

Discover Athens

Athens is considered Europe's historical capital and one of the world's emblematic cities. As the birthplace of democracy, arts, science and philosophy of western civilization, its history spans around 3.400 years!

Attending **ESPNIC 2023** is a great opportunity to explore this amazing city and enjoy its perfect Mediterranean climate. Immerse yourself in Greece's proud and passionate capital.



1. Monastiraki

The Old Town market district Monastiraki is a favorite among tourists. Though souvenirs dominate its storefronts, there's plenty on offer for every taste!



2. Parthenon

More than the ruins of an old temple, the Parthenon is an icon of Western civilization, making it the site of Athens' most essential tours!



3. Odeon of Herodes Atticus

Many of Ancient Athens' most important buildings were erected

in the Acropolis to protect them from invasion. Although ancient most still look pretty good for their age!



4. Erechtheion

Built on the site where legend tells Poseidon and Athena competed to be the city's patron god, the Erechtheion was once considered more holy than the Parthenon!



5. Acropolis Museum

The Acropolis, now mostly in ruin is a monument to Athens' former glory. More than 4,000 objects excavated from the area can now be seen at the Acropolis Museum!



6. National Archaeological Museum

Widely considered to be one of the best museums in the world, the National Archaeological Museum of Athens boasts many of Greece's most important artifacts.



7. Syntagma Square

Named after the Greek Constitution of 1844, the grand Syntagma Square at the foot of the Old Royal Palace has been the epicenter of Greek politics ever since!



8. Temple of Olympian Zeus

Once considered the epitome of Doric architecture, the

important temple Olympieion was home to the gold Statue of Zeus – one of the original Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.



9. Temple of Athena Nike

Nike is the Ancient Greek word for victory, and the prominently placed Temple of Athena Nike on the Acropolis was built to aid the Athenian Empire's wars against Sparta.



10. Plaka

This historic district at the foot of the Acropolis is also known as the ``Neighborhood of the Gods.`` Plaka is a great place to wander around and maybe even see an archaeological dig!

Discover the Taste of Athens

There is a food revolution going on in Athens and some of its best food can be found on the streets, in traditional tavernas as well as the more polished neo-tavernas that are a growing trend in the city. Whether you prefer fine-dining or experiencing the vibrant flavors of local tavernas, Athens has something to offer every taste. Olive oil, vegetables, fish and feta are key ingredients in Greek cuisine and make every meal an experience.

Take a historic tour and explore the charming old-style neighborhoods of Athens.

The city's public transportation network offers a wide variety of routes, combining many different means, namely the metro, railway, buses, trolleybuses, and trams.

Visit the [following website](#) for information about the different transportation services and their cost. We have collected a couple of useful resources and links to make your journey more organized and help you select your hot spots. Enjoy!

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