

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 832  
STUDENT OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP FORM

Title of Group: *Italy + Greece EF Trip*

Title of Activity: *"*

Trip Dates: *3/9/18 - 3/18/18 (rough dates - may shift up to a couple days in either direction)*

Number of Students: *approximately 40*

Chaperones: *Emily Osborne, Craig Mickelson + other teachers - 6:1 ratio*

**Purpose of Trip:**

*To give students an opportunity to explore the history and art of the classical and modern regions of Italy + Greece. Students will experience new cultures and have the opportunity to visit important sites.*

**Trip Itinerary:**

*See attached itinerary*

**How it is funded:**

*Self-funded by students + families; some fundraising opportunities anticipated.*

*Cost  $\approx$  \$3,880*

**Transportation:**

- Flights to and from MSP*
- Bus/coach, local transit, and ferry used in country.*

**How students and families know about the code of conduct, etc:**

*Literature distributed and informational meetings.*

**Signatures:**



Trip Advisor/Coach: *Emily Osborne + Craig Mickelson*

Activities Director:

Watch videos, read  
reviews, and enroll on your  
teacher's Tour Website

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This is also your tour number

# ITALY & GREECE

10 or 13 days | Italy | Greece

Do you like your temples well-preserved like the Pantheon or crumbling like the Parthenon? Italy and Greece practically own the early history of Western civilization, which becomes vividly clear as you walk through the ruins of the Roman Forum and the Acropolis in Athens. In Vatican City, crane your neck in awe inside St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel. In Delphi, look deep into Greece's mythical past.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



**Full-time Tour Director**



**Sightseeing:** 6 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides;  
1 walking tour; *with extension: 3-day Island Cruise*



**Entrances:** Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Duomo; Meteora Monasteries; Delphi site; Delphi museum; Acropolis; Acropolis Museum



**weShare:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.



**All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; night ferry; *3-day Greek island cruise with extension (cruise staff gratuities included)*; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; 1 night cabin accommodation (*4 with extension*); European breakfast and dinner daily (*3 meals daily during cruise extension*)



Anyone can see the world.

## YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your **Tour Director** in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, **weShare**, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. **Expert local guides** will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views of history, art, architecture or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

*@EFTours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday*

— MELISSA TRAVELER



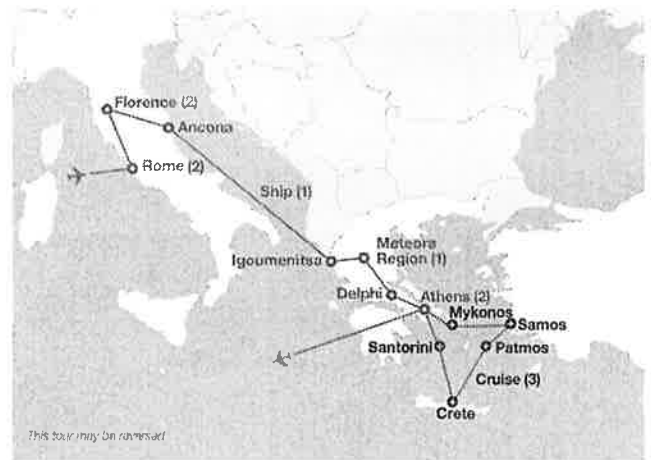
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Learn from your Tour Director and expert local guides



Via Instagram

## What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

#### Day 2: Rome

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other.

#### Day 3: Rome

- On your visit to the Vatican City, be sure to look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City.
- Marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling on your visit to the Sistine Chapel.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
- Time to see more of Rome or
  - visit the Catacombs.

#### Day 4: Rome

- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome
- Visit the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat.
- Visit the Roman Forum, the former heart of the Roman Empire where Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches.
- Continue on to Florence.

#### Day 5: Florence

- Welcome to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language and opera. Florence was the epicenter of the Renaissance movement from the 14th to 16th century, and is the former home of artists like Michelangelo and Botticelli.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Florence.
- Visit the domed cap of the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral, better known as the Duomo, which dominates the skyline.

#### Day 6: Night ferry | Igoumenitsa

- Transfer to Ancona, a bustling port town. From here you'll take an overnight ferry to Igoumenitsa, the capital and largest city of northwestern Greece.

#### Day 7: Igoumenitsa | Meteora Region

- Arrive in Igoumenitsa before continuing on to the Meteora Region. The Meteora, a UNESCO World Heritage Site whose name literally translates to "middle of the sky," is a stunning formation of natural rock pillars and hills that climb their way into the sky.
- Take an expertly guided tour of the Meteora Monasteries, which are located atop the different natural pillars. Set high in the sky, the location feels almost magical, and provides breathtaking views. It was settled during the 11th Century by monks, and attracted not only the deeply religious, but also ancient Greek philosophers, poets, and painters.

#### Day 8: Delphi | Athens

- Take an expertly guided tour of Delphi: Temple of Apollo.
- Visit the Delphi Museum.
- Continue on to Athens and discover the ancient city named for Athena, goddess of war and wisdom.
- Enjoy a free evening or
  - attend a Greek evening.

#### Day 9: Athens

- Snap a picture of the Presidential Guard in traditional costume on your expertly guided tour of the city. From here, pass the stadium that hosted the first modern Olympics in 1896. You'll also have the chance to see the Temple of Olympian Zeus, built in 515 B.C. to honor the most powerful of all Greek gods.
- Visit the Acropolis to view the Parthenon, perhaps the world's greatest architectural feat. See the Temple of Athena Nike, which once housed a gold statue of the goddess, her wings clipped to prevent her from deserting the city.
- Visit the Acropolis Museum.
- Take a walking tour of Athens: Plaka District.

#### Day 10: Depart for home

### • 3-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Days 10-12: Greek island cruise

- Cruise the Greek islands: Mykonos; Samos; Patmos; Crete; Santorini.
- Time to explore on your own or
  - shore excursion packages: Vathi, Heraion, and Pythagorio; Knossos Palace; Oia Village.

#### Day 13: Depart for home



*I will never forget this trip to Italy and Greece one of the greatest experiences of my life! #eftours #parthenon #Acropolis #Greece*

– KASEY, TRAVELER



Via Instagram

*Just returned from a tour in Greece. Could not have chosen better tour guides if I had hand picked them myself. Iris was GREAT! All the guides were extremely knowledgeable and informative. Not to mention the care that they took to ensure our safety and satisfaction! Great Job EF! Thank you again Iris, for an unforgettable trip of a lifetime!*

– SUE, GROUP LEADER



Via Facebook

## TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

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—CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2015



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