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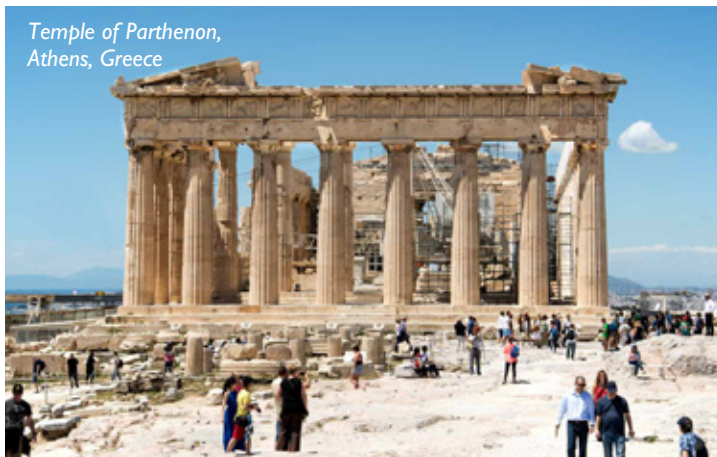
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Temple of Parthenon,
Athens, Greece

Tour Itinerary:

Oct 7 Mon Depart from USA

Oct 8 Tue Arrive Thessaloniki Airport (SKG)

Upon arrival at the Thessaloniki Airport, our representatives will meet you after the customs and baggage claim with a sign that says “**MEG RAMEY – TUTKU**” on it. We'll transfer you to our hotel for dinner and overnight in **Thessaloniki**. (D)

Oct 9 Wed NEAPOLIS - PHILIPPI - AMPHIPOLIS

We will drive to the port of **Neapolis** (modern Kavala) where Paul first crossed into Europe on his second journey by walking along the **Via Egnatia** (Acts 16:11). Later, we will visit the Roman colony of **Philippi** (Acts 16:12-40). While in prison, Paul wrote a letter to the church he founded there. In Philippi, we'll see the ruins of the **Agora** and a **Prison** where tradition says Paul and Silas were held. A short drive will bring us to the **local river** where Lydia was said to have been baptized. Later we'll stop in **Amphipolis** (Acts 17:1) and see its famous lion. Return to Thessaloniki for dinner and overnight at the hotel. (B, D)

Oct 10 Thu THESSALONIKI - BERE A - METEORA

Today, we'll explore **Thessaloniki**, to whose church Paul wrote two letters, which are perhaps his oldest surviving letters. Our morning tour of Thessaloniki will include seeing the remains of the **ancient agora** as well as visits to the **arch and mausoleum of Galerius**, the **city walls**, and the excellent **archeological museum**. Afterward, we'll continue to **Berea** where Paul preached in the synagogue (Acts 17:10-4). If time permits, we will visit the **Jewish Quarter**. Then, we'll drive to **Meteora** for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Oct 11 Fri METEORA – DELPHI

Today, we'll visit the **Grand Meteora Monastery** located on top of high hills and enjoy the panoramic view. After stopping at an **art studio** where icons are hand painted and can be purchased, we'll head for **Delphi** to explore the cult of Apollo. Located on the slopes of Mt. Parnassos in a landscape of natural beauty and majesty, Delphi—the “**Omphalos**” (navel) center of the ancient world—was renowned far beyond the boundaries of the Hellenic world. There, we will walk the **Sacred Way (Sacra Via)** to the **Treasury of the Athenians**, the **Theater**, and the **Temple of Apollo** where the Pythia performed her prophetic rituals. After visiting the **archeological museum**, we will have dinner and overnight in Delphi. (B, D)



Philippi, Greece

Oct 12 Sat DELPHI - ATHENS

This morning, we'll drive **Athens** to visit the new **Acropolis Museum**, which showcases the statuary art, relief panels, vases, and votive offering associated with the Acropolis. We will visit **Mars Hill (the Areopagus)** where Paul delivered his sermon about an unknown God (Acts 17:16-34). From here, we can view the **Agora**, the marketplace of Athens, and then climb to the **Acropolis of Athens** to see the **Temples of Athena, Nike, Poseidon, and Augustus**. Dinner and overnight in **Athens**. (B, D)

Oct 13 Sun CORINTH-CENCHRAEAE- ATHENS

Traveling south from Athens, we will visit the site of ancient **Corinth**. On route, we will visit the **Corinthian Canal**, which is a 4-mile (6.5 km.) human-made canal across the narrow Isthmus of Corinth. Arriving at Corinth, it was here that Silas and Timothy rejoined Paul who would go on to live and preach here for a year and a half. While in ministry at Corinth, Paul wrote his two letters to the Thessalonians. Later, the church at Corinth would receive at least four letters, of which only two remain to us (1 and 2 Corinthians). It was also in Corinth that Paul met Aquila and Priscilla who came to the city from Rome due to the persecution during the reign of Claudius (Acts 18:1-17). While on the grounds, we will see Greek and Roman sites associated with Paul's ministry: the **Temple of Apollo and the ancient meat market** (1 Cor. 8-10), the **Roman Odeon**, **Synagogue inscription**, the **Bema**, **Erastus pavement** (2 Tim 4:20; Rom 16:23) and **Gallio's Seat**. Those who wish to do so may climb up the **Acrocorinth**. Next, we will visit the ruins of the ancient eastern port of Corinth, **Cenchreae**, from which Paul sailed (Acts 18:18) and from where Phoebe, a deacon from Cenchreae's church, was sent with Paul's letter to the Romans. Return to **Athens** for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Oct 14 Mon PIRAEUS - EMBARK CELESTYAL CRUISE SHIP – MYKONOS

This morning, we'll transfer from our hotel to Piraeus Port of Athens to embark on our **Greek Celestial Cruise Ship** that will take us to several more sites that Paul visited as well as to the island of John's Revelation—Patmos. We'll sail from Athens at 11:30 am. Lunch on board. Arrive **Mykonos** at 6:00 pm. Free time. Overnight Mykonos. (B, L, D)



Delphi, Greece



Ephesus, Turkey

Oct 15 Tue KUSADASI - PATMOS

The ship will arrive at the **Kusadasi Port** (Turkey) at 07:30 am. After going through Turkish customs/immigration, we'll meet our tour guide and drive to the famous ancient city of **Ephesus** (Acts 18:19-24; 19:1-35; 20:16-17; 21:29; 1 Cor. 15:32; 16:8; 1 Tim. 1:3; 2 Tim 1:18; 4:12; Rev. 1:11, 2:1) where Paul ministered for two to three years and to whom he wrote the letter of Ephesians. The most impressive glimpse of 1st-century urban life will be at the **ancient port** of Ephesus, now a distance from the sea. The **Library of Celsus**, **Temple of Artemis** (one of the 7 wonders of the ancient world), **Temple of Hadrian**, **Temple of Domitian**, and the **terrace houses** are but a few of the restorations. We will return to Kusadasi port to embark the cruise ship at 12:00 noon, and the ship will depart at 1:00 pm to sail to **Patmos**. We'll arrive at Patmos at 17:45, and you'll have free time to visit the **Cave of Revelation** and the **Monastery of John** on your own, if you desire. (B, L, D)

Oct 16 Wed RHODES

At 7:00 am, we'll arrive at the island of **Rhodes**, to which Paul sailed at the end of his third missionary journey on his way back to Jerusalem (Acts 21:1). We'll have free time in Rhodes, and the option of a **Guided Tour will be available at extra cost**. The ship departs from Rhodes at 6:00 pm to sail to **Crete**. (B, L, D)

Oct 17 Thu CRETE-SANTORINI

We'll arrive at **Crete** at 07:00 am. After breakfast, we will have a 3-hour **Guided Heraklion Tour** (08:00-11:00). On his way to Rome to present his case before the emperor, Paul sailed alongside the island of Crete. It was here that his ship first began to encounter trouble that would culminate later in his famous shipwreck on the island of Malta (Acts 27). Our ship departs at 12:00 noon to visit our last island of **Santorini**. After arriving at Santorini at 4:30 pm, you'll have a free afternoon and evening there before the ship leaves Santorini at 21:30. (B, L, D)



Santorini, Greece

Oct 18 Fri ATHENS - DEPARTURE

On Friday morning, we'll arrive back to **Athens Piraeus Port** at 07:00 am. Then, you'll be transferred to Athens Airport for departure. End of our services. (B)

**Please note that your flight out of Athens must be after 11:00 am and no earlier.*

TOUR MAP

LAND RATE

\$2,890 Per person in Double Occupancy
\$980 Single Room Supplement

INCLUDING

- 2 Nights at Capsis Hotel in Thessaloniki www.capsishotels.gr/en/thessaloniki
- 1 Night at Amalia Hotel in Kalambaka www.amaliahotels.com
- 1 Night at Amalia Hotel in Delphi www.amaliahotels.com
- 2 Nights at Hera Hotel in Athens www.herahotel.gr
- 4 Nights in Inside Cabins on **Celestyal Cruise Ship** – Cabin Category IA
- Daily open buffet breakfasts
- 10 Dinners (6 at hotels + 4 on the Cruise Ship)
- 4 Lunches on the Celestyal Cruise Ship
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Guided EPHEBUS TOUR
- Guided HERAKLION TOUR – Her-02 Minoan palace of Knossos – 1st European Civilization
- Transportation by private A/C Deluxe Bus with driver throughout the tour
- All tolls, parking fees, gasoline, driver's expenses during the transportation
- Government-Licensed, English-speaking, professional tour guide throughout the tour
- All Entry fees to the sites & museums
- Service charges & local taxes

EXCLUDING

- International flights (to arrive Thessaloniki on October 8, and depart from Athens on October 18)
**Please note that your flight out of Athens must be after 11:00 am and no earlier.*
- Lunches (except lunches on the cruise ship) and drinks
- All Tips to drivers, guides, and cruise ship staff
- Any other item not listed above



Corinth, Greece



Patmos, Greece



Thessaloniki, Greece



Crete, Greece



Santorini, Greece



Mykonos, Greece



Ephesus, Turkey



Rhodes, Greece



Veria, Greece

PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

1st Deposit \$200 per person : January 5, 2019
 2nd Deposit \$400 per person : February 1, 2019
 Full (Balance) Payment : July 1, 2019

PAYMENT can be made by two ways; credit card (Visa or Mastercard) or by bank wire transfer.

- 1- With a credit card (Visa or Mastercard only), you can fill in the secure form at our website <https://secure.tutkutours.com/tours/191007IFOP>
- 2- You can make a bank wire transfer to our below bank account.

Our Bank in Turkey : **FINANSBANK A.S. (USD Account)**
Swift Code : **FNNBTRISIZM**
IBAN Number : **TR270011100000000012382654**
Beneficiary's Name : **Tutku Tours**
Beneficiary's Account # : **12382654**
Our Bank's address : **FINANSBANK Alsancak Branch 1388 Sokak 16/A Alsancak, Izmir 35220 Turkey**

Cancellation Penalty:
 - 90-60 days prior to departure: 10%
 - 59-45 days prior to departure: 25%
 - 44-30 days prior to departure: 50%
 - 29-15 days prior to departure: 75%
 - 14 days & After No refund

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