

As the ancient wonders of Athens and Delphi give way to the Renaissance treasures of Florence, it becomes clear how one era leads to another, how one ancient civilization sows the seeds for future awakenings. The Parthenon in Athens and the Colosseum in Rome provide a fascinating framework for artistic and architectural breakthroughs throughout Florence.

## **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



**Sightseeing:** 6 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (8 with extension); 1 walking tour



Entrances: Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; Delphi site; Delphi Museum; Meteora Monastery; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; With extension: Prado; Palacio Real



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All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; Night ferry; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (10 with extension); 1 night cabin accommodation; European breakfast and dinner daily





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As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your *Tour Director* in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, *weShare*, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. *Expert local guides* will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

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- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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# What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly overnight to Greece

#### Day 2: Athens

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Athens and discover the ancient city named for Athena, goddess of war and wisdom. During your stay you'll visit the Acropolis to view the Parthenon, perhaps the world's greatest architectural feat. See the Temple of Athena Nike, which once housed a gold statue of the goddess, her wings clipped to prevent her from deserting the city. Snap a picture of the Presidential Guard in traditional costume, then pass the stadium that hosted the first modern Olympics in 1896. You'll also have the chance to see the Temple of Olympian Zeus, built in 515 B.C. to honor the most powerful of all Greek gods.
- Take a walking tour of Athens: Plaka District; Temple of Olympian Zeus.

#### Day 3: Athens

- Take an expert-led tour of Athens: Olympic Stadium.
- Visit the Acropolis: Parthenon;
   Temple of Athena Nike.
- Visit the Acropolis Museum.
- Enjoy a free evening orattend a Greek Evening.

#### Day 4: Delphi | Meteora region

- Travel to Delphi.
- Take an expert-led tour of Delphi: Temple of Apollo.
- Visit the Delphi Museum.
- Continue on to Meteora region.

#### Day 5: Meteora region | Night ferry

- Visit a Meteora monastery.
- Travel by night ferry from Igoumenitsa.

#### Day 6: Ancona | Florence

- Arrive in Ancona.
- Continue on to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language, opera and the Renaissance, and where works of art like Michelangelo's statue of *David* and Botticelli's *The Birth of Venus* still reside today. As you stroll through the city, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria. See the domed cap of the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral, better known as the Duomo, which dominates the skyline. Opposite the Duomo, look for the bronzed doors of Ghiberti's *Gates of Paradise* at the Baptistry. Walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a Medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop.

#### Day 7: Florence

- Take an expert-led tour of Florence: Piazza della Signoria; Ponte Vecchio; Duomo.

#### Day 8: Rome

- Travel to Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other. During your stay, explore the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Nearby, the Roman Forum marks the former heart of the Roman Empire. Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches there. On your visit to Vatican City, marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City. Before you say "arrivederci," toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.
- Take an expert-led tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum.
- Visit the Roman Forum.

#### Day 9: Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Vatican City.
- Visit the Sistine Chapel.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
- Time to see more of Rome or
  - visit the Roman Catacombs.

### Day 10: Depart for home

#### **9** 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

## Day 10: Madrid

- Fly to Madrid.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid.
- Enjoy a tapas dinner.

#### Day 11: Madrid

- Take an expert-led tour of the Palacio Real.
- Visit the Prado.
- Enjoy free time in the city or
- take an FC Real Madrid stadium tour.

#### Day 12: Toledo | Madrid

- Travel to Toledo.
- Take an expert-led tour of Toledo.
- Visit Toledo Cathedral.
- Visit the Church of Santo Tomé.
- Visit a synagogue.
- Explore Toledo at your own pace or
  - enjoy a zip-line experience.

#### Day 13: Depart for home



I will never forget this trip to Italy and Greece one of the greatest experiences of my life! #eftours #parthenon #Acropolis #Greece

- KASEY, TRAVELER



I was blown away by the beauty and culture of Italy and Greece I experienced on this trip.

– MEGAN, TRAVELER



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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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