



Center for Global Engagement

at ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

Greece Itinerary

Day 1, March 4: Flight

Overnight flight departing 9:50 pm from Atlanta, GA.

Day 2, March 5: Arrive, Athens: Athens International E Venizelos Airport at 9:00 pm on 3/5
Arrive in the captivating city of Athens, where your adventure begins. After landing at the Athens airport, you'll be warmly welcomed by our friendly English-speaking escort who will assist you with your transfer to your hotel.

Day 3, March 6: Athens

(breakfast included)

After breakfast, we will have a City Tour starting from the Panathenaic Stadium known as Kallimarmaro. In Antiquity was used for the celebration of Panatheneia in honor of Goddess Athena. You will have free time to take photos. Boarding to the coach and departure to see the Zappeion Hall, the Greek Parliament and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the symbolic monument in the memory of the Soldiers who died for their country. Then, drive along Panepistimiou Street, one of the most central streets of Athens, we will see the triad of neoclassical buildings: The Library, the Academy and the University. We will visit Mars Hill and the Acropolis with magnificent monuments such as the Parthenon, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion, the Propylaea, the Ancient Agora, the theatre of Dionysus and the Odeon of Herodes Atticus (Acts 17:16-34). We will have the chance to walk around the Parthenon Monument, which was built during the 5th century BC by the architects Ictinus and Kallikrates. Through the wonderful Dionysiou Areopagitou Street and passing by Thissio, we reach Monastiraki Square. Enjoy the lively atmosphere, shops, cafes and the unique Flea Market. Return to hotel.

Day 4, March 7: Athens, Ancient Corinth, Olive Farm Markellos

(breakfast included)

After breakfast, our journey will start by visiting the Corinth Canal, a narrow strip of land of 6 kilometers length, connecting Central Greece with the Peloponnese. We will have free time for photos and then we will be heading to Ancient Corinth, which was an important city - state in Ancient Greece and dates back from the Neolithic Period (5.000-3.000). We will visit one of the largest museums in Greece, in terms of the wealth and quality of the findings (Acts 18:1-18, 19:22). We will see the bema of Gallio and the Erastus inscription. Also, we will visit AcroCorinth and the port of Cenchreae (Acts 18:18). Continue to Olive Farm Markellos. There we will have a tour of the facilities and presentation of the production line of the extra virgin olive oil. We will

View video of the production of the extra virgin olive oil "From the tree ... to the bottle". In the end we will taste test of the product range (extra virgin olive oil – Kalamon olives – Kalamon olive paste). Return to Athens.

Day 5, March 8: Athens, Thermopylae, Meteora, Kalambaka
(breakfast included)

After breakfast we leave Athens and start our drive northbound. On the way we will have a stop at Thermopylae, primarily known for the battle that took place there between the Greek forces including the Spartans and the Persian forces. Continue to Kalambaka, where we will visit the prefecture built in a rare geological phenomenon of Meteora. It's a cluster of huge dark colored stones made of sandstone. The name Meteora is attributed to the monk of the monastery, Agios Athanasius the Meteorite. We will have the chance to enjoy the panoramic ride and to visit one (1) of the six visited monasteries. Check-in at the hotel in the area for overnight.

9:59 am: Check out hotel Athens

1:59 pm: Check in hotel Amalia

Day 6, March 9: Kalambaka, Athens, Santorini
(breakfast included)

After breakfast, we will start our drive southbound. Early afternoon we arrive at Athens airport for the scheduled flight to Santorini. Upon arrival on the island, transfer to your hotel overnight.

9:59 am: Check out hotel Amalia

1:59 pm: Check in Santorini

Day 7, March 10: Santorini
(breakfast included)

Today we will have a guided tour, and we will visit Pyrgos village with its houses built amphitheatrically and Akrotiri, where we can see the area of the excavations of the Minoan state. Then, we will visit Perivolos, Perissa and Kamari, where we will use our leisure time for lunch and swimming. In the afternoon we can visit Firostefani and enjoy our coffee in Imerovigli. Then, we will proceed to the famous village of Oia, where we will have the chance to marvel at the breathtaking sunset. Return to our hotel for overnight.

Day 8, March 11: Santorini
(breakfast included)

Free day under your own arrangements on the island.

Day 9, March 12: Santorini & Athens
(breakfast included)

Free morning on the island. Afternoon transfer to the airport for the scheduled flight back to Athens. Upon arrival, meet your driver and drive to your hotel in Athens for overnight

9:59 am: Check out hotel in Santorini

1:59pm: Check in hotel in Athens

Day 10, March 13: Return to U.S.
(breakfast included)

After breakfast, transfer to Athens airport for the scheduled flight back home

10:10am departure.

Included:

Round trip air from Atlanta including air taxes and fuel surcharges.

Domestic flights (Athens-Santorini-Athens)

Eight nights lodging at 2–4-star hotels including tax.

Breakfast daily.

Service of private coach.

All guides, entrances, touring and transportation as appears on itinerary.

Tips for drivers, guides, and hotel staff.

Not Included:

Passport fee.

Lunch and dinner on all days

Other excursions, meals, activities not listed in "included"

Transportation to/from airport (Atlanta, Georgia).

Additional luggage fees.

Refreshments during tours and/or snacks.

Any additional entrance fees that are not on the itinerary.

Important- Housing is double or triple occupancy.