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ATHENS & THE ISLANDS

10 or 13 days | Greece

When you reach the top of the Acropolis and look out across Athens, history stands still. In the shadows of the Parthenon's mighty 2,400-year-old columns, the only sound you hear is the ancient gravel beneath your feet. Your connection to antiquity hits home as you sail the Aegean Sea, where Naxos & Santorini bring new discoveries and timeless lessons.

YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (6 *with extension*); 4 walking tours



Entrances: Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; Delphi site; Delphi Museum; cooking class; Akrotiri; Temple of Poseidon; *with extension:* Epidaurus site; Mycenae site; pottery workshop; Palamidi Fortress; Nafplio boat ride (weather permitting); Olympia site; (Olympia Museum)



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; ferry; internal flight; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (11 *with extension*); European breakfast and dinner daily



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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



Learn from your Tour Director and expert local guides



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What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly overnight to Greece

Day 2: Athens

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Athens and discover the ancient city named for Athena, the goddess of war and wisdom.

Day 3: Athens

- Take an expert-led tour of Athens, where you'll see the Olympic Stadium that hosted the first modern Olympics in 1896.
- Visit the Acropolis to 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.
- Enjoy time to see more of Athens or
 - ➦ attend a Greek cooking class.

Day 4: Athens

- Take a guided excursion to Delphi and visit the archaeological site and museum centered around the Oracle of Delphi, one of the most important landmarks of antiquity. The philosopher Socrates claimed to consult with the Oracle here, and ancient military leaders left offerings in the hopes of earning luck in battle. Ponder the mysteries that lie in your future as you climb the ruins of the Temple of Apollo. According to legend, this is where the gods chose to communicate with mortals. See a variety of artifacts dating back to 550 B.C. at the Delphi Museum, and learn more about the mythical past of Greece.
- Stop for a photo of Arachova village, known for its sweeping views of the mountainous landscape and red-tiled roofs.

Day 5: Athens | Naxos

- Embark on your ferry from Athens 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 Naxos at your own pace.
- Participate in a cooking class and learn how to make traditional Greek cuisine.
- Experience a cheese tasting with dinner.

Days 6: Naxos | Santorini

- Travel to Naxos port.
- Take a ferry or hydrofoil to Santorini.
- Take a walking tour of Pyrgos, the highest point on Santorini island.

Day 7: Santorini

- Visit Akrotiri archaeological site with an expert local guide.
- Explore Fira, the modern capital of Santorini island featuring white-washed buildings and blue-domed churches.

Day 8: Santorini

- Take a walking tour of the coastal village of Perissa and see the famous black sand beach.
- Take in one of Oia's world-famous sunsets.

Day 9: Santorini | Athens

- Fly to Athens.
- Tour Cape Sounion, which houses an ancient temple dedicated to Poseidon, with an expert local guide.
- Enjoy free time in Athens or
 - ➦ attend a Greek evening.

Day 10: Depart for home

➦ 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Day 10: Epidaurus | Mycenae | Argolida region

- Take an expert-led tour of Epidaurus and Mycenae
- Learn about traditional clay techniques at a Mycenaean pottery studio.
- Continue on to the Argolida region.

Day 11: Olympia region

- Travel to Nafplio.
- Visit the Palamidi Fortress.
- Take a boat ride through Nafplio Bay (*weather permitting*).
- Stop for a photo at Kaiafas Lake.
- Travel to the Olympia region.

Day 12: Olympia region | Athens

- Take an expert-led tour of the Olympia site.
- Visit the Olympia Museum.
- Travel to Athens.

Day 13: Depart for home

Just returned from a tour in Greece. Could not have chosen better tour guides if I had handpicked them myself. Iris was GREAT! All the guides were extremely knowledgeable and informative. Not to mention the care that they took to ensure our safety and satisfaction! Great job, EF! Thank you again, Iris, for an unforgettable trip of a lifetime!

– SUE, GROUP LEADER



Via Facebook

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My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.

—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER

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