



## Fly - Drive MAINLAND - 8 Days (#17800)

Note: Price printed on this PDF is valid until **08-09-2024** and is subject to change without notice due to Partner changes and currency fluctuations

### Trip Highlights

Athens-Delphi-Olympia Area-Sparti-Corinth-Athens

### Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 01

#### Day 1 Overnight in Athens | Attica area

Once you arrive at Athens airport, you will collect your rental car and drive to your hotel. Overnight in Athens or Attica area.

#### Day 02

#### Day 2 Overnight in Delphi | Arahova areas

Breakfast at the hotel and drive through the fertile plains of Boeotia.



Visit the Monastery of Osios Loukas in Distomo. It is an 11th century monastery located in Distomo, about 30 km from Arachova. This monastery is the epitome of Byzantine architecture while it is also included in the UNESCO World Heritage list.

Arrive in Arachova, the famous mountain town, with a panoramic view, uphill small houses and cobbled streets that show picturesque architecture. The town center includes a huge and steep cliff, the Bell Tower, covered with dense ivy. At the top of the tower is a large 10m height clock. Arachova is famous for its black wine, its "brusque", the colorful textiles, carpets and rugs, handicrafts and woodcut creations as well.

Visit Delphi, the center of the Ancient World - the "Omphalos" (Navel of Earth) whose prestige extended far beyond the boundaries of the Hellenic World. See the Archeological Site of Delphi with the temple of Apollo, the Treasury of the Athenians, the Stoa of the Athenians, the ancient Theater, the ancient Stadium, the Gymnasium and Tholos.

Also visit the Delphi Archeological Museum, one of the most significant in Greece.

Overnight in Delphi or Arachova area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 03

### Day 3 Overnight in Olympia area

Breakfast at hotel and depart to Olympia. Pass by Itea, a modern town, where you can enjoy its splendid esplanade. Visit Galaxidi, known as the "island on land". Galaxidi is a maritime town that has preserved every aspect of its traditional character. Stroll through the town's quaint alleys, which still bear the picturesqueness and beauty of centuries gone by. Visit the Maritime Museum of Galaxidi, one of the leading maritime museums in Greece and see the famous "Sailor's wife" monument. Swim in the organized or isolated inlets and enjoy the seafood and local delicacies.

Pass by the picturesque town of Nafpaktos (Lepanto). Drive to Olympia by crossing the magnificent bridge from Antirion to Rion. Olympia is the cradle of the Olympic Games! You can visit the Archeological site with the Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the Ancient Stadium and the Archeological Museum.

Overnight in Olympia area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 04

### Days 4 Overnight in Sparti area



Breakfast at hotel and depart for Sparti. Located on the southeastern side of the Peloponnese, Sparti is a small town with a famous history.

Ancient Sparta was mostly a military city-state. The inhabitants believed that their only purpose in life was to become strong soldiers and protect their homeland even with their lives. A Spartan should be strong in body, healthy in mind and brave in character. They believed that the bravest death was the death in the battlefield. The site of Ancient Sparta is located close to the modern city center, one of the few Greek towns built with an architectural urban space.

Overnight in Sparti area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 05

### Days 5 Overnight in Sparti area

Breakfast at hotel. Today you have the possibility to visit Mystras.

Mystras, the ‘wonder of the Morea’, lies in the southeast of the Peloponnese. The town developed down the hillside from the fortress built in 1249 by the prince of Achaia, William II of Villehardouin, at the top of a 620 m high hill overlooking Sparta. The Franks surrendered the castle to the Byzantines in 1262, it was the center of Byzantine power in southern Greece, first as the base of the military governor and from 1348 as the seat of the Despotate of Morea.

Captured by the Turks in 1460, it was occupied thereafter by them and the Venetians. After 1834 the inhabitants of Mystras gradually started to move to the modern town of Sparta leaving only the breath-taking medieval ruins, standing in a beautiful landscape.

Overnight in Sparti area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 06

### Day 6 Overnight in Corinth | Loutraki areas

Breakfast at Hotel and depart for Corinth. Drive to Mycenae, the Homeric city of Atreides, the city “rich in gold” of the ancient poets. Visit the Lion’s Gate, the Cyclopean Walls, and the Royal Tombs e.t.c.

Visit also Ancient Corinth, the Corinth Canal and Loutraki area.

Corinth is located on the isthmus which connects mainland Greece with the Peloponnese, surrounded by fertile plains and



blessed with natural springs, Corinth was an important city in Greek, Hellenistic, and Roman times. Its geographical location, role as a center of trade, naval fleet, participation in various Greek wars, and status as a major Roman colony meant the city was, for over a millennium, rarely out of the limelight in the ancient world.

Overnight in Corinth or Loutraki area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 07

### Day 7 Overnight in Athens | Attica area

Breakfast at hotel and return to Athens. Arrive in Athens early in the evening. Overnight in Athens or Attica area.

**Meal:** Breakfast

### Day 08

### Day 8 Departure

Breakfast at hotel and departure to the airport of Athens. Deliver the car and take the flight for your return.

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

- 7 overnights on Bed and Breakfast Basis (Room with Breakfast) in 3\* | 4\* hotels.
- Car Rental (CAT C) Citroen C3 or similar, collection | delivery at Athens Airport.

## Exclusions

- Meals & Beverages
- Fuels
- Tolls
- Guides
- Entrance Fees to Archeological Sites & Museums
- Personal expenses
- Hotel accommodation tax, to be paid by clients directly at hotels



- Everything that is not mentioned in “included” section

## Note

Day 1 Overnight in Athens | Attica area

Day 2 Overnight in Delphi | Arahova areas

Day 3 Overnight in Olympia area

Days 4 + 5 Overnight in Sparti area

Day 6 Overnight in Corinth | Loutraki areas

Day 7 Overnight in Athens | Attica area

Day 8 Departure

All prices are indicative and starting from prices. Final price will be available based on availability and dates of travel.

### Children policy:

Child 0-1,99 years old, sharing parents' room is free of charge

Child 2-10,99 years old, sharing parent's room, 50% reduction on the package per person rate of the double room.

Notes : • All prices are inclusive of current taxes & vat charges. Should taxes | vat change, rates will be adjusted accordingly.

## Program Touring / Guide

Private touring

## Periodic Departure

**16 Sep, 2024 to 30 Sep, 2024**

3-4 Star

AUD 1,383 P P twin share

AUD 2,385 P P single

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**01 Oct, 2024 to 31 Oct, 2024**

3-4 Star

AUD 1,314 P P twin share

AUD 2,252 P P single

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