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Classics Trips for Schools

A group of approximately 20 students and two adults are gathered on a rugged, rocky mountain trail. The students are dressed in outdoor gear, including jackets, hoodies, and backpacks. One student in the foreground wears a blue Adidas bag. The terrain is steep and rocky, with patches of green moss and small steam vents emitting wisps of white smoke. In the background, a deep, layered rock formation is visible, suggesting a volcanic or geologically active area. The overall atmosphere is one of an outdoor educational excursion.

“Our students loved Herculaneum and Vesuvius. Capri was great and we really enjoyed our visit to Pompeii.

Sir William Perkin's School, Coventry



Welcome to Travelbound

A school trip abroad can be a giant leap for some children. For Party Leaders the prospect of planning a trip that meets your desired educational aims and learning outcomes can seem equally as daunting. With **over 30 years of experience** working with schools, colleges and universities, we have developed the know-how to support Party Leaders from start to finish.

At Travelbound we take the pressure away from the planning and booking of your tour by providing **tailor-made educational tours** with school travel specialists on hand to help you every step of the way. We allow you the space to remember how special a school tour abroad is in the development of your students and the many happy memories that lie in waiting.

Leading the way in educational group travel, identifying opportunities for learning is high on our agenda. With many of the tours including cross-curricular themes, students' learning can be supported in more than one discipline. Bring learning to life for your students through **real-world situations** – e.g. a trip to a market town to develop language skills or the battlefields of the Normandy coast to tread in the footsteps of fallen soldiers. As proud holders of the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge, we work to enable your school the opportunity to **educate and inspire** students in a new learning environment that extends beyond the confines of the classroom.

Ignite the passion for future learning through discovery on a Travelbound educational tour.

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We've been around for **over 30 years** and continue to support teachers in their quest to inspire, motivate and educate their students. Our expertise, financial security, operational excellence and dedication to make your trip **as easy as possible** for you to plan, promote and enjoy is what sets us apart from the rest!

- As a member of the TUI AG group of companies, we offer the highest level of **financial protection** to all our Party Leaders. TUI's global presence ensures that we have a year-round **worldwide support network** – providing the reassurance you deserve.
- The **health and safety** of our customers is of paramount importance and auditing processes are used for all our accommodation, excursions and transport services. We operate to a PLC standard and our health and safety department is the best in the business.
- We are a full member of the School Travel Forum (**STF**); fully bonded by **ABTA** and **ATOL**; and have been awarded full accreditation to the Learning Outside the Classroom (**LOTc**) Quality Badge scheme.
- With over **30 years of experience**, we pride ourselves on being reliable, knowledgeable and passionate. Most of us have travelled extensively, are fluent in more than one language and are experts in one or more subject fields.
- Our returning Party Leaders have rated the overall **satisfaction** of their trip at 90%.
- We have a fabulous selection of **worldwide destinations** and suggested itineraries that will give your students the most memorable gift – school trip memories that will last a lifetime.

So, wherever in the world you choose to travel with us, our dedicated team offers excellent service, unbeatable product knowledge, true expertise and a passion for the school travel industry.



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“ We had a great trip to Greece. Our top excursions were to Delphi, Olympia and Epidavros. Our students studying classical civilisation found it really helpful to see the various sanctuaries and temples.

The Red Maid's School, Bristol

The Number 1 Choice



It isn't just our shared passion to travel that inspires our school trips, but a desire to **motivate your students** by providing an engaging and informative tour that will live happily in their memory for years to come.

From the initial booking with our Account Managers to your dedicated Tour Coordinator who will ensure every aspect of your trip is completed, the Travelbound team are on hand so that you can **book with ease**. Our dedicated teams provide you with bespoke tours and a commitment to deliver outstanding service catered to the individual needs of the group. We understand there is a focus on students developing **holistically** over the course of their educational tour abroad with not only attention to subject knowledge but also key **interpersonal skills** emerging through new interactions with places and people.

We provide you with the support to ensure you have a **successful and stress-free** tour experience including personalised posters and presentations to promote your tour, **help with risk assessments** and a **24-hour support** link to support you overseas. Working with Party Leaders to identify learning outcomes against the curriculum goals has seen Travelbound stand out amongst other school travel operators in providing an **exceptional service**.

With partners located around the world, we can provide you with the best transportation and accommodation options, with all hotels and hostels meeting our **stringent health and safety** requirements. Whether it is our expertise, operational excellence or the financial security we have as part of TUI's Education Division, you can **feel safe** in the knowledge that your tour with us is our number 1 priority.

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Hassle-free and transparent booking process

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96% of our customers rate us as good or excellent

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Over 30 years of experience in educational travel

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Dedicated Account Managers and Tour Coordinators

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24-hour phone support and the backing from TUI Group

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Tailor-made trips to fit budget/requirements

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ABTA, ATOL, LoTC and STF accredited

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An experienced team who love to travel!



WHY TRAVELBOUND?



“Our multi-city trip to Greece went very well and smoothly, so everyone had a brilliant time. We were so impressed with the hotels and the hospitality (...) The students have been buzzing about it all week as all the excursions brought their studies to life.

The King's School, Peterborough



Learning outside the classroom

Continually seeking opportunities to break down barriers to learning, we have designed our educational tours to provide students with a **stimulating environment** that encourages enquiry and promotes further study.

As an accredited **Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) Quality Badge** holder, Travelbound are recognised for our ongoing process to sustain high-quality learning outside the classroom. No matter the age, ability or circumstance, we believe every young learner should experience the world outside the confines of the classroom and are confident this forms an essential element of personal development. Educational tours and the experiences gained from them help motivate students, reduce poor behaviour and truancy, while helping schools raise attainment and meet **Every Child Matters** outcomes.

Young people of all ages benefit from **practical experiences**; when they can see, hear, touch and explore the world around them, and have opportunities to engage in challenges and outdoor adventures. Travelbound **brings learning to life** by creating high-quality learning opportunities by dissecting the curriculum and working with educationalists to create tours that support **learning objectives**. By assisting teachers in planning the learning experience effectively, we are able to table a variety of options that follow the needs of the learner and fit within our **stringent safety management** process to manage risk effectively.

Building an ethos in line with the LOtC, our educational tours promote personal, social and health education by:

- Allowing young people to face **new challenges** and **overcome fears**.
- Developing effective **communication skills**.
- **Adapting** to new situations and environments.
- Solving problems and taking **responsibility**.
- Encouraging **self-discipline** and self-control.
- Increasing self-esteem and **confidence**.
- Promoting effective **teamwork**.
- Gaining **independence**.

For more information, please visit: www.lotc.org.uk



Rome

Enter a world of ancient public arenas, palaces and monuments that were at the heart of the mighty Roman Empire. Walk amongst some of Europe's most impressive archaeological sites including Ostia and the Catacombs located just outside the Eternal City.





The Colosseum

The Colosseum is the most spectacular surviving edifice of Ancient Rome and the largest amphitheatre in the world. See the arena where gladiatorial contests, battle re-enactments, and mythological dramas took place. A visit here helps students understand the importance of spectacle in Roman society.



The Palatine Hill

An area to highlight wealth and status, Palatine Hill holds the remains of extravagant palaces that overlooked the Forum. It is believed the hill was the site of Remus' death at the hands of his brother Romulus, and in 2007 a sanctuary was discovered dedicated to them both.



The Roman Forum

Located between Palatine Hill and Capitoline Hill, this marketplace was a hive of business which expanded to include temples, a senate house and law courts. Explore the archaeological remains to piece together a picture of life in Ancient Rome.



The Pantheon

One of the best preserved Roman buildings to remain, this temple built in 126 AD was dedicated to all the Gods and provides students with a great opportunity to discuss the role of religion in Roman society.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1

Fly to Rome where you will be met by your transfer coach. Walk amongst the elegant examples of Baroque architecture and stop by the Trevi Fountain, the largest and most famous Baroque fountain in Rome. Capture a group photo on the Spanish Steps and look across the city skyline.

Day 2

Visit the impressive Colosseum where gladiators fought and the people of Rome would be entertained. Wander through the once bustling Roman Forum before looking out to the ruins of Palatine Hill. Jump into a world where history meets technology at the Time Elevator with special effects producing a unique insight into Ancient Rome.

Day 3

Enter the Vatican City and explore St. Peter's Basilica as students engage with the cultural heritage found within the Vatican Museum. Walk towards the Pantheon temple or visit the hands-on experience at the Gladiator School before strolling over to Piazza Navona for an Italian gelato.

Day 4

Depending on flight times, enjoy the final hours of your tour visiting Ostia Antica. Meander through this once harbour city of Ancient Rome and marvel at the wonderfully preserved buildings before heading towards the airport for your return flight.

Did you know

It's believed tossing a coin from the right hand over the left shoulder into the Trevi Fountain ensures your future return to Rome.

Bay of Naples

Discover the relics of the past in Pompeii and Herculaneum, visit the volcanic region of Pozzuoli and see the Flavian Amphitheatre. Take the short ferry trip to the island of Capri, enter the Gardens of Augustus and witness breathtaking views across the bay.





Pompeii

Engulfed by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79AD, Pompeii is one of the most famous archaeological sites in Italy. This series of excavations allows students to roam the streets of this ancient city and duck into buildings to gain a better understanding of daily life in an ancient Roman city.



Herculaneum

From the eruption of Vesuvius in 79AD and resulting avalanche of mud that covered the city, Herculaneum now stands as one of the finest examples of excavated areas to depict Roman lifestyles and architecture.



Mount Vesuvius

Beautiful views and a new perspective on the surrounding landscape allows students to appreciate the grand scale of this active volcano. The Vesuvius National Park provides students with a view on the scale of destruction felt by Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabiae.



Phlegrean Fields

The dormant volcano of Solfatara is known for its bursts of water vapour and natural saunas. Classics students will learn about Aeneas' journey to meet his father in the underworld while also hearing about the Cumaean Sibyl. Marvel at the Flavian Amphitheatre in Pozzuoli.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1

Fly to Italy where you will be greeted by your overseas transfer ready to transport your group to the attractive coastal resort of Sorrento. With its narrow medieval streets and beautiful Baroque churches, this is a great introduction to this stunning region.

Day 2

Visit the ancient city of Pompeii, located just 25km from Naples, and study Roman life through the series of detailed excavations. Life in this rich and prosperous city was dramatically and brusquely interrupted in 79AD when Vesuvius erupted and totally buried it. Trek to the summit of Vesuvius as students begin to comprehend the scale of its eruption.

Day 3

Spend the morning in the ancient town of Herculaneum which sits in the shadow of Vesuvius before exploring Emperor Nero's Villa Poppaea in the ancient Roman town of Oplontis. Today, the excavated city can be explored on foot, giving students a fine example of Roman lifestyles and architecture.

Day 4

Depending on flight times, stop off at Phlegrean Fields located west of Naples. Marvel at the third largest amphitheatre in Italy with a tour of the Flavian Amphitheatre in Pozzuoli before picking up your return flight home.

Did you know

The ruins of Paestum contain some of the finest and most well-preserved ancient Greek temples in the world.

Rome and the Bay of Naples

Explore the remains of the Roman Empire as you combine the archaeological sites of Rome with the preserved excavations found in the Bay of Naples. Enter the grand Colosseum and wander through the Roman city of Pompeii as students learn about the life and times of ancient Rome.





The Catacombs, Rome

Explore the underground burial chambers just outside the Eternal City on the Appian Way as students gain a unique insight into the city's history. See some of the first examples of Christian art and the impact of emerging Christianity in Rome.



Capri, Bay of Naples

A short ferry trip from idyllic Sorrento to the quaint island of Capri gives students the chance to see the rugged coastline from a different perspective. Amongst the lemon groves and expensive boutiques, the island is well known for its natural beauty and the fantastic views from the cable car up to Anacapri.



Ostia Antica, Rome

Ostia served as Rome's port city until the Tiber River changed its course leaving the area high and dry. Excavations have revealed a remarkably intact Roman town with beautifully preserved buildings, frescoes and mosaics.



Archaeological Museum, Bay of Naples

Bringing together some of the most spectacular finds from Pompeii and Herculaneum with fine examples of Greek sculpture and outstanding ancient Egyptian art, this museum provides students with a great opportunity to build up a picture of classical civilisations using excavated artefacts.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1 – Start your adventure in the Italian capital of Rome, spending your first evening in the Eternal City wandering down the Spanish Steps and standing in awe of the Trevi Fountain.

Day 2 – Visit the theatre of gladiators at the Colosseum, and the remains of the Roman Forum. Head for Palatine Hill and an alternative view of Foro Romano before finishing off your day at the Time Elevator with a panoramic cinema experience depicting life in ancient Rome.

Day 3 – Enter Vatican City and gaze at St. Peter's Basilica before uncovering the secrets of ancient Rome in the Vatican Museums. Visit the concrete dome of the Pantheon and walk around one of Rome's most famous squares, Piazza Navona.

Day 4 – Transfer from Rome to the Bay of Naples via Ostia, the ancient port of Rome. Spend the evening sightseeing the picturesque seaside town of Sorrento and get your first taste of life in the Bay of Naples

Day 5 – Travel by coach to the ancient city of Pompeii where students will discover remarkably well preserved buildings and artefacts. Ascend to the summit of Mount Vesuvius to explore the sheer size of this volcano before returning for your evening meal.

Day 6 – This morning will be spent at the ancient town of Herculaneum destroyed by the volcanic flow of Vesuvius. Visit Oplontis and the Villa Poppaea as you try to piece together the life of Emperor Nero.

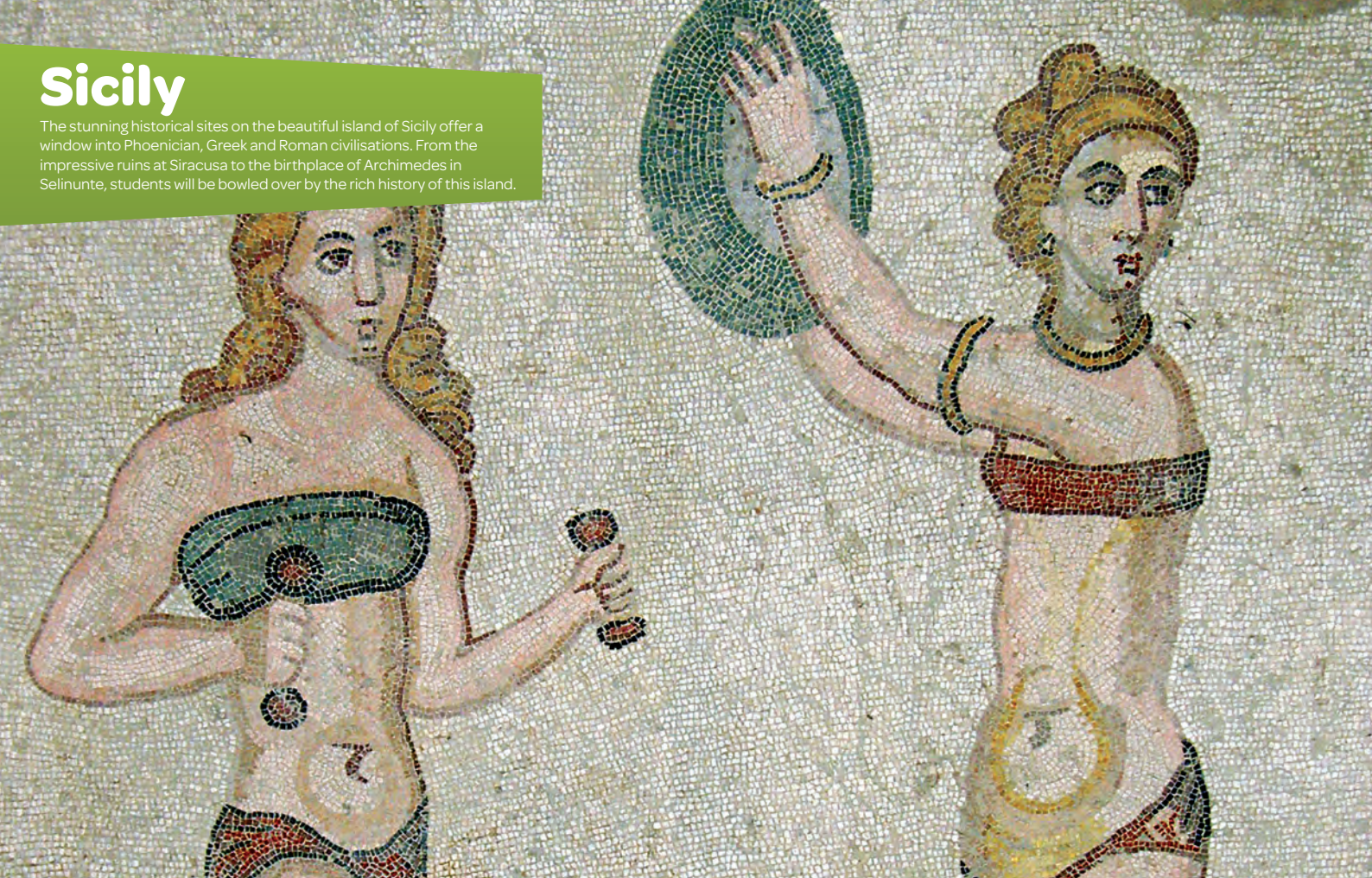
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Did you know

Students can walk in the shoes of gladiators at the Gladiator Training School in Rome helping them understand more about life during this period.

Sicily

The stunning historical sites on the beautiful island of Sicily offer a window into Phoenician, Greek and Roman civilisations. From the impressive ruins at Siracusa to the birthplace of Archimedes in Selinunte, students will be bowled over by the rich history of this island.





Segesta

Venture into the western hills to find the beautifully preserved Doric Temple of Segesta built by the Greeks and the Elymians, an indigenous population of Sicily. Head to the nearby hill of Monte Barbaro where Greek plays and concerts continue during the Sicilian summer.



Agrigento

Visit the Valley of the Temples World Heritage Site where students will be able to walk amongst the remains of seven monumental 5th and 6th century Greek temples. The Temples of Concord and Juno stand as the best preserved buildings amongst the partially restored buildings.



Selinunte

The huge city of Selinunte, built in 628BC, is lined with the most impressive ruins in Sicily. From temples to the acropolis and agora, the city was one of the richest and most progressive in Magna Graecia before it was destroyed by the Carthaginians in 409BC.



Siracusa

Known as the birthplace of Archimedes, this was one of the most powerful cities in the Mediterranean in ancient times. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Siracusa is filled with some of the finest architectural creations to come from the Greek, Roman and Baroque periods.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1

Fly to Sicily where your coach will transport you to your accommodation in Palermo where your group will spend their first night.

Day 2

Spend today visiting the Doric Temple of Segesta before roaming the ruins of the huge city of Selinunte. Explore the temples and grand acropolis before staying the night in Agrigento.

Day 3

Wander through the Valley of the Temples listed as a World Heritage Site before heading for Villa Romana del Casale, renowned for its extensive mosaics. Enjoy your evening meal before spending your first night in Giardini Naxos.

Day 4

Today you will explore the historical city of Siracusa, the birthplace of Archimedes. After examining the architectural masterpieces of this UNESCO World Heritage Site return for your second night in Giardini Naxos.

Day 5

Depending on flight times, travel to the beautiful tourist town of Taormina to see the 3rd Century BC Greco-Roman Theatre and picturesque views across to Mount Etna. Transfer to Catania airport for your return flight home.

Did you know

The Valley of the Temples in Agrigento is one most impressive examples of ancient Greek architecture and is a must for any trip to the island.

Athens

With ancient ruins around every corner, Athens stands as an open-air museum allowing students to discover Ancient Greece. Whether you explore the wonderfully preserved Parthenon temple or study detailed artefacts found in the National Archaeological Museum, learning is brought to life in one of the world's oldest cities.





The Acropolis

Towering over the city of Athens, the Acropolis demonstrates some of the finest examples of Greek architecture. From the dominating site of the Parthenon to the remnants of the Temple of Athena Nike, classics students will gain a better understanding of ancient Greek culture and society.



The Agora

Located on the northwest side of the Acropolis, students have the chance to explore the hub of Greek life where anything from trade to talk of politics would take place. Students can wander through the reconstructed Stoa of Attalos which now houses the museum of the ancient Agora.



The Acropolis Museum

Displaying excavated artefacts that have survived the test of time, the Acropolis Museum has the important role of documenting the exhibits. Here, students will have the opportunity to get close to the collection of Parthenon marbles.



The National Archaeological Museum

The largest archaeological museum in Greece is a goldmine of Greek history and art. Classics students will be in their element with more than 11,000 exhibits to investigate and to understand their historical, cultural and artistic value.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1

Fly to Athens where you will be greeted by our local agent and a coach transfer to your accommodation. See the sights of the local area and prepare yourself for the ultimate Greek experience.

Day 2

Enjoy the morning visiting the major city sites as your students lay their eyes upon such monuments as Hadrian's Arch, the Temple of Zeus and Constitution Square. In the afternoon explore the magnificent Acropolis, Parthenon and Acropolis Museum and learn more about ancient Greek culture and society.

Day 3

The National Archaeological Museum in Athens has collated one of the finest collections of Greek artefacts and is a fantastic place to start your day. Head out to Cape Sounion and the ancient ruins of the Temple of Poseidon before watching the sun set across the headland.

Day 4

Travel to ancient Corinth to see the ancient baths, Acrocorinth and Temple of Haephestus. Stop en-route to marvel at the Corinth Canal. Complete your Greek adventure with a traditional Greek show in Plaka, the old historical neighbourhood of Athens.

Day 5

Arrive back in the UK having unearthed the 'cradle of Western civilisation'.

Did you know

Athens can be explored on foot or by using the affordable public transport system. School groups can get free entrance to state owned monuments and museums with the **Greek Museum Pass**.

Greece Multi-Centre Tour

Take a Greek multi-centre tour to Athens, Delphi, Olympia and Tolon to uncover a wealth of ancient sites. From the architectural treasures of the Acropolis to the ruined temples of Olympia, this tour is sure to spark inspiration in your students.





Delphi

Once considered the centre of the earth and universe, Delphi played a key role in the classical Greek world. Highlighting the architectural developments of the time, the Temple of Apollo and surrounding ruins provide a maze of insight and intrigue into this period.



Epidavros

Explore the importance of Greek theatre with a trip to this magnificent amphitheatre. Students will be amazed by the acoustics of this grand stage that ring against the rows of limestone seats. Scatter your group out around the amphitheatre to test the science out for yourselves!



Olympia

Explore the ancient ruins of Olympia which will help your students understand the origins of the Olympic Games. Passing through the impressive statues, huge columns and ruined temples is sure to spark questions about architectural styles.



Mycenae

The archaeological site of Mycenae was the Homeric city of Agamemnon and once a major centre of Greek civilisation. Dominant for 500 years, students will be able to discover the amazing excavations including the Necropolis and the Lion Gate.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1 – Fly to Athens and be greeted by your coach transfer. Spend the evening settling into your accommodation and exploring the local area.

Day 2 – Enjoy the day visiting the key sites of the city of Athens. Delve into the ancient area of the Acropolis and the iconic Parthenon. Investigate the artefacts found at the site of the Acropolis at the Acropolis Museum.

Day 3 – Over 11,000 exhibits await your investigative eye at the National Archaeological Museum before departing for Delphi. There is also an option to stop at the walled monastery of Ossiou Loukas.

Day 4 – Delphi Museum contains significant finds from the site at Delphi. Entering the centre of the classical Greek world, students will have the chance to see the Temple of Apollo. Depart by coach for Olympia via the impressive cable-stayed road bridge, the Rio–Antirrio Bridge.

Day 5 – Delve into the ancient ruins of Olympia allowing students to understand just how important the Olympics were considered. Travel to the bay of Tolon, named as one of the cities whose fleet took part in the Trojan War.

Day 6 – Visit the magnificent theatre at Epidavros and explore the Sanctuary of Asklepios, which provides a valuable insight into the healing cults developed in Greek and Roman times. Continue on to ancient Corinth where students will be able to explore the port, baths of Helen and Acropolis.

Day 7 – Visit the original capital of Greece, Nafplio, nestled on the Argolic Gulf. Stop by Tiryns, the birthplace of Hercules, where students can view the remains of the palace complex before making the trip to Mycenae, the Homeric city of Agamemnon.

Day 8 – From Tolon, your coach transfer will take you to Athens airport for your return flight home.

Did you know

The outstanding acoustics of the amphitheatre at Epidavros still provides the perfect setting for plays and concerts during the summer months.

Crete

The largest of the Greek islands, Crete was a centre of culture in ancient times due to its mild climate and location between Africa, Europe and Asia Minor. The Bronze Age Minoan civilization left a legacy of ruined palace cities and mythology followed by the influences of the Dorians and, later, the Romans.





Palace of King Minos

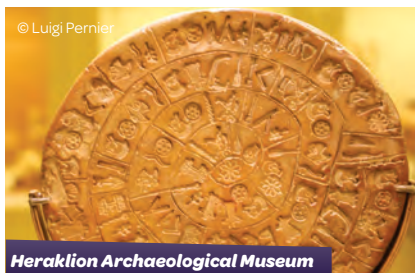
In Greek mythology, King Minos dwelt in a palace at Knossos. The large palace-city at the heart of the Minoan Kingdom was not only the King's residence but also the administrative and religious centre of the region. The first Palace built in 1900BC was destroyed by an earthquake and later re-built before it was again destroyed around 1500-1400 BC.



Palace of Phaistos

© Olaf Tausch

Seat of the mythical Rhadamanthus, son of Zeus and brother of King Minos, Phaistos was the second most important Minoan palace-city. The remains of the new and old palace have been preserved with the layout of the palace appearing identical to the Palace of King Minos.



© Luigi Pernier

Heraklion Archaeological Museum

One of the largest and most important museums in Greece, the museum houses artefacts from all periods of Cretan history and pre-history. Finds from the Minoan period include frescoes, pottery, stone carvings, the painted Hagia Triada sarcophagus and the undeciphered Phaistos Disc.



Dikteon Cave

A place of cult worship in Minoan times the Psychro Cave is associated with the Dikteon Cave, one of the supposed sites of the birth of Zeus. Legend has it that Zeus was hidden in the cave to avoid being eaten by his father, Cronos. The impressive cave has stalactites and stalagmites with religious finds from the cave kept on display in the Heraklion Archaeological Museum.

Suggested Itinerary

Day 1 – Fly to Heraklion where your coach will transfer you to your accommodation. Prepare for the awe inspiring ancient sites you are going to experience as you enjoy your evening meal and first night in Heraklion.

Day 2 – Start your day in Knossos, seat of the legendary King Minos. The Palace is the monumental symbol of Minoan civilisation and was the centre of power in Crete. Return to Heraklion to visit the archaeological museum which documents 5,500 years of History. Following your evening meal, spend your second night in Heraklion.

Day 3 – Start the day in Gortys where the Apostle Titus preached Christianity. See the Palace of Phaistos, considered the most typical of Minoan Palaces. Continue to the Byzantine Agia Triada Monastery with its museums of icons and codices. Stop at the beautiful village of Kournas, whose lake has inspired myths and legends, before continuing to Chania for your evening meal and overnight stay.

Day 4 – Depart for the beautiful city of Rethymno with its Roman and Byzantine mosaics. Continue via the Arkadi Monastery to the Minoan palace in Malia. According to myth this was the seat of Minos's brother Sarpedon. At Kritsa see the church of Panagia Kera and the ruins of the ancient city of Lato. Enjoy your evening meal and overnight stay in Agios Nikolaos where Athena and Artemis were said to have bathed in the city's lake.

Day 5 – Head to the fertile Lassithi Plateau with its white sailed windmills to see Lasinthos Eco Park with its displays of original crafts. Explore the Dikteon Cave with its stalactites and stalagmites where according to Greek mythology the god Zeus was born, raised and hidden from his father, Cronos. Spend the night in Agios Nikolaos.

Day 6 – Transfer by coach to Heraklion airport for your return flight to the UK.

Did you know

Nobody has ever managed to decipher the inscription on the mysterious Phaistos Disc, making it one of the most famous mysteries of archaeology.

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