EUROPE

Iconic GREECE & the Cyclades

DEPARTURE MONTHS
April, May, September & October
Check approachtours.com for departure dates.



DAYS 1 & 2 · GOODBYE CANADA, YASSAS GREECE!
Enjoy a private car ride to the airport. Fly to Athens where you'll meet your Group Guru and fellow travellers in the edgy Mediterranean capital that has given the world the gift of philosophy, mathematics, democracy and the Olympics, not to mention flaky, delicious feta cheese. Upon your arrival, settle into your hotel and take a nice long shower. Set out on a walk to discover the city, then enjoy a welcome cocktail before dinner to kick off your journey into Greek gastronomy. Overnight in Athens. (D)

DAY 3 · DISCOVER ATHENS
Day dedicated to discovering Athens, including the main monuments of the Hellenic capital. Visit the Parthenon, the Erechtion, the Propylaea, the Acropolis as well as its new museum. In the afternoon, continue with a panoramic tour that includes the Panathinaikos stadium, Hadrian's Arch, Syntagma square, and the National Library. Overnight in Athens. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 · MONASTERIES OF METEORA (256 KM)
Travel north to Thessaly to discover the monasteries of Meteora. Spectacularly perched on thin vertical hilltop pillars, these magnificent structures contain unique Byzantine works of art and are still inhabited by Greek Orthodox monks. Along the way, stop at Thermopylae to see the statue of Leonidas (King of Sparta), commemorating the epic battle of 300. In the afternoon, visit two Monasteries and fall in love with the view from these floating havens. Continue to Kalambaka for the night. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 · DELPHI'S ORACLES (279 KM)
Drive to central Greece to discover Delphi, home of the Greek gods. Here, you will admire the Sanctuary of Apollo, walk the Sacred way, and visit the temple of Apollo, home of Pythia (the oracle). Visit the Delphi Archaeological Museum to view the Charioteer of Delphi and the Sphinx of Naxos. Overnight in Delphi. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 · ROAD TO KEFALONIA (FERRY) (201 KM)
Scenic drive along the Corinthian gulf before stopping in the picturesque seaside town of Nafpaktos. Cross the impressive Rio-Antirio bridge, the longest hanging bridge in Europe, then, onto the port of Kyllini for a ferry ride to the dreamy island of Kefalonia. Let the island's zig-zagging coastline, electric blue skies and fragrant alleyways inspire you. Overnight in Kefalonia. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 · THE ISLAND OF KEFALONIA
Nestled between the Ionian and Mediterranean seas, Kefalonia is one of the most beautiful islands in Greece. Morning tour of the island, featuring laid-back Argostoli, the Aenos mountain, and the Melissani Caves. This afternoon, head towards the north of the island to Fiscardo, one of the most picturesque villages of Kefalonia. Stop along the way to admire the white pebble shoreline of Myrtos beach. Overnight in Kefalonia. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 · ANCIENT OLYMPIA
Take a ferry into the Peloponnese peninsula, returning to Kyllini before reaching the archaeological site of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympics. You will visit the ancient stadium and see the location where the torch is initially lit prior to each Olympic game. End the day with a visit of the Archaeological Museum. Overnight in Olympia. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 · EXPLORE THE ARGOLIS PENINSULA (218 KM)
Excursion day on the Argolis Peninsula. Our first stop of the day is at an olive oil producer where you'll taste some of its finest products. Continue to Epidaurus to visit the ancient theatre, famous for its astonishing acoustics. Overnight in the picturesque port city of Nafplio. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 · FROM NAFPLIO TO SANTORINI (FLIGHT) (170 KM)
Visit the Mycenean Acropolis to see the tomb of Agamemnon and the famous Lion's Gate before continuing to the Athens airport to fly to Santorini. Free time to settle in and to begin exploring this slice of heaven at your own pace. Overnight in Santorini. (B,L,D)

DAY 11 · EXPLORE SANTORINI
A day devoted to exploring the dazzling island of Santorini, queen of the Aegean. Guided visit of the picturesque village of Akrotiri, followed by a visit to Fira for lunch, then Oia, a sanctuary of calm and tranquility. Continue to Pyrgos, on a more secluded side of the island, where you will partake in a Greek wine tasting experience. Overnight in Santorini. (B,L,D)

DAY 12 · NAXOS & AN AEGEAN SUNSET (FERRY)
Wake up to an unforgettable sunrise and enjoy breakfast at your own laid-back pace, before boarding the ferry for Naxos. Take a casual stroll through the old town and its quaint pedestrian streets. Overnight in Naxos. (B,L,D)

DAY 13 · RELAXING IN NAXOS
Naxos is meant for lingering, and that is exactly what we'll do! Enjoy a free day in the prettiest of settings, where whitewashed houses and blue-shuttered windows frame narrow lanes leading to the iconic Portara gate and sea views. Cool off in the swimming pool of your hotel or by heading out to one of the famous local beaches. You've earned it! Overnight in Naxos. (B,L,D)

DAY 14 · SCENIC FERRY TO ATHENS
Travel by ferry to Athens where you will have free time before our folkloric farewell dinner in the historical neighbourhood of Plaka – Yassou! Overnight in Athens. (B,L,D)

DAY 15 · HOME SWEET HOME
Starry-eyed, say goodbye to your fellow travellers who opted out of our included group flights and make your way to the airport to embark on your return flight(s) from Athens to Canada. Your driver will meet you at the airport to help you with your luggage and drive you home. What a truly amazing experience! (B)


ATHENS

15 DAYS
ALL-INCLUSIVE
$11,495

Per person in double occupancy
Single supplement: $2,500
Fall 2027: +$200
Spring 2028: +$400

Difficulty Rating: High (details)

EVERY APPROACH TOUR INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING PERKS:

Private car service to and from your home airport

International and domestic flights

Meals and excursions that are typically sold separately

Tips for all service providers

24/7 Group Guru (in addition to tour guide and local guides)

Extensive travel insurance with Manulife Financial

TOTAL VALUE OF PERKS
$3,569

THIS TOUR INCLUDES

TOUR ESSENTIALS

- International flights with Air Canada and 1 domestic flight
- 13 nights in first-class hotels
- 5 ferry transfers
- Dedicated English-speaking tour guide and local guides
- Carefully selected visits, including entrance fees
- Luxury coach bus transfers and luggage porterage where available

FOOD & DRINK

- All 38 meals, including: 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches and 13 dinners
- Folkloric dinner (included in meal count)
- Farewell dinner (included in meal count)
- Welcome cocktail
- Olive oil tasting in Argos
- Wine tasting in Santorini
- Bottled water daily (2 x 500ml)

UNIQUE MOMENTS

- Visit the Acropolis to contemplate the cradle of Western civilization
- Admire the pillar-perched monasteries atop picturesque Meteora
- Admire what may be the world's most beautiful sunset in Santorini
- Enjoy a romantic stroll through the quaint streets of Naxos

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