



ANCIENT MACEDONIA TOUR

MACEDONIA & GREECE

8 DAYS

Tour Code 624

This program is draft version and could be rearranged and adjusted according your ideas and expectations. It is just an inspiration for you to start creating completely customized tour.

DAY 1: Welcome

Arrival in Skopje. Meeting with the local guide and transfer to the hotel in Skopje. Panoramic tour by bus and light walking tour in the afternoon. Welcome dinner (optional) and O/N in Skopje.

DAY 2: Heraclea Lynkestis and Bitola

Morning departure to Bitola and visit to Heraclea Lynkestis ancient site, founded by Philip II of Macedonia, the father of Alexander the Great. City tour in Bitola in the afternoon. Dinner (optional) and overnight in Bitola

DAY 3: Lake land

Drive towards Prespa lake and Galichica NP with panoramic views of both Ohrid and Prespa lakes. Visit to St Naum monastery complex and the unique nature. Optional boat ride above the springs of Black Drim river. Drive along the lake coast to Ohrid for dinner (optional) and overnight.

DAY 4: Ohrid - Jerusalem on Balkans

Its typical architecture together with numerous churches and monasteries are protected by UNESCO since 1979. Walking tour in the old Ohrid and visit to the most important Ohrid sights. Afternoon at leisure in Ohrid. In the evening, optional dinner at local restaurant with folklore program and overnight in Ohrid.

DAY 5: The story begins

Drive towards Macedonia-Greece border. Visit to the small fisherman village near Prespa lake and possibility to taste a local lake fish. Afternoon drive towards the city of Kastoria. Dinner (optional) and O/N in Kastoria.

DAY 6: Ancient Macedonia sights

Morning drive towards Edessa with short stop by the waterfalls. Visit to Pella and remains of the capital of Ancient Macedonian kingdom. Later on, visit to Vergina site and the Royal tombs. Dinner (optional) and overnight in the area.

DAY 7: Thessaloniki

Departure to Thessaloniki. Panoramic city tour with visit to both Archaeological and the museum of Byzantine, St. Demetrius church and remains of the old fortification with panoramic view over the city. In the evening, optional dinner at local restaurant. O/N in Thessaloniki.

DAY 8: Departure

Depending of the flight schedule departure to Thessaloniki airport or continue with optional extensions.

Possible additional day - Mount Athos

Instead in Thessaloniki, the last overnight will be in Halkidiki peninsula. This full day excursion begins with drive to Agios Nikolaos, from where a tourist boat starts for a "Mount Athos tour" sailing very close to the "Orthodox state of Mount Athos" or "Holly Mountain" where entrance is allowed only for pilgrims with special permission. Late afternoon, drive towards Thessaloniki and arrival early in the evening.

Possible additional day (before arrival in Thessaloniki)

Full day tour to Meteora monasteries, natural hills rising from the plain with unique monasteries build on the top of those hills. Visit of two most interesting monasteries and panoramic drive with photo stops in the area. In the afternoon, drive towards Thessaloniki for overnight.

MAP OF THE TOUR



Included in basic program:

- ✓ 7 nights accommodation at 4* tourist class hotels, Bed & breakfast base;
- ✓ Experienced English speaking local tour guide for all itinerary;
- ✓ "Visit Macedonia" organization fee.

Not included:

- ✗ Single room supplement (on request);
- ✗ Half board supplement (on request);
- ✗ Transportation according the itinerary (coach, minibus, van - depending of the participants and further requirements);
- ✗ Entrance fees according the program;
- ✗ Visits, meals and excursions described as optional;
- ✗ Guide on other language than English (supplement may apply);

Important note:

Confidential prices apply only for tour operators and will be provided upon request. Tour modifications (extension or reduction of tour duration, start / end of the tour at different cities than proposed, upgrade to higher class hotels, additional meals, visits and services) are possible.

For more information about this tour, exact prices for proposed services or tailor made tour according your requirements, please contact us on booking@visitmacedonia.mk