

Thessaloniki: Historic Walking Tour

- See Thessaloniki's most iconic monuments
- Visit the city's UNESCO World Heritage Byzantine churches
- Taste Bougatsa, a traditional dessert from the region

Full description

This historic walking tour takes you to many different UNESCO World Heritage monuments with the aid of a licensed archaeologist tour guide. Exploring this city's triangle of Byzantine, Ottoman and Jewish cultures and histories will be an experience to remember!

During your walk, see the Byzantine Christian churches and the Roman Agora, established during the city's Roman period. Pass through beautiful flower and food markets, where you can taste Bougatsa, a characteristic dessert from the area. Visit the Crypt of Saint Dimitris, one of the latest archaeological finds hidden under the church, and the Catacombs of Saint John.

As you go, your guide will explain the significance of all the sights, as well as the heritage of the city - from its ancient beginnings to its Christian period to its Ottoman period, and then at one point one of the most significant places in Jewish heritage and culture, this city is a mosaic of cultures and stories.

Finish your tour with a visit to one of the most significant landmarks of the Macedonian region: the White Tower, a symbol of the city and its strength.

Includes: Licensed tour guide

What's Not Included: Entrance tickets to monuments

When you get there: Meeting point

Church of Saint Demetrios, Agiou Dimitriou, Thessaloniki 546 33, Greece.

Tour \$ 60.00

From Thessaloniki: Pella and Vergina Full-Day Tour

- Explore the birthplace of Alexander the Great at Pella
- Visit the ruins of the first capital of Macedon at Vergina
- See the stunning mosaic floors depicting scenes from Greek mythology

Full description

Following early morning pick-up from Thessaloniki, journey by luxurious air-conditioned bus to the village of Pella. Visit the archaeological site and museum to see the stunning remains of the historical capital of the ancient kingdom of Macedon and birthplace of Alexander the Great.

Look at the impressive mosaic floors that used to decorate the grand mansions,

including depictions from Greek mythology of the Deer Hunt, the Abduction of Helen, the Rapture and the female warriors of the Battle of the Amazons (Amazonomachy). Continue to Vergina, best known as the site of Aigai, the first capital of Macedon. Spend approximately 1 hour in the extraordinary museum, where artifacts of incredible beauty excavated from the archaeological site are on display, along with the tomb of Alexander the Great's father, Philip II. Depart Vergina at 16:00 and return to Thessaloniki late in the afternoon for an estimated arrival time of around 17:30.

Includes:

- Transportation by luxury bus
- English-speaking guide throughout the tour
- Pick-up/drop off service from/to central points in Thessaloniki
- All taxes

What's Not Included:

- Entrance fees (€20 per person)
- Lunch
- Gratuities (optional)
- Personal expenses

When you get there

Meeting point

There are several meeting points in central Thessaloniki. Your exact pick-up point will be communicated to you after booking.

Tour \$ 60.00

Thessaloniki: Day Trip to Ouranopolis with Mt. Athos Cruise

- Enjoy a wonderful cruise around the Mount Athos peninsula of Chalkidiki and see the magical monasteries built on the rocks
- Explore the seaside of Ouranoupoli and have lunch at a Greek tavern
- Swim in crystal clear waters of Chalkidiki
- Choose between visiting Alykes Beach, Ierissos Beach and Ammouliani island

Full description

Depart from the White Tower of Thessaloniki at 8:00 AM and head to Ouranoupoli by bus. You'll arrive in Ouranoupoli at around 11:00 AM in front of the Byzantine Tower of Profusion and board the boat for the cruise around Mount Athos.

During the cruise you have the chance to see the ports of the Holy Monasteries of Helandariou and Konstamonitou, the colorful Monastery of Docheiariou, the nearby Monastery of Xenophontos, the renovated Holy Monastery of Agiou Panteleimonos - the Russian monastery, the Holy Monastery of Xeropotamou, the main harbor of Mount Athos Daphne, the impressive Holy Monastery of Simonos Petras and the Holy Monasteries of Osiou Grigoriou. Lastly, you can see Agia Anna, just below the imposing Mount Athos, which stands magnificently at 2,000 meters above sea level. If you book on a Tuesday, then after the cruise you'll visit the island of Ammouliani where you'll have free time to enjoy a swim in the emerald sea. On Wednesdays, after the cruise, you have free time to explore Ouranoupoli and the beach nearby. On Thursdays, after the cruise, you can visit Alykes beach. On Saturdays, you will visit the neighboring town of Ierissos, where you have free time to enjoy a swim in the crystal-clear sea, coffee on the sunbeds of the endless sandy beach, and lunch at one of the traditional seafood taverns by the beach.

Includes:

- Transport to and from Halkidiki – Mount Athos
- The cruise to Mount Athos
- English-speaking trip attendant
- Basic travel insurance (during transport)

What's Not Included:

- The cost of the lunch at the restaurant
- Any purchase during the cruise

When you get there

Meeting point

You can board the bus at one of the following meeting points: starting point, White Tower entrance at 08:00 AM; stop 1, Makedonia Palace Hotel at 08:05 AM; stop 2, Aristotelous Square by the Statue of Eleftherios Venizelos at 08:15 AM; stop 3, Capsis Hotel at 08:20 AM; and stop 4, The Met Hotel at 08:25 AM.

Know before you go

- During the cruise, coffees, sandwiches, beers and refreshments are available for you to purchase
- There is also an audio guide, available in various languages
- Due to Greek law, boats are not allowed to moor on the Athos peninsula so you will see the monasteries from the boat

Tour \$ 70.00