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## THE E&S TOURS EXPERIENCE GREECE

**I**n its fourteenth year, E&S Tours, creators of unique inspirational tours throughout Europe, is pleased to announce a once in a lifetime opportunity. Come discover the wonders of the most ancient Jewish community in Europe with a very special tour of Greece, home to seventeen UNESCO World Heritage sites and whose roots are traced to the civilization of ancient Greece, generally considered the cradle of Western civilization. This tour is especially designed for all those who wish to explore the rich Jewish heritage of Greece and who want a high level, comfortable and affordable touring experience featuring first class accommodations in world class hotels and deluxe motor coaches equipped with the latest amenities (air conditioning, rest rooms, fridge, hot water, video, reclining seats, etc). Delicious Glatt Mehadrin and Cholov Yisroel catered meals are included three times a day, as well as snacks, drinks and more. This unique Jewish heritage trip will be led by world renown maggid, Rabbi Paysach Krohn, who will once again inspire us with inspirational stories and Divrei Torah of the great Torah Giants that lived, learned and taught Torah in Greece. You may read about [Salonika](#), [Athens](#),

[Chalkis](#), [Ioannina](#), [Corfu](#) and [Crete](#), but when you walk the ancient streets our Jewish historical heritage comes alive before your very eyes. Your senses will be awakened to a world physically gone, yet spiritually vibrant. This experience of thousands of years of Jewish life coming alive will surely be remembered long after the tour. Participants will also visit breathtaking sites, remaining shuls, old Jewish Quarters and museums and unique Greek castles, gorgeous mountain ranges, breathtaking coastal views and important land-marks.

We will meet community leaders who will share with us their social, religious and Jewish political activities that shape their way of life. A beautiful and inspirational Shabbos is planned and of course no E&S Tour would be complete without a special Motzoi Shabbos melave malka! Space is very limited. Being that there is a huge demand for this unique tour, in order to hold your spot on this special tour, you are urged to make reservations as soon as possible. Since it will not be possible to accommodate everyone on this tour, applicants will be accepted on a first-come first-serve basis.

# GREECE ITINERARY

## AUGUST 2013

### MONDAY, JULY 29

Participants depart from U.S. for Athens

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

#### ATHENS & CHALKIDA (CHALKIS)

Arrival into Athens airport, transfer to hotel, relax over lunch where we will begin with a welcome by Rabbi Paysach Krohn. Our tour of Greece will begin with a visit to Chalkis, the capitol of the island of Euboea, where the oldest registered Jewish Community of Europe still exists today! After a guided visit at the Holocaust memorial and the Jewish Cemetery, the oldest cemetery in Greece with tombstones from the time of Shabbasai Zvi, we will visit the Romaniote Shul built in 1855. Return to Athens for dinner and a good night's rest at our beautiful Athens hotel. *Overnight in Athens*

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

#### VOLOS, Mount Olympus & SALONIKA

Today we will begin the day with a stop in Volos, whose Jewish presence that dates back over 2000 years, still has a small but active Jewish community and maintains a functioning shul and cemetery. We will visit the impressive Holocaust Memorial and the Romaniote Shul. On our way to Salonika we will enjoy a breathtaking view of Mount Olympus. Continue on to Thessaloniki (Salonika) for dinner. *Overnight in Thessaloniki*

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

#### THESSALINIKI (SALONIKA) & IOANNINA

Our all encompassing tour of Thessaloniki (Salonika) begins at the Monastioties Shul, built in 1927-28 by Jews originating from Monastir (former Yugoslavia), A guided visit at the Sephardic Shul that survived WWII will follow, as well as the Yad Lezikaron shul dedicated to the memory of the 55,000 victims of the Holocaust. After visiting the impressive Jewish Museum we will walk to the Plateia Eleftherias, where the persecutions of the Jewish population of Thessaloniki started in July 1942. After a visit to the famous archaeological museum we will enjoy a panoramic tour of the city. Then we will transfer to the old city Veria which lies on the slopes of the Mount Vermion, a landscape of incomparable beauty, and visit the old Jewish district before going to Ioannina to a luxurious hotel and delicious dinner.



### FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

#### IOANNINA & MORE

We begin with a guided walking tour of the Old Jewish Quarter and the magnificent Romaniote Shul "Kahal Kadosh Yashan" inside the Ottoman fortress built in 1829. After the tour we will enjoy a boat ride to the picturesque island for lunch. Optional visit to the local shops for souvenirs. Return to our hotel to prepare for a most memorable Shabbos in Ioannina, a city that dates back to the time just after the destruction of the second Bais Hamikdash.

### SHABBOS, AUGUST 3

#### IOANNINA

Our Shabbos in Ioannina will be an uplifting and inspiring Shabbos with delicious Shabbos seudos, inspiring davening and divrei Torah. After Shabbos, enjoy a sure-to-be memorable Kumzitz Melave Malka!

*Overnight in Ioannina*

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

#### KALAMPAKA, TRIKALA & ATHENS

We will begin our trip with a stop in one of the oldest Jewish Cemeteries in Greece. Continue on to Kalampaka at the footsteps of the Meteora (world famous structures built atop natural sandstone formations) one of the most unique geological phenomenons in the world. Our next stop will be at the Kahal Kadosh Yevanim, Romaniote Shul in Trikala with a guided visit of the shul where we will meet the president and members of the local Jewish community. Travel to Athens for dinner. *Overnight in Athens*

### MONDAY, AUGUST 5

#### ATHENS

We start our tour of Athens with guided visits to the Jewish Museum, two shuls, the Etz-Hayyim and Beth-Shalom and the Holocaust memorial. After lunch we will see the famous archaeological site of the Acropolis followed by a panoramic city tour where you will be able to see Constitution Square (Stigmata), the House of Parliament and the Memorial to the Unknown Soldier. Perhaps we will see the changing of Evzones (presidential guards). Drive down Herod Atticus Street and view Presidential Palace followed by a stop at the Panathinaiko Stadium where the first Olympic Games of the modern era were held in 1896. Our last stop will be the beautiful coastal southern suburban area of Athens for a panoramic view of the Saronic Gulf.

Farewell dinner at the beautiful hotel. *Overnight in Athens*

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

#### ATHENS

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