

ITALY & GREECE

With Wiggle Tours & Mike Powers

October 16 – 29, 2010

Discover two vibrant Mediterranean countries—Italy and Greece—on one exciting vacation. Begin your trip in Rome, Italy’s capital, with a guided sightseeing tour that includes visits to the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. Next, follow the coastline of the Tyrrhenian Sea to Pisa to marvel at its Leaning Tower. Then spend two nights in Florence, “Cradle of the Renaissance,” and join the walking tour of the historical center. See Juliet’s famous balcony from Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet in Verona.

Spend two nights in Venice, enjoy a canal boat ride to St. Mark’s Square, and marvel at the elaborate architecture of the cathedral and the palaces. In Ancona, on the shores of the Adriatic Sea, board an overnight ferry to Patras in Greece. In Greece, visit Olympia, the impressive ruins of Mycenae, and see the Corinth Canal. In Athens, Greece’s ancient capital, the Acropolis and its fascinating museum are part of the included sightseeing tour.



Trip Itinerary

The meals listed are as follows: **MEALS - (B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner**

October 16, Sat. BOARD YOUR OVERNIGHT TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT

October 17. Tour. Day 1 Sun. Arrival in Rome Check into your hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to explore Italy's ancient capital. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers.

October 18. Day 2 Mon. A day on your own in ROME , ITALY. We'll have optional tours. or you can rest and see the city at your leisure.

October 19. Day 3 Tue. ROME

Included sightseeing with a Local Guide starts in St. Peter's Square, followed by a visit to the **Roman Forum** and the mighty **Colosseum**. (B)

October 20. Day 4 Wed. ROME-PISA

-FLORENCE
AREA

Vistas of undulating hills, austere rows of cypress trees, terraced vineyards, olive groves, and rural villages form the backdrop of your journey through beautiful **Tuscany**. Take a break in Pisa to see the Square of Miracles and the amazing Leaning Tower, then on to the Florence area. (B)

October 21. Day 5 Thurs. FLORENCE

This Renaissance gem and city of the Medicis will keep you enthralled for a whole day. Traffic is banned in part of the historic center so visitors can wander at leisure and admire the city's timeless beauty in relative peace and quiet. Don't miss out on the included walking tour with a Local Guide, which features most of the city highlights. You will see the Piazza Santa Croce; the beautiful Piazza Signoria; the Palazzo Vecchio and its courtyard; the Loggia dei Lanzi; and, to top it all, the Piazza del Duomo and its cathedral with the Giotto Campanile, and the magnificent East Door of the Baptistry known as the "Gate of Paradise." End the day by joining the optional Tuscan dinner in a typical restaurant. (B,D)

October 22. Day 6 Fri. FLORENCE AREA-VENICE

AREA

An interesting journey today northwards for a first stop in enchanting Verona to see the legendary balcony of *Romeo and Juliet*. Just a few more miles eastwards to Venice. (B)

October 23. Day 7 Sat. VENICE

Venice is more like a marvelous film set than a real live city, with its criss-crossing canals, gondolas and water buses, arched bridges, palaces, and little quiet *piazze*. The included orientation starts with a boat ride and is followed by time at leisure and a chance to watch Venetian glassblowers fashion their delicate objects as they did centuries ago. Don't miss out on the optional gondola trip, gliding along the picturesque canals with a local troubadour to serenade you. (B,D)

October 24. Day 8 Sun. VENICE AREA-ANCONA (EMBARKATION)

Start the day by journeying across the flatlands of the Po Delta to medieval Ravenna. Next, reach Ancona on the shores of the Adriatic. Here, in the afternoon, you embark on the ferry for the crossing to Patras. (B)

October 25. Day 9 Mon. PATRAS, GREECE (DISEMBARKATION)-OLYMPIA

Plenty of time to enjoy all the ship's facilities. Disembark this afternoon in Patras. Drive south into the Peloponnese for an overnight in Olympia. (B,D)

October 26. Day 10 Tue. OLYMPIA-TOLON

Make the most of this morning by taking the optional tour of the sights of ancient Olympia, including the ruins of the Temple of Zeus. In the afternoon, enjoy the rugged scenery of the Peloponnese on the way via Tripolis to Tolon. (B,D)

October 27. Day 11 Wed. TOLON-MYCENAE-ATHENS

Morning visit with a Local Guide to the impressive ruins of Mycenae. Later, stop to view the Corinth Canal, which was built between 1881 and 1893. Overnight in Athens. (B)

October 28th Day 12 Thu. ATHENS

Join the included sightseeing tour of Athens featuring the highlights of the ancient capital and a visit to the Acropolis. Explore the shops and museums or take a trip to the coast to swim. In the evening enjoy the lively atmosphere of the tavernas and nightclubs in the old Plaka district with its narrow streets and sound of *bouzouki* music, or join an optional Greek dinner. (B)

October 29th Day 13 Fri. YOUR HOMEBOUND FLIGHT ARRIVES THE SAME DAY


or Post Tour Option for Three Day Cruise:

(B)

October 29th. Day 13. Fri. ATHENS-PIRAEUS (Embarkation)-MYKONOS 

Board your cruise ship. Afternoon cruising in the Aegean on your way to Mykonos with its white houses, chapels, and thatched windmills. Late-evening departure for Rhodes. (B,L,D)

October 30th Day 14. Sat. RHODES

Morning arrival in Rhodes, the largest of the Dodecanese Islands with its fine walled town and lush vegetation. Don't miss the optional excursion to the town and the Acropolis of Lindos. Evening departure for **Kusadasi** 

. (B,L,D)

October 31. Day 15. Sun. PATMOS-KUSADASI, TURKEY

This morning, sail to Patmos, the beautiful island where John the Divine wrote the *Revelation*. Optional excursion to the Monastery of St. John. Next, across the Aegean to the landlocked Gulf of Kusadasi on the coast of Turkey. Join the optional excursion to the ancient ruins of Ephesus. Later, depart for Piraeus. (B,L,D)

November 1. Day 16 Mon. PIRAEUS, GREECE (Disembarkation)-ATHENS

Early morning arrival at the famous port of Piraeus. After disembarkation, continue to Athens for an overnight. (B)

November 2. Day 17 Tue. YOUR HOMEBOUND FLIGHT ARRIVES THE SAME DAY (B)

Hotel Information:

HOTELS - (F) First-Class (ST) Superior Tourist-Class (T) Tourist Class

Rome Caravel (ST), **Florence Area** Europa (ST) at Signa, **Venice Area** Albatros (F) at Mestre, **Olympia** Olympia Palace (F), **Tolon** Flisvos (ST), **Athens** Coral (F)

Rate Information:

\$2985 Per Person provides all this:

A bus to the Newark Airport/ Round Trip

The Tour Itinerary as Listed / Meals and Tours as

listed

Experienced local tour guides

Airfare from Newark to Rome / and return from Athens to Newark

Advance personalized planning for your tour

Air Taxes and Fees

WIGGLE TOURS
ITALY AND GREECE TOUR OCT 16-29 2010
REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Minimum Deposit Due is \$500 per person. Final payment due by August 1, 2010.

Please fill in and mail this registration form.

Your Name(s): _____

Your Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

My deposit is enclosed in the amount of

\$ _____

Check # _____

Please charge my credit card for trip deposit of

\$ _____

Card # _____

Exp Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Cancellation Penalties: Listed by Globus/Cosmos. Penalties apply at final payment date as listed. Travel Insurance is recommended. Travel insurance once paid is nonrefundable. **Proof of Citizenship:** A passport is required for this trip. Non US citizens consult their consulate.

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Please let us know if you have any special needs (dietary, medical, machines you travel with, bedding requests, etc):

I have read all of the details for this trip. It is my responsibility to inform others in my party of trip details, including trip protection and proof of citizenship. The above information includes correct spelling of all names

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

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Added Notes and Information:

Supplement for single room:
\$500

No triple room reduction.

Single accommodation not available on Ancona-Patras ferry: singles will be asked to share.

Combination guaranteed shares on land and triple cabin on Greek cruise not available.

Not included in the vacation price or subject to change:

Federal inspection fees for the Federal U.S. Customs and Immigrations; International Air Transportation tax; agricultural tax; other per person taxes imposed by government entities; airport taxes and fees including the September 11th Security fee up to \$10 per person, Passenger facility charges up to \$18 per person, Federal domestic flight segment fees up to \$3.50 per segment and U.S. and International arrival and departure, and other government imposed fees up to \$300 per person; port taxes; passports; visas and vaccinations; tips to your Tour or Cruise Director, Local Host, driver, Local Guides, and/or ships' crew; gratuities on ferries, trains, and cruise ships; laundry; telephone; minibar; alcohol, beverages, and food outside of the contracted Cosmos menu as presented at a hotel or restaurant (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel, ship, or restaurant); optional excursions; airport transfers on non-qualifying flights; portage at airports and train stations; Travel Protection premiums; excess baggage fees; and all other items of a personal nature. Wiggle Tours and its parent companies, agents, and travel suppliers are not responsible for and do not assume any liability for injury, damage, death, loss, accident, omissions, delays, re-routing, or additional expenses. Cruise and Airline cost and schedule subject to change by the tour company, cruise line and airline. Rights retained for substitution by travel suppliers.



Optional Excursions Are Available !! :

Here's a list of some of our optional excursions you can enjoy during your vacation. Whether it's a special dinner, a local show or a special behind-the-scenes glimpse into an historical site, optional excursions are a wonderful way to enrich your vacation even further. Plus, they give you flexibility. We include the must-see sites and experiences, and we also understand that people take interest in different activities and may want to craft a more personal vacation by hand-picking optional excursions that appeal to them.

CITY: Athens

Greek Show

Your 20 minute coach drive takes you to an authentic Greek night club, situated in Pireaus. This nightspot provides excellent food and service, with non stop entertainment including traditional dances in costumes (you will be invited to join in), live orchestra and singers. The show finishes at 11:30 p.m. when you return to your hotel by coach.

Approximate value: EUR €55 per person

A Taste Of Athens Grand European Tour

First by coach into the centre of Athens where you will pick up the ?train? which will take you at a leisurely pace for about 20 minutes around the old part of Athens, the ?Plaka? ? a good way to get a first impression of the layout, shops and points of interest. Re-board your coach to continue to a Taverna for a Greek feast with unlimited local wine. On the way back to the hotel view the illuminated Acropolis. Approximate value: EUR €50 per person

CITY: Florence**Tuscan Flavours**

A lovely typical meal in the Tuscan countryside. La Certosa Restaurant is situated in front of the Charterhouse of Florence, which was built in the 13th century and formed from the old chemist of the Monks. The historical residence enjoys an enchanting and privileged panoramic position. Approximate value: EUR €50 per person

Uffizi Gallery

Admire the world's greatest collection of Italian and Florentine art. The gallery exhibits works by Leonardo da Vinci, Botticelli and Michelangelo. Approximate value: EUR €30 per person

CITY: Olympia En Route**Olympia Archaeological Site**

This ancient site is the most famous of Greek sanctuaries, where Zeus was worshipped and where his ivory and gold statue was counted among the Seven Wonders of the World. Olympic Games were held here between 776 BD and 393 AD. Your local guide will bring Olympia back to life with her commentary. Approximate value: EUR €22 per person

CITY: Rome**Treasures Of Rome Bn & Dinner**

A night tour including some of the city's fountains and majestic squares: Piazza Barberini, Triton Fountain, Via Veneto, Villa Borghese, and Trevi Fountain. Finish the evening with a meal in a typical Roman restaurant with wine and music included. Approximate value: EUR €52 per person

Vatican Museum & Sistine Chapel

A tour around the Vatican museums to admire the beautiful tapestry gallery and the Sistine Chapel with masterpieces by Botticelli and Signorelli. See the "Genesis" and Michelangelo's "Last Judgment". Approximate value: EUR €52 per person

Castelli Romani With Dinner

Drive through the ancient villages in the Alban Hills, a landscape of rare beauty, myths, legends and history. Take pictures of the Pope's summer residence, Castel Gandolfo. Then to Frascati where one of the famous local white wines is included with your dinner in a tavern. Approximate value: EUR €50 per person

CITY: Venice**Venetian Night Out And Dinner**

Enjoy a motorboat ride along the impressive Giudecca Canal with a commentary of the most important sights. A leisurely walk to St. Mark's Square, passing famous buildings, small bridges and inner canals, will take you to a typical Venetian restaurant for an aperitif before your four-course dinner including wine, mineral water and coffee. Approximate value: EUR €55 per person

Gondola Serenade

This is one of the highlights of any European holiday - a gondola ride through centuries-old canals, under famous arched bridges, and past lavish palaces and quaint piazzas. Approximate value: EUR €40 per person

Discover The Venetian Lagoon

By private boat cross the lagoon to the picturesque fishing island of Burano with its gaily painted houses. See lace makers at work; then there's time to explore this unforgettable island on your own before returning to Venice. Approximate value: EUR €25 per person