

Tour Code: KAAL26



Athens and Mediterranean Cruise in

Greece

Aug. 29 - Sept. 6, 2026

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Traditional Greek fishing boat



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Pláka area under the Acropolis.

Day 1: Saturday August 29, 2026 • Depart

Our adventure starts today as we depart the USA on our scheduled flight to Athens, Greece.

Day 2: Sunday, August 30, 2026 • Athens

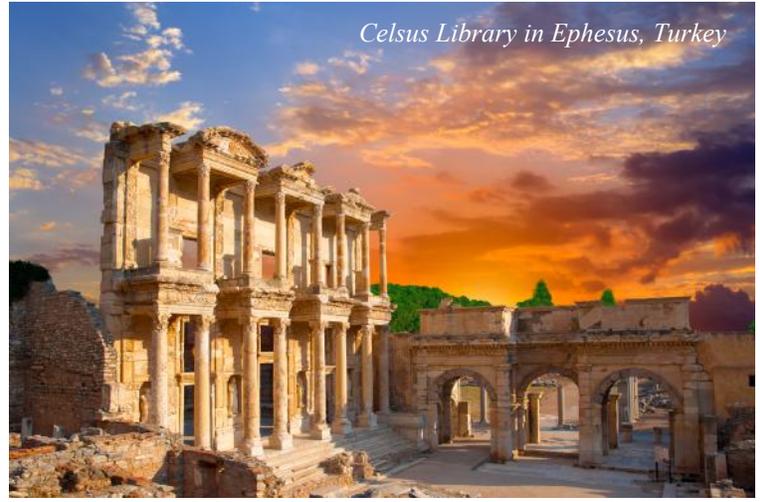
Upon our arrival in Athens, we meet our local tour manager and coach driver and transfer into the city center of Athens. A short walk takes us to the New Acropolis Museum at the bottom of the Acropolis. Our tour of the museum introduces us to Greek culture, mythology, politics, and religion. Time permitting, we stroll through the Pláka, the old, historical neighborhood of Athens, where we enjoy the sights and sounds of this ancient city. Tonight, we enjoy welcome dinner at a Greek Restaurant. **D**

Day 3: Monday, August 31, 2026 • Aegean Sea Cruise

We depart early to board a cruise ship, our home for the next four nights as we cruise to some of the most famous islands in the Aegean Sea. Enjoy the passing scenery from the deck before we dock at Mýkonos, a picture-perfect island of windmills, whitewashed houses, and blue-domed churches. A shuttle bus takes us from the cruise dock to the harbor area, where we have free time to explore the streets and shops of this island paradise. **B/L/D**

Day 4: Tuesday, September 1, 2026 • Aegean Sea Cruise

We dock at Kusadasi, Turkey, and depart after breakfast for our excursion to Ephesus. Our local guide takes us back thousands of years to when Ephesus was a major trading center on the Mediterranean and one of the twelve cities of the Ionian League. The Temple of Artemis that once stood here is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient



Celsus Library in Ephesus, Turkey

World. Our visit to Turkey ends with a stroll through the Bazaar, where we can bargain for leather, jewelry, and other souvenirs. This afternoon, we stop at the island of Pátmos and take tender boats to the harbor. Our local guide accompanies us on a tour of St. John's Monastery and the Grotto of the Apocalypse. Steep stone stairs lead from the chapel of St. Anne to the cave where it is said St. John received his visions from Christ that he recorded in the Book of Revelation. **B/L/D**

Day 5: Wednesday, September 2, 2026 • Aegean Sea Cruise

Today we travel to the island of Rhodes. Our first stop is at Línos, a former city-state with its own acropolis that supports the Temple of Athena. We continue to the city of Rhodes, one of the architectural treasures of the Mediterranean. We tour the Palace of the Grand Masters, one of the few examples of Gothic architecture in Greece. Our tour continues along the Street of the Knights, transformed by Crusaders into a fortress along their route to the Holy Land. The remainder of the afternoon is free to explore the twisting avenues lined with the shops, cafes, and public squares of this delightful city. **B/L/D**

Day 6: Thursday, September 3, 2026 • Aegean Sea Cruise

Our day begins as we tour the Minoan palace of Knossos on the island of Crete. Considered the first advanced civilization of Europe, the Minoans were merchants who traded with Ancient Egypt and Mycenae on the mainland of Greece. The palace is known for its many restored frescoes and the mythological site where the half man/half bull Minotaur was imprisoned. We return to our ship and have lunch while



Santorini



cruising northward to the island of Santorini. With whitewashed villages clinging to volcanic cliffs, this island's harbor is one of the most dramatic in Greece. We visit Oía, Santorini's most beautiful and picturesque village, before returning to our ship for our final sunset on board. **B/L/D**

Day 7: Friday, September 4, 2026 • Athens

Our ship docks early this morning at Piraeus we transfer to the Acropolis, where our tour manager introduces us to the Parthenon, the Propylaia, the Erechtheion and the temple of Athena Nike, iconic landmarks of Athens' skyline. We continue our exploration of the Greek capital on a panoramic city tour that brings us past the Temple of Zeus, the Panathenic Stadium, Síndagma (Constitution) Square and the Roman Agora. We have free time this afternoon to explore more of the museums, markets, and shopping on the Pláka and Monastiráki Square. Tonight, we enjoy dinner overlooking the Parthenon. **B/D**

Day 8: Saturday, September 5, 2026 • Athens

Today's destination is Cape Sounion, located south of Athens. At the southernmost tip of the peninsula, surrounded on three sides by the Aegean Sea, are the ruins of the Temple of Poseidon, the Greek god of the sea. The English Poet Lord Byron felt compelled to carve his name into the base of one of the columns, still visible 150 years later. In the afternoon, we visit a local winery for a guided tasting of Greek wine. This evening, we celebrate our two-week Greek odyssey with dinner at a taverna. As we enjoy traditional Greek food, local musicians perform songs and dances from various regions of Greece. **B/D**

Day 9: Sunday, September 6, 2026 • Return

Sadly, we say "Yiásou!" ("Goodbye!") to Greece as we transfer to the Athens International Airport for our return flight to the United States. We take with us memories of ancient cities, new friends, fascinating legends, and spectacular scenery. **B**

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Abbreviations for Meals

B=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner

TOUR COST: \$4,979

per person, double occupancy

Single supplement = \$1,300

(with a minimum of 25 participants)

Your Tour Includes:

- **Estimated Roundtrip airfare from MSP to Athens, Greece** including related taxes and fees (*estimated at \$1,650*)
- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) 4 star hotels; Celestyal Cruise is Inside IB cabin. (May upgrade to an outside XB cabin for \$230 Per person)
- **Meals per the itinerary** (Breakfast & Dinner daily; all meals on cruise)
- Services of a **Professional Tour Manager**
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person at hotels where available
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services except as noted below

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- **End of tour gratuity** for coach driver and tour manager
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (*This insurance is available and offered by Ed-Ventures.*)

Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Interim deposit of \$2,000 per person due on March 2, 2026. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure date (May 1, 2026). Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

Refund/Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 120 days before departure a \$100 administrative fee plus any airfare penalties will be assessed. From 119-46 days, a \$500 cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 45 days prior to departure will receive **no refund**.

Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.

Terms and Conditions

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