

GREECE & ITALY

10 Days | European Student Tour

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TOUR SNAPSHOT

Experience history and culture in the 10-day student tour through Greece and Italy. In Athens, your students will visit the Acropolis, the Temple of Olympian Zeus and the Parthenon. Travel along the Argolis Peninsula to see ancient landmarks, mythological cities and archeological sites. While in Italy, your class will see the Vatican City, Pompeii and the Colosseum. Your students will head back home with a new sense of wonder and a longing to travel.

WHATS INCLUDED:



Guided Tours of:

Athens, Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, Vatican City



Site Visits: Temple of Zeus, Acropolis of Athens, Palamidi

Fortress, Temple of Apollo, Vesuvio, Vatican Museum, St. Peter's Basilica, Colosseum



Local

Tour Leader



Accommodations

3 Star Centrally Located Hotels



Transportation

Flights, Private Motor Coach



Meals

Breakfasts, Dinners





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Guaranteed Flights and Hotels** - We confirm the booking of flights and hotels when you submit your deposit to avoid last minute hiccups.
- **Centrally Located Accommodations** - Save hours avoiding long commutes and maximize your time in destination with hotels within the city limits.
- **Private Tours** - Personalize your class trip to suit your students needs and be assured that you will never be joined with another group.
- **Go, Discover, Inspire** - You are not a tourist but a traveler. We will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite their sense of wonder.

EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

Our local partnerships allow for personalized tours that are a hybrid of traditional and unconventional.

95%

OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

60+

YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

24/7 GLOBAL SUPPORT

No matter your destination or itinerary, our state-of-the-art Operations Centre is designed to proactively protect you and your students during your educational trips around the globe. From the best insurance to advanced incident management software to 24/7 emergency assistance we've got you covered.



"Overall experience from start to finish was fantastic. The kids had a great time and will have memories that will last a lifetime/ Our tour leaders, Phillippe & Adrielle went above and beyond getting to know the students and helping us with special requests. Thank you for everything!"

Gatestone Staff & Students, HWDSB

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Day 1: Board your flight to Athens

Day 2: Athens

- Meet with your tour leader at the airport
- Enjoy free time for lunch.
- Explore the city with a guided tour where you will see the only stadium in the world built entirely of marble, the **Panathenaic Stadium**, the **National Library** and the **Temple of Olympian Zeus**, which was once the largest temple in Greece.

Day 3: Epidaurus - Mycenae - Corinth - Nafplio

- Start the day travelling along the **Argolis Peninsula**.
- Visit **Epidaurus**, one of the most beautiful sites of classical Greece.
- Discover the secrets behind the production of olive oil at a plantation. You will even get to taste the oil at the end of the guided tour!
- Head over to **Mycenae**, the civilization that dominated the world of the eastern Mediterranean from the 15th - 13th century BC, to see the imposing ruins.
- Travel to the city of **Nafplio** to see the **castle of Palamidi**. The fortress was built in the 18th century and has eight strongholds that bear the names of Greek heroes.
- Head to **Corinth**.

Day 4: Corinth - Delphi

- Explore the **ancient city of Corinth**, which was a very busy trading city and was the site of many ancient myths.
- Discover the **Doric temple**, where you will see a stunning view of the **Gulf of Corinth**.
- Visit the **archeological site of Acrocorinth**. This site was occupied continuously from archaic times to the early 19th century and the fortress sits the highest point of the city.
- Travel to **Delphi** for the night.

Day 5: Delphi - Athens

- Start the day with a guided tour of **Delphi**. The city is one of the most important archaeological sites in Greece and has shown traces of human existence dating back to 12,000 BC.
- Travel to **Athens**.
- Explore the **Acropolis of Athens** with whisper headsets. This ancient citadel is located on a rocky outcrop above the city and contains the remains of several buildings of architectural and historic significance, the most famous being the **Parthenon**.

- Visit the **Acropolis Museum** to see a remarkable collection of Archaic works, including the **statue of Moschophoros** bearing a sacrificial calf.

Day 6: Rome

- Board your flight to **Rome, Italy**.
- Enjoy a dinner in the city before heading back to the hotel for the night.

Day 7: Pompeii - Rome

- Travel to the **ancient city of Pompeii**, the most famous archaeological site in Italy.
- Take a guided tour of the city that was dramatically and brusquely interrupted in 79 AD when Vesuvius erupted and buried it.
- Enjoy a short hike to the top of the **Vesuvio volcano** and marvel at the view.
- Return to Rome for the evening.

Day 8: Vatican City - Rome

- Travel to **Vatican City** and explore the museums. You will see one of the greatest art collections in the world, **Michelangelo's legendary Sistine Chapel**, a marvel of artistic creation and **St. Peter's Basilica**, a Renaissance church that is an architectural phenomenon and has the largest interior of any Christian church.
- Return to your hotel in Rome for the evening.

Day 9: Rome

- Start the day with a guided tour of **ancient Rome**. You will see the **Colosseum**, the elliptical amphitheater that showed barbaric Roman entertainment. You will then take a short climb to the top of **Palatine Hill** to look down on the **Forum**, the center of **Roman parliament** and **Circus Maximus**, the most well-known stadium for chariot racing.
- In the afternoon enjoy a tour of **baroque Rome** to see the **Spanish Steps** at the **Piazza di Spagna**, the **Trevi Fountain** and the famous **River Fountain**, one of **Bernini's Baroque masterpieces**.

Day 10: Depart for the airport home

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