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# **ROME & ATHENS**

8 or 11 days | Italy | Greece | Extension to Turkey

Rome and Athens are more than just cities to explore. They are living artifacts for you to examine from every angle. In Rome, ancient treasures are sprinkled across the map, seamlessly integrated into everyday life. In Athens, most of the relics share a spotlight on center stage, high above modern society on the Acropolis. But each city changes your views of history and offers new perspective on the world today.

#### YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: 3 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides; 1 walking tour

**Entrances:** Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; Greek dance lesson



**Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.



All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; internal flight; *3-day Greek island cruise with extension (3 cruise excursions included)*; 6 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; *3 nights cabin accommodations with extension*; European breakfast and dinner daily (3 meals *daily during cruise extension*)





#### 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 personalized learning experience, 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.

**@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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This tour may be reverse







#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

#### Day 2: Rome

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in 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 Vatican City. Before you say arrivederci, toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.

#### Day 3: Rome

- Take an expertly guided tour of Vatican City.
- Visit the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum and the Roman Forum.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome and see the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and Spanish Steps.

#### Day 4: Rome

- Full day to see more of Rome or
  - visit Pompeii. Once a city of ancient prosperity, many wealthy Romans established their homes here thousands of years ago. When neighboring Mount Vesuvius erupted in A.D. 79, it cloaked the Roman resort in volcanic ash, perfectly preserving the minutiae of daily life. The buildings and artifacts left behind make this one of the richest archaeological sites in the world. See the fully excavated ruins of the town's ancient temples, forum, and theater. Of Pompeii's three bathhouses, the Stabian Baths was the largest complex. Learn about their ingenious heating method-one of the earliest examples of its kind-that brought hot water to visitors.

#### Day 5: Rome | Athens

– Fly to Athens and discover the ancient city named for Athena, goddess of war and wisdom. During your stay, 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.

#### Day 6: Athens

- Take an expertly guided tour of Athens and see the Olympic Stadium.
- Visit the Acropolis and see the Parthenon and Temple of Athena Nike.
- Explore the Acropolis Museum.
- Take a walking tour of Athens through the Plaka District.
- Participate in a Greek dance lesson.

#### Day 7: Athens

Full day to see more of Athens or
visit Delphi.

#### Day 8: Depart for home

#### 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Days 8-10: Greek island cruise

 Board your cruise ship for a three-day adventure that will take you to the islands and coastal towns of Greece. A threeisland shore excursion package is included, featuring incredible sights that perfectly complement your comprehensive itinerary. White sand beaches helped make these destinations prized (and disputed) territories, while Turkish, Roman, and Greek influences helped shape the unique blend of cultures you'll encounter. You'll also enjoy on-board activities as you sail the beautiful crystalline waters.

Day 11: Depart for home



Last day in Italy. I'm gonna miss you. #eftours #trevifountain

– JOSEPH, TRAVELER



The tour hit all the highlights of Italy! We saw the Vatican, Colosseum and Trevi Fountain in Rome! I couldn't have imagined a better trip!

– CYNTHIA, GROUP LEADER



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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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