



GREECE & ITALY

ART & ART HISTORY TOUR

June 2-11, 2017

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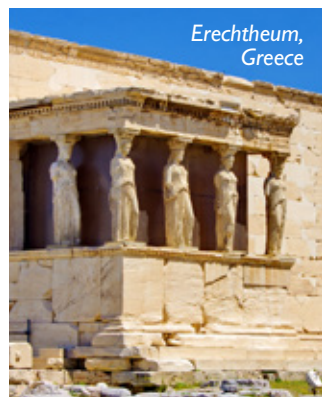
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Tour Itinerary:

June 02 Fri Departure from US or CANADA
Flight from US or Canada to Athens, Greece. Own Air arrangement!
We will provide air rate upon request.

June 03 Sat ATHENS
Upon arrival in Athens, you will be met and transferred to your Athens hotel via a panoramic drive through the coastal route with a splendid view of the Saronic Gulf, passing through some of Athens' most beautiful suburbs (Vouliagmeni, Glyfada, Palaion Faliron) followed by check in at your hotel. Dinner and overnight. (D)



June 04 Sun ATHENS
Orientation tour by bus of central Athens, via Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympic Games took place in 1896 and the only stadium built out of white marble, Zappio Gardens, Syntagma Square, Hadrian's Arch, St. Paul's Church, Parliament, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Catholic Cathedral, and Schliemann's House. You will then drive past the Athens Trilogy, which includes the University of Athens, the Academy of Athens, and the National

Library, ending at the National Archaeological Museum for a visit. Continue with a visit to the Benaki Museum which is considered one of the major institutions that has enriched the material assets of the Greek state. Dinner and overnight in Athens. (B, D)

June 05 Mon ATHENS
Morning drive to Acropolis to visit the Dionysus sanctuary and Dionysus Theatre built in the 5th century BC, followed by the archaeological site of Acropolis, UNESCO'S world heritage monument, and Propylaea the monumental entrance to the Acropolis which blends Doric and Ionic building principles, and the small temple Athena Nike as well as the Parthenon, and Erechtheion with its porch of Maidens. After Acropolis, pass by Mars and Pnyx Hill and enter the Ancient Agora where you will see The Attalos' Gallery and the Temple of Hephaestus followed by a visit to the New Acropolis Museum, considered to be one of the most important archaeological museums in Athens and ranks among the most important museums of the world. Then proceed to Museum of Cycladic Art. Dinner and overnight in Athens. (B, D)



June 06 Tue ATHENS – ROME
Check out of your Athens hotel for your early morning flight to Rome. Upon arrival, start a full day walking tour of Rome to see the Colosseum, ancient Rome's most visual legacy and a structure emblematic of the ambitious building programs of various emperors. We continue with Capitoline Museums, or Musei Capitolini, the oldest public museums in the world. The museums contain a compendium of art works and artifacts that fully trace the entire history of the city, from its very foundation to the present day, covering Roman and Italian treasures ranging from antique bronzes and marble busts to Renaissance paintings and frescoes. After the museum, time to explore the city on your own. Overnight in Rome. (B)

June 07 Wed ROME
Morning visit to the Borghese Gallery with particular attention to the Baroque masterpieces of Caravaggio, including the well-known David with the head of Goliath and Bernini whose celebrated David is in this museum. Stop at the impressive Roman monument of the Pantheon before crossing the Tiber River to visit the Villa Farnesina, the architectural masterpiece of Baldassare Peruzzi with outstanding frescos by Raphael. Two final stops include the church of San Pietro in Montorio with Bramante's small commemorative martyrium called Il Tempietto and the Church of St. Peter in Vincoli with Michelangelo's sculpture of Moses intended for the tomb of Pope Julius II. Overnight in Rome. (B)

June 08 Thu ROME – FLORENCE
Breakfast and check out from your hotel to take a train ride to Florence. Transfer to your centrally located hotel and check-in. After lunch, meet your guide and start the walking tour of the Cradle of Renaissance. Florence is considered to be the birthplace of the Italian Renaissance and evidence of this period can easily be seen today. Walking through the streets and piazzas you will be introduced to the ideas of the Renaissance, the lives of many famous artists and of the Medici family. You will visit the Uffizi Gallery to admire renowned works such as Botticelli's Birth of Venus, Leonardo's Adoration of the Magi, Michelangelo's Doni Tondo, and Titian's Venus of Urbino. Overnight in Florence. (B)



Rome, Italy



Vatican, Italy



Florence, Italy

June 09 Fri FLORENCE

Start the full-day, private, walking tour with a visit to the Palazzo Medici, the residence of the famous banking family and patrons of the Renaissance movement. Next, visit the church of San Lorenzo where the Medici dynasty is commemorated and buried. The old sacristy by Brunelleschi and the new sacristy and the Laurentian library by Michelangelo are highlights of this tour. After free time for lunch, admire the religious centers of Florence at the Cathedral and Baptistry. The Cathedral, more well known as the Duomo, is topped by the majestic dome of Brunelleschi and the octagonal Baptistry has three sets of famous bronze doors, including the Ghiberti's famous Doors of Paradise. Then, walk to the civil center of the Republic of Florence, the lovely Piazza della Signoria, where you can admire many Renaissance sculptural masterpieces, including a copy of Michelangelo's world famous David (see the original in the Accademia). A stop at the Palazzo Vecchio, the Florentine town hall and previous fortified palace of the Medici, including visits to the courtyard and apartments with many works of art by Renaissance and Baroque masters. Evening is free for individual exploration of the city. Overnight in Florence. (B)



Florence, Italy

June 10 Sat FLORENCE

After breakfast continue to discover the world's most important collections of Florentine art. Walk to Ponte Vecchio. Cross the old bridge and admire the beauty of the gold shops. Continue your day with a visit to the Pitti Palace which was built in the second half of the 15th century for Luca Pitti and houses several important museums. A great art collection including a modern art section can be seen here. After the palace, free time for individual exploration of the city. (B).

June 11 Sun ROME – FLIGHT HOME

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Rome Airport, for your flight back home or continue on to Venice for the Art Biennale between (May 13 – Nov 26, 2017). (B) *Please contact us for Venice hotel rates.



la Biennale di Venezia

Reminder: **Venice Biennial** dates are **May 13-Nov 26, 2017**

You can plan a separate trip to Venice on your own to visit **Venice Art Biennial**.



TOUR MAP



LAND ONLY RATE:

\$3,790 Per Person in Double Room
 *Including the flight from Athens to Rome
\$690 Single Supplement
 *Participants must arrive Athens on June 3, depart from Rome on June 11.

INCLUDING

- Flight from Athens to Rome
- 11 nights hotel accommodation as below:
- 3 nights in Athens 5 star Divani Acropolis Hotel (or similar)
- 2 nights in Rome 4 star Saint-John Hotel (or similar)
- 3 nights in Florence 4 star Hotel Adler Cavalieri (or similar)
- 2 day tours in Athens
- 2 day tours in Rome
- 3 day tours in Florence
- Comprehensive sightseeings as specified in the program
- Daily breakfasts (B)
- 3 dinners in Athens (D)
- Transportation and transfers with private AC vehicles
- Train ticket from Rome to Florence (economy)
- Reservation and Entry fees in Italy to the mentioned sites & museums as below:
 - In Athens:** National Archaeological Museum, Benaki Museum, Zappio Gardens, Acropolis and it's Museum, Museum of Cycladic Art
 - In Rome:** Colosseum, Roman Forum, Capitoline Museums, Borghese Gallery
 - In Florence:** Duomo&Baptistry, Church of Santa Croce, Galleria dell Accademica, Medici Chapels, Church of San Lorenzo, Uffizi.
- Headsets during the tours in Italy (to skip lines)
- Local taxes & service charges

EXCLUDING

- International Air Fare – Please ask for special air fares. We will provide air rate upon request.
- All personal expenses
- Tips to tour guides & drivers
- Lunches & Drinks
- Travel & Health insurance
- All items which are not listed at the itinerary as included.



PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

DEPOSIT PAYMENT : \$250 deposit per person (Refundable until March 06,2017)

FULL PAYMENT : March 15, 2017

You can make your payment from our secured link: (Visa & Master only)

<https://secure.tutkutours.com/tours/170502CAA>

LAND CANCELLATION:

- 90-45 days prior to departure: 10%
- 44-30 days prior to departure: 25%
- 29-15 days prior to departure: 50%
- 14-7 days prior to departure: 75%
- 6 days & After No refund



Travel Insurance: Travel insurance may be purchased separately at an extra cost. Travel Insurance is a contract between the traveller and the Insurance Company (American Express, or other). To obtain your travel insurance, please call 1-800-TURKIYE and ask for Ms. Ayata.

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