

Athens, Greece

PRE-CRUISE VACATION STRETCHER
OCTOBER 2025



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Welcome to Athens!

Named after Athena, the Greek goddess of wisdom, and home to the Acropolis, a UNESCO World Heritage site, Athens is more than worthy of your extra attention before you begin your seven-day Greek Isles Luxury Cruise. Choose one of our pre-cruise Vacation Stretches—either 3-nights or 1-night at the luxury 5-star boutique hotel, the Athens Capital Center Hotel, Mgallery Collection—complete with our custom schedule of tours, which are sure to show you the best of what Athens has to offer. We've chosen an excellent tour operator in Athens, and you will be able to explore Athens exclusively in the company of other Olivians!

We have a limited number of pre-cruise Vacation Stretcher packages available, and we expect them to sell out quickly. DEADLINE TO BOOK: May 30, 2025 or until sold out.

3-NIGHT ATHENS (OCTOBER 15-18, 2025)

\$1,729 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM

\$2,499 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY—RUN OF HOUSE ROOM

INCLUDED

- 3-night stay at the Athens Capital Center Hotel – MGallery Collection (October 15-18)
- Hotel check-in is at 3 pm on October 15; checkout is at 11 am on October 18
- Full buffet breakfast (October 16, 17, and 18)
- Full-day tour to the Temple of Poseidon and Papagiannakos Winery, with lunch (October 16)
- Athens Scenic City Tour and Acropolis Museum, with lunch (October 17)
- Acropolis and Archaeological Museum with transfer to ship (October 18)
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Hotel luggage portorage
- All entrance fees, tours in deluxe air-conditioned motor coaches, bottled water on coaches, audio headsets, and professional English-speaking guides and drivers
- Team Olivia assistance throughout

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare; transfer from airport to hotel; gratuities to guides and drivers; meals where not listed

ACTIVITY LEVEL REQUIREMENTS – IMPORTANT

Our included tours feature walking on uneven surfaces, stairs, and some uphill climbs, particularly at historic sites like the Acropolis and other archaeological locations. Many of the sites visited have cobblestone pathways, gravel terrain, and limited handrails, making them challenging for those with mobility restrictions.

Guests must be able to:

- Walk on uneven ground and inclined surfaces.
- Navigate multiple flights of stairs without elevators.
- Stand for extended periods of time during guided tours.

Unfortunately, due to the terrain, we are unable to accommodate guests who require wheelchairs, scooters, or extensive mobility assistance. While we strive to be as inclusive as possible, accessibility in Greece can be limited, and many historical sites do not offer alternative routes for guests with limited mobility. If you have any concerns about your ability to participate, **please reach out to our team** to discuss whether these excursions will be a comfortable and enjoyable experience for you. We want to ensure all guests have the best experience possible while exploring these incredible destinations!

1-NIGHT ATHENS (OCTOBER 17-18, 2025)

\$559 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY – RUN OF HOUSE ROOM

\$799 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY – RUN OF HOUSE ROOM

INCLUDED

- 1-night stay at the **Athens Capital Center Hotel – MGallery Collection** (October 17)
- Hotel check-in is at 3 pm on October 17; checkout is at 11 am on October 18
- Full buffet breakfast (October 18)
- Acropolis and Archaeological Museum with transfer to ship (October 18)
- Round-trip hotel luggage portage
- All entrance fees, tours in deluxe air-conditioned motor coaches, bottled water on coaches, audio headsets, and professional English-speaking guides and drivers
- Team Olivia assistance throughout

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- Airfare; transfer from airport to hotel; meals where not listed

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ABOUT YOUR TOURS

Temple of Poseidon



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Papagiannakos Winery



OCTOBER 16, 2025—TEMPLE OF POSEIDON AND PAPAGIANNAKOS WINERY & LUNCH (3-night package)

Today, you will have a chance to experience the highlights of the Attica region as you depart from your hotel towards Cape Sounion, the southernmost point of the Attica region where the famous Temple of Poseidon lies. Made entirely of white marble, and perched atop the dramatic cliffs, the temple was built in the middle of the 5th century BC and is surrounded the by sea on three sides.

After visiting Cape Sounion and the Temple built in honor of Poseidon, god of the sea, you will board your coach for a drive to one of the most well known wineries of the Attic peninsula. Located in the Mesogeia wine region, Papagiannakos Winery is a family-owned winery that has more than 100 years of history.

Famous for their Savatiano, the region's native varietal, the winery also produces small amounts of Malagouzia, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Agirorgitiko. All these varietals thrive in this hot, dry region with 320 days of sunshine and breezes from the nearby Aegean Sea.

The winery is dedicated to the pure essence of wine and follows innovative methods of bioclimatic architecture, a way of designing the winery based on the local climate, with the aim of ensuring thermal comfort using environmental resources. Here, we will enjoy a wine tour and tasting before enjoying lunch together.

After the wine tasting experience, you will board your coach for the ride back to your hotel in Athens.

Athens, Greece



Parliament Building



Acropolis Museum



OCTOBER 17, 2025—ATHENS SCENIC CITY TOUR, ACROPOLIS MUSEUM & LUNCH (3-night package)

For those visiting Athens for the first time, this 4-½-hour tour is a wonderful introduction to one of the great cities of the ancient world. See the marble stadium built in 144 AD and excavated in 1896 to serve as the home for the modern Olympic Games, in 1896 and again in 2004. Catch a view of the Parliament Building, which stands proudly on Constitution Square with its colorful *evzones*—ceremonial presidential guards—protecting the Monument to the Unknown Soldier.

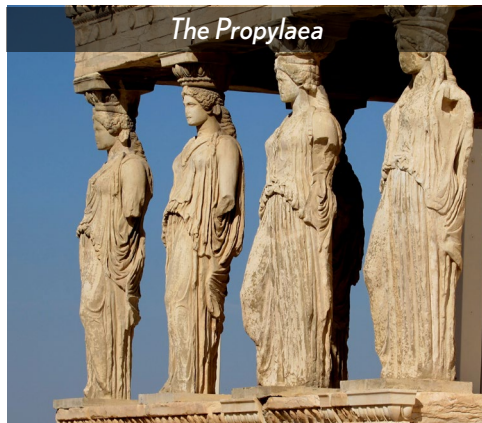
Your scenic tour of Athens will continue to the Acropolis Museum, home to nearly 4,000 artifacts found at the Acropolis dating from between the Greek Bronze Age and Byzantine periods.

After visiting the museum, stroll through the Plaka, the old district of Athens with its numerous cafes, restaurants, and souvenir shops. Enjoy a guided walking tour of this beautiful area before tucking into a traditional Greek souvlaki lunch. After lunch, choose to return to our hotel with our guide, or stay in the Plaka for some time at leisure and make your own way back to the hotel.

Acropolis



The Propylaea



Porch of Maidens, the Caryatids



OCTOBER 18, 2025—ACROPOLIS & ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

Board your deluxe air-conditioned motor coach for a short drive to the National Archaeological Museum, one of the world’s great museums. With more than 11,000 exhibits, it provides a panorama of Greek civilization from the beginnings of Prehistory to Late Antiquity.

Then continue your drive to the Acropolis, a symbol of the glory of ancient Greece. Climb its smooth marble steps as visitors have for centuries. History opens before you as you reach one of the masterpieces of classical architecture, the Propylaea, which serves as the entrance to the complex. See the Temple of Athena Nike, or Wingless Victory, and the Erechtheum with its classical Porch of Maidens, the Caryatids.

Stand in awe of what is considered the most perfect example of classical architecture in the world, the Parthenon, designed as a shrine to Athena and at one time housing a massive gold and ivory statue of the warrior goddess. Looking down from the Acropolis see the two ancient theaters in its shadow—the Greek theater of Dionysus where the masterpieces of Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, and Aristophanes debuted to delighted audiences, and the grand Roman theater of Herod Atticus, restored and used for concerts and classical plays during the summer Athens Festival. After our full visit to the Acropolis, board your coach and drive to Piraeus port for embarkation on the beautiful *Azamara Pursuit*.

ABOUT YOUR HOTEL

Athens Capital Center Hotel—MGallery



Mappemonde Restaurant Bar & Lounge



Run of House Room



ATHENS CAPITAL CENTER HOTEL—MGALLERY COLLECTION

With breathtaking views of the fabled Acropolis, and nestled in Athens's upmarket Kolonaki district, this luxury 5-star hotel is in an unrivalled spot for discovering the cradle of Western civilization. Step out onto Syntagma Square, a site of historical interest with its neoclassical Old Royal Palace housing the Hellenic Parliament, its ceremonial Presidential Guard and its famed Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Around the hotel, enjoy high-end boutiques, trendy bars, art galleries, and the picturesque Plaka neighborhood.

On-site amenities include Mappemonde Restaurant Bar & Lounge (with breathtaking panoramic views), MFlavours Restaurant, fitness studio, and outdoor swimming pool.

In-room amenities include LED television, hair dryer, safe, complimentary wifi, turndown service, complimentary bottle of water, coffee/tea maker, espresso machine, blackout curtains, minibar, robe and slippers, and iron and ironing board.

NEED MORE INFO? READY TO BOOK?

Our Travel Consultants can be reached from the US at 800-631-6277 x1 or from outside the US at 415-962-5700 x1. Due to high demand, our Vacation Stretchers sell out very quickly!

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Cancellation Policy: Olivia Companies, LLC is required to honor their contractual agreements with hotels, ground operators, and other outside vendors; therefore, the following cancellation fees apply: All Vacation Stretcher packages are non-refundable. A handling fee of \$75 will be charged for any name changes to hotel and tour packages. Your booking/payment for Vacation Stretchers with Olivia Companies, LLC indicates your compliance with the above policies.

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