Full Itinerary & Trip Details

11 Day Bulgaria - Greece Combined Tour

One of the best combined tour programs in the world. In 11 days, you will be able to see one of the most beautiful cities of Europe; Sofia, one of the best places to feel the cultural heritages of Europe; Athens. Your journey will end on the great beaches of Mykonos and Santorini.

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Day 1 : Bulgaria - Sofia

Arrival at Sofia airport and transfer to the hotel. Today you will be free to explore Sofia, on your own. Overnight in Sofia.

Day 2 : Bulgaria - Sofia – Koprivshtitsa – Sofia

Breakfast Included

After breakfast, you will have a daily tour to the town of Koprivshtitsa. A town with a special spirit, now turned into a museum where you can feel the unique atmosphere of the Revival Period in Bulgaria. Outstanding ethnographic treasures can be seen together with significant historical monuments: specific architecture, original furniture, old weapons, national costumes, traditional crafts, precious jewelry. In the afternoon, drive back to Sofia. Overnight in Sofia.

Day 3 : Bulgaria - Sofia – Rila Monastery – Bansko

Breakfast Included

Departure for Bansko after breakfast. On the way, we visit Rila Monastery - the most exquisite example of the monastery art and architecture in Bulgaria. Guided tour of the monastery complex. Visit to Nativity of the Virgin Church with its miracle icon of the Virgin and splendid gilded iconostasis. The old kitchen, the monastery museum where you can learn about the long and heroic history of the monastery, the wood carved cross made for a period of twelve years by a monk called Rafael, Hrelyo’s Tower and many spectacular views from the mountain and the surrounding nature. Arrival in Bansko, in the late afternoon. Bansko is the most famous ski resort in Bulgaria with excellent conditions for winter sports. The town also keeps a special authentic atmosphere with its old houses and traditional restaurants. Overnight in Bansko.

Day 4 : Bulgaria - Bansko – Greece - Thessaloniki

Breakfast Included

After breakfast, transfer from Bansko to Thessaloniki with our professional driver who will first transfer you to your hotel. It is your free day to explore and enjoy Thessaloniki on your own. Depending on the time of arrival, you can spend the day walking around, doing the shopping or relaxing in one of many cafes or taverns in Thessaloniki downtown. Overnight in Thessaloniki.

Day 5 : Greece - Thessaloniki - Vergina- Thermopylae - Athens

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast, drive to Vergina, the most important remains of the monumental palace of the Kingdom of Macedonia, lavishly decorated with mosaics and painted stuccoes, and the burial ground with more than 300 tumuli, some of which date from the 11th century B.C. One of the royal tombs is identified as that of Philip II, who conquered all the Greek cities, paving the way for his son Alexander and the expansion of the Hellenistic world.
After the visit drive to Athens. On the way, make a short stop at Thermopylae where a fierce battle took place between the Persians and Greeks during the Persian invasion of 480-479 BC. The Greek force (300 strong) was very small but was determined to make a stand against the huge Persian army. Overnight in Athens.

Day 6 : Greece - Athens Sightseeing Tour With Acropolis & Half Day All in One

Breakfast Included

In the morning, after breakfast, we will pick you up from the hotel and shall start our sightseeing tour of the center of Athens including The Constitution of Greece (Sintagma). It was created by the Fifth Revisional Parliament of the Hellenes and entered into force in 1975. It has been revised three times since, in 1986, in 2001 and in 2008. The Constitutional history of Greece goes back to the Greek War of Independence, during which the first three revolutionary Greek constitutions were adopted. Afterwards we will visit Old Parliament House. The Old Parliament building, which is located at Stadiou Street in Athens, housed the Greek Parliament between 1875 and 1932. It now houses the country's National Historical Museum. In front of the building stands a large equestrian statue of General Theodoros Kolokotronis, cast in bronze. It was sculpted by Lazaros Sochos in Paris in 1900, and erected in its current place in 1904.
Continue our tour, we will go to The National Library of Greece which is situated near the center of city of Athens. It holds 4,500 Greek manuscripts, which is one of the greatest collection of Greek scripts. There are also many chrysobulls and archives of the Greek Revolution
Then we will continue driving down Herod Atticus Street, you will see the Evzones in their picturesque uniform and the PRESIDENTIAL PALACE which is the official residence of the President of the Hellenic Republic. It previously served as the Royal Palace, until the abolition of the monarchy by referendum in 1974. On your way to the Acropolis you will see the Hadrian's Arch, visit the Temple of Olympian Zeus. and you will make a short stop at the Panathenaic Stadium which was refurbished a second time in 1895 for the 1896 Olympics, with completion funding provided by the Greek benefactor George Averoff whose marble statue now stands at the entrance, based on designs by architects Anastasios Metaxas and Ernst Ziller.
Upon arrive Acropolis, we will visit Acropolis Museum which is focused on the findings of the archaeological site of the Acropolis of Athens. The museum was built to house every artifact found on the rock and on its feet, from the Greek Bronze Age to Roman and Byzantine Greece. It also lies on the archaeological site of Makrygianni and the ruins of a part of Roman and early Byzantine Athens. Also, we will visit the architectural masterpieces of the Golden Age of Athens: the PROPYLAEA, the TEMPLE of ATHENA NIKE, the ERECHTHEION. The last stop before we back to hotel is The Parthenon. The Parthenon is a temple in Acropolis, the harmony between material and spirit, the monument that puts order in the mind. Early evening we will back to hotel, you can relax in the rest of the day. Overnight in Athens.

Day 7 : Greece - Athens to Santorini

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Piraeus port for a boat to Santorini. Arrival transfer from Santorini port to hotel. Then spend the whole day at leisure. Experience the delicacies provided by the local taverns, making sure to taste the local ‘fava’ dip. You can’t come to Santorini Island without watching the sunset from picturesque Oia at the top of the island. Why not enjoy a meal at one of the many restaurants in Oia while you’re there. Perhaps visit the pretty village of Megalochori with its 17th-century houses is also visit worthy, as is the archaeological site at Akotiri. Overnight in Santorini.

Day 8 : Greece - Santorini

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel. Your stay in Santorini Island gives you the freedom and flexibility to enjoy your time on the island at your own leisure. Gaze in wonder at the submerged caldera, epicenter of what is probably the biggest volcanic eruption in recorded history. One side of Santorini Island is balanced on the edge of the caldera while the other side is flat and contains many beaches of which there are white, red and black! One of the main beaches is Perissa which is a black beach, be sure to check out breathtaking Red beach with its high red cliffs and hand size pebbles submerged under the clear water. From Kamari village, you can take a caique (traditional fishing boat) to visit Anafi isle or to join other Santorini beaches.
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Day 9 : Greece - Santorini - Mykonos

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Santorini port for a boat to Mykonos. Arrival in Mykonos Port and transfer to the hotel. Then spend the whole day at leisure. Enjoy your day on this Cycladic Island known for its great night life and the town's Cycladic architecture. Mykonos beaches a must to experience, such as Platy Gialos, Psarou, Ornos, Paranga "Paradise", "Super Paradise", Elia, Kalafati, Kalo Livadi. On Mykonos western shore are Agios Stefanos, Houlakia, Tourlos, Megali-Ammos. Walk through the narrow alleyways in Mykonos town and visit beautiful churches and the famous windmills. Overnight in Mykonos.

Day 10 : Greece - Mykonos

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel. Day free to explore the island on your own. Mykonos Island is the most famous and cosmopolitan tourist island in the Eastern Mediterranean amongst the Cyclades, something which is not just by chance.
Expect to experience the exquisite visuals of white-washed houses, proud windmills, a multitude of chapels, busy back streets with balconies full of flowers and a multicoloured fleet of fishing boats at the port. If you're after a bit of history and culture, the island has five museums you can visit as well as a beautiful church. The church of Panagia Paraportiani is located beyond the Delos Ferry Quay on the way to Little Venice. Overnight in Mykonos.

Day 11 : Greece - Mykonos – Athens – Tour End

Breakfast Included

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Mykonos port for a boat to Piraeus. When you arrive at Piraeus port you will be transferred to Athens International airport for a flight back home.

Includes

- Professional English - speaking tour guides
- All entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary
- Transportation in a fully air - conditioned, non - smoking coach
- 1 night hotel in Thessaloniki
- 2 nights hotel in Athens
- 2 Nights’ accommodation in Sofia
- 2 nights’ hotel accommodation in Mykonos
- Guided Visit of Rila Monastery
- Guided Sightseeing tour of Koprivshtitsa
- Guided Walking tour in Bansko
- Guided Sightseeing tour of Sofia
- Escorted Half All in One Panoramic Tour
- Guided Vergina Tour
- Transfer from hotel to Piraeus port
- Ferry tickets to Mykonos
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- Ferry tickets to Piraeus or Rafina
- 1 nights hotel accommodation in Bansko
- 2 nights’ hotel accommodation in Santorini
- Guided Athens Sightseeing Tour
- Ferry tickets to Santorini
- Transfer from Santorini Port to hotel
- Transfer from hotel to Santorini Port
- Departure transfer from Piraeus or Rafina Port to Athens Airport
- Arrival airport transfer
- 10 breakfasts
- Transfer from Mykonos Port to hotel

Excludes

- International flights
- Items of a personal nature such as alcoholic drinks, cold drinks, laundry
- Any others expenses which are not mentioned at the included section
- Evening panoramic tour “Sofia by night” and dinner at a traditional restaurant with folklore music and dances
- Greece entry visa
- City tax
- Tipping
- Hotel room taxes
- Bulgaria entry visa

Routes

Available On Dates

29 August, 2020 - 31 March, 2022	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Hotels

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