

ATHENS authentic MARATHON

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

⇒ ATHENS CITY TOUR (Half day) – R2 450 per person

08h30: Departure from your hotel, escorted by a professional English-speaking guide.

08h30-09h15: Panoramic City Tour including the Temple of Zeus, the Adrian's Arc, the Parliament, the Presidential Residence, the Academy, the University, the National Library, Omonia square and the Panathinaiko Stadium where the 1st modern Olympic Games took place.

09h30-11h00: Visit the **Acropolis**

11h15-13h00: Visit the **New Acropolis Museum**, a very impressive building which houses all the findings of the archaeological site of the Acropolis.

Runs: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Sundays (except the Sunday of the Marathon)

Including: Deluxe coach, licensed English-speaking guide, entrance fees to the Acropolis and the Acropolis Museum

⇒ CAPE SOUNION (Half day) – R 1 400 per person

Drive along the coastal road, passing the wonderful beaches of Glyfada, Vouliagmeni & Varkiza to the most Southern point of Attica, Cape Sounion, where the white marble pillars of the Temple of Poseidon stand. On the way, you have a splendid view of the Saronic Gulf and the little islands offshore. After visiting the Temple of Poseidon, time to walk and admire one of the most beautiful sunsets

Runs: Every Friday (14h30-18h30)

Including: Deluxe coach, licensed English-speaking guide, and entrance fees to the Temple of Poseidon



⇒ ONE DAY CRUISE TO THE 3 ISLANDS (Full day) – R 3 230 per person

± 07h00: Transfer from the hotel at to Piraeus for the embarkation to the cruise boat.

08h00: Departure of the cruise.

The island of **HYDRA** is very famous for its remarkable architecture and therefore very popular to artists and painters. No cars or motorcycles are allowed, and donkeys are used as the main way of transportation on the island.

The island of **POROS**, opposite Peloponnese is small but very lively and rich in history. It is an island with a unique landscape since it is one of the very few islands in Greece with such lush vegetation. The short stay gives you the possibility of souvenir shopping at the typical small shops.

AEgina, is the biggest of the Saronic gulf islands, first capital of the modern Greek state and world-renowned for the pistachios grown there that are of unparalleled quality and considered the best in the world. If Ancient history is of interest to you then you can enjoy an optional visit to the Ancient Temple of Aphaia Athena one of the best preserved ones. Lunch is served on board. ±19h15 Return to Piraeus, disembarkation and transfer to your hotel

Runs: Daily

Including: Transfers from/to hotel – port, cruise ticket, lunch on board

⇒ ARGOLIS – Corinth, Mycenae, Nafplion, Epidaurus (Full day) – R 2 530 per person

Leave by the coastal road along the Saronic Gulf to the **Corinth Canal**, which connects the Aegean Sea with the Ionian Sea. Short visit.

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. Lunch in the modern village of Mycenae.

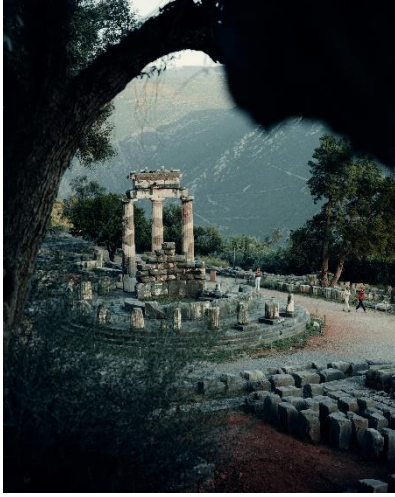
Depart for **Nafplion** through the fertile plain of Argolis, the picturesque town nestling at the foot of a cliff crowned by the mighty ramparts of the Palamidi Fortress. Short visit.

Leave for **Epidaurus**, to visit the Theatre, famous for its astonishing acoustics.

±19h00 Return to Athens by the National road connecting Epidaurus with Corinth.

Runs: Tuesdays and Saturdays

Including: Deluxe coach, licensed English-speaking guide, entrance fees to Mycenae, 4-course lunch



⇒ **DELPHI (Full day) – R 2 530 per person**

Drive through the fertile plain of Beotia, crossing the towns of Thebes, Levadia and Arachova.

Arrive at Delphi, the centre of the Ancient World – the “Omphalos” (Navel of Earth) – whose prestige extended far beyond the boundaries of the Hellenic World.

On the slopes of Mount Parnassus, in a landscape of unparalleled beauty and majesty, lie the ruins of the Sanctuary of Apollo Pythios.

Visit the Treasury of the Athenians, the Temple of Apollo and the Museum.

Lunch in the modern village of Delphi

±19h00 Return to Athens.

Runs: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Including: Deluxe coach, licensed English-speaking guide, entrance fees, lunch

For reservations, please contact

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