

GREECE

Discover ancient mythology, marvelous monuments, and artistic treasures on a student tour of Greece. Step into history with visits to the Acropolis and the Parthenon, the archaeological sites at Delphi, and the island village of Santorini.

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Day 1: Board your flight to Greece.

Day 2: Athens & Loutraki

- Meet with your tour director at **Athens International Airport Eleftherios Venizelos**.
- Board your private motor coach and depart for **Loutraki** in the Corinth region. Stop at the **Corinth Canal**, a 19th century crossroads between the Aegean Sea and the Ionian Sea.
- Settle into your hotel before enjoying free time in Loutraki to explore the village and its beaches.

Day 3: Epidaurus, Mycenae & Nafplio

- Board your private motor coach and travel to **Epidaurus**, featuring the best-preserved **Ancient Theatre** in Greece, with acoustics that let actors be heard by all 15,000 spectators.
- Discover local agriculture with a visit to an **olive plantation**. A local guide will teach your group about the methods used to produce the country's famous export.
- Travel through orange groves and olive trees toward the archeological site of **Mycenae**, a city with strong roots in Greek mythology.
- Continue to **Nafplio**, the first capital of Greece. Stop at **Palamidi**, a Venetian fortress overlooking the Mediterranean sea.

Day 4: Acrocorinth & Ancient Corinth

- Board your private motor coach and depart to **Acrocorinth**, a looming monolithic rock overlooking **Ancient Corinth**. The site was a Greek acropolis, a Roman citadel, and a Byzantine fortress. Many of the remaining ruins are from medieval times.
- Explore Ancient Corinth, with sites like the **Temple of Apollo**, the **Peribolos of Apollo** (an ancient covered square), and a museum that gives these monuments added context and meaning.
- On your way toward Delphi, stop at **Arahova**, a mountain village.

Day 5: Delphi

- Discover the ancient archeological site of **Delphi**, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its influence in the ancient world. Visit the **Temple of Apollo**, the **Tholos of Delphi**, and the **Delphi Archaeological Museum**. The **Omphalos of Delphi** monument represents its role as the center of the world during Ancient Greek times.
- Board your private motor coach and return to Athens.
- After dinner, take part in a "Myths and Legends" quiz to test your knowledge of Greek mythology.

Day 6: Santorini

- Board your private motor coach and depart to Athens' **Port of Piraeus**, where you will embark on a ferry ride to **Santorini**. The city was created from volcanic eruptions that destroyed the original island and left a ring of islands in its place.
- Enjoy free time to have lunch and discover the the capital city of **Fira**. Consider exploring the **Port of Skala** – take a donkey ride to help navigate the 580 stairs!

Day 7: Santorini

- Head to **Akrotiri**, the best-preserved prehistoric town on the Aegean Sea. Similar to Italy's Pompeii, Akrotiri was kept intact by a thick layer of volcanic ash dating to 1500 BC.
- Tour Santorini by private motor coach.
- For lunch, enjoy a picnic in **Pyrgos**, the first capital of Santorini and the best-preserved medieval village on the island. The town retains a charming, quaint culture and offers majestic views.
- Enjoy free time on the black sands of **Perissa beach**.

Day 8: Santorini & Athens

- Set sail on a cruise to the volcanic **Kameni Islands**.
- After lunch and free time in **Fira**, board your ferry back to the Port of Piraeus.

Day 9: Athens

- Embark on a walking tour to the **Acropolis**, an ancient citadel overlooking the city of Athens. Admire the **caryatids**, sculptures of women serving as columns around the structure, and the **Parthenon**, a temple dedicated to the goddess Athena.
- Continue to the **Ancient Agora of Classical Athens**, a market and public square.
- Savor traditional **meze** during free time for lunch. Explore **Plaka**, the oldest neighborhood in Athens.
- Wander through the **Monastiraki flea market**, where the country's sights, smells, and sounds come alive.
- Explore **Syntagma Square**, a central plaza named after the country's 1843 Constitution. While there, see if you can spot the guards at the nearby **Hellenic Parliament**.
- Visit the **Panathenaic (or Kallimarmaro) Stadium**, an ancient multipurpose stadium built entirely of marble.
- Enjoy free time in Athens.

Day 10: Depart to the airport for your flight home.

