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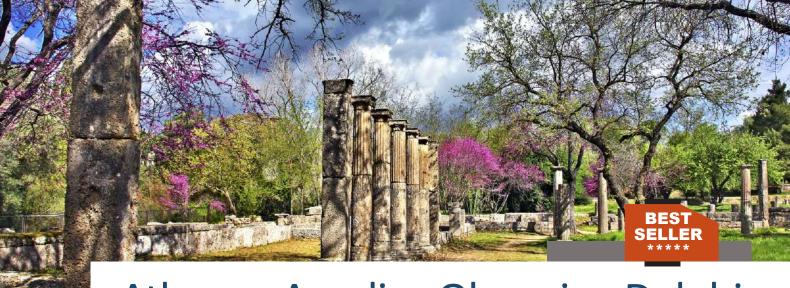




# SCHOOL TRIPS TO GREECE

An unforgettable journey through history, culture, and natural beauty. Greece provides a rich educational experience. These trips inspire curiosity, foster global awareness, and create lasting memories in a land of timeless wonder.





Athens - Argolis - Olympia - Delphi One of the most glorious sanctuaries, the birthplace of the

Olympic Games is a cultural rite of passage. 6D/5N

Homer's "gold-rich Mycenae". A living ancient theatre, a one-of-a-kind archaeological site and the famous Asclepius of antiquity – all within a natural landscape. There aren't many cultural landmarks that you have a feeling for, without having visited.

The archaeological site of Ancient Olympia is one of them and Delphi will always be the "Centre of the World"

#### DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT ATHENS

Arrival in Athens. Our Staff will meet the group in the Arrivals Hall and will escort them to the waiting Bus. Transfer to the Hotel and check-in. Free time for lunch and a walk in the city. Dinner and Overnight in Athens.

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#### > DAY 4 | OLYMPIA - DELPHI

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit of the Museum and see the Hermes Statue by Praxiteles. Walk the Stadion where the first Olympic Games took place. Lunch in Olympia. After Lunch we drive north towards Rion-Adirio bridge. Crossing to Central Greece we drive towards Delphi passing by Nafpaktos and Galaxidi. Dinner and overnight in Delphi.

#### > DAY 5 | DELPHI TO ATHENS

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit of the Archaeological Museum and the Apollo Sanctuary at Delphi archaelogical site. Lunch at a local restaurant in Delphi. On the way back to Athens we will stop at the 11th C. Byzantine monastery of Osios Lukas, situated in a picturesque valley teemed with olive trees. Byzantine monasteries are built in sites characterized by amazing natural beauty, always in harmony with the surrounding landscape, following the example of the ancient temples.

Dinner and Overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 6 | DEPARTURE

Breakfast at the hotel.

Depending on your flight schedule transfer to the Airport for the departure flight home

#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES:**

- ► Arrival and departure transfers with English speaking assistance.
- Accommodation in triple or quadruple bedrooms for students (twinroom and single on request for the teachers) for 5 nights on Half board basis.
- ► Excursions mentioned in the program with luxury bus, (EN-F-DE-I-ES) speaking guide. ► Lunches as per our Itinerarys

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► Guide service at archaeological sites. ► Flight to and from Greece.





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#### > DAY 5 | DELPHI TO METEORA

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit of the **Archaeological Museum** and the **Apollo Sanctuary** at Delphi archaelogical site. Lunch at a local restaurant in Delphi. Drive north towards Meteora. Arrival in Trikala and check in the Hotel. Dinner and Overnight

#### > DAY 6 | METEORA TO ATHENS

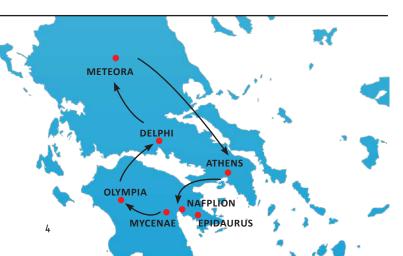
Breakfast at the Hotel. **Meteora** is the biggest and most important group of monasteries in Greece after those in Mount Athos. We can locate the first traces of their history from 11th c. when the first hermits settled there. The rock monasteries have been characterized by UNESCO as a unique phenomenon of cultural heritage and they form one of the most important stations of cultural map of Greece. Visits of two Monasteries.

We start our return trip towards Athens, with a short stop at **Thermopylae** (Leonidas statue). Dinner and Overnight in Athens

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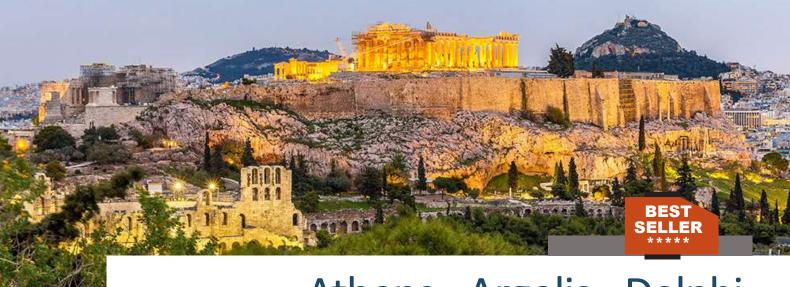


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Athens - Argolis - Delphi 5 days stay in Athens. Full day tour to Argolis and Delphi. 5D/4N

Athens is the historical capital of Greece, with a long history, dating from the first settlement in the Neolithic age. In the 5th Century BC (the "Golden Age of Pericles") – the culmination of Athens' long, fascinating history – the city's values and civilization acquired a universal significance. Over the years, a multitude of conquerors occupied Athens, and erected unique, splendid monuments - a rare historical palimpsest. In 1834, it became the capital of the modern Greek state and in two centuries since it has become an attractive modern metropolis with unrivalled charm.

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Arrival in Athens. Our Staff will meet the group in the Arrivals Hall and will escort them to the waiting Bus. Transfer to the Hotel and check-in. Free time for lunch and a walk in the city. Dinner and Overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 2 | FULL DAY DELPHI.

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive via the Boeotia plains towards Delphi "The Center of the World". Visit of the **Archaeological Museum** and the **Apollo Sanctuary** at the archaelogical site. Lunch at a local Restaurant in Delphi. On the way back to Athens we will visit 11th C monastery of **Osios Lukas**, situated in a picturesque valley teemed with olive trees. Byzantine monasteries are built in sites characterized by amazing natural beauty, always in harmony with the surrounding landscape, following the example of the ancient temples. Dinner and Overnight in Athens.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Today we drive towards Peloponnese. First stop will be in **Corinth Channel** for photos. Continue to **Mycenae** and visit the Palace and the Museum. Lunch at a local Restaurant in Mycenae.

After lunch we continue to **Nafplio** for a visit. Free time in Nafplio.

On the way back to Athens we will visit the famous **Theatre of Epidaurus**.

Dinner and overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 4 | FULL DAY ATHENS.

Breakfast at the hotel. Full Day tour of Athens according to your Educational Programme: Acropolis, Acropolis Museum, National Archaeological Museum, Theater of Dionysus, Pnyx, Hephaestus, Agora, Monastiraki Light Lunch with Pitta and Gyros. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 5 | ATHENS - DEPARTURE.

Breakfast at the hotel. According to your flight schedule Transfer to the airport for the Departure Flight.

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- ► Hotel (3 stars) in Athens on Half Board
- ► Accommodation in triple or quadruple bedrooms for students (twin-room and single on request for the teachers).
- ▶ All transfers and tours included from & to Athens airport.
- ► Lunches as per our Itinerary

#### THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

► Guide service at archaeological sites. ► Entries in archaeological sites and public museums are usually free for European students under 18 years old and in possession CI school. ► Flight to and from Greece.





Athens - Peloponnese Full day in Athens. Visits to Corinth Canal, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Nafplion, Monemvasia, Sparta, Messini, Olympia 8D/7N

The Peloponnese, located on the southern part of the country, is the most popular region of the Greek mainland with the most undiscovered beauties. Geographically the Peloponnese has the shape of a plane tree leaf, hosts the most important archaeological sites of Greece, has picturesque seaside places, gorgeous beaches, castles and Ski centres. Peloponnese is an all year-round destination and with our 08 day tour program of the Peloponnese you get to see the highlights.

> DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT ATHENS Arrival at the Athens airport – transfer to the hotel by Luxury bus. Dinner and Overnight.

#### > DAY 2 | ATHENS FULL DAY CITY TOUR.

The striking contrast between breath-taking monuments of a glorious past and modern elegant structures, is what you will enjoy during your tour of Athens. Visit the Acropolis, the crowning beauty and glory of Ancient Athens. Drive to the Roman Temple of Olympic Zeus, the Panathenaic Stadium (site of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896), the Tomb of the unknown Soldier in front of the Parliament House on Constitution Square. See views of government buildings and elegant structures of the 19th century. Drive along Panepistimiou Avenue and view the Academy, University, National Library. In contrast, conclude your tour with a visit to the new Acropolis museum, a marvel of architecture with a full exhibition of the glory of Ancient Athens. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 3 | ATHENS - MYCENAE - EPIDAURUS - NAFPLION - TOLO.

Depart from Athens to Nafplion, first capital of Greece. Visit the Corinth Canal. Visit and private guided tour of the Mycenae archaeological site, tomb of Agamemnon and archaeological museum. Drive to Epidaurus, where you will have a private guided tour of the famous Amphitheatre and site. Drive back to **Nafplion** visit of the Palamidi Castle – dinner and overnight in **Tolo**.

#### > DAY 4 | NAFPLIO - SPARTA - MYSTRAS.

We leave Nafplion in the morning. We'll drive south by the scenic coast of the Argolis Gulf. From Astros we will turn to Central Peloponnese, (Arcadia), through the village of Agios Petros (short stop) and then off to Karies on the slopes of the mount Parnon. Shortly we will arrive in **Sparti**, the modern town was developed in the reign of King Otto after 1834. We will visit the archaeological site, the Acropolis and the theatre of Ancient Sparta and then on to visit the Medieval state of Mystras, once the second most important town of the Byzantine Empire. Dinner and overnight in Mystras or Sparti.

#### > DAY 5 | MONEMVASIA - MANI - KALAMATA.

Leave Sparti behind us for Monemvasia, which is built on an island rock attached by a causeway to the mainland. On the way we will visit Githeo, a seaside town. Then drive on to Areopolis a large village, with taverns, in the typical Maniot style, tower houses and churches. We will visit Vathia forsaken by almost all its inhabitants, Vathia and Kita are the most impressive tower communities which are characteristic of Mani. Dinner and overnight in Kalamata.

#### > DAY 6 KALAMATA - ANCIENT MESSINI - OLYMPIA.

We leave for Olympia driving along the coast of the Ionian Sea. On the way we will visit the ancient Messini, one of the nicest and biggest archaeological sites in Greece. Arrive late afternoon in Olympia. Dinner and overnight in Olympia.

#### > DAY 7 OLYMPIA - ATHENS.

Visit the ruins of Olympia the Sanctuary of the Olympian Zeus and the Museum. This is the largest archaeological site of Greece. There you will see for yourself the grandeur of the ancient sanctuary which through the Olympic Games was a symbol of Greek unity the cradle of the Olympic Games. Later in the afternoon we depart for Athens. Overnight in Athens.

> DAY 8 | ATHENS. After Breakfast - Transfer to the airport for the flight back home.

### **OLYMPIA** MYCENAE **EPIDAURUS** KALAMATA SPARTA ONEMVASIA

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### Athens - Ancient Messini - Kalamata

Ancient Messini is a rare archaeological site, where the visitor is impressed by viewing temples, houses and public. 5D/4N

Kalamata, famous worldwide for its olives, is Messinia's capital and the second-largest city in the Peloponnese. Following independence from the Turks and thanks to the exploitation of the fertile Messinian lands (producing olive oil, raisins, figs etc), it developed into a wealthy urban centre and a significant port.

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#### > DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT ATHENS

Arrival at Athens Airport. Our Staff will meet you and will escort you to the waiting Bus for the transfer to your Hotel. For tonight we propose an optional Dinner at a traditional Greek Tavern with Music. Overnight.

#### > DAY 2 | ATHENS TO KALAMATA

The natural beauty of Messinia with the indented shores, sandy beaches, forested mountains and fertile valleys, coexists with significant archaeological monuments. Kalamata, the capital and central port of Messinia, is situated at the site of ancient Farai. The point of reference par excellence in the city of Kalamata is the legendary "castle of Isabeau" where the renowned International Dance Festival takes place annually. No less beautiful is the exquisite Palia Poli (Old City) at the foot of the Castle. The area is the hotspot for the city's youth, for it is the beating heart of the nightlife in Kalamata and by no means will it be still! Overnight in Kalamata.

#### > DAY 3 | ANCIENT MESSINI

Ancient Messini is one of the most important excavated cities of Greece. The ancient city is well preserved due to the fact that it was never destroyed or covered by a newer settlement. Picturesquely situated on a hillside below the village of Mavromati and still undergoing excavation, the site comprises a large theatre, an agora (marketplace), a sizeable Sanctuary of Asclepius and one of the most impressive Ancient Greek stadiums. The layout of Ancient Messini was made according to the so-called Hippodamian system, where all buildings have the same orientation and the space is divided into horizontal and vertical axes.

The Theatre of Messini is the first monument that the visitor meets in the archaeological site.

Between Theatre and Agora of Ancient Messini, they discovered the Fountain of Arsinoe who the daughter of the legendary king of Messinia was, Leucippus, and mother of Asclepius. To the east of the fountain there are the market boundaries of Ancient Messini, a huge square surrounded by Stoas. Asclepieion was the most famous place of Ancient Messini area as center of public life in the city along with the market. There are more than 140 pedestals of bronze statues of mostly political persons and five platforms surrounded the Doric temple, whose foundations dominate in the center of Asclepieion.

Stadium and Gymnasium are among the most impressive building blocks because of their good condition.

Overnight in Kalamata.

#### > DAY 4 | KALAMATA TO ATHENS

After breakfast we start our journey back to Athens. Overnight in Athens.

#### > DAY 5 | DEPARTURE

According to your flight schedule transfer to the Airport for the departure flight.

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In this island-continent, the largest of the Greek world, the refined civilization that enlightened Greece and its islands was born and flourished, as evidenced by the site of Knossos. The Cretan landscape offers a variety with its rugged mountains, deep gorges, peaceful bays and fertile lands, astonished, surprised and delighted.

#### > DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT ATHENS

Arrival at Athens Airport - transfer to the hotel - accommodation in Athens and overnight at the hotel.

#### > DAY 2 | ATHENS FULL DAY CITY TOUR.

Visit the site of **Acropolis** and take a panoramic tour of the area by bus. You will discover the center of the city, **Constitution Square** (Syntagma), the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, the **Parliament** and neoclassical buildings in Avenue Venizelos (the Academy, the University and the National Library). On the way to the Acropolis you will see the **Hadrian's Arch**, the **Temple of Olympian Zeus**, and then you will see the **Panathenaic Stadium** where the first Olympic Games of our time were held in 1896 (short stop).

In the Acropolis you can admire the masterpieces of the golden era of Athens, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike and finally "the harmony between spirit and matter", the Parthenon. Then you will visit the impressive sculptures, which adorned the temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion (with the Caryatids).

Back to hotel - Free afternoon – Transfer to the port for of Pireaus to take the Ferry to **Heraklion.** 

#### > DAY 3 | ARRIVAL IN HERAKLION.

Arrive and transfer to the hotel. Heraklion Guided tour visit the **Minoan antiquities museum**, one of the most important in Greece, a necessary step to understand archaeological sites on the island. The museum holds the Snake Goddess and the Phaistos Disc, famous statuettes discovered at Knossos. Visit the arhaelogical site of the **Palace of Knossos**, the most important site of the Minoan civilization.

Back to Heraklion. Dinner and overnight in Heraklion.

#### > DAY 4 | HERAKLION - SPINALOGA - AGIOS NIKOLAOS.

Breakfast and departure for **Spinalonga** Island. Depart for **Elounda** and board for a crossing in the **Gulf of Mirabello** to the island of **Spinalonga**. Return to **Agios Nikolaos** (short stop). You can visit a garden with Cretan therapeutic plants and flowers. Dinner and overnight in Heraklion.

#### > DAY 5 | RETHYMNON - CHANIA.

After breakfast, depart with our luggage for the city of **Chania**. On the way, stop in **Rethymnon**. City tour. Lunch in the old harbour. Visit the fortress guarding the old harbour and the minarets dating from the Turkish occupation of the island. Accommodation in Chania.

#### > DAY 6 | CHANIA - SFAKIA.

After breakfast, depart for **Sfakia**. There you can admire the views of the Libyan Sea. We will taste the pita in Sfakia and we drink our coffee on site. In the evening we offer a nice walk in the old town of Chania. Lunch during visits. Dinner and overnight in the vicinity of Chania.

#### > DAY 7 | CHANIA CITY TOUR.

Breakfast at the hotel. Chania, visits (Archaeological Museum, Venetian harbour and old town). Lunch during visits. Dinner lunch box. Boarding for Piraeus four berths in cabins with bathroom.

> DAY 8 DEPARTURE FLIGHT. Arrival in Athens and transfer to the airport of Athens for the Flight back Home.

# CHANIA RETHYMNON SFAKIA HERAKLION

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► Hotels category 3\* on full board basis ► City tour in Athens, Heraklion, Rethymno, Chania ► Arrival and departure transfers with assistance and port transfers ► VAT

#### THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

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- ▶ Personal expenses
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   ▶ What is not mentioned in the included



# Byzantine and Classical Greece Thessaloniki - Vergina - Pella - Veria - Kavala - Philippi - Amphipolis -

Meteora - Delphi - Athens 8D/7N

The Byzantine Greece combines ancient theaters, archaeological sites with secrets of the past, monasteries perched on rocks and magnificent view. Discover the treasures of this country. The great sites of ancient civilization.

#### DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT "MAKEDONIA" AIRPORT - THESSALONIKI

The largest city of Northern Greece. Transfer to hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. An optional general tour of city can be offered in the late afternoon. Dinner (optional) and overnight at the hotel.

#### > DAY 2 | CITY TOUR THESSALONIKI

After breakfast an experienced guide will guide you to a panoramic tour of the city of Thessaloniki with luxury buses of our company. We will visit the Arch, Byzantine churches, Rotonda, Saint Sofia, Egnatia, Aristotle Square. Our bus will ascend the Castle over city where another world with end-less beauty unfolds. We will visit the Byzantine Museum with its wonderful exhibits of Macedonian and Byzantine Culture. We stop at the Church of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr and visit the Crypt. Visit to the White Tower. In the afternoon we will continue the exploration of the city center, where we will visit numerous monuments from the Byzantine period. Most interesting among them are the churches of the Transfiguration, St. Catherine and some others from the late Byzantine period. We also try to visit some newer churches with interesting new icons, murals and mosaics. Dinner and overnight at Thessaloniki.

#### > DAY 3 | FULL DAY AT VERGINA - VERIA.

After Breakfast full day tour to the Archaeological site of Vergina. There you will be guided by guide-archaeologist, to the findings of the Royal Tombs of Philip II with magnificent frescoes. Then you depart for the beautiful Veria 12km from Vergina. Lunch during the visit we will see the ruins of the ancient city of Veria, mansions and architecture in Veroiotiki preserved neighborhoods Kyriotissa the Bema of Apostle Paul and the Municipal Park. Late afternoon we depart for our hotel, settle in our rooms, rest. Dinner and overnight at Thessaloniki.

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▶ Personal expenses ▶ Tips ▶ Full board ▶ Drinks ▶ Optional excursions ► Anything not mentioned in «The Price Includes».

#### > DAY 4 | PHILIPPI - KAVALA - AMPHIPOLI.

After breakfast at the hotel full day tour to **Philippi**. Visit the archaeological site. We will continue to Kavala. Visits to the Roman aqueduct, to the Castle and to the house of Mehmet Ali. Lunch during visit. Next stop to Amphipolis. Visit archaelogical site the the famous "Lion of Amphipolis". Dinner and overnight at Thessaloniki.

#### > DAY 5 | METEORA - DELPHI

After breakfast drive to Meteora, among striking scenery, perched on top of huge rocks which seem to be suspended in mid-air, stand ageless Monasteries, where you can see exquisite specimens of Byzantine art. Arrive in Delphi dinner and overnight.

#### > DAY 6 | DELPHI - ATHENS

After breakfast at the hotel. Visit the archaeological site with the Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the Ancient stadium and the archaeological museum. Transfer to Athens, dinner and overnight

#### > DAY 7 | ATHENS CITY TOUR

After Breakfast a half day guided tour of Athens. See the Constitution square, the Parliament, the Presidential Palace, the Hadrian's Arch, the Temple of Olympian Zeus and the marble Olympic Stadium, then arrive and visit the Acropolis, the museum and the site. Lunch during visit return to the hotel. Afternoon free dinner and overnight at Athens.

#### > DAY 8 | DEPARTURE

After Breakfast - Transfer to the airport for the flight back Home.





The Early Christian and Byzantine monuments of Thessaloniki are outstanding examples of architecture and art that greatly influenced Christianity in the Balkans and beyond. The mosaics and murals in the Rotunda, Saint Demetrius, Saint David (Latomou Monastery), Agia Sophia and Panagia Chalkeon churches (among other monuments) are early Christian art masterpieces. Walk by the imposing Byzantine city walls, climb to Ano Poli area and drink in the views of the entire city and Thermaikos Gulf. A travel in Thessaloniki reconciles relaxation and animation. In the evening, the seaside welcomes guests in coffee corners, restaurants and small bars. The Central market is worth seeing, for its oriental atmosphere.

#### > DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT "MAKEDONIA" AIRPORT - THESSALONIKI

Welcome and transfer to the hotel - Free afternoon. We suggest a walk to discover the vibes of the City. Dinner and overnight in Thessaloniki.

#### > DAY 2 | THESSALONIKI CITY TOUR

In the morning, guided tour of the city. Thessaloniki throughout the era of the Byzantine Empire was the "co-reigning" city, second in population and prestige in Constantinople. Visit the unique monuments and feel the glorious Byzantine past in some of the oldest and most characteristic churches of the Christian world.

Visit the best sites that represent the historical and cultural significance of Thessaloniki. These sites include the **White Tower**, the **Speakers** in the upper part of the city, the **Saint Demetrios Church** and many others.

Free time for lunch. Afternoon free to enjoy the bustling center of the city. Dinner and overnight in Thessaloniki.

#### > DAY 3 | PELLA - VERGINA

Buffet breakfast and departure for **Vergina**, where we will have the chance to see the most valuable Macedonian tombs, one of which is of Philip II, which was brought to light by the excavation of archaeologist M. Andronikos in 1977. Visit to the archaeological site and museum.

Return in Thessaloniki and rest of the afternoon free at leisure. Dinner and overnight

#### > DAY 4 | KERKINI LAKE - AMPHIPOLIS

Buffet breakfast and departure for **Kerkini Lake**: Enjoy the pleasures of ecotourism: A sanctuary for birds and humans alike, the calm, unruffled lake offers itself for birdwatching and boating, while its shores are perfect for cycling and walks.

We continue to **Amphipolis**. It is famous in history for events such as the battle between the Spartans and Athenians in 422 BC, and also as the place where Alexander the Great prepared for campaigns leading to his invasion of Asia. Excavations in and around the city have revealed important buildings, ancient walls and tombs. The unique and beautiful "Lion of Amphipolis" monument nearby is a popular destination for visitors.

Early in the afternoon we return to the hotel. Dinner and evening group entertainment. Overnight.

#### > DAY 5 | DEPARTURE

Breakfast - Depending on the flight schedule, departure transfer to Thessaloniki airport with English speaking assistance.

# PELLA VERGINA THESSALONIKI

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## Thessaloniki - Mt Olympus - Vergina The capital of the North will offer you great opportunities

to travel through history 5D/4N

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#### > DAY 3 | VERGINA - DION - KATERINI

Buffet breakfast and departure for Vergina, where we will have the chance to see the most valuable Macedonian tombs, one of which is of Philip II, which was brought to light by the excavation of archaeologist M. Andronikos in 1977. Visit to the archaeological site and museum.

We continue to Dion and Olympus the biggest mountain of Greece the house of the 12 gods. Return late at midday in Katerini and rest of the day free. Dinner and overnight.

#### > DAY 4 | TREKKING TO MOUNTAIN OLYMPUS

Breakfast and depart for trekking to Mt. Olympus. Is the most famous mountain in Greece, mythical home of the ancient Greek Gods. From its steep rocky summit, first climbed only 100 years ago, Zeus supposedly hurled his thunderbolts against humankind. Its eastern flanks were the country's first national park (created in the 1930's), with dozens of endemic species of flowers, as well as some endangered bird and butterfly species. Return. Dinner and overnight.

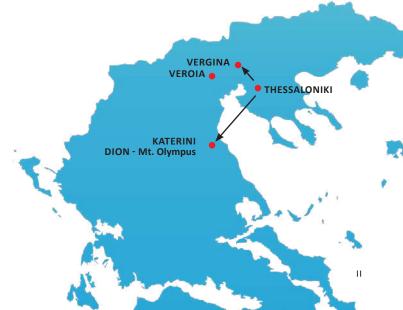
#### > DAY 5 | DEPARTURE

Breakfast - Depending on the flight schedule, departure transfer to Thessaloniki airport with English speaking assistance.

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## Thessaloniki - Kavala - Xanthi

Byzantine castle, Ottoman buildings, neoclassical mansions and big tobacco warehouses evoke the memory of a distant past. 5D / 4N

The Early Christian and Byzantine monuments of Thessaloniki are outstanding examples of architecture and art that greatly influenced Christianity in the Balkans and beyond.

Kavala, the capital and main port of the Kavala prefecture is amphitheatrically built on the slopes of Mt. Symvolo forming one of the most picturesque cities in Greece. The city's breeze sweeps through its historic buildings, which perfectly reflect the city's modern character.

Xanthi, the noble Lady of Thrace. Amphitheatrically built on the foot of Rodopi mountain chain, Xanthi is located in Thrace (Northern Greece), the crossroads of the Black Sea and the Aegean, Europe and Asia.

#### > DAY 1 | ARRIVAL THESSALONIKI - CITY TOUR- AMPHIPOLIS - KAVALA

Arrival at "Makedonia" airport **Thessaloniki**. We begin with a Panoramic tour of the city that throughout the era of the Byzantine Empire was the "co-reigning" city, second in population and prestige in Constantinople. Visit unique monuments and feel the glorious Byzantine past in some of the oldest and most characteristic churches of the Christian world Visit the best sites that represent the historical and cultural significance of Thessaloniki. These sites include the White Tower, the Speakers in the upper part of the city, the Saint Demetrios Church and many others.

We continue to **Amphipolis**. Dinner and Overnight in **Kavala**.

#### > DAY 2 | KAVALA CITY TOUR - PHILLIPI

Panoramic tour of the city of Kavala. An important Roman city and later a Byzantine fortress. The town is famous for its large aqua duct which was rebuilt by Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent.

We continue to **Phillipi** and its museum. This was an important early Christian centre, right up to the 14th century. Remains here include an early Christian basilica and a good stretch of the Via Egnatia. Dinner and Overnight in Kavala.

#### > DAY 3 | NESTOS - XANTHI

Buffet breakfast and departure for **Nestos** river. We explore the city of **Abdera**, once an important member of the Delian League. The city was heavily involved in the politics of the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars.

Return to **Xanthi**. After lunch we explore the picturesque old town, once an important trading city, which played a big part in the wealthy Balkan. Dinner and overnight at Xanthi.

#### > DAY 4 | XANTHI CITY TOUR

Buffet breakfast and. Xanthi city tour, full of houses with wooden balconies and painted facades. Dinner and overnight in Xanthi.

#### > DAY 5 | DEPARTURE

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Thessaloniki - Meteora - Volos (Pelion)

Volos is the ancient lolkos, the mythic starting point of Jason and his

Argonauts 5D/4N

The second biggest city and a Greek port, this modern city has an important heritage and museums of Roman and Byzantine History, with ancient buildings retracing its past.

Volos is one of the largest and most attractive cities in Greece as well as one of the country's most prominent ports. The modern-day city, built near the site of ancient lolcos, dominates the region of Magnesia from its position at the foot of Mount Pelion overlooking the Pagasetic Gulf, a superb natural harbour that's sheltered by the long arm of the Pelion Peninsula, curving to the east.

#### DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT "MAKEDONIA" AIRPORT - THESSALONIKI

Welcome and transfer to the hotel - Free afternoon. We suggest a walk to discover the vibes of the City. Dinner and overnight in Thessaloniki.

#### > DAY 2 | CITY TOUR THESSALONIKI

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#### > DAY 3 | KALAMPAKA - METEORA - VOLOS

Breakfast and depart for **Kalambaka**, a small town situated at the foot of the astonishing complex of the **Meteora**, perched on top of huge rocks, which seem to be suspended in mid-air, stand ageless Monasteries, where

you can see exquisite specimens of Byzantine art. Depart from Kalambaka, drive through the striking plain of Thessaly arrival at **Volos**. Dinner and overnight.

#### > DAY 4 | CITY TOUR VOLOS - PELION

Breakfast and we start the city tour to Volos. Vibrant air is boosted considerably by the large student population that attend the University of Thessaly, the faculties of which are based in abandoned industrial and neoclassical buildings. The city has its fair share of excellent museums and art Galleries the most important being the Archaeological Museum.

We continue to **Pelion** the land in mythology of Centaurs. Pelion is well known for its traditional villages composing in harmony with the natural environment. In each village there are natural paths ideal for trekking and exploring, that leading to majestic sceneries, green ravines or forests with chestnut and plain trees. Dinner and Overnight.

#### > DAY 5 | DEPARTURE

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## Thessaloniki - Ioannina - Zagoria

Lies by the shore of Lake Pamvotida and its picturesque islet. Echoes of the town's past can be traced in its historic centre. 5D/4N

The Early Christian and Byzantine monuments of Thessaloniki are outstanding examples of architecture and art that greatly influenced Christianity in the Balkans and beyond.

Ioannina, the capital of Epirus, spreads out around beautiful Lake Pamvotis. The natural environment, the climate and character of the town are defined by this stretch of water – the area's trademark. The lake, with its still waters and its small island, is a natural monument, around which the entire area lives and breathes. The strong cultural traditions of the town, home to a number of great novelists and poets, and the artistic and intellectual events which are organized throughout the year, give visitors the opportunity to get to know the roots of the intellectual life of Epirus.

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#### > DAY 3 | METSOVO - IOANNINA

Buffet breakfast and departure for **Metsovo**, a mountain village in Pindos area, North-western Greece is a model of development with robust wine and culture-based tourism.

We will continue to **loannina**. One of Northern Greece's most atmospheric cities. It is set on the western shore of the lovely Lake Pamvotis and framed by the impressive mountain range that turns lilac at sunset. Dinner and overnight at loannina.

#### > DAY 4 | IOANNINA CITY TOUR - ZAGORI

Buffet breakfast and departure for city tour to **loannina**. The walls of the **Kastro** enclose an atmospheric, tranquil old quarter, and the lakeside area is lined by opulent plane trees that let in dappled afternoon sunlight. See the jutting minarets, the fantastic fortress and the unique appeal of "To Nisi" (**The Island**).

**Zagori** has an area of some 1,000 square kilometres and contains 46 villages known as Zagori villages (or Zagorochoria or Zagorochoria). The seat of the municipality is the village Asprangeli.

Dinner and evening group entertainment. Overnight.

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Strike out beyond the sun-soaked stretches of sand to discover an island of compelling culture and landscapes, steeped in myth and riddled with ancient riches.

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL AT LARNACA AIRPORT. Our Students will be welcomed and greeted by our guide at Larnaca airport. During the transfer by a/c coach, our guide will outline the program, making suggestions for free time and offering general information on Cyprus. An advance registration will be arranged, so there will be no need for the students to queue to check in. After a welcome drink, (juice) our students will have some time to relax and enjoy the hotel's facilities. Dinner will be served at the hotel (on half board terms). Overnight at the hotel.

> DAY 2 | PAPHOS DELIGHTS. Breakfast at the hotel and depart for a full day tour to Paphos. Legend has it that Paphos was home of Aphrodite, goddess of beauty and love. Still under the spell of the goddess, the area retains her magic and has remained intact by time. Paphos itself is a leading cultural centre of the Mediterranean and the whole town is on the UNESCO World Heritage list. Passing though the Fassouri citrus plantations; we come across the medieval 13th century Castle of Kolossi. We continue to the ancient Kingdom of Kourion. Our next visit will be to the Tombs of the Kings, an early Hellenistic monument dating from the 4th century BC. Overnight at Larnaca.

> DAY 3 | FULL DAY NICOSIA, THE MEDIEVAL CAPITAL. Breakfast at the hotel and depart for a full day tour of Nicosia. Nicosia, or Lefkosia, lies roughly at the centre of the island, with a rich history that can be traced back to the Bronze Age. The heart of the city, enclosed by the 16th century Venetian walls, is dotted with museums, ancient churches and medieval buildings. The famous Famagusta Gate still stands proudly today. From

there, we will drive to the cathedral of St. John the Evangelist and its 13th and 18th century wall paintings. Enjoy a visit to the prominent Archaeological museum with its collection of Cypriot antiquities and treasures from the Neolithic age to the Early Byzantine period. After we arrive at Laiki Geitonia and stroll at leisure down its stone paved streets where lunch will be served. Students will explore the Byzantine museum in the afternoon. In the late afternoon, we will return to the hotel in Limassol. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

> DAY 4 | FULL DAY TROODOS MOUNTAIN AND UNESCO CHURCHES. Breakfast at the hotel and depart for a full day tour of Troodos Mountains. Kykkos is the richest and most significant monastery on the island. Founded in 1100 and dedicated to the Virgin Mary, it possesses one of the three surviving icons ascribed to St. Luke. We will take a short stroll to Throni, to visit the tomb of the late Archbishop Makarios III Lunch is served at a local tayorn.

Our expedition will take us to Omodos, a traditional Cypriot wine producing village. Students can stroll around the village's winding streets and mingle with the locals.

In the late afternoon, we will return to the hotel in Limassol. Dinner and overnight at the hotel at Limassol.

> DAY 5 | DEPARTURE Our students will enjoy their breakfast at leisure. Check-out from the hotel and transfer by a/c coach to Larnaca Airport for their departure.

#### THE PRICE INCLUDES:

▶ 4 nights' accommodation in triple standard rooms at hotels 3\* or similar on half board basis (dinner). ▶ Transfers with a guide assistance Airport – Hotel – Airport ▶ All excursions as mentioned ▶ Three lunches during the tours including one soft drink per person ▶ VAT

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- ► Entries in archaeological sites and public museums are usually free for European students under 18 years old and in possession CI school.
- ► Flight to and from Greece.





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