

# Split to Athens

12 days - Split, Dubrovnik, Tivat, Tirana, D<mark>ubro</mark>vnik, Ohrid, Kalambaka, Athens

## Itinerary

### Day 1 - Saturday: Arrive in Split, Croatia

On arrival at SPU airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The balance of the day is free. Meet your fellow travelers tonight at Welcome Dinner. (Dinner Included)

### Day 2 - Saturday: Explore Split

In the morning, enjoy a sightseeing tour featuring the historic inner city, built around the Roman Emperor **Diocletian's Palace**, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. Then see the remnants of Split's Roman heritage, its Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle, and the Cathedral. The rest of the day at leisure to stroll through the beautiful streets of Split, enjoy at the beach. (Breakfast Included) Optional **Excursion:** Jet Set spot of rich and famous – Island of Hvar.

### Day 3 - Saturday: Dubrovnik, Croatia

After arrival to Dubrovnik, transfer to your hotel. The balance of the day is free. Meet your fellow travelers tonight at Welcome Dinner. (**Dinner Included**)

### Day 4 - Sunday: Explore Dubrovnik

After the breakfast, walking tour of Old Dubrovnik visit the Rector's Palace, and see the Bell Tower Clock, Orlando's Column, Sponza Palace, the Dominican Monastery, and Franciscan Monastery with its **Pharmacy**, one of the oldest in the world. The rest of the day is free. (Breakfast Included) Optional Excursion: Home hosted Dubelj with dinner.

### Day 5 - Monday: Tivat, Montenegro

After breakfast, our journey takes us to Montenegro viewing Kotor Bay, the only South European fiord and tour of old town Kotor, a UNESCO heritage Site. On to Tivat for the night. (Breakfast & Dinner Included)

### Day 6 - Tuesday: Tirana, Albania

After breakfast we leave Tivat and drive via Budva and Bar towards town of Shkodra, nowadays a major Albanian cultural center. Shkodra was the center of the Illyrian tribe Labeat and was taken by the Romans in the year 168 B.C. We will see the **Rozafa Castle**, magnificently situated on a rocky outcrop of limestone high above the city. (**Breakfast** & **Dinner Included**)

#### Day 7 - Wednesday: Explore Tirana

On a Morning sightseeing tour, see Sheshi Skenderbej (Skanderbeg Square) the Mosque of Ethem Bey, the Clock Tower, and the statue of G.K. Skanderbeg, Albania's national hero; the Palace of Culture, built with Soviet assistance, and the **National History Museum** with a mosaic on its façade portraying Albanian history. Your afternoon is free to continue exploringon your own, shop, or simply just relax. (**Breakfast & Dinner**)

# Day 8 - Thursday: Ohrid, The Republic of North Macedonia

Drive to the lakeside resort of Ohrid, an important cultural and spiritual center, classified as UNESCO's World Heritage site. Enjoy sightseeing tour will take you strolling through the cobblestone streets of the old town. Visit the **Cathedral of St. Sofia**, containing some magnificent frescoes from the 10th century. **(Breakfast & Dinner Included)** 

### Day 9 - Friday: Kalambaka, Greece

After breakfast, admire the fantastic landscapes of Meteora, known as "the rocks that fell from the sky", where monks built their rock – top monasteries far away from civilization. Out of the 13 large and 20 small monasteries and hermit's cells, only four are now active. The most important is **Megalo of Great Meteoro**, of peculiar architecture with its tall and intricate dome, twelve sides and fine frescoes. (**Breakfast & Dinner Included**)



### Day 10 - Saturday: Athens, Greece

Your first stop is Delphi, where the famous Oracle once foretold the destiny of men. The **Temple of Apollo** in which the Oracle functioned, was built in the 6th century B.C. Also see the Sacred Way, the Stadium and the Castilian Fountain, where pilgrims cleansed themselves in preparation for consulting the Oracle. Visit the **Archaeological Museum of Delphi**, which contains an impressive collection of finds from the site, including the beautiful "Bronze Charioteer", before continuing to Athens. (**Breakfast & Dinner Included**)

### Day 11 - Sunday: Explore Athens

See the highlights of Athens this morning on a sightseeing tour. This cosmopolitan and bustling capital city is set amid reminders of a long and a glorious past: graceful temples, centuries – old monasteries and ornate Byzantine churches. Visit the immortal **Acropolis**, the Parthenon, said to be the most perfectly proportioned building of all time, Also, see the Erectheion with the Porch of the Maidens, the Temple of Athena Nike and the Wingless Victory. Below the Acropolis lies the Ancient Agora and the Theaters of Dionysus and Herodus Atticus. Your afternoon and evening are free. Join us for Farewell Taverna Dinner in the Plaka beside the Acropolis. (**Breakfast & Dinner Included**)

### Day 12 - Monday: Depart Athens

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight. (Breakfast Included)





### **Included Features:**

- First class hotels
- Arrival transfer Split airport to the hotel on day 1
- Departure transfer hotel to Athens airport on day 12
- Breakfast daily and 7 dinners
- Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional Tour Director throughout
- Luggage handling (1 pc per person)
- Whisper technology enhanced touring
- Service charges and hotel taxes

### Sightseeing Tours Included:

- Split
- Dubrovnik
- Kotor
- Tirana
- Ohrid
- Kalambaka
- Athens

### Hotels Included:

- Split: Hotel Corner (F) or similar
- Dubrovnik: Lacroma (F)/ Argosy (F) or similar
- Tivat: Palma (F) or similar
- Tirana: Colloseo (F) or similar
- Ohrid: Granit (F) or similar
- Kalambaka: Grand Meteora (F) or similar
- Athens: Stanley (F)/ Titania (F) or similar

K805DA 2023	maximum: 24 passengers	
Start:	End:	Per Person in Twin:
May 11, 2023	May 22, 2023	\$3,077
June 01, 2023	June 12, 2023	\$3,318
June 15, 2023	July 26, 2023	\$3,318
Aug 31, 2023	Sept 11, 2023	\$3,318
Sept 14, 2023	Sept 25, 2023	\$3,318
Oct 05, 2023	Oct 16, 2023	\$3,077
Single Room Supplement: \$1,015		

**Note:** Because of the narrow and cobbled streets, walking is the primary way of getting around. Please make sure you pack comfortable walking shoes.