PRIVATE TOURS GREECE

(0.40) - Argolis - Messene - Olympia - Delphi / Meteora 6 Days Private Tour



CORINTH CANAL - EPIDAURUS - NAFPLIO - MYCENAE - KALAMATA - MESSENE - BASSAE - OLYMPIA - DELPHI - METEORA

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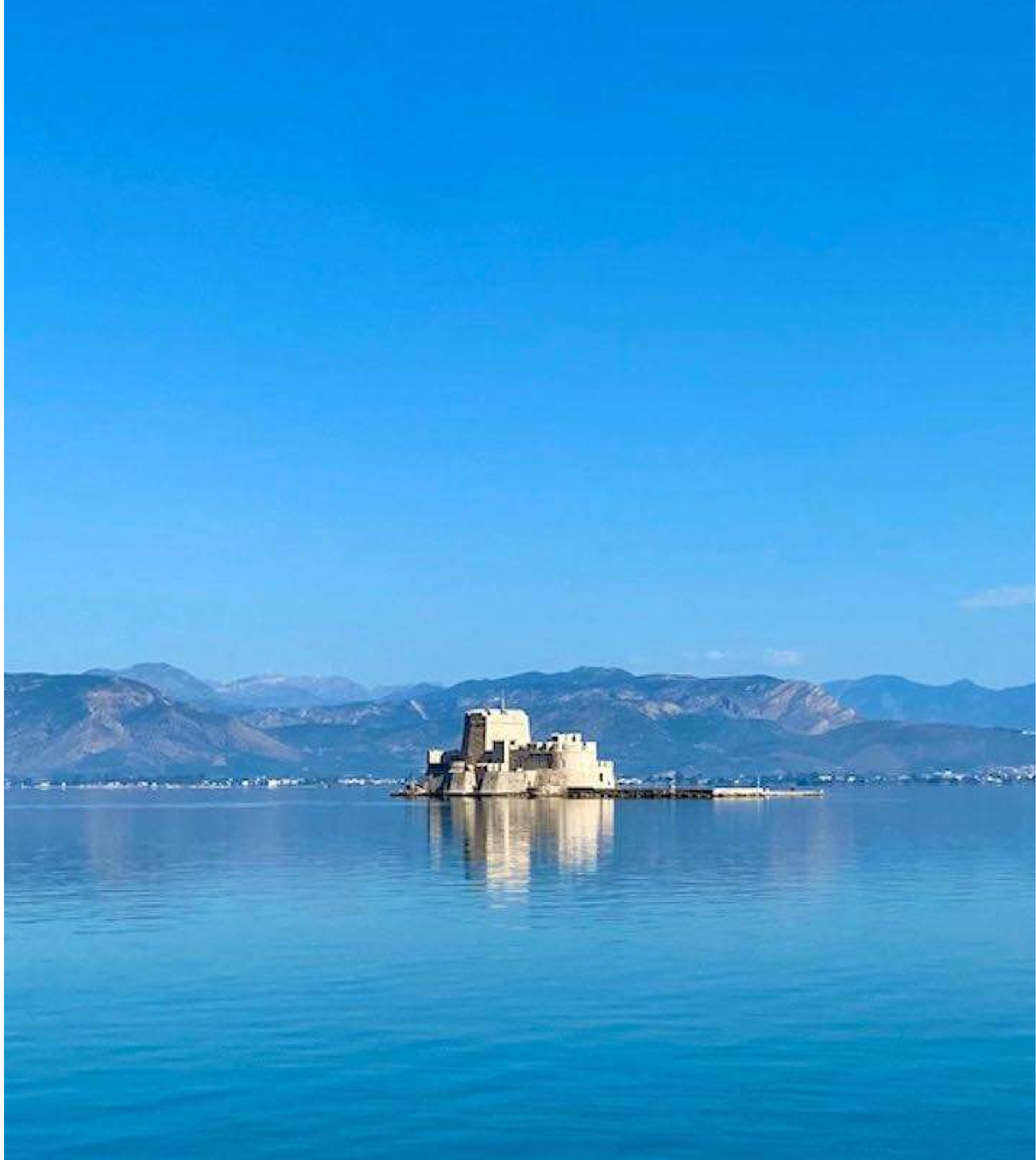
HIGHLIGHTS

- *Isthmus of Corinth (Corinth Canal)*
- *Ancient Theatre of Epidaurus*
- *Nafplio*
- *Mycenae*
- *Ancient Messene*
- *Kalamata • Bassae - Temple of Epikourios Apollon*
- *Olympia*
- *Archaeological site of Olympia • Olympic Museum*
- *Archaeological Museum of Olympia*
- *Technological Museum of Archimedes*
- *Delphi*
- *Temple of Apollo and the Archaeological site of Delphi*
- *Meteora • Monasteries of Meteora*
- *Battlefield of Thermopylae / Statue of King Leonidas*



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DAY 1: ATHENS – CORINTH CANAL – EPIDAURUS – NAFPLIO

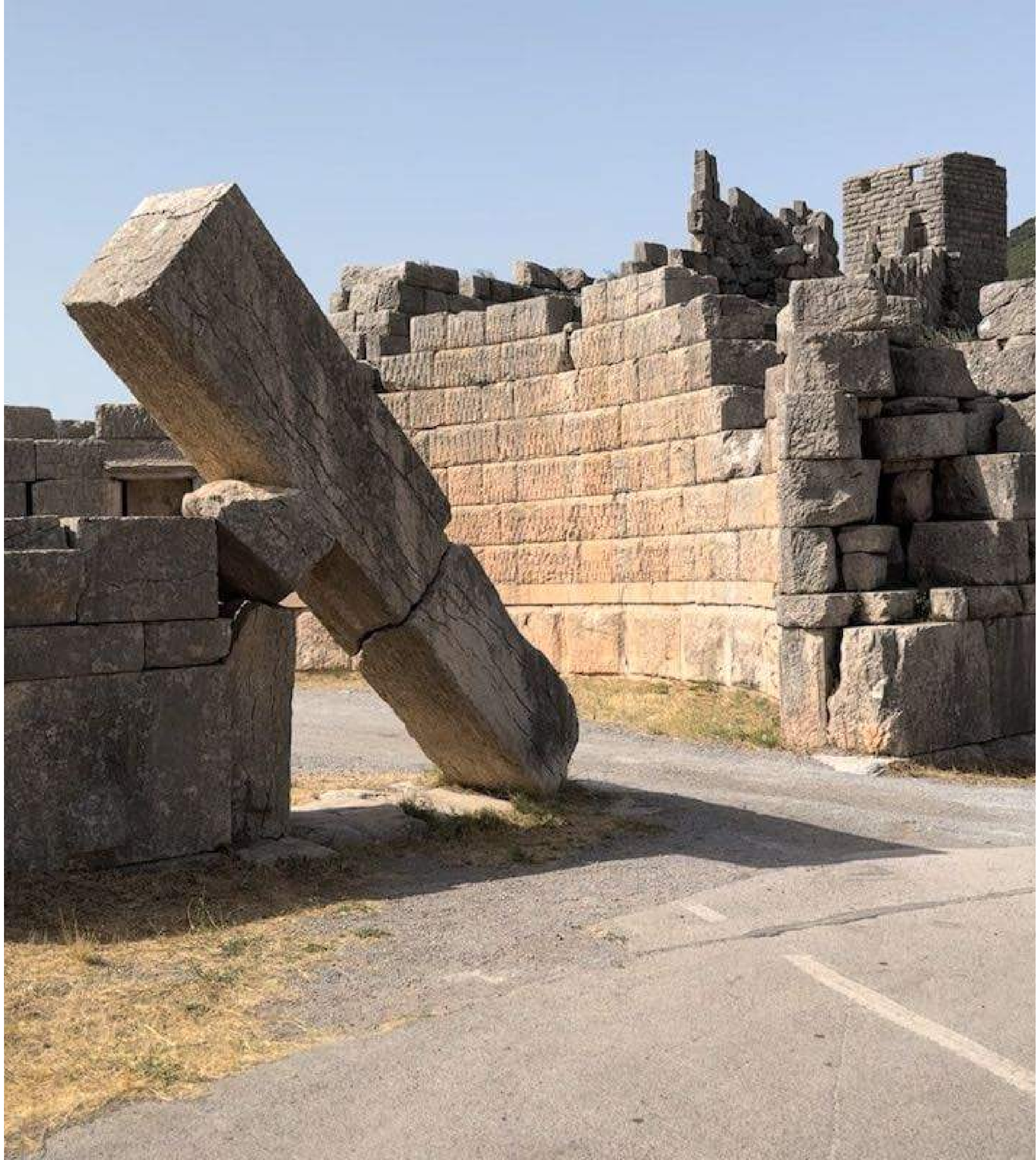
Our driver will pick you up from your hotel, then leave Athens and drive towards the Peloponnese. After a quick stop at the Corinth Canal, we will drive to our next visit to the Archaeological site of Epidaurus, where we'll visit the famous Theatre, renowned for its incredible acoustics, and the archaeological site of Asclepion, an ancient hospital and sanctuary dedicated to the god of medicine, Asclepius. The next stop will be the City of Nafplio, the first Capital of Modern Greece for a few years after Greece gained independence from the Ottoman Empire. Have lunch in the Old City and then explore the tourist area, characterized by its narrow streets, in this traditional part of Nafplio. We will spend the night in Nafplio.

DAY 2: NAFPLIO – MYCENAE – ANCIENT MESSENE - KALAMATA

The next day, we will drive to the Archaeological site of Mycenae, where we will visit the Palace of Agamemnon, the Museum, and the Treasury of Atreus. After this visit, we'll drive to the Archaeological site of Ancient Messene. Our final stop will be the city of Kalamata, where we can have lunch and visit the center and the Old Town. We will stay overnight in Kalamata.

DAY 3: KALAMATA – BASSAE / TEMPLE OF EPIKOURIOS APOLLON - OLYMPIA

The next day, we will visit the Archaeological site of Bassae and the Temple of Epikourios Apollon, also known as the Second Parthenon. In this bare, rocky landscape, 1131 meters above sea level, the people of Phigaleia founded a sanctuary in honor of Apollo. A sacred road connected the sanctuary with the city, nearly thirteen kilometers away. The sanctuary was dominated by one of the most imposing monuments of ancient Greece: the Temple of Apollo Epikourios, whose cult was established in the late eighth to early seventh century BC. The next stop will be the village of Olympia, where we will spend the night.



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DAY 4: OLYMPIA - DELPHI

The next day, we will visit the archaeological site, the stadium where the ancient Olympic games were held, and the two museums on the site, the Archaeological Museum and the Olympic Museum. Also, we can visit the Technological Museum of Archimedes in the village of Olympia. After our visit, we can have lunch in Olympia and then drive to Patra, and over the suspended bridge of Rio, the longest in Europe (3,200 m), cross over to Mainland Greece, and have a short stop at the picturesque city of Nafpaktos before we carry on the coastal road of the Corinthian Gulf, one of the most beautiful and scenic roads in the World, with a final stop the village of Delphi, where we'll spend the night.

DAY 5: DELPHI – ARACHOVA - METEORA

The following day, the first stop will be the Archaeological site of Delphi, which includes the Temple of Apollo, the most famous Oracle of the Ancient World for more than 16 centuries, the Theater, the Stadium that hosted the athletic events of Pythia, and the Archaeological Museum. Delphi has been listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987. After visiting the site, you can enjoy a traditional lunch in the village of Delphi. Later, we'll drive to the picturesque Arachova for a quick stop before crossing the Holy Mountain of Parnassus towards Meteora, a place uniquely sculpted by nature. We'll stay overnight in the Town of Kalambaka, nestled beneath the Mountain, and view the spectacular sight of the rocky Mountain lit by night.

DAY 6: METEORA – THERMOPYLAE - ATHENS

After breakfast, we will visit a few monasteries that perch atop magnificent rocks reaching up to 600 m. UNESCO recognized the monasteries of Meteora as a unique cultural phenomenon and inscribed them on the World Heritage List in 1988. After our visit, we can have lunch in the Town of Kalambaka and then return to Athens with a short stop at the memorial of the battlefield of Thermopylae and the monument of the Spartan King Leonidas, who fought with his 300 men and the 700 Thespians of Demophilos, against hundreds of thousands of Persians, and all the Greeks were killed. In the late afternoon, we will arrive back in Athens.









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