lies in a line in front of Spianada. That's why it is called "Liston" from an Italian word (dialect) that mean straight line. Liston is a line full of arches and underneath them there are cafes. The arcades of Liston gather all kind of activities and events. Before Liston passes also the procession that accompanies the bones of Agios Spyridon along with the philharmonic orchestras.

**Spianada square is considered** the biggest square in Greece. It is a huge park full of happy children playing. But in Spianada we can find another innovation regarding Greece. There is a cricket field, where the fans and the members of Corfu cricket club can exercise their favorite sport.

**Ending your Corfu private shore excursion** your private driver will travel through the coastal road of Corfu town to the cruise terminal for your departure or drop you off at the Liston to enjoy the area.

This tour is highly recommended for a cruise excursion. It's ideal for travelers visiting Corfu for one day



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN CRETE



# Best of Heraklion and Knossos Half Day Private Tour

### OVERVIEW

Crete, home of mythical Zeus and the Minoans, that gave birth to the first civilization of Europe. Crete is the biggest island of Greece lying right in the middle of the Mediterranean, sea in reach history and glory.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION

- \* 4-hours tour of Heraklion and Knossos
- \* Combines Crete' modern and historical sites
- \* Professional English-speaking tour driver
- \* Pickup / drop off at the Venetian lion-guarder port of Heraklion

### DESCRIPTION

Itinerary: Free time to explore Heraklion, the Knossos palace, the excavations of Sir Arthur Evans revealed the great Minoan Civilization dating back to 4000 B.C.

#### Note:

- \* Walking (approximately 2 miles) in the archaeological site of Knossos will be on uneven ground and gravel surfaces, and inclines and 25 to 35 steps. We recommend Comfortable shoes, hat, sunglasses and plenty of sunscreen. Passengers may not be allowed to enter the site with big bags/rucksacks. Guests may be required to wait in long lines to enter the popular venues.

Return to your cruise ship pier for embarkation.



# Chania city walking tour

## OVERVIEW

Chania is located on the north-east part of the its Prefecture. This specially designed walking tour around the old town and the Venetian port will reveal Chania' status as a cultural crossroads.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION

- \* 2,5-hours walking tour of Cania town
- \* Combines Crete' modern and historical sites
- \* English-speaking guide
- \* Pickup / drop off at Souda (Optional)

## DESCRIPTION

Walk through the ages, The city's rich history can be traced through historic buildings and monuments with Venetian, Turkish and Greek, witch continuously inhabited from Neolithic times-at least 5000 years, and this tour promises to help you gain an understanding of how the city's multilayer history has unfolded.

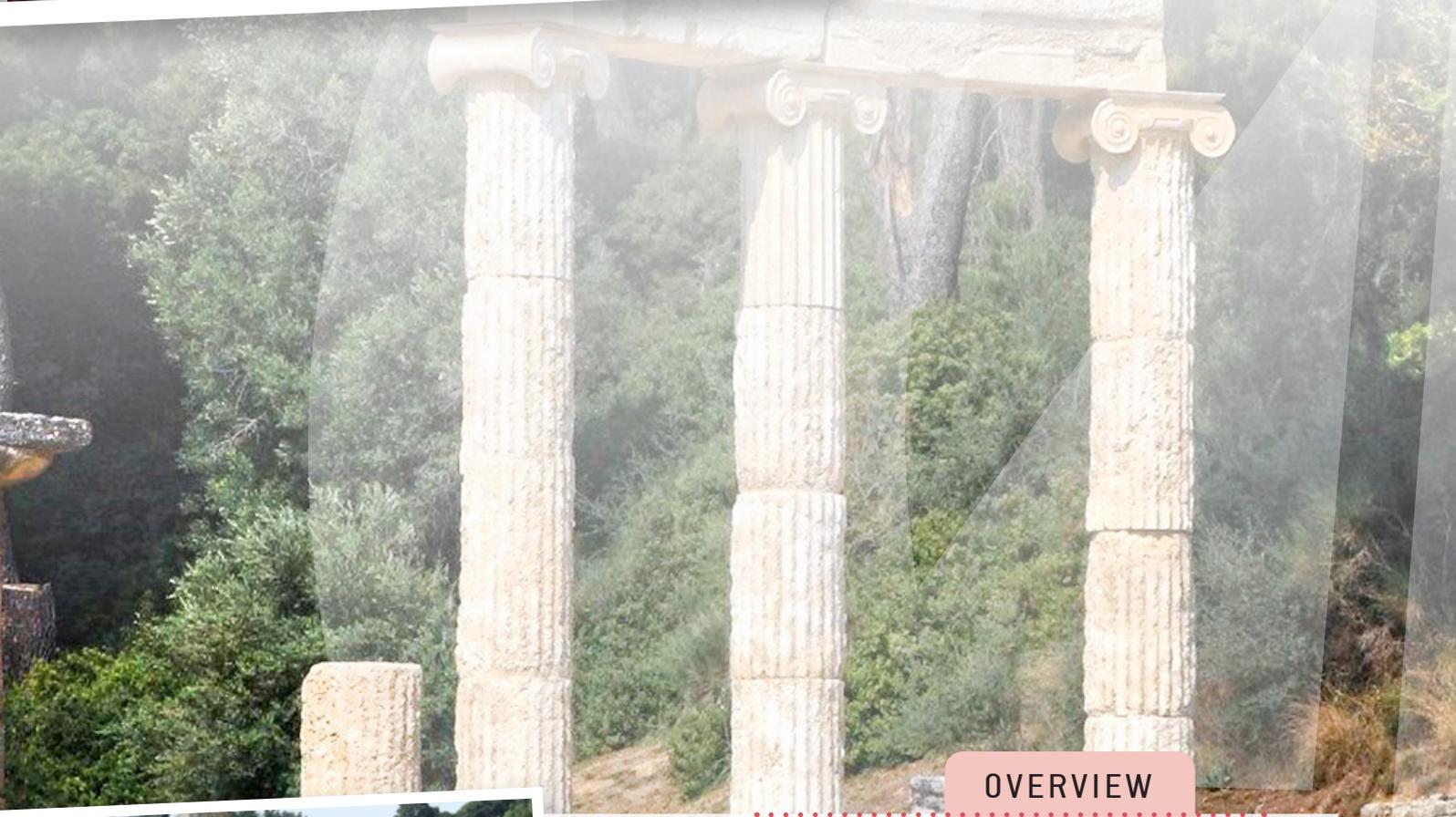
While it has been well researched and planned, it is designed to be informal and "loosely" organised to allow for flexibilities that can add to your pleasure.

So take your camera with and we'll bring our knowledge and fun with!





## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN KATAKOLON



### OVERVIEW

Relive the excitement of the Olympic Games with the **Katakolon shore excursion to Ancient Olympia** and get to know one of the most significant and historical sites in the world joining the shore excursion tour from Katakolon to Olympia.

It is a tour designed for the visitors of Katakolon arriving with a cruise ship and aspires to make the most out of their time.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE KATAKOLON SHORE EXCURSION TO OLYMPIA

- \* A 4 hours tour to ancient Olympia
- \* The Museum of the Olympic Games and the original site of the Games
- \* A professional English speaking driver, who will pick you up and drop you off at your cruise terminal
- \* An official licenced English speaking tour guide for the archaeological site and museum, who will escort you and guide you inside



## Shore excursion from Katakolon to Olympia

### DESCRIPTION

The shore excursion tour starts from the port of Katakolon, where your cruise ship will dock upon arrival to the Ionian Sea. The port of Katakolon is the entry gate to the Peloponnese peninsula from the sea, and will lead you to ancient Olympia, the birthplace of the Olympic Games.

*Olympia has been the milestone and a starting point for all mankind throughout the ages since it has introduced the world the spirit of Olympis, which can again become the foundation of a more humane society.*

**Ancient Olympia was a significant athletic** and religious center of ancient Greece, due to the Olympic Games held every four years to honor the father of Gods, Zeus.

**You can visit the archaeological site of Olympia** and the museum as well as the area in which the remains of ancient buildings were discovered. The museum in the courtyard houses works by contemporary Greek artists, while inside you can admire many of the findings of the excavations. At the same time, you can draw valuable information about your visit to the rest of the site.

**Among the important buildings** encountered here are: the Roman portico, the Prytaneion the Philippeion, Heraion where Hermes of Praxiteles was found, the Pelopeio, the Nymphaeum, the Registry and, below, the stage with the gallery of Echo.

**The Stadium of the Olympic Games** could accommodate 40,000 spectators and its perimeter is equivalent to 600 steps of Hercules. Beside it lies the majestic temple of Zeus, the greatest monuments in wealth, size and symbolic value in the ancient years.

**The Temple of Zeus is a Doric temple** with exquisite decoration and is definitely still breathtaking. Here was the gold and ivory statue of Zeus, depicting him sitting on his throne. After the temple, the buildings below are the Deputies, South gallery, the Palaestra of the 3rd BC Century and the High School which was a place of preparation of athletes.

**You will also visit the Museum of the History of the Ancient Olympic Games**, which hosts 463 ancient works, from the Temple of Zeus at Olympia, but also from other museums of the Greek territory.

**By the end of your private tour** our Athens Tours Greece driver will take you back to Katakolon and your cruise ship.





## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN MYKONOS



### DESCRIPTION

Welcome to m3World's famous cosmopolitan island of the Aegean sea! Mykonos is a whitewashed paradise in the heart of the **Cyclades** islands. "**Mykonos**" grandson of Apollo who gave its name to the island and according to mythology, Mykonos was formed from the petrified bodies of giants killed by Hercules. A journey to Mykonos is to discover a fascinating world where glamour meets simplicity, celebrities, college students and families.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION

- \* 4-hours private tour of Cosmopolitan and seren Mykonos island
- \* Combines Mykonos' modern and classical sites guided by our experts
- \* Explore the wonders of the island
- \* The worlds famous celebrities
- \* Professional English-speaking tour driver
- \* Pickup and drop off at your cruise ship pier or your hotel in Mykonos

# Mykonos, the pearl of the Aegean; Half day private shore excursion



## OVERVIEW

**A**re you arriving on Mykonos on a Cruise ship? Our Athens Tour Greece experts have designed with the help of our clients and our experience, just the perfect private shore excursion for you in order to benefit the outmost possible from your time to discover the famous around the world island of Mykonos.

Our driver and your personal chauffeur holding a name plate with your name on, will pick up you up at your cruise ship pier, where you private tour starts. Drive towards the city of Mykonos to walk with your guide the small and narrow streets, experience the local market, harbour front, pirate alleys, Little Venice area, windmills and Paraportiani church, and take some of the nicest photographs. Do NOT miss to find the famous "Petros The Pelecan", the mascot of Mykonos.

**Next to our private shore excursion** is to admire the most picturesque bays, famous beaches, and Ano Mera with the 6th century monastery "Panagia Tourliani".

**You will see fishermen and kaikis**, small private chapels and houses built in typical Cycladic snow with style.

**It's time to move for lunch and leisure at a nice sandy beach**, like Kalafatis. Try some of the traditional Cycladic food specialties (not included in the price), Swim and relax

**Return to your cruise ship pier for embarkation.**

**Book now your private tour or shore excursion** using our on line and real time booking engine and receive all documents and meeting instruction on line.



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN DELOS



### DESCRIPTION

**N**ot just a regular island. Delos; The birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. A sacred island and the treasure of Greece! Delos was the center of the Cyclades and the ancient world, just 45 minute boat ride from Mykonos, Delos was/is the island of light, birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. Delos, home to the first multi-cultural civilization and trade.



## Delos; Tour the sacred island of Apollo and Artemis



### OVERVIEW

Just 5 sq. km is the size of the entire island and the island is considered an archaeological monument. A famous political and religious center of ancient world, the Delos island having been inhabited between 2500 and 69 b.C. Our professional tour guide will take you through the many treasures remaining from these times. Visit the ancient market Agora, the famous terrace of the unique marble Naxos lions, the holy lake, the ancient living quarters and theater that give you a lively vision of the daily life then; especially the houses of Dionysos, Kleopatra, the Trident, the Masks, the Dolphins with their mosaics are a fantastic experience of art not to be missed.

Continue your visit to admire remains of temples, holy places and settlements dating back from the Neolithic to the Roman periods, like the temple of Isis, the Egyptian goddess, the

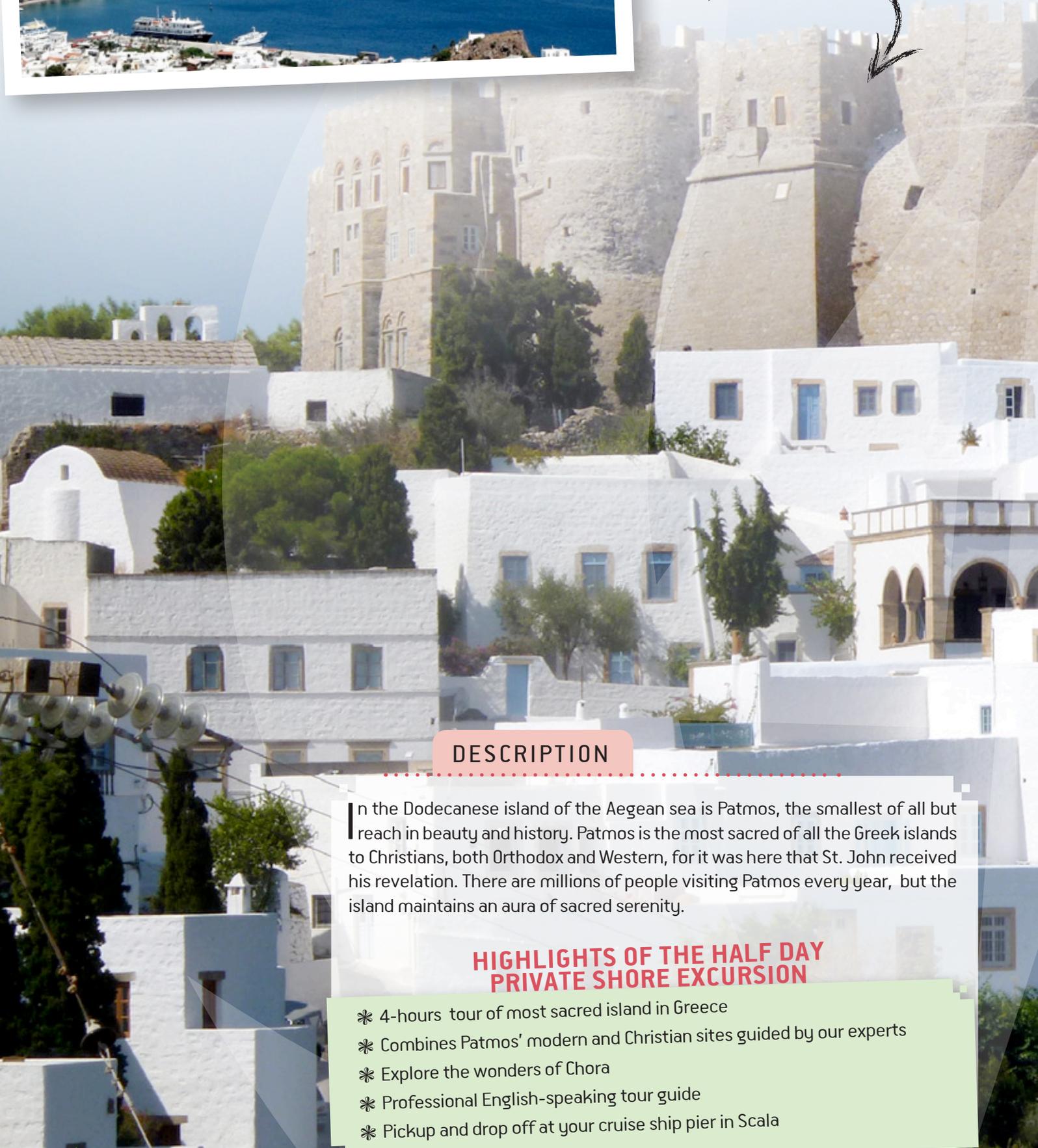
Roman water system and cisterns and the wonderful museum with plenty of breathtaking mosaics, statues and many more objects found during the excavations.

**Join this cruise** and walking half day guided tour to Delos and depart at 10pm from the old pier in Mykonos Town and you return at 2.30 pm. If you wish to remain a little bit longer you can also take the last boat back at 3 pm in order to have some time at leisure or maybe climb on Mount Kynthos to enjoy the view over all the surrounding Cycladic islands.

**Return back to Mykonos harbor** where having in your experience portfolio one of the most important archaeological sites of the eastern Mediterranean! End of our service!



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN PATMOS



### DESCRIPTION

In the Dodecanese island of the Aegean sea is Patmos, the smallest of all but reach in beauty and history. Patmos is the most sacred of all the Greek islands to Christians, both Orthodox and Western, for it was here that St. John received his revelation. There are millions of people visiting Patmos every year, but the island maintains an aura of sacred serenity.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION

- \* 4-hours tour of most sacred island in Greece
- \* Combines Patmos' modern and Christian sites guided by our experts
- \* Explore the wonders of Chora
- \* Professional English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off at your cruise ship pier in Scala

# The sacred island of Patmos



## OVERVIEW

The cave and Monastery of St. John, the typical village and houses, the grotto of St. John the cave where Saint John lived, the little church with the stone orifice it is believed that he used as a pillow, the village of Chora, with its simple houses and Byzantine churches, the courtyard of this imposing structure, the intricate pavement designed with pebbles and the decorated arches, the little chapel houses sacred relics which are stored in a silver coated chest, the museum which displays a breathtaking collection of jeweled chalices, crowns, crucifixes, vestments and old manuscripts, the three hundred year old house of the Simandiris family, an exceptional example of island architecture house dating from the Russian Empire up to the Turkish occupation.

Walk the old winding streets of Chora experience and witness the beautiful old architecture of Patmos. Free time to explore the village on your own before returning to the pier.

**Ladies must wear skirts** and are offered a wrap to wear around the waist if a skirt is not worn. Please come prepared or you may be turned away.

### Important Note:

- \* No shorts or bare shoulders are permitted in the Monastery.

### Patmos half day tour Breakdown:

- \* Depart the Pier for the Grotto- 10 Minutes
- \* Visit Cave of St. John- 30 Minutes
- \* Drive to Chora and walk up to the Monastery- 15 Minutes
- \* Visit Monastery- 1 Hour
- \* Walk to and Visit House of Simandiris- 30 Minutes
- \* Chora Walk- 15 Minutes
- \* Free time in Chora- 45 Minutes
- \* Return to Patmos' Pier- 20 Minutes



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN PATMOS



### OVERVIEW

One of the smallest islands of the Dodecanese is Patmos deserted for centuries because of constant raids by pirates and the Turks, but what it lacks in size it makes up for in beauty and history. The island was first settled in 1088 when the Emperor of Constantinople made it a gift to the monk Christodoulos Latrnos so that he could establish a monastery in honor of St. John the Divine on the site. Patmos has been a place of scholarship and religious enlightenment ever since, it is the most sacred of all the Greek islands to Christians, and today this modern pilgrimage site is a quiet respite from the tourist havens many other Greek isles have become.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION

- \* 6 -hours tour of the most sacred island in Greece
- \* Combines Patmos' modern and Christian sites guided by our experts
- \* Explore the wonders of Chora and Scala
- \* Professional English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off at your cruise ship pier in Scala

## The Best of Patmos full day shore excursion

### DESCRIPTION

**Itinerary:** Depart from the port town of Scala, a scenic drive around the island, the charming village of Kambos, view the beautiful beach of Lambi, the grotto of St. John, the small cave converted into a beautiful chapel, is where the Saint lived, the village of Chora, with its simple houses and Byzantine churches, the Monastery of St. John the Theologian, the old treasury in the museum which displays a breathtaking collection of jeweled chalices, crowns, crucifixes, vestments and old manuscripts dating as far back as 1073.

Explore Chora through the old winding streets, and enjoy the beautiful old architecture of Patmos. Free time for lunch and to explore the village on your own.

**Continuing your tour we will stop** at the three hundred year old house of the Simandiris family. It is an exceptional example of island architecture houses one of the finest collections of antiques dating from the Russian Empire up to the Turkish occupation. Among its many treasures are beautifully gilded mirrors, silverware, paintings, rustic chandeliers and exquisite brocade furnishings. This visit offers you an exceptional look into the past. Return to your cruise ship pier for embarkation.

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#### Patmos full day tour breakdown:

- \* Patmos Scenic Driving Tour- 1 Hour and 40 Minutes
- \* Visit Cave of St. John- 30 Minutes
- \* Drive to Chora and walk up to the Monastery- 20 Minutes
- \* Visit Monastery- 1 Hour and 10 Minutes
- \* Short Chora Walking Tour- 20 Minutes
- \* Chora Free time (lunch on your own)- 1 Hour and 45 Minutes
- \* Walk to and Visit House of Simandiris- 30 Minutes
- \* Return to Patmos' Pier- 20 Minutes

## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN RHODES



### OVERVIEW

**Explore the city of Rhodes with a half-day tour by Athens Tour Greece!**

**A** well designed and organized sightseeing tour in Rhodes city is the perfect way to get to know the historical capital of Rhodes and its worldwide fame. Our private half day tour in Athens offers to you an excellent opportunity to visit the most important sites and monuments of the city, in a comfortable and hassle-free way.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN RHODES CITY

- \* 08:00-13:00 or 13:30-18:30 HRS morning or afternoon, tour of Rhodes city
- \* Visit to Rhodes city' modern and classical sites with expert drivers
- \* Licensed by the state English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off from your cruise terminal

# Half Day Rhodes City Tour Shore Excursion

## DESCRIPTION

**D**isembark and meet our licensed tour Guides to take you to our deluxe motor coaches. Grand Masters Palace Rhodes and commences with a Panoramic Drive through the New Town.

We will past the Mandraki Harbour, the Post Office, Town Hall, Evangelismos Orthodox Church and continues to the Monte Smith Hill which offers a magnificent view of the Aegean and the City of Rhodes.

Thereafter our drive continues past the ancient Rhodes Acropolis dedicated to Zeus Polieus, Athena Polias and Pythian Apollo. Four columns of this Acropolis have been reconstructed.

Then our final drive-by is past the 2nd century BC ancient Stadium and Theatre. Both the Stadium and Theatre have been restored.

Continuing the shore excursion we will drive to the D' Amboise Gate of the Medieval City where the guests disembark and on foot visit the Grand Masters Palace, the most imposing building of medieval Rhodes. It was originally built in the 14th Century, but demolished by an explosion in 1856. It was restored in 1939, during the Italian occupation.

Nest the excursion continues down 'The Street of the Knights,' which, in spite of the restoration of its buildings, has remained untouched by the passage of 500 years, since it was originally built in the 14th century. The Gothic order predominate the entire street. The Inns of the various 'Tongues' stand in a row, with impressive arched doorways, their emblems carved above them.

Last of our visits is to the Archaeological Museum, which is housed in the restored building of the 15th century Hospital of the Knights.





## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN RHODES



### OVERVIEW

Enjoy the Jewel of the island and admire the graphical little villages of the island, together with the magnificent city of Rhodes.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN RHODES CITY

- \* 08:00-14:00 or 14:30-19:30 HRS morning or afternoon, tour of Rhodes city
- \* Visit to Lindos and Rhodes city' modern and classical sites
- \* Licensed by the state English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off from your cruise terminal

## Half Day Lindos City Tour Shore Excursion



### DESCRIPTION

**O**ur guide will pick you up from your cruise ship pier and with our luxurious motor coaches or private air-conditioned taxis and commences with a one-hour scenic drive along the East Coast of the Island, which passes through different landscapes and many villages.

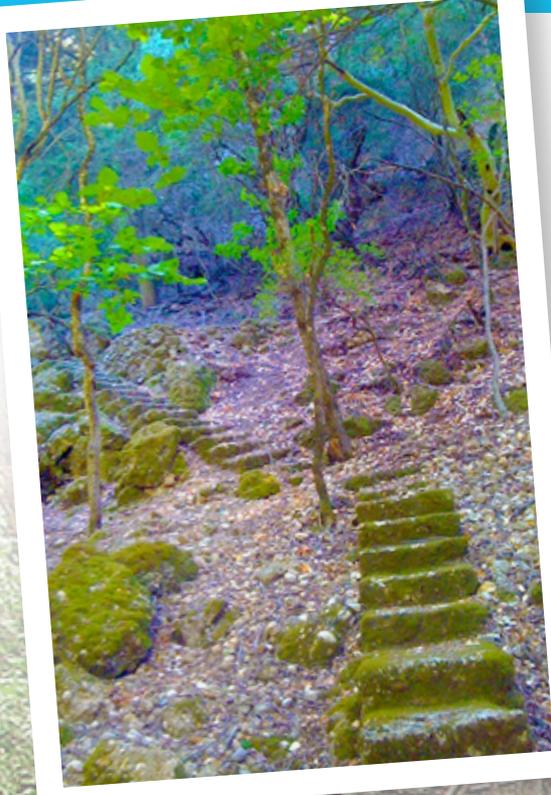
*At the village of Archangelos, enjoy a visit to a pottery factory, for a demonstration of handmade pottery being crafted at a Potter's wheel.*

**Visit Lindos the "Jewel of the Island"** with the most attractive village on Rhodes, you will enjoy a guided visit of the Acropolis, which includes the Great Stoa, the Temple of Athena Lindia of the 4th century BC, the ancient theatre and the few remains of the temple of Dionysus. The view from the rock of the Acropolis, which rises sheer 115m above the sea, is unique.

**Rhodes-trade-mark**We will continue through the picturesque medieval village, built amphitheatrically around the foot of the steep rock leading to the acropolis. See the traditionally built white stone houses with their decorated pebble stone floors, many dating back to the 15th and 16th centuries, taking you back to another era.

**Our final visit is to the 15th century** medieval church dedicated to the Virgin Mary, with its octagonal dome, unusual belfry, carved iconostasis and 17th century wall paintings (guiding inside the church is not allowed).

## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN RHODES



### OVERVIEW

Explore Rhodes with a half-day tour by Athens Tour Greece!

A specially designed and organized **sightseeing tour** is the perfect way to get to know the historical capital of Rhodes and its worldwide famous butterfly valley.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN RHODES CITY

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- \* Visit to Lindos and Rhodes city' modern and classical sites
- \* Licensed by the state English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off from your cruise terminal

# Half Day Rhodes City Tour & the Butterfly Valley Shore Excursion



## DESCRIPTION

**A**fter our guide will pick you up from your cruise ship pier and put on our luxury motor ButterflyValleyRhodescoaches or private air-conditioned taxis and commences with a visit to the enchanting site of the Butterfly Valley, a lush green valley, with a little river running through it. The site is beautifully arranged, with little wooden bridges, stone steps and an uphill path which leads to the Monastery of the Virgin of Kalopetra, built in 1784. The Valley is a unique natural park, where each year, from June to September, thousands of multi colored butterflies appear. They live here, attached to the tree trunks, living from the sap, then lay their eggs and multiply. The characteristic scent of the pine resin, which attracts the butterflies, the coolness from the abundantly flowing waters, makes this a little paradise even in the hot days of midsummer.

We will continue to our next visit to the Monte Smith Hill which offers a magnificent view of the Aegean and the City. We will pass the ancient Rhodes Acropolis dedicated to Zeus Polieus, Athena Polias and Pythian Apollo, with four columns of this Acropolis have been reconstructed.

**Our final drive will be passing by the 2nd century ancient Stadium and Theatre,** of which both have been restored. From there the excursion continues to the D' Amboise Gate where the guests disembark and on foot enter the Medieval City to visit the Grand Master's Palace, the most imposing building of medieval Rhodes. It was originally built in the 14th Century, but demolished by an explosion in 1856. It was restored in 1939, during the Italian occupation.

**The excursion continues down "The Street of the Knights,"** which, in spite of the restoration of its buildings, has remained untouched by the passage of 500 years, since it was originally built in the 14th century, with its Gothic order predominate the entire street. The Inns of the various 'Tongues' stand in a row, with impressive arched doorways, their emblems carved above them.

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## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN RHODES



### OVERVIEW

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### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN RHODES

- \* 08:00-13:00 or 13:30-18:30 HRS morning or afternoon, tour of Rhodes city & Filerimos
- \* Visit to Rhodes city' modern and classical sites with expert guides
- \* Licensed by the state English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off from your cruise terminal

# Half Day Rhodes City Tour & Kamiros Shore Excursion

## DESCRIPTION

The shore excursion includes licensed Guides and deluxe motor coaches or private lower-city-of-ancient-kamiros-rhodesair-conditioned taxis and commences with a visit to the Archaeological site of Kamiros, which was one of the three powerful cities of Rhodes and has been inhabited, according to the findings of archaeological research, since prehistoric times.

It reached the height of its prosperity at the same time as the other two Doric cities, Lindos and Ialysos. Like them, Kamiros began to decline after 408 BC. This site continued to be inhabited up to the early Christian era. It is a necropolis which was abandoned for unknown reasons, since research shows that it did not suffer an enemy attack nor any other form of devastation. During its period of prosperity, Kamiros minted its own coins.

On the surrounding hills, ancient burial grounds have been found. In one of the graves was unearthed the famous stele of Crito and Timarista, which is one of the most important exhibits of the Archaeological Museum of Rhodes.

The city of Kamiros was built amphitheatrically, on a hill. On its highest point stood the acropolis, which was unfortified, as was the city itself. Within the precinct of the acropolis stood the temple of Athena Polias (3rd or 2nd century). The remains of the foundations are still visible today. There was also a large cistern of the 6th or 5th century, and a stoa (portico) of the end of the 3rd century, measuring 200 meters in length and lined with two rows of Doric columns.

Our shore excursion continues to the Monte Smith Hill which offers a magnificent view of the Aegean and the City. Our drive continues past the ancient Rhodes Acropolis dedicated to Zeus Polieus, Athena Polias and Pythian Apollo. Four columns of this Acropolis have been reconstructed.

Drive next past the 2nd century ancient Stadium and Theatre, of which both have been restored. From there the excursion continues to the D'Amboise Gate where the guests disembark and on foot enter the Medieval City to visit the Grand Master's Palace, the most imposing building of medieval Rhodes. It was originally built in the 14th Century, but demolished by an explosion in 1856. It was restored in 1939, during the Italian occupation.

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## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN RHODES



### OVERVIEW

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### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF DAY TOUR IN RHODES

- \* 08:00-13:00 or 13:30-18:30 HRS morning or afternoon, tour of Rhodes city & Filerimos
- \* Visit to Rhodes city' modern and classical sites with expert guides
- \* Licensed by the state English-speaking tour guide
- \* Pickup and drop off from your cruise terminal

## Half Day Rhodes City Tour & Filerimos Shore Excursion

### DESCRIPTION

This shore excursion includes licensed Guides and deluxe motor coaches or private Rhodes Island Filerimos air-conditioned taxis and commences with a visit to Filerimos, where our guests will visit the ruins and foundations of the Temple of Zeus Polieus, dating back to the 4th century BC, of Athena Polias, dating back to the 3rd century and a Doric Fountain dating back to the 4th century.

Together with these ancient remains are other Byzantine and medieval structures, such as the church of Our Lady of Filerimos, built by the Knights in the 15th century and the Church of St. George, which has wall-paintings dating back to the 14th and 15th century. Before leaving Filerimos the guests will visit the 12 stations of the Crucifixion, with its many steps and scenes from the Passion, which are very striking.

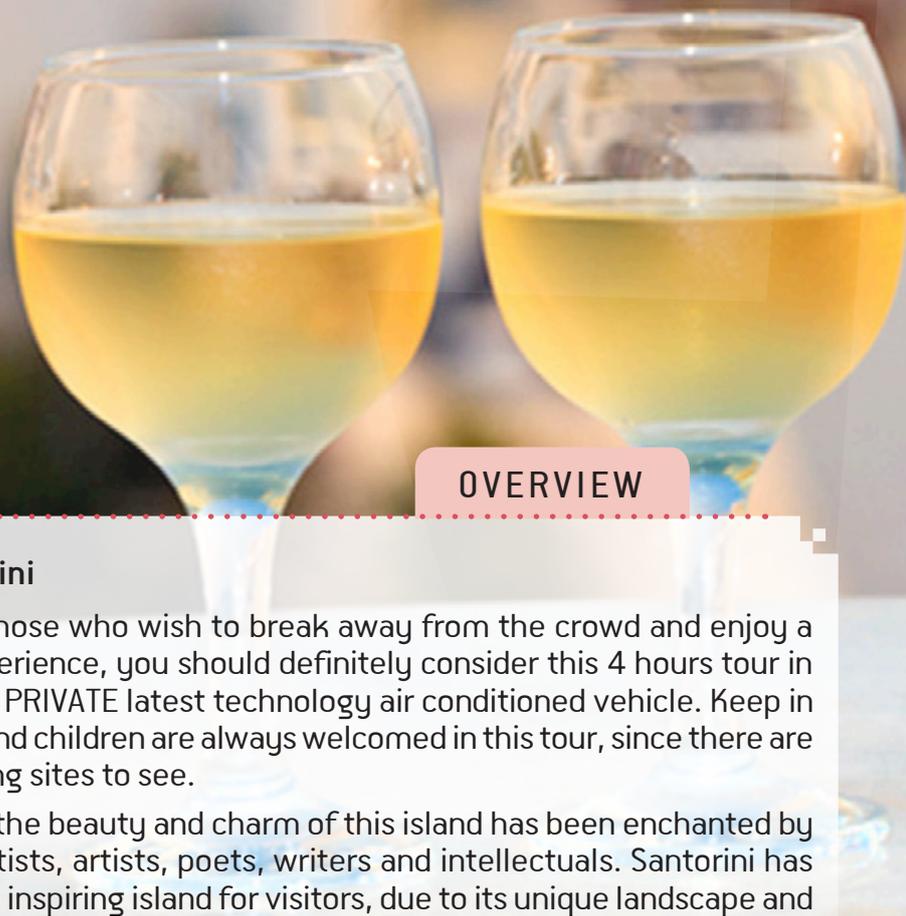
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## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN SANTORINI



### OVERVIEW

#### Port of Call: Santorini

If you are among those who wish to break away from the crowd and enjoy a more intimate experience, you should definitely consider this 4 hours tour in Santorini, with your PRIVATE latest technology air conditioned vehicle. Keep in mind that families and children are always welcomed in this tour, since there are numerous interesting sites to see.

Over the centuries, the beauty and charm of this island has been enchanted by philosophers, scientists, artists, poets, writers and intellectuals. Santorini has always been an awe inspiring island for visitors, due to its unique landscape and architecture.

# Santorini Shore Excursion | 4 hours to Fira, villages & Wine Tasting



## DESCRIPTION

### Walk the alleyways of Fira

Perhaps the most visually striking of all the Mediterranean islands, where white villages cling to the towering volcanic cliffs. Walk the alleyways of Fira, where the houses vie for the best views of the Aegean Sea. You will be amazed to see how your gaze will be lost in the deep blue of this amazing sea lying in front of you.

Some believe the island to be part of the legendary lost continent of Atlantis. The volcanic island has great views from Mount Profitis Ilias and a monastery dating back to 1712.

### Visit traditional villages in Santorini

During this exciting and varied half day tour, we take you to the highest point of the island, Mount Profitis Ilias where you can visit the monastery built in 1712. The views from here are spectacular. Then it's off to visit two traditional villages. The villages have pristine white houses, courtyards and mansions giving them a very special beauty. You will have free time in each village, before coming to rest at a local winery.

### Wine tasting in Santorini

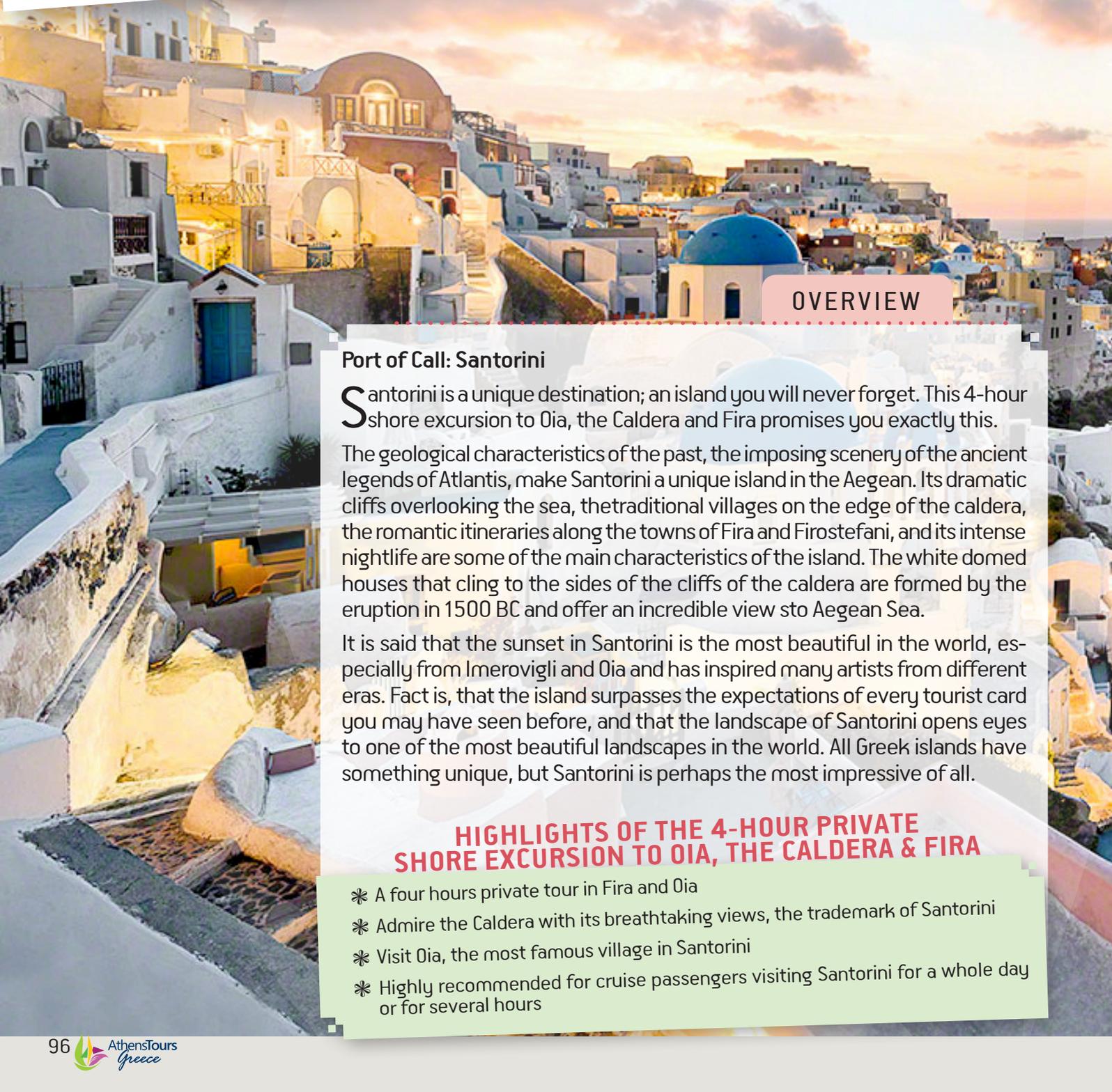
Santorini is renowned for its fully flavored wines. Santorini has a long tradition in viticulture, counting at least 3,500 years. The unique climate combined with the soil composition have made the vinified varieties to give wines with distinctive personality. The rare aromas of the authentic sun-dried wines of Santorini, are a reminiscent of honey, raisin, fig and walnut.

The island has one of the oldest vineyards around the world, dating from prehistoric times. The main grape varieties grown in Santorini that give all the wide range of wines are the Assyrtiko (giving 80% of the production of Santorini) Athyri and Aidani, giving white wines, as well as Mantilaria, Mavrotragano and Voudomato giving red wines.

The wines of Santorini are characterized by intense aromas and flavors. When you find yourself in the local winery, do not miss the chance to taste one of the most tasteful wines you will ever get to taste in your life: Vinsanto. Vinsanto (Vino di Santorini) is the traditional sweet wine of Santorini, and is connected with the modern history of the island. The vinification is made from sun-dried grapes in the summer sun of Santorini. Could you think anything better than this perfect end to a relaxing tour?



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN SANTORINI



### OVERVIEW

#### Port of Call: Santorini

**S**antorini is a unique destination; an island you will never forget. This 4-hour shore excursion to Oia, the Caldera and Fira promises you exactly this.

The geological characteristics of the past, the imposing scenery of the ancient legends of Atlantis, make Santorini a unique island in the Aegean. Its dramatic cliffs overlooking the sea, the traditional villages on the edge of the caldera, the romantic itineraries along the towns of Fira and Firostefani, and its intense nightlife are some of the main characteristics of the island. The white domed houses that cling to the sides of the cliffs of the caldera are formed by the eruption in 1500 BC and offer an incredible view to the Aegean Sea.

It is said that the sunset in Santorini is the most beautiful in the world, especially from Imerovigli and Oia and has inspired many artists from different eras. Fact is, that the island surpasses the expectations of every tourist card you may have seen before, and that the landscape of Santorini opens eyes to one of the most beautiful landscapes in the world. All Greek islands have something unique, but Santorini is perhaps the most impressive of all.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 4-HOUR PRIVATE SHORE EXCURSION TO OIA, THE CALDERA & FIRA

- \* A four hours private tour in Fira and Oia
- \* Admire the Caldera with its breathtaking views, the trademark of Santorini
- \* Visit Oia, the most famous village in Santorini
- \* Highly recommended for cruise passengers visiting Santorini for a whole day or for several hours

## A 4-hour shore excursion to Oia, the Caldera & Fira



### DESCRIPTION

#### Description of the 4-hour private shore excursion to Oia, Caldera and Fira

Some believe the island to be part of the legendary lost continent of Atlantis. Could Santorini be "Atlantis"?

**Start your private tour after our meeting at the cable car at Fira.**

**We will take you to Firostefani to visit the highest point of Fira**, with its famous blue-domed churches. Enjoy the magnificent panoramic view, the traditional architecture, the art galleries, the romantic coffee shops, and take as many picturesque photos as possible.

**Continuing your cruise shore excursion** we will travel north-west to Oia, the scenic village in the edge of Santorini island. Visit the most famous of all villages of Santorini, known throughout the world for its quiet life and fantastic sunset.

**Oia is certainly the most beautiful and picturesque village of the island**, situated on top of an impressive cliff and offers a spectacular view over the volcano of Palia, the Nea Kameni and the island of Thirassia. Oia has inspired many artists, which is evident, since the area hosts an impressive number of galleries.

**Discover this traditional village** with the charming houses in narrow streets, the blue domed churches, and the sun-bathed verandas. Its famous cobblestone streets feature plenty of tourist shops, taverns, cafes, and other shops.

**We will take the same route back**, to end our private tour at the cable car terminal in Fira.



## SHORE EXCURSIONS IN SANTORINI



### OVERVIEW

#### Port of Call: Santorini

Few places so small like Santorini can boast about their ancient and mysterious legends that have shaped a unique and special reputation for the island. The 5 hours tour to Caldera and the history trails with Akrotiri excavations will bring you closer to the mystery of Santorini.

The evocative scenery, the fascinating history, the cosmopolitan atmosphere, the unique local products and wines, and a gastronomy that is constantly evolving, along with high quality services characterize Santorini.

The island of Santorini is not one of the top travel destinations in the Mediterranean by accident. From the volcanic landscape of the Caldera, the quirky beaches with black sand and rock carvings and the archaeological site at Akrotiri, to the atmospheric gourmet restaurants and the intense nightlife, everything is about a unique island.

The magic and romantic inspiring landscape seep into the lifestyle of Santorini and the foundations of tourism evolution: that is why its restaurants, romantic hotels or atmospheric cocktail bars look as if they are made largely to host couples and romantic souls – and it's no wonder that hundreds of visitors come each year from across the world to get married or renew vows of love overlooking the Caldera, or just visit some of the most impressive archaeological findings on the island.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CALDERA & HISTORY TRAILS IN SANTORINI TOUR

- \* A 5 hours private tour in Fira and Akrotiri
- \* Visit the trademark of the island, the breathtaking Caldera
- \* Visit the excavations at Akrotiri, which is one of the most important prehistoric settlements of the Aegean Sea
- \* Private tour escort throughout your tour
- \* Highly recommended for cruise passengers visiting Santorini for a whole day or for several hours

## Visit the Caldera & Akrotiri | 5 hours tour in Santorini



### DESCRIPTION

#### Description of the tour to Caldera and History Trails with Akrotiri Excavations

Some believe the island to be part of the legendary lost continent of Atlantis. Could Santorini be "Atlantis"?

Your tour begins after our meeting at the cable car. We will take you to Firostefani and the highest point of Fira, where you can enjoy impressive views to the sea and the island, and of course visit the highlights of the island, the blue domed churches of Santorini.

It is most certain that the unique architecture, the little shops and the romantic atmosphere of this village will capture your heart for ever.

Continuing your shore excursion, we will head to the excavations in Akrotiri that have uncovered one of the most important prehistoric settlements of the Aegean. The first habitation dates from the Late Neolithic times (at least the 4th millennium BC).

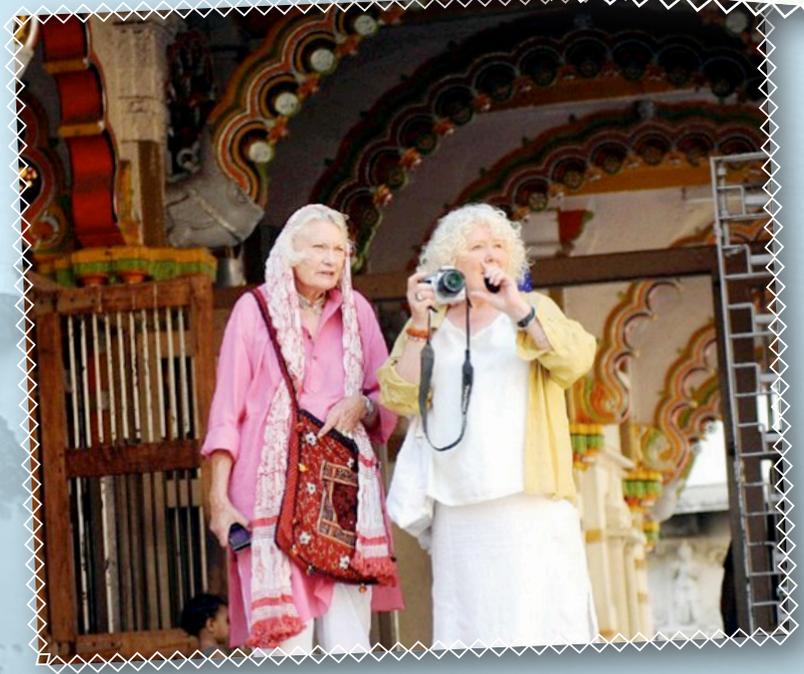
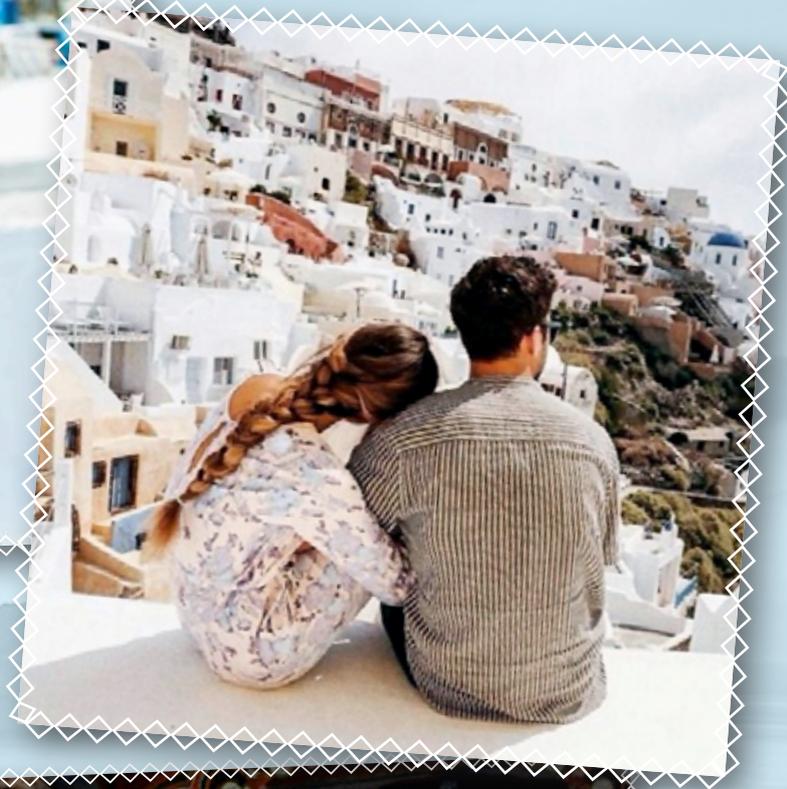
**Splendor of the Seas in Santorini Splendor of the Seas** - During the Early Bronze Age (3rd millennium BC), a sizeable settlement was founded and in the Middle and early Late Bronze Age (ca. 20th-17th centuries BC) it was extended and gradually developed into one of the main urban centers and ports of the Aegean.

Admire the large extent of the settlement (ca. 20 hectares), the elaborate drainage system, the sophisticated multi-stored buildings with the magnificent wall-paintings, furniture and vessels, show its great development and prosperity. In contrast to the Minoan palaces in Crete, here findings indicate a culture with a more human face and a better distribution of wealth.

We will end our private tour at the cable car terminal in Fira. We will take the same route back, to end our private tour at the cable car terminal in Fira.



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