

# OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Half Day & Full Day Tours

November 2011



## 1. PRE-COURSE INSPECTION TO MARATHON (Full day Coach Tour)

### Description:



*Visit and guided tour of the Dam and the Tomb of Marathon, dedicated to the Athenian soldiers that died in the battle of Marathon against the Persian army as well as the Marathon Museum. Lunch in a local restaurant by the beach and on the way back to Athens, course inspection.*

**Runs:** Saturday 12 November (09h00-16h00)

**Price:** \$125.00 USD per person

**Including :** De luxe coach, English speaking licensed guide, Entrance fees to the Marathon Museum, Lunch in a restaurant, Third party liability insurance, VAT

## 2. CAPE SOUNION (Half day Coach Tour)

### Description:



*Drive along the coastal road, passing the wonderful beaches of Glyfada, Vouliagmeni & Varkiza to the most Southern point of Attica, Cape Sounion, where the white marble pillars of the Temple of Poseidon stand.*

*On the way, you have a splendid view of the Saronic Gulf and the little islands offshore.*

*After visiting the Temple of Poseidon, time to walk and admire One of the most beautiful sunsets*

**Runs:** Daily (14h30-18h30)

**Price: \$70 USD**

**Including:** De luxe coach, licensed English speaking guide, entrance fees to the Temple of Poseidon, Third party liability insurance, VAT

### 3. ONE DAY CRUISE TO THE 3 ISLANDS (Full day Boat Tour)



#### Description:

± 7h30: Transfer from the hotel at to Piraeus for the embarkation to the cruise boat.  
08h30: Departure of the cruise to the islands **Hydra**, **Poros** and **Aegina**.

The island of **HYDRA** is very famous for its remarkable architecture and therefore very popular to artists and painters. No cars or motorcycles are allowed and donkeys are used as the main way of transportation on the island.

The island of **POROS**, opposite Peloponnese is small but very lively and rich in history. It is an island with a unique landscape since it one of the very few islands in Greece with such lush vegetation. The short stay gives you the possibility of souvenir shopping at the typical small shops.

**AEGINA**, is the biggest of the Saronic gulf islands, first capital of the modern Greek state and world renowned for the pistachios grown there that are of unparallel quality and considered the best in the world. If Ancient history is of interest to you then you can enjoy an optional visit to the Ancient Temple of Aphea Athena one of the best preserved ones.

Lunch is served on board.

±19h15 Return to Piraeus, disembarkation and transfer to your hotel

**Runs:** Daily

**Price: \$150 USD**

**Including:** Transfers from/to hotel – Port, cruise ticket, lunch on board, third party liability insurance, VAT



#### 4. ARGOLIS – Corinth, Mycenae, Nafplion, Epidaurus (Full day Coach Tour)



##### Description:

Leave by the coastal road along the Saronic Gulf to the **Corinth Canal**, which connects the Aegean Sea with the Ionian Sea. Short visit.

Drive to **Mycenae**, the Homeric city of Atreides, the city "rich in gold" of the ancient poets.

Visit the Lion's Gate, the Cyclopean Walls and the Royal Tombs.

Lunch in the modern village of Mycenae.

Depart for **Nafplion** through the fertile plain of Argolis, the picturesque town nestling at the foot of a cliff crowned by the mighty ramparts of the Palamidi Fortress. Short visit.

Leave for **Epidaurus**, to visit the Theatre, famous for its astonishing acoustics.

±19h00 Return to Athens by the National road connecting Epidaurus with Corinth.

**Runs:** Tuesdays and Saturdays

**Price:** \$150.00 USD

**Including:** Deluxe coach, licensed English speaking guide, entrance fees to Mycenae and Epidaurus, lunch, Third party liability insurance, VAT

#### 5. DELPHI (Full day Coach Tour)



##### Description:

Drive through the fertile plain of Beotia, crossing the towns of Thebes, Levadia and Arachova. Arrive at **Delphi**, the centre of Ancient World – the "Omphalos" (Navel of Earth) – whose prestige extended far beyond the boundaries of the Hellenic World.

On the slopes of Mount Parnassus, in a landscape of unparalleled beauty and majesty, lie the ruins of the Sanctuary of Apollo Pythios.

Visit the Treasury of the Athenians, the Temple of Apollo and the Museum.

Lunch in the modern village of Delphi

±19h00 Return to Athens.

**Runs:** Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays

**Price:** \$150 USD

**Including:** Deluxe coach, licensed English speaking guide, entrance fees to Delphi, lunch, Third party liability insurance, VAT

