

FROM ROME TO ATHENS

9 or 13 days | Italy | Greece | Extension includes Naxos & Santorini

It's impossible to overstate the influence of ancient Rome and Greece on our modern-day society—seeing monuments from those civilizations is a profound experience. From the Colosseum to the Parthenon to the archaeological sites at Pompeii, Epidaurus, and Mycenae, walk in the footsteps of those who set the stage for the development of Western culture.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 5 sightseeing tours (7 with extension); 1 walking tour (5 with extension)
-  **Entrances:** Sistine Chapel; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Pompeii Roman ruins; Nafplio boat ride; pottery workshop; Epidaurus; Mycenae; Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; with extension: Knossos Palace; Spinalonga boat activity; Temple of Poseidon
-  **Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; internal flight; 2 ferries with extension; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (11 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily
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Anyone can see the world.

YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

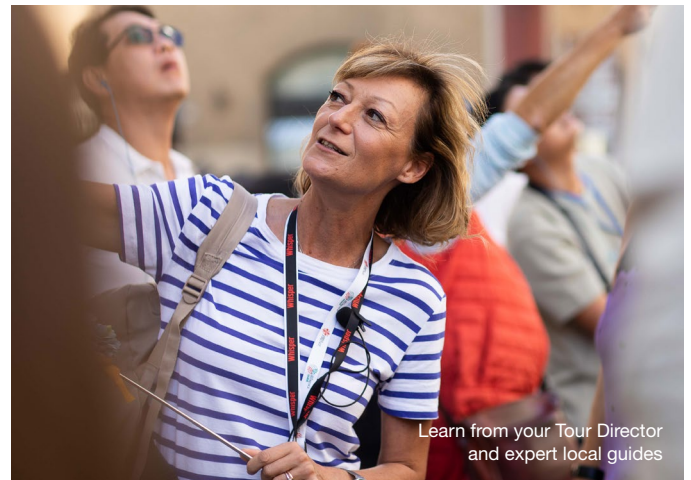
When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday

— MELISSA, TRAVELER



Via Twitter



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What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

Day 2: Rome

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other.

Day 3: Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum and the Roman Forum.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome and see the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and Spanish Steps.

Day 4: Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Vatican City.
- Visit the Sistine Chapel and experience its breathtaking domed ceiling. From Michelangelo's frescoes to Raphael's tapestries, Pope Sixtus IV commissioned the masters of the day to cover nearly every inch of the Chapel in art depicting important Biblical scenes.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica on your own. While you explore, look for the papal protectors who flank the entrance: they're the highly trained soldiers of Vatican City's Pontifical Swiss Guard.
- Enjoy time to see more of Rome or [visit the Roman Catacombs](#).

Day 5: Pompeii | Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Pompeii.
- Visit the Pompeii Roman ruins. Once a city of ancient prosperity, many wealthy Romans established their homes here thousands of years ago. When neighboring Mount Vesuvius erupted in A.D. 79, it cloaked the Roman resort in volcanic ash, perfectly preserving the minutiae of daily life. The buildings and artifacts left behind make this one of the richest archaeological sites in the world. See the fully excavated ruins of the town's ancient temples, forum, and theater. Of Pompeii's three bathhouses, the Stabian Baths was the largest complex. Learn about their ingenious heating method—one of the earliest examples of its kind—that brought hot water to visitors.
- Return to Rome.

Day 6: Rome | Athens | Argolida region

- Fly from Rome to Athens.
- Travel via Corinth to the Argolida region
- See the Corinth Canal.
- Take a boat ride through Nafplio Bay (*weather permitting*).

Day 7: Argolida region | Epidaurus | Mycenae | Athens

- Take expert-led tours of Epidaurus and Mycenae on your way to back Athens.
- Partake in a hands-on pottery workshop in Mycenae.
- Continue on to Athens and discover the ancient city named for Athena, goddess of war and wisdom.

Day 8: Athens

- Take an expert-led tour of Athens and explore the Olympic Stadium which hosted the first modern Olympics in 1896.
- Visit the Acropolis. View the Parthenon, perhaps the world's greatest architectural feat. See the Temple of Athena Nike, which once housed a gold statue of the goddess, her wings clipped to prevent her from deserting the city.
- Explore the Acropolis Museum.
- Take a walking tour of Athens through the Plaka District.
- Time to explore more of Athens or [attend a Greek evening](#).

Day 9: Depart for home

[4-DAY TOUR EXTENSION](#)

Day 9: Athens | Naxos

- Take a ferry to Naxos.
- Take a walking tour of Naxos Town, where you'll see the iconic Portara. This massive marble gate stands as the only remains of an incomplete Temple of Apollo that broke ground in 530 BCE.
- Enjoy time to explore in Naxos.
- Participate in a cooking class and learn how to make traditional Greek cuisine.
- Enjoy a cheese tasting with dinner.

Day 10: Naxos | Santorini

- Travel to Naxos port.
- Take a ferry or hydrofoil to Santorini.
- Take a walking tour of the coastal village of Perissa and see the famous black sand beach.
- Take a walking tour of Oia, one of the most photographed places in Greece.
- Enjoy more time and take in one of Oia's world-famous sunsets.

Day 11: Santorini

- Travel to the prehistoric town of Akrotiri.
- Visit Akrotiri archaeological site with an expert local guide.
- Take a walking tour of Pyrgos.
- Enjoy more time in Fira.

Day 12: Santorini | Athens

- Fly to Athens.
- Take a guided excursion to Cape Sounion.
- Visit the Temple of Poseidon.

Day 13: Depart for home

This was a fantastic trip! Italy and Greece were both amazing and it was awesome to see such landmarks as the Colosseum, Pompeii, and the Parthenon. I love travelling with EF, they take care of all the details and ensure your group has a great experience.

– JEREMY, GROUP LEADER

 Tour review

TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE

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2. _____
3. _____

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—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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