

HALF DAY TOUR ATHENS CITY

1) ACRO-POLIS

- Acropolis is an archeological wonder! The Acropolis of the 5th century B.C. was inhabited from Pericles who coordinated the construction of the Parthenon-the Propylea-the Erechthion and the temple of Athena Nike.
- The name of Acropolis is from the Greek words "acron" edge and "Polis" city.

2) PARTHENON

- Parthenon was built in the middle of 5th century B.C.
- It was built by the architects Ictinus and Callicratis.
- Parthenon dedicated to the Goddess Athena who was a patron of Athens.

3) PANATHENAIC STADIUM

- Is a multi-purpose stadium in Athens. It is the only stadium in the world which built of marble.
- It was built in 330 B.C. by the Statesman Lykourgos for the panathenaic games. The stadium was excavated in 1869 and hosted the Zappas Olympics in 1870. In 1896 and 2004 was the Olympics games. Also it is the finishing point for the Athens Marathon.

4) TEMPLE OF ZEUS

- The temple of Olympian Zeus was dedicated to the Goddess Dias his position as heas of the Olympian Gods. Construction began in the 6th century B.C. by Pesistratous. The temple was not finished until the emperor Hadrian completed in 2th century A.D.
- Originally there were 104 columns and today only 15.

5) HADRIAN ARCH

- Hadrian Arch was built in 131 A.D. by the Roman emperor Hadrian as part of a wall separating the old and new cities of Athens. The gate is 18 meters and was made from Pentelikon marble.
- He was king and he was lovely in the Athens.

6) GREEK PARLIAMENT

- Greek Parliament is the unicameral legislature of Greece, located in the Old Royal Palace and overlooking Syntagma Square in Athens.
- The parliament is the supreme democratic institution that represents the citizens through an elected body of Members of Parliament.

7) CHANGING OF THE GUARDS

- The change of the guards takes place every hour by the military unit whose members stand proudly in perfect stillness in front of the Parliament.
- Every Sunday morning at 11 am, you can watch the official ceremony of changing of the guards with the official dresses.

8) NATIONAL LIBRARY

- The mission of the National Library of Greece is to locate, collect, organize, describe and preserve the perpetual evidence of Greek culture and its uptake over time, as well as important representative evidence of human intellectual production.
- It was founded by Ioannis Kapodistrias who was the first Governor of state of Greece in period of 1827-1831.

9) LYCABETTUS HILL

- Lycabettus Hill is at 277 meters (908 feet) above sea level, its summit is the highest point in Central Athens and pine trees cover its base. The name also refers to the residential neighbourhood immediately below the east of the hill.
- The hill is a tourist destination and can be ascended by the Lycabettus Funicular, a funicular railway which climbs the hill from a lower terminus at Kolonaki. At its two peaks are the 19th century Chapel of St. George, a theatre, and a restaurant.