



**Benghazi European School**

**TRIP  
TO**

**ATHENS**

**&**

**ROME**

Under the auspices of the Greek Community

# EXPLORE THE BEAUTY OF ANCIENT CULTURE

## 4 days-December 8-11/2023



### Day 1-Friday December 8, 2023:

Arrival and transfer to our hotel in Athens, and after checking in our rooms we leave for a city tour.

### Day 2-Saturday December 9, 2023: Athens (City tour)

After breakfast, we will make our acquaintance with the capital of Greece the Acropolis Museum, one of the most important in the world, focused on the findings of the archaeological site of the Acropolis of Athens. The museum was built to house every artifact found on the rock and on the surrounding slopes, from the Greek Bronze Age to Roman and Byzantine Greece. We continue on foot through the pedestrian walkway of Dionysios Aeropagitis Street to Acropolis Rock. The "Holy Rock" of the Athenians is internationally renowned for its architectural masterpieces, including the Parthenon, a monument of astonishing simplicity and beauty; the Temple of Aterios Niki; and the Erechtheion, which was dedicated in 420 BC to Athena and Poseidon is beloved for its emblematic Caryatids. After that, we continue through the Apostolos Pavlos pedestrian street, we will admire the Ancient Market, the Thissio with the temple of Hephaestus, will wander in Monastiraki





and the street of Andrianos and will end up in Monastiraki square and entrance of Plaka. Free time for eating, shopping, and exploring the area.

Later visit the Hellenic Parliament, the National Mint, the Trilogy of Buildings, Syntagma Square, the Maximos Palace, the Presidential Palace, the Kallimarmaro Stadium, the Zappeion Palace, and end up to the National Garden.

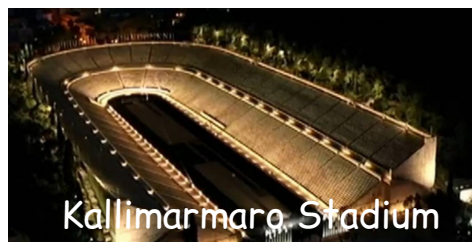
Later afternoon transfer to the hotel for rest . Dinner. Overnight.



Monastiraki Square



Zappeion Palace



Kallimarmaro Stadium



Sounio Cape

### Day 3-Sunday December 10, 2023: Athens – Sounio – THE MALL Athens.

Breakfast and departure for eastern Attica. Via the streets

of Markopoulos, Keratea Lavriou, we reach the cape of Sounio, one of the most beautiful sights of Attica, with the Temple of Poseidon. Built at the same time as the Parthenon, during the Golden Age of Pericles. Inside the temple, right in the center, there was an imposing statue of Poseidon, with a height of more than 6 meters. The rock rises almost vertically as if emerging from the sea and on its top stand the white marbles of the temple. On its backs, begins the national forest that spreads throughout the area, encompassing the small and long coasts.

Our next stop is the Designer Outlet Athens, where we will have free time for shopping and lunch.

Back to the hotel for rest. Dinner. Overnight.



### Day 4-Monday December 11, 2023: Athens – Rome

Breakfast and departure for Eleftherios Venizelos airport. Tickets checked and boarding the plane bound for Rome with the best impressions from our excursion.

# DISCOVERING THE ETERNAL CITY

## 5 days- December 11-15/2023



### Day 5-Monday December 11, 2023: Arrival in Rome

**18:30** – Arrival in **Rome** and check in at **HOTEL PACE HELVETIA or similar 4\***, located in Rome city centre, few steps from Piazza Venezia.

Dinner in a restaurant close to the hotel and overnight.

### Day 6-Tuesday December 12-2023: Ancient & Renaissance Rome

Breakfast at the hotel.

Departure for a **visit of “Ancient Rome”** conducted by 2 private licensed guides.

Departure from Piazza Venezia, dominated by the imposing Vittoriano, monument celebrating the Unification of Italy. Then we will proceed to the Campidoglio, centre of the city’s political life. After that we will see the Imperial Fora, the Colosseum, the Arch of Constantine, opera dedicated by the Senate and the people to Constantine in 315, The Palatine, ancient home of important people and emperors and, at the end, the Circus Maximum, the biggest location for entertainments ever built.



Lunch via box lunch provided by the hotel.

In the afternoon, guided walking tour to discover **Renaissance Rome** to include Spanish steps, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon (from outside), and Navona Square.

Rest of the afternoon at leisure.

Dinner in a restaurant close to the hotel and overnight.



## Day 7-Wednesday December 13, 2023: Treasure Hunt



Breakfast at the hotel.

This morning exciting Treasure Hunt with I-PADs.

Lunch via box lunch provided by the hotel.

In the afternoon, a Virtual Reality tour by bus created by Invisible Cities, an innovative start-up created by Arsénale 23 with the support of Linkem.

The experience tour, which offers a breathtaking journey of the Eternal City

between the Imperial Forums, the Colosseum, the Palatine Hill, the Circus Maximus, and the Theater of Marcellus, includes a 3D immersion with unique VR visor-free technology: all the reconstructions of the architecture are enjoyed directly on the OLED screens superimposed on the windows of the Bus and a system of motorized curtains allows you to admire the beauties of today and compare them with those of the past.

Dinner in a restaurant close to the hotel and overnight.



**NOTE:** Max. 12 guests per tour so group will be split in 5 scattered tours. According to availability tour may be offered to the groups in different days.

## Day 8 –Thursday December 14, 2023: Shopping

Breakfast at the hotel.

Departure from Hotel for **great shopping** at Mc Carthur Glenn Castel Romano outlet.

Lunch via box lunch provided by the hotel.

Return back to hotel after lunch. Rest of the day at leisure.

Dinner in a restaurant close to the hotel and overnight.



## Day 9 –Friday December 15, 2023: St. Peter's square and Basilica



Breakfast at the hotel and check out.

Luggage to be left in the hotel's storage room.

Departure via private motorcoach for a guided visit of "St Peter's Square and Basilica" which is not only this temple of Christendom a religious landmark, but it's a piece of art.

Lunch via box lunch provided by the hotel.

Rest of the afternoon at leisure.

In the late afternoon, departure from the Hotel via private motorcoach with assistance on board to Tunisia and we arrive to Benghazi at night.

The cost of the trip  
ROME - ATHENS is  
2500 EURO + 2500LYD

- Air Tickets
- VISA fees
- Accommodation expenses in  
4\* HOTELS AND HALF BOARD.

## The Athenian Callirhoe Exclusive Hotel 4\*



### **THE PRICE INCLUDES:**

Transfers and excursion services with private luxury 60-seater coaches for all schedules in Greece. (Tolls, parking, VAT and taxes included).

Check points, tolls, parking, VAT and taxes included.

03 Overnights in Athens in one of the above hotels.

03 buffet breakfasts.

- 03 dinners (3-course menu without pork).
- Twin rooms for the students.
- Accommodation Tax in Athens.
- English-speaking tour leader from our company in Athens.
- 01 official English tour guide of our office, throughout the excursion, for the Museums & Archaeological sites according to the schedule.
- Booking for the Acropolis Museum and the Archaeological site according to the schedule.
- Radio headset cost in the Acropolis Museum and the Archaeological site. Athens city tour.
- Half-day excursion to Sounio.
- Guided tour of the temple of Zeus.
- VAT.

### **THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE**

- Tips and portorage services.
- Any extra drinks, beverages or open choice meals. Everything that is not included in our offer.

## RECOMMENDED HOTEL IN ROME

### Hotel Santa Costanza 4\*



#### **THE PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Transfers by 60-seater GT coach
- Assistance during arrival and departure transfers
- Tours included in the itinerary conducted by professional guides;
- Entrance fees to the Colosseum;
- I-PAD treasure hunt
- Virtual Rome tour by bus

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- Entrance tickets to churches, theatres, sites of historical and tourist interest unless differently specified
- Extra meals and drinks
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