



✕ Thessaloniki City Tour and Archaeological - Byzantine Museum

Interests: history, architecture, culture

Discover the multi-cultural city of Thessaloniki, its many historical sites, buildings and their distinct architectural styles, numerous notable Ottoman and Byzantine monuments, major shopping streets and the lively recreation areas throughout its several districts. These include Ladadika, known for its taverns, Kapani where the central market is located, Diagonios, Navarinou, Rotonta, Agia Sofia and Ippodromio, which are all situated around the city's most central point, Aristotelous Square. During your private excursion, you will have the opportunity to visit a number of museums covering various historical eras including the Museum of Byzantine Culture. Visit the 34m-high landmark White Tower, once a prison and torture chamber in 1826, the 5th-century Byzantine church of Agios Dimitrios, the Arch of Galerius and the Rotunda. Your intriguing city tour will also cover the city's acropolis and many more marvelous archaeological sites.

✕ Tour to Amphipolis, Filippi and Kavala

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Continue on to the modern port city of Kavala, situated on the Bay of Kavala across from the island of Thasos to spend some time sightseeing and shopping. You may want to visit the Byzantine fortress, the well-preserved aqueduct, which is one of the city's landmarks or the magnificent house of the founder of modern Egypt, Muhammad Ali.

✕ Tour to Dion, Litochoro and Mt.Olympus

Interests: history, archaeology, nature, mythology

The route from Thessaloniki to Olympos is one of the most astonishing routes of Northern Greece. Dion is an area at the foot of Mt Olympus which was used by Ancient kings of Macedonia as their summer resort. The findings of graves found in Dion area are also remarkable. Most royal tombs reveal the existence of an impressive civilization and today we can admire its remains and artifacts in the archaeological site of Dion and the archaeological museum of Dion. Your next stop is Litochoro, a small modern town that combines the mountain air with the sea breeze and visitors can walk admire traditional Macedonian architecture, the old wooden courtyard doors, and gabled roofs. After lunch, you will have the opportunity to walk around the village and through the Enipea Valley. Your next destination is Mount Olympus, the highest Greek mountain, the residence of the twelve ancient gods which is now a National Park where you can relive the myths and revel in its natural beauty.

✕ Traditional Halkidiki and Mt. Athos Cruise

Interests: sailing, nautical experiences, sun & sea activities, culture

The cruise starts from Ormos Panagias, situated north-east of the Sithonia peninsula in Chalkidiki. From this seaport you will start your journey sailing towards the south of the Athos Peninsula until you reach the south limit with its highest peak of 2.033 m. From here you will sail north, along the western coast reveling in the fabulous views of the mysterious and miraculous Mount Athos and its 8 monasteries learning more about one of the most important locations in Orthodox religion. After approximately 4 hours you will stop in Ouranoupolis, where you will have plenty of leisure time to discover this picturesque village, shop for local produce or have a traditional meal in one of the best taverns in the area. On our way back from Ouranoupolis, the boat will sail west to Ormos Panagias where you will be able to watch a wonderful program of traditional dances and Greek music. Your cruise will finish in Ormos Panagias.

✕ Vergina Museum

Interests: history, archaeology

Vergina, the ancient capital of the Macedonian Kingdom, now houses one of the most beautiful museums of Greece located at the foot of Mt. Pireus. Here you will see the tombs of famous Macedonian kings, Philip II and Alexander IV. This extraordinary subterranean museum consists of four separate tombs and a small temple built for Phillip II of Macedon. Explore hundreds of treasures and unique artifacts on display, including elaborate jewelry, colorful wall paintings, and splendid frescoes as well as the shield and armor of King Phillip II, the famous Golden Larnax and the gold wreath consisting of 313 oak leaves and 68 acorns found in the sarcophagus of the King.



✕ **Tour to Pella, Edessa and Vergina**

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Embark on a comprehensive tour of Macedonia and discover ancient ruins and great treasures that have captivated the world's imagination for centuries. You will start by visiting Pella, the birthplace of Alexander the Great. Both the archaeological site and the Museum of Pella display many valuable artifacts from excavations in the area including mosaic floors, coins, sculptures, vases, and terracotta figurines. The archaeological site is home to the largest tomb ever found in Greece. The next stop of your tour is the ancient capital city of Vergina and the museum at the foot of Mt. Pierus. Here you will see the tombs of famous Macedonian kings, Philip II and Alexander IV. This extraordinary subterranean museum consists of four separate tombs and a small temple built for Phillip II of Macedon. Explore hundreds of treasures and unique artifacts on display, including elaborate jewelry, colorful wall paintings, and splendid frescoes as well as the shield and armor of King Phillip II, the famous Golden Larnax and the gold wreath consisting of 313 oak leaves and 68 acorns found in the sarcophagus of the King. Finally, proceed to the city of Edessa, known as "city of waters", stroll around the waterfalls and walk down the cobblestoned path where the water hits the rocks creating the well-known Lamda falls.

✕ **Meteora Monasteries Tour**

Interests: nature, architecture, history

A visit to the Meteora Monasteries is surely going to be one of the highlights of your Greek adventure. Meteora is a geological wonder, which one must see to believe. Nowadays, only six monasteries are well preserved and four of them are still inhabited. This tour will take you through 2 of these fabulous monasteries, built high upon the steep rocks. Each monastery unveils a true treasure of frescoes and icons. You will also visit the icon shop where you will find out how these ornaments are made and have the chance to buy souvenirs and gifts. Afterward, you will stop for a

lunch break in a traditional tavern in the town of Kalambaka. Your last stop will be in the Valley of Tempi and the chapel of Agia Paraskevi. PLEASE NOTE: A visit to religious locations such as the monasteries of Meteora requires appropriate clothing. Ladies must not wear short skirts and must have long sleeves while men are not allowed to wear shorts.

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