

Dubrovnik, Croatia



10DDBVATH DUBROVNIK TO ATHENS - FROM ONE PEARL TO ANOTHER

10 days in Dubrovnik, Tivat, Tirana, Ohrid, Kalambaka, and Athens.

INCLUDED CITY TOURS

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

INCLUDED FEATURES

- First-class hotels
- Arrival transfer from Dubrovnik airport on Day 1
- Departure transfer to Athens airport on Day 10
- Daily breakfast and 6 dinners
- Professional English-Speaking Tour Director
- Licensed Local Guides
- Touring with modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Whisper technology for enhanced touring
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Entrance fees included where indicated in bold



TRIP ITINERARY

B - Breakfast | D - Dinner

Entrance fees included where indicated in bold.

Day 1 - Sunday: Arrive in Dubrovnik

You will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. There's time to relax before meeting your fellow travelers and Tour Director for a Welcome Dinner. (D)

Day 2 - Monday: Explore Dubrovnik

After breakfast, take a walking tour of Old Dubrovnik. Visit **Rector's Palace** and see the Bell Tower Clock, Orlando's Column, Sponza Palace, the Dominican Monastery, and the Franciscan Monastery with its **Pharmacy** - one of the oldest in the world. The rest of the day is free to continue exploring Dubrovnik. Otherwise, join an Optional Excursion to a home-hosted dinner in Dubelj. (B)

Day 3 - Tuesday: Continuing to Tivat

After breakfast, our journey takes us to Montenegro, with a view of Kotor Bay - the only South European fiord. Take a tour of the old town of Kotor, a UNESCO heritage Site. Continue to Tivat, Montenegro for the night. (B, D)

Day 4 - Wednesday: To Tirana

After breakfast, drive through Budva and Bar towards the town of Shkodra - a major Albanian cultural center. Shkodra was the center of the Illyrian tribe Labeat and was taken by the Romans in 168 B.C. View the **Rozafa Castle**, magnificently situated on a rocky outcrop of limestone high above the city. Continue the drive to Tirana, Albania. (B, D)

Day 5 - Thursday: Exploring 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. Visit 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 exploring. Visit local shops, restaurants, or simply relax. (B)

Day 6 - Friday: To Ohrid

Drive to the lakeside resort of Ohrid, Macedonia - an important cultural and spiritual center classified as UNESCO's World Heritage site. Enjoy a sightseeing tour through the cobblestone streets of the old town. Visit the **Cathedral of St. Sofia**, containing some magnificent frescoes from the 10th century. (B, D)

Ohrid, North Macedonia



Athens, Greece



Kalambaka, Greece



Day 7 - Saturday: 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. We will visit either **Roussanou or the Great Meteoro***. Continue to Kalambaka, Greece for dinner and an overnight stay. (B, D)

Day 8 - Sunday: To Athens

Your first stop is Delphi - where the famous Oracle once foretold the destiny of men. Visit the **temple of Apollo** which was built in the 6th century. Visit the Sacred Way, the Stadium, and the Castalian 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. Continue our journey to Athens. (B)

Day 9 - Monday: Explore Athens

Begin the day with a sightseeing tour of the highlights of Athens, Greece. Visit the **Acropolis**, the Parthenon - said to be the most perfectly proportioned building of all time. Next, visit the Erechtheion 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. The rest of the day is free to continue exploring on your own. In the evening, join us for a Farewell Taverna Dinner in the Plaka - located beside the Acropolis. (B, D)

Day 10 - Tuesday: Depart Athens

After breakfast, check out from your hotel and transfer to Athens airport for your departure. (B)

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

INCLUDED HOTELS

- **Dubrovnik** - Lero (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 simila

DATES & PRICING - 10DDBVATH

Start:	End:	Per Person in Twin:
March 31	April 9	\$2,595
May 12	May 21	\$2,779
June 23	July 2	\$2,879
August 4	August 13	\$2,979
September 15	September 24	\$2,979
Single Room Supplement		\$780