



Discover Ancient Greece and Venetian Republic - 10 Days (#16433)

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Overview

Saturday Arrival

Trip Highlights

Athens-Kalambaka-Ohrid-Tirana-Tivat-Dubrovnik

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01

Day 1 Athens – arrival, Saturday (D)



9 Nights from AUD 4,963

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The balance of the day is free. Meet your fellow travelers tonight at a Welcome Taverna Dinner in the Plaka beside the Acropolis. (D)

Meal: Dinner

Day 02**Day 2 Athens, Sunday (B)**

See the highlights of Athens this morning on a sightseeing tour. This cosmopolitan and bustling capital city is set amid reminders of a long and a glorious past: graceful temples, centuries – old monasteries and ornate Byzantine churches. Visit the immortal Acropolis, the Parthenon, said to be the most perfectly proportioned building of all time, Also, see the Erechtheion with the Porch of the Maidens, the Temple of Athena Nike and the Wingless Victory. Below the Acropolis lies the Ancient Agora and the Theatres of Dionysus and Herodus Atticus. Your afternoon and evening are free.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 03**Day 3 Athens – Kalambaka, Monday (B, D)**

Your first stop this morning is Delphi, where the famous Oracle once foretold the destiny of men. The temple of Apollo in which the Oracle functioned, was built in the 6th century B.C. Also see the Sacred Way, the Stadium, and the Castilian Fountain, where pilgrims cleansed themselves in preparation for consulting the Oracle. Visit the Archaeological Museum of Delphi, which contains an impressive collection of finds from the site, including the beautiful “Bronze Charioteer”. We continue to Kalambaka. (B, D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 04**Day 4 Kalambaka – Ohrid, Tuesday (B, D)**

After breakfast, admire the fantastic landscapes of Meteora, known as “the rocks that fell from the sky”, where monks built their rock – top monasteries far away from civilization. Out of the 13 large and 20 small monasteries and hermit’s cells, only four are now active. The most important is Megalo of Great Meteoro, of peculiar architecture with its tall and intricate dome, twelve sides and fine frescoes. Continue across the border to North Macedonia, and on to Ohrid.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 05**Day 5 Ohrid – Tirana, Wednesday (B, D)**

The lakeside resort of Ohrid is an important cultural and spiritual centre, classified as UNESCO's World Heritage site. Start morning sightseeing with a walk through the cobblestone streets of the old town. Visit the Cathedral of St. Sofia, containing some magnificent frescoes from the 10th century. In the early afternoon we travel to Tirana, capital of Albania.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 06**Day 6 Tirana, Thursday (B)**

On this morning sightseeing tour, see Sheshi Skenderbej (Skanderbeg Square) the Mosque of Ethem Bey, the Clock Tower, and the statue of G.K. Skanderbeg, Albania's national hero; the Palace of Culture, built with Soviet assistance, and the National History Museum with a mosaic on its façade portraying Albanian history. Your afternoon is free to continue exploring on your own, shop, or simply relax.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 07**Day 7 Tivat, Friday (B, D)**

After breakfast we leave Tirana towards town of Shkodra, nowadays a major cultural centre. Shkodra was the centre of the Illyrian tribe Labeat and was taken by the Romans in the year 168 B.C. We will see of the Rozafa Castle, magnificently situated on a rocky outcrop of limestone high above the city, before we cross the border to Montenegro and drive to Tivat. Dinner upon arrival.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 08**Day 8 Tivat – Dubrovnik, Saturday (B, D)**

After breakfast, our journey takes us to Dubrovnik. On the way you will see Kotor Bay, the only South European fiord and we stop for orientation tour of old town Kotor, a UNESCO heritage Site. Continue to Dubrovnik.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 09**Day 9 Dubrovnik, Sunday (B)**

After the breakfast, walking tour of Old Dubrovnik visit the Rector's Palace, and see the Bell Tower Clock, Orlando's Column, Sponza Palace, see Dominican Monastery, and with the Franciscan Monastery with its Pharmacy, one of the oldest in the world. Optional Excursion: home hosted Dubelj with dinner.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 10**Day 10 Dubrovnik – departure, Monday (B)**

After breakfast transfer to the Dubrovnik airport for your flight home. Extra nights are available if you wish to extend your stay in Europe.

Meal: Breakfast

Inclusions

First class hotels

Arrival transfer Athens airport to the hotel on day 1

Departure transfer hotel to Dubrovnik airport on day 10

Breakfast daily and 6 dinners

Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach

Professional Tour Director throughout

Luggage handling (1 pc per person)

Whisper technology enhanced touring

Service charges and hotel taxes

Sightseeing Tours Included:

Professional English-speaking guide for city tours of Athens, Kalambaka, Ohrid, Tirana, Kotor, Dubrovnik.

Entrance fees to The temple of Apollo, the Archaeological Museum of Delphi, Great Meteoro, Cathedral of St. Sofia, the National History Museum Tirana, Rozafa Castle, Rector's Palace and Pharmacy in Dubrovnik.



Exclusions

International airfares

Optional activities

Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program

Travel insurance

Gratuities

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers

Travel and medical insurance

Any items not mentioned as included inclusions

All other entrance fees not mentioned in the

Note

HOTELS USED OR SIMILAR

ATHENS: Stanley (F)/ Titania (F) or similar

KALAMBAKA: Grand Meteora (F) or similar

OHRID: Hotel Granit (F) or similar

TIRANA: Hotel Colosseo (F) or similar

TIVAT: Palma Hotel (F) or similar

DUBROVNIK: Lero (F) or similar

Private car transfers available on request (Vehicle transfers are not available in the pedestrian areas).

Small captions decoded:

B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner, WR-Welcome Reception, CD-Captain's dinner, T-Tasting.

Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

Fixed-Departure



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21 Sep, 2024

First Class Hotels

AUD 4,963 P P twin share

AUD 6,259 P P single

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