

From Greece to Italy, experience a broad spectrum of cultures and historical eras. The monuments of Athens set a foundation in the distant past. The picturesque landscapes of southern Italy are a fitting backdrop to the region's rich culture. In Sicily, the cathedrals and traditions reveal a unique character that has made the island famous around the world.

## **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



**Sightseeing:** 6 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (7 with extension); 1 walking tour



Entrances: Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; Ancient Corinth; Museo Nazionale; Greek theater; Palermo Cathedral; Cathedral of Monreale; *With extension: Colosseum; Roman Forum* 



weShare, our project-based learning program that combines an online platform with global experiences.







All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; Night ferries; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (9 with extension); 2 nights cabin accommodations; European breakfast and dinner daily (lunch included on Day 4)





Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

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 online learning platform, *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 of 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.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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# What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly overnight to Athens

## 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

#### Day 3: Athens

- Take an expertly guided tour of Athens
- Visit the Acropolis
- Visit the Acropolis Museum

#### Day 4: Athens

- Enjoy a full-day Saronic Islands cruise
- -Enjoy a free evening or
- Attend a Greek Evening

# Day 5: Corinth | Patras | Night ferry

- Take an expertly guided tour of Corinth
- Visit Ancient Corinth
- Stop at the Corinth Canal
- Continue on to Patras
- Travel by night ferry

#### Day 6: Matera | Cosenza

- Arrive in Italy and travel to Matera
- Take an expertly guided tour of Matera
- Continue on to Cosenza
- Enjoy an authentic Calabrian dinner

#### Day 7: Reggio di Calabria | Taormina

- Travel to Reggio di Calabria
- Visit the Museo Nazionale
- Take a ferry to Messina
- Travel to Taormina. Perched high above the sea on the side of Mont Tauro, Taormina offers spectacular vistas of Sicily's eastern coastline. During your visit to this scenic town, you'll visit the piazza to see the Church of San Nicola, built around 1400 atop the ruins of an ancient church. The Church of San Nicola is sometimes called "the fortress cathedral," since its imposing medieval façade resembles a castle. You'll also see the 15thcentury Palazzo Corvaia, which once housed the Sicilian Parliament of Nobles. Then, make your way to the town's 3rd-century Greek theater, a venue that continues to host summer performances today.

#### Day 8: Taormina region

- Take an expertly guided tour of Taormina:
   Duomo; Palazzo Corvaia
- Visit the Greek theater
- Time to see more of Taormina or
   Visit Mount Etna

#### Day 9: Palermo | Night ferry

- Travel to Palermo, the capital and chief port of Sicily situated at the foot of Mount Pellegrino. During your stay, explore this city along the Conca d'Oro (Golden Conch Shell), which is known for its almonds and oranges that grow from the fertile plains nearby. You will see the 16th-century palazzo as well as the Palermo Cathedral, noted for its diverse architectural influences. The Byzantine basilica that once stood on this site was turned into a mosque in the 9th century; later, after the Normans gained control of Palermo in 1072, the mosque was re-consecrated as a Christian church. You will also make your way to the town of Monreale to behold its magnificent Norman Cathedral.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Palermo:
   Cappella Palatina; Palazzo dei Normanni
- Visit the Palermo Cathedral
- Visit the Cathedral of Monreale
- Travel by night ferry

#### Day 10: Naples | Herculaneum | Rome

- Arrive in Naples
- Travel to Herculaneum
- Take an expertly guided tour of Herculaneum
- Travel to Rome

### Day 11: Depart for home

#### **© 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION**

# Day 11: Rome

- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome
- Visit the Colosseum
- Visit the Roman Forum

#### Day 12: Rome

- Time to see more of Rome or
  - Enjoy the Gladiator School Experience
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome:
   Trevi Fountain; Pantheon; Spanish Steps

#### 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



Via Instagram

Just returned from a tour in Greece. Could not have chosen better tour guides if I had hand picked them myself. Iris was GREAT! All the guides were extremely knowledgeable and informative. Not to mention the care that they took to ensure our safety and satisfaction! Great Job EF! Thank you again Iris, for an unforgettable trip of a lifetime!

-SUE, GROUP LEADER



# TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE

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-KATHLEEN. DAUGHTER TRAVELED APRIL 2013



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