

ANCIENT TREASURES



NOVEMBER 9 – 17, 2018*

9 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

**Travel dates to be confirmed upon flight booking*



DAY 1: USA | ATHENS (Friday)

- Fly through the night to **Athens**, capital of Greece.

DAY 2: ATHENS (Saturday)

- Welcome to Greece! Your **Forum Tour Manager** will meet your group at the airport in Athens.
- Enjoy a **Panoramic City Tour** including the Ancient Stadium, the Parliament, the neoclassical buildings on **Panepistimiou** street.
- End of the tour at your hotel; check-in.
- Enjoy dinner in a traditional **tavern** with Greek music and dances.
- Night accommodation in Athens.



DAY 3: ATHENS (Sunday)

- Breakfast at your hotel.
- Today go on a guided tour of the **Acropolis** complex.
- Join your Tour Manager for a walk through the **Roman Agora** of the Plaka and Anafiotika Districts; Gate of Athena Archegetis, the Fethiye (Victory) Mosque and the Tower of the Winds (Aerides). Continue with Hadrian's Library.
- Have some free time for lunch in the area.
- Later, immerse yourself in the culinary history and practices of Greece with this 4-hour traditional **cooking class** in Athens. Tour Athens' Central Food Market to purchase produce, then head back to the kitchen with your guide to prepare dishes using the local, fresh ingredients.
- Night accommodation in Athens.



DAY 4: DELPHI (Monday)

- This morning after breakfast, depart to **Delphi**.
- Upon arrival, visit the archaeological site and the museum.
- Have some free time for lunch.
- Then, visit the **Monastery of Ossiou Loukas**.
- Return to Athens later in the afternoon.
- Dinner and night accommodation in Athens.

DAY 5: ARGOLID | OLIVE OIL FACTORY (Tuesday)

- Breakfast with your group at your hotel.
- Today, board your private motor coach to Argolid.
- En route, make a stop at the **Corinth Canal**.
- Continue your day with a visit to the Theatre of Epidaurus.
- After, visit **Melas Olive Oil factory**; enjoy a tour and olive oil tasting.
- Have some free time for lunch before enjoying a visit to **Nafplion**.
- Return to Athens later in the afternoon.
- Dinner and night accommodation in Athens.





DAY 6: THREE ISLAND CRUISE (Wednesday)

- After breakfast, transfer to Piraeas Port.
- Depart on a **3 Islands cruise** and discover Hydra, Poros and Aegina.
- The island of **Hydra** is famous for its remarkable architecture and very popular to artists and painters. No cars or motorcycles are allowed and donkeys are used for transportation.
- 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 one of the very few islands in Greece with such lush vegetation. Enjoy souvenir shopping at the typical small shops.
- Lunch is served on board.
- 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.
- Visit to the **Ancient Temple of Aphaia Athena**
- Return to Athens for dinner and night accommodation.

DAY 7: ATHENS (Thursday)

- Breakfast at your hotel.
- After walk to the **National Archaeological Museum** and enjoy a guided tour.
- Later, you will visit **The Museum of Traditional Pottery**. Replicas, a big variety of objects, as well as maps, plans, photographs, texts and extensive audio-visual means will help you to comprehend the whole access of pottery production.
- Take part in a pottery **workshop!**
- Dinner and night accommodation in Athens.

DAY 8: TEMPLE OF POSEIDON (Friday)

- This morning after breakfast, is time to catch up with some last minute souvenir shopping.
- After some free time for lunch, 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.
- Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner in a beautiful seaside restaurant!
- Night accommodation in Athens.

DAY 9: ATHENS | USA (Saturday)

- After breakfast, transfer to the airport in Athens and return to USA.

This is your tailor-made travel experience – you will not be combined with another group!

PRICE PER PERSON

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| 20 + participants | \$4,030 |
| 15 to 19 participants | \$4,230 |
| 10 to 14 participants | \$4,250 |

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

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| April 27 th , 2018 | \$500 |
| June 1 st , 2018 | \$1250 |
| August 1 st , 2018 | \$1250 |
| September 1 st , 2018 | Balance |

PRICE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Round-trip airfare* from Detroit to Athens
- ✓ Departure taxes and airline fuel surcharges of \$587 per traveler
- ✓ Ground transportation while in Europe
- ✓ 7 nights multiple occupancy (3/4 students per room with private bath) in quality three-star hotels
- ✓ 7 Breakfasts / 1 Lunch / 7 Dinners (includes one beverage and a vegetarian option)
- ✓ All cultural and aforementioned visits, activities, tours, and admissions as per itinerary
- ✓ Service of a dynamic professional bilingual Forum Tour Manager with the group on tour
- ✓ Service of a night hall monitor 4h a night
- ✓ **One free traveler with a group of 10-14 students and two free travelers with a group of 15 or more**

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- ✓ Meals not indicated in your itinerary
- ✓ Tips are at your discretion – these are standard guidelines:
 - Forum Tour Manager: 4 Euros per day, per traveler
 - Bus Drivers: 1 Euro per day, per traveler
- ✓ Rooming and Adult Supplements:
 - Twin Room Guarantee Supplement \$40 pp/night or Single Room Guarantee Supplement \$80 pp/night
 - Adult Activity Supplement \$10 pp/day

NOTES

- *Airlines have the legal right to increase fuel surcharges to flight tickets after bookings have been made. In the event of an increase in airline taxes and/or fuel surcharges, Forum reserves the right to update prices accordingly.
- **Forum Language Experience** has purchased the **Student Protection Plan** from Travel Insured International on behalf of all participants. **Cancel For Any Reason** is an available **option** that must be purchased at the time of trip deposit. ***CFAR is not available to residents of NY***
- Forum has quoted this package at an exchange rate of 1 Euro = 1.25 USD. In the event of a significant change in the exchange rate, Forum reserves the right to update prices accordingly.

Date of quote: February 15, 2018 | Prices are valid until: First payment deadline | Your Forum Tour Consultant: **Sharmila Hall**

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