

GREECE, ITALY, SWITZERLAND AND PARIS / 13 DAYS

Guaranteed weekly Departure, rates in EUR

Cost per pax on Twin sharing – EUR 1780/- plus plus

Cost per pax on Single sharing – EUR 2380/- plus plus

Day 01 WED. Arrival Athens

Todays Highlights : Evening transfer to Plaka neighborhood.

Arrival to **Athens**. At night we provide an evening transfer to **PLAKA** area. This neighborhood is full of small Greek taverns where you can enjoy the rich folklore of this country.

Day 02 THU. Athens

Todays Highlights : City tour in Athens.

In the morning, we will enjoy a **panoramic tour of the city** with a local guide which includes the Presidential Palace, the **Panathinaikos stadium** where the first modern Olympic games were held, the national library, the bustling squares of the center; the new neighborhoods that emerged after the 2004 Olympic games. The tour will end at the Acropolis site (entry not included). Free time during the day to walk around and discover unforgettable places.



Day 03 FRI. Athens - Corinth - Epidaurus - Nafplio - Olympia

We will depart for the Peloponnese region in the morning. We will stop at the **CORINTH CANAL**. Afterwards, we will arrive in **EPIDAUROS** enjoying the view of gorgeous landscapes. We will visit the magnificent Ancient Theatre which is surrounded by a unique landscape. We will later journey to **NAFPLIO**, a town by the Aegean Sea. We will visit its historic centre, its lovely marina and its medieval castle. Lunch break and free time to stroll around. We will resume our journey to **OLYMPIA** at mid-afternoon. **Dinner included.**



Day 04 SAT. Olympia - Patras - Amfilochia - Arta - Igoumenitsa (Boarding)

We will visit OLYMPIA archeological site with a local guide. You will have a chance to visit its museum and archeological site (guided tour, ticket to the park not included) which is the cradle of the Olympic games in ancient times. We will get back on route to **PATRAS**, Greece's third largest city. We will visit its active, lively centre. Afterwards, we will travel to Northern Greece, **AMFILOCHIA**. Short stop in this quiet coastal town; **ARTA**, a city in the Epirus region that has a Roman bridge. Arrival in **IGOUMENITSA**. Supper time and boarding to cross the Ionian Sea. Night on board, overnight accommodation in double cabins with private bathroom (*we recommend bringing a handbag along to spend the night on board. Breakfast on the boat Sunday morning is not included*).



Note: *The ferry used, which is the only one available, leaves at one in the morning, but boarding is not usually possible until after midnight. Sometimes due to late arrival, the ferry might be delayed. It is a simple ferry (double cabins with private bathroom). Occasionally, due to weather conditions, vessel inspection or schedule changes, strikes, fully booked ferryboats or other reasons, we are forced to adapt the schedules of the following day itinerary according to the berthing time of the ship or fly from Athens to Rome, in which case the visits to Amfilochia and Arta are cancelled and a Sunday visit to Naples and Pompeii is included.*

Day 05 SUN. Brindisi - Trani - Naples - Rome

Arrival in **BRINDISI** early in the morning. We will follow the Adriatic coastline in Southern Italy. We will visit **TRANI**, a picturesque little town by the sea, and its fishing port, its old cathedral and its lively streets. Lunchtime. We will resume our trip to **NAPLES**, where we will arrive in the afternoon. Short sightseeing tour in its historic centre before resuming our journey to **ROME**.



Day 06 MON. Rome

Todays Highlights: City tour of Rome. Roman Coliseum (admission price included) and Vatican City.

In the morning, we have **a scenic tour of the city**, which will be a great introduction to “The Eternal city”. We enter the tiny state of the Vatican. The Vatican City is a principal centre of Christianity in the world. You will be able to visit St. Peter’s Basilica. And we have also included **admission to the Roman Coliseum**, the principal symbol of Rome. This impressive construction dates back 2,000 years and will transport us in time so that we can learn about ancient society in the Roman Empire. In the evening we provide **transport to the Via Cavour** area, where you will find restaurants serving Italian, Indian, Chinese and international food. Return to hotel.

Day 07 TUE. Rome - Florence

Todays Highlights : Tour with a local expert from Florence. View from Piazzale Michelangelo.

We will leave Rome, heading north. This route is graced with beautiful landscapes. Upon arrival in **FLORENCE**, we head straight to Piazzale Michelangelo, an impressive site in the city. In the evening we provide **a tour with a local expert**, and walk through the historic centre, taking in places such as the Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo, and Piazza della Signoria. This city is truly an outdoor museum. Free time to explore. In the evening, you can dine at your favorite restaurant. In this district you can find restaurants serving Italian, Indian, Chinese and international food.

Day 08 WED. Florence - Venice

Todays Highlights : Vaporetto boat on Venice’s Grand Canal. Visit and admission to the St Mark’s Basilica. Admire the technique of crafting Murano Glass.

Today we enjoy stunning mountain landscapes while crossing the Apennine Mountains. Arriving in **VENICE**, we will board a Vaporetto to travel around on the canals in the historic centre. With a **local guide**, we will visit the marvellous **St Mark’s** and enter the marvellous **basilica (entry cost included)**. Afterwards, we shall be able to visit the Murano glass factory. It is marvellous to see the technique how this ancient glass is made. Free time.



At the end of the afternoon, you will have the chance to eat dinner in the Mestre area, where you can choose the type of restaurant that you prefer (Indian, Oriental, Italian, etc.).

Day 09 THU. Venice - Verona – Zurich

Todays Highlights : We visit the city of Romeo and Juliet. Beautiful countryside while crossing the Alps (lakes and snowy mountains).

We will depart from Venice, travelling to **VERONA**. We will provide a shuttle from parking to the historic centre. Our guide will instruct us on the places where you will be



able to walk in Romeo and Juliet's city - the city of lovers! Afterwards we continue the journey to Switzerland. Very beautiful lakes and mountains with snow-capped peaks line our route. Arrival in **ZURICH**. Free time in the historic centre next to the lake, where you will be able to dine in your chosen restaurant serving Italian, Indian, Chinese, international or Swiss food.

Day 10 FRI. Zurich - Grindelwald - Lucerne – Zurich

Todays Highlights : Admire the fantastic landscapes. Cable car included to Grindelwald first. Lunch included.

Today's stage has beautiful landscapes with high mountains and lakes. Breathtaking scenery in the region of Interlaken. **GRINDELWALD** where we will have time for a coffee before taking the **cable car (ticket included) up to Grindelwald first**. We will walk along the path (30 minutes) in which we shall be able to take the "footbridge over the empty" among the fantastic scenery enjoying glaciers around us. **Lunch included**. After that we continue to **LUCERNE**, one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland. Time at the end of the day to stroll, enjoy the city and dine before returning to the hotel in Zurich.



Day 11 SAT. Zurich - Bern – Paris

Todays Highlights : Explore Bern, the capital city of Switzerland.

Embark on a scenic trip to **BERN**, capital city of the confederation built around a bend in the Aare River, with its medieval architecture preserved in the Old Town. Time to take a stroll and breathe in the fresh air. Next, we journey to France. Enjoy beautiful lake views on our trip to Paris. We arrive in the evening. Tour ends (or journey continues depending on rotating schedule of departures).



Day 12 SUN. Paris

Todays Highlights: City tour in Paris. Climb to the second floor of the Eiffel Tower. Boat ride along the Seine. Evening transfer.

A **scenic guided tour** to discover the history, main boulevards and the breathtaking monuments of Paris. We end the visit at the **Eiffel Tower** area. You will have the opportunity to climb up to the second floor of this remarkable metal monument (**ticket admission included**). End your visit with a **boat cruise along the River Seine**, which divides the north of Paris from the south. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore as you choose.



Note: Sometimes queues to climb the Eiffel Tower are long. For organizational reasons, if deemed appropriate, the climb can be made at a different moment of the day (or Monday).

At sunset **transfer to the "Quartier Latin"**, a very picturesque area of the historic centre where you can enjoy dinner with a wide variety of international cuisines. Return to hotel.

Day 13 MON. Paris

After breakfast, end of our services.

Price Includes General Services:

seat in coach basis: Travel by bus with English speaking guide and breakfast buffet.

Includes arrival transfer

Boat: Vaporetto in Venice, Boat Trip along River Seine in Paris.

City tour in: , Olympia, Rome, Florence, Venice, Paris.

Evening Transfer: Via Cavour in Rome, Latin Quartier of Paris.

Transfer: Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence.

Ticket admission: Coliseum of Rome, Saint Mark's Basilica and Murano Glass Factory in Venice, 2nd Floor Eiffel Tower in Paris.

Ferry: Night Igoumenitsa - Brindisi.

Funicular: cable car up to Grindewald first.

2 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Olympia, Louver.

Expected Hotels or Similar

LOCATION	4 STAR
ATHENS	NOVOTEL ATHENES 4* HOTEL STANLEY 4* HOTEL PRESIDENT 4*
OLYMPIA	HOTEL OLYMPIC VILLAGE 4* HOTEL ARTY GRAND 5*
ROME	GRAND HOTEL FLEMING 4* HOTEL ERGIFE PALACE 4* HOLIDAY INN AURELIA 4* ROMA AURELIA ANTICA 4* HOTEL MIDAS 4* NH VILLA CARPEGNA 4* GRENN PARK HOTEL PAMPILI 4*
FLORENCE	HOTEL NILHOTEL 4* HOTEL MEDITERRANEO 4* NOVOTEL FIRENZE NORD 4* ITALIANA HOTEL FIRENZE 4* RAFAELLO 4*
VENICE	HOTEL LUGANO TORRETTA 4* RUSSOT HOTEL 4* HOLIDAY INN VENICE MESTRE-MARGHERA 4* ELITE HOTEL RESIDENCE 4* ALBATROS 4* HOTEL ALEXANDER 4* HOTEL MICHELANGELO 4*
ZURICH	COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT ZURICH NORD 4* NOVOTEL ZURICH AIRPORT MESSE 4* HOLIDAY INN ZURICH MESSE 4* NOVOTEL ZURICH CITY WEST 4* COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT ZURICH NORD 4*
PARIS	NOVOTEL PARIS EST BAGNOLET 4* NOVOTEL PARIS PORTE D'ITALIE 4* MERCURE PARIS PORTE DE VERSALLES EXPO 4* MERCURE LA DEFENSE 5 4*