PILGRIMAGE TOURS

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Religious travel is the oldest and most prevalent form of travel in human history, as members of all societies have sought to communicate with the divine. Consequently, religious travel has its origins in the pilgrimage activity of earlier times. Since ancient times, travel of a religious nature has been a powerful motivation to head for religious centres.

GenesisGlobal Tours provide tailor-made tours and itineraries specializing in group travel for the B2B sector. Choose from our selection or let's create together the perfect group trip with our team of Travel Experts.

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People have always used to express their religious feeling, their deep faith and devotion to God, a basic characteristic of faith for 2.000 years.

Our company is offering high quality travel services to Associations, Clubs, but also to large groups, who want a program tailored to their own needs, through a rich list of selected religious destinations in European Destinations, Turkey and Israel.

Whether you wish to have a trip to your place of origin, a membership meeting trip or a cultural or religious trip, we are here to help you make it happen. Remember that our vast experience is your best guarantee of success for your dream trip.

Discovering Sacred Sites on Our Pilgrimage Tours

HOLY PILGRIMAGES

TOURS TO HISTORICAL SITES

Holy pilgrimages in Greece, Spain, Italy, Turkey, and Israel offer profound spiritual experiences and rich historical insights.

In Greece, pilgrims visit Mount Athos, an ancient monastic community, and Meteora, where monasteries perch atop stunning rock formations.

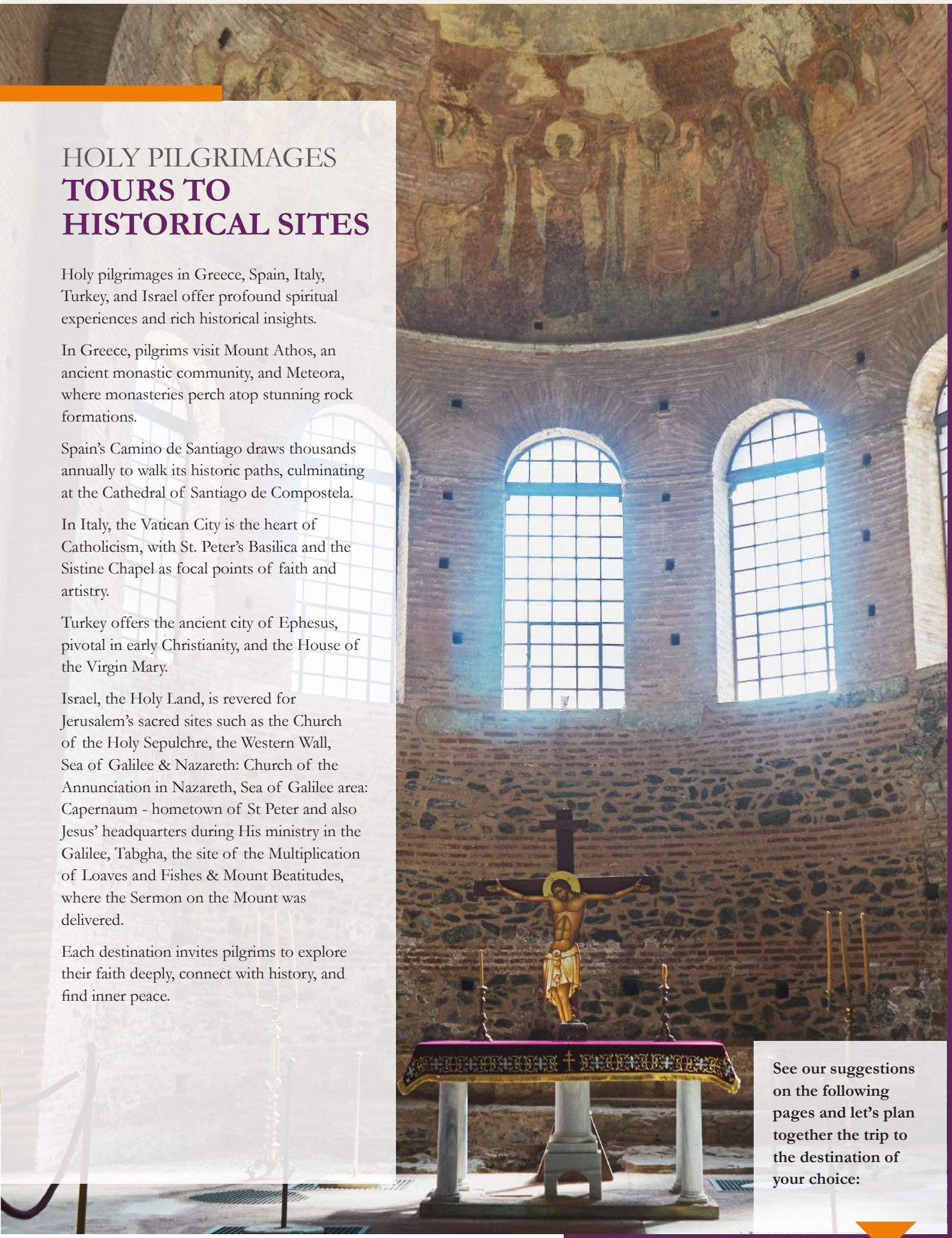
Spain's Camino de Santiago draws thousands annually to walk its historic paths, culminating at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela.

In Italy, the Vatican City is the heart of Catholicism, with St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel as focal points of faith and artistry.

Turkey offers the ancient city of Ephesus, pivotal in early Christianity, and the House of the Virgin Mary.

Israel, the Holy Land, is revered for Jerusalem's sacred sites such as the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Western Wall, Sea of Galilee & Nazareth: Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth, Sea of Galilee area: Capernaum - hometown of St Peter and also Jesus' headquarters during His ministry in the Galilee, Tabgha, the site of the Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes & Mount Beatitudes, where the Sermon on the Mount was delivered.

Each destination invites pilgrims to explore their faith deeply, connect with history, and find inner peace.



See our suggestions on the following pages and let's plan together the trip to the destination of your choice:

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PILGRIMAGES

GREECE
In the footsteps of St. Paul

One of the most important routes of religious and educational interest in Greece is the Steps of Apostle Paul. Paul, although he did not belong to the close circle of the 12 disciples of Christ, is an important figure for the Christian religion. He spread Christianity like no other and for this reason he was called an apostle and "Apostle to the Gentiles". As part of his travels to spread Christianity, the Apostle Paul also visited Greece, preaching the Gospel and teaching the work of Jesus. The Apostle Paul's journey to Greece is a journey that moves not only the devout believer today, but also anyone who loves history. The "Steps of the Apostle Paul" passes through all the places the Apostle taught and is an ideal combination of pilgrimage and touring some of the most beautiful places in Greece.

Tracing the Apostle's Journey: An Aegean Odyssey from St. Paul's Footsteps to Greek Shores

BIBLICAL GREECE, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival to Thessaloniki
Day 2: Thessaloniki, City tour
Day 3: Thessaloniki, Vergina - Veria
Day 4: Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala
Day 5: Kalambaka, Meteora
Day 6: Delphi, Athens
Day 7: Athens City tour, Corinth, Cechrea
Day 8: Departure

ON THE STEPS OF ST PAUL WITH A CRUISE TO AEGEAN GREECE AND TURKEY, 11 days

Day 1: Arrival to Athens
Day 2: Athens City Tour
Day 3: Cruise to Mykonos
Day 4: Kusadasi - Ephesus - Patmos
Day 5: Heraklion Creta, Santorini
Day 6: Athens to Thessaloniki
Day 7: Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala
Day 8: Thessaloniki, Vergina - Veria, Kalambaka
Day 9: Kalambaka, Meteora, Delphi
Day 10: Delphi, Corinth, Cechrea, Athens
Day 11: Departure

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PILGRIMAGES

GREECE

A tour of antiquity, Christianity and Byzantine times

Embark on a captivating journey through the historical layers of Greece, from antiquity to Byzantine times. Explore ancient ruins such as the Acropolis in Athens and the Temple of Apollo in Delphi. Trace the footsteps of early Christians at sites like the monastic community of Meteora and the archaeological site of Philippi. Immerse yourself in the rich Byzantine heritage at landmarks like the Church of St. Demetrios in Thessaloniki. This tour promises an enriching experience, delving into Greece's profound contributions to history, culture, and spirituality.

CHRISTIAN PILGRIM IN PELOPONNESE, 6 days

Day 1: Arrival in Athens
Day 2: Athens day tour to ancient sites and to the Orthodox heritage of Athens, Loutraki
Day 3: Ancient Corinth and the Monastery of Osios Patapios
Day 4: Ancient Mystras and the Miracle of st. Theodora
Day 5: Church of St. Andrew of Patras. Mega spileo and Agia Lavra Monasteries in Kalavrita, Loutraki
Day 6: Departure

ATHENS, METEORA, THESSALONIKI, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival in Athens
Day 2: Athens City Tour
Day 3: Athens, Meteora Kalambaka
Day 4: Meteora
Day 5: From Meteora to Thessaloniki
Day 6: Thessaloniki city tour
Day 7: Free day in Thessaloniki
Day 8: Departure

BIBLICAL NORTHERN GREECE, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival to Thessaloniki
Day 2: Thessaloniki, city tour
Day 3: Thessaloniki, Vergina - Veria
Day 4: Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala
Day 5: Mount Athos, cruise to Monasteries
Day 6: Kalambaka, Meteora
Day7: Full day tour to Mount Olympus
Day 8: Departure

ATHENS - PATMOS, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival in Athens
Day 2: Athens City Tour
Day 3: Athens – Patmos
Day 4-7: Patmos, Monastery of St. John the Theologian, Cave of the Apocalypse
Day 8: Departure

PILGRIMAGE TO TINOS
Church of Megalochari, Monastery of Agia Pelagia

PILGRIMAGE TO MYTILENE AND CHIOS
Monastery of St. Raphael, Monastery of Taxiarchis, Holy Monastery of the Most Holy Archangels, the Dormition of the Virgin Mary and the Church of the Holy Apostles

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ITALY

Pilgrimage Tours Through Italy's Sacred Sites and Cultural Treasures

LOMBARDY - PIEDMONT - VENETO, Scenic sanctuaries of northern Italy, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival to Milan.
Day 2: Lake Garda with Shrine of Our Lady of the Crown.
Day 3: Lake Iseo & River Mincio.
Day 4: Transfer to Biella with stop B.V. di Caravaggio and Certosa di Pavia.
Day 5: Milan with Santa Maria delle Grazie and the Last Supper.
Day 6: Santuario di Oropa & Sacra di San Michele.
Day 7: Lake Orta with Sacro Monte d'Orta and Lake Maggiore with Santa Caterina del Sasso.
Day 8: Departure.

SPIRITUAL HIGHLIGHTS OF ITALY, 9 days

Day 1: Arrival to Rome.
Day 2: Rome, Papal audience (subject to availability), St. Paul Outside the Walls, burial place of St. Paul the Apostle, St John Lateran Basilica and St. Mary Major Basilica, the Rome's four major Papal basilicas. Scala Sancta.
Day 3: Rome, excursion to Castel Gandolfo.
Day 4: Rome, Pietrelcina, San Giovanni Rotondo.
Day 5: Excursion to Monte Sant' Angelo.
Day 6: Rotondo, Lanciano, Loretto, Assisi Area.
Day 7: Assisi.
Day 8: Assisi Area, Cascia, Rome.
Day 9: Rome, Departure.

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO SOUTHERN ITALY: SOUTH ITALY, SICILY AND ROME, 14 days

Day 1: Arrival to Rome. Drive to Sorrento
Day 2: Sorrento
Day 3: Excursion to Pompeii
Day 4: Amalfi, Salerno, "Lost City" of Paestum, Cosenza: Sanctuary of San Francesco di Paola.
Day 5: Reggio Calabria, Giardini Naxos
Day 6: Excursion to Siracusa and Taormina
Day 7: Piazza Armerina, Agrigento
Day 8: Cefalu, Palermo
Day 9: Palermo, Monreale, Rome
Day 10: Rome: Papal Audience, Santa Maria del Popolo, Pantheon, St. Mary and St. Paul Outside the walls.
Day 11: Vatican Museum, Basilica of St. Peter
Day 12: Excursion to MonteCassino
Day 13: Free day or optional excursion to Florence
Day 14: Departure

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SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

Sacred Sites and Spiritual Treasures

Embark on a transformative pilgrimage tour through Spain, a country rich in religious history and cultural diversity. Follow in the footsteps of countless pilgrims on the renowned Camino de Santiago, traversing scenic landscapes and ancient pathways to the majestic Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. Explore the spiritual treasures of Catholic Spain, from the awe-inspiring Sagrada Familia in Barcelona to the historic Alhambra in Granada. Discover the profound symbolism of Toledo's medieval churches and cathedrals, and immerse yourself in the vibrant rhythms of Andalusia's Moorish heritage. Whether walking the Camino or exploring vibrant cities, each moment offers an opportunity for spiritual reflection and personal renewal, making a pilgrimage tour to Spain an unforgettable journey of faith and discovery.

Sacred Steps: Exploring the Holy Landmarks of Catholic Spain

PILGRIMAGE TO CATHOLIC SPAIN, 9 days

Day 1: Arrival to Madrid.
Day 2: Madrid to Pamplona, our starting point to begin The Way of St. James.
Day 3: Pamplona, Roncesvalles, Logroño.
Day 4: Logroño, Santo Domingo de la Calzada, Burgos.
Day 5: Burgos, Fromista, Astorgam Ponferrada.
Day 6: Ponferrada, Sarria, Santiago de Compostela.
Day 7: Santiago de Compostela, Leon.
Day 8: Leon, Segovia, Madrid.
Day 9: Madrid.

SPAIN TO PORTUGAL, 11 days

Day 1: Arrival to Madrid.
Day 2: Madrid city tour.
Day 3: Madrid, Escorial, valley of the Fallen, Segovia.
Day 4: Madrid, Avila, Salamanca.
Day 5: Salamanca, Zamora, Leon.
Day 6: Leon, Astorga, Santiago.
Day 7: Santiago.
Day 8: Santiago, Fatima.
Day 9: Fatima.
Day 10: Fatima, Santarem. Lisbon.
Day 11: Departure.

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PILGRIMAGES

TURKEY

Explore Ancient Spiritual Sites, Majestic Mosques, and Historic Churches in a Land Bridging East and West

Since our school days in Byzantine History lessons we have heard legendary names such as Constantinople the Kingdom, Emperors in Porphyra, the Superlative Church of Saint Sophia, Black Sea Pontos, Trebizond and the Komnenian Empire, Digenes Akritas, Rock-carved Churches and Underground States in Cappadocia, and we mentally imagined that one day we might be able to experience all of these in person.

CHRISTIAN TOURS: FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL, 12 days

Day 1: Istanbul
Day 2: Istanbul, wandering in and around the gems of historical Istanbul
Day 3: Istanbul - Antioch – Adana
Day 4: Adana - Tarsus – Cappadocia
Day 5: Cappadocia
Day 6: Cappadocia – Konya (Iconium)
Day 7: Iconium - Antioch Pisidia – Pamukkale
Day 8: Pamukkale - Laodicea - Philadelphia - Sardis - Smyrna – Izmir
Day 9: Izmir - Ephesus – Izmir
Day 10: Izmir – Thyatira - Pergamum – Canakkale
Day 11: Canakkale – Istanbul
Day 12: Departure

ISTANBUL & THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION, 8 days

Day 1: Istanbul
Day 2: Istanbul, wandering in and around the gems of historical Istanbul
Day 3: Istanbul – Iznik – Bursa
Day 4: Bursa – Thyatira – Sardis – Pamukkale
Day 5: Pamukkale – Laodicea - Kusadasi
Day 6: Kusadası – Ephesus - Izmir
Day 7: Izmir – Pergamon - Izmir
Day 8: Departure

JEWISH HERITAGE TOUR, 11 days

Day 1: Arrival to Istanbul.
Day 2: Full Day - Jewish & Ottoman Istanbul.
Day 3: Full Day Bosphorous Cruise & St. Saviour At Chora.
Day 4: Half Day Byzantine Tour.
Day 5: Izmir - Sardis - Izmir.
Day 6: Full Day Izmir - Kusadasi/Ephesus - Izmir.
Day 7: Free Day Shabbat.
Day 8: Izmir –To Ankara And Transfer To Cappadocia.
Day 9: Full Day Cappadocia.
Day 10: Full Day Cappadocia Evening Flight to Istanbul.
Day 11: Departure.

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HOLY LAND

The Holy Shrines

The term Holy Land have historical and religious significance, mainly for Christianity, but also for Judaism and Islam. They include those places where the events mentioned in the New Testament took place, and in particular the "holy places of pilgrimage" as the official ancient monuments of Christianity and beyond have come to be called.

EVANGELISTIC PROTESTANT HOLY LAND TOUR, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival in Tel Aviv,
Day 2: Caesarea – Megiddo - Nazareth
Day 3: Capernaum – Tabgha - Mount of Beatitudes - Golan Heights
Day 4: Yardenit – Jericho - Qumran – Ein Gedi
Day 5: Dead Sea – Masada – Abraham's Tent
Day 6: Jerusalem, Mt. of Olives overview
Day 7: Jerusalem, Mount Zion, Western Wall, Second Temple, Church of the Holy Sepulcher and Garden Tomb.
Day 8: Jerusalem, Israel Museum, Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. Departure

ISRAEL HOLY LAND TOUR, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival in Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Netanya
Day 2: Caesarea Maritima, Mt. Carmel, Megiddo/Armageddon Nazareth, Cana
Day 3: Sea of Galilee Boat Ride, Capernaum,Tabgha, Mt. Beatitudes,Bethsaida, Jordan River Baptismal Site
Day 4: Golan Heights, Gamla, Beit Shean, Jordan Valley, Judean Desert
Day 5: Jerusalem Old City, Southern Wall Stairs, Western ("Wailing") Wall, Cardo, Bethesda Pool,Church of St. Anne, Via Dolorosa, Holy Sepulchre, Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum
Day 6: Dead Sea – Masada – Dead Sea Swim
Day 7: Bethlehem – Jerusalem Mt. Olives – Garden of Gethsemane – Garden Tomb – Free time for shopping
Day 8: Departure

HOLY LAND TOUR, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival in Tel Aviv,
Day 2: Tel Aviv, Sea of Galilee,Tiberias
Day 3: Sea of Galilee
Day 4: Nazareth, Jordan River, Beit Shean, Jerusalem
Day 5: Dead Sea, Masada
Day 6: Jerusalem, Israel Museum's Shrine of the Book, Ein Karem, Yad Vashem, Bethlehem
Day 7: Jerusalem, Old City, Mount Zion, Tomb of King David and the Room of the Last Supper. Garden of Gethsemane
Day 8: Departure

COMBINATION TOURS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES

GREECE AND ITALY

Embark on an Inspiring Pilgrimage Tour to Greece and Italy

Embark on a transformative pilgrimage tour to Greece and Italy, delving into ancient spiritual sites and majestic cathedrals. Begin in Athens, exploring the Parthenon and the Agora, where St. Paul preached. Journey to Delphi to visit the legendary Oracle, and then travel to Patmos, home to the Cave of the Apocalypse. In Italy, immerse yourself in the heart of Catholicism with a tour of Vatican City, St. Peter's Basilica, and the Sistine Chapel. Explore Rome's Catacombs, a testament to early Christian faith. Continue to Florence, marveling at the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Basilica of Santa Croce. Conclude in Venice with a visit to St. Mark's Basilica and a gondola ride along the Grand Canal. This pilgrimage promises profound connections to history, faith, and breathtaking landscapes, enriching both mind and spirit.

GREECE: CRUISE TO AEGEAN ISLANDS TO ROME, 10 days

Day 1: Arrival to Athens
Day 2: City tour Athens
Day 3: Cruise: Mykonos
Day 4: Ephesus and Patmos
Day 5: Crete and Santorini
Day 6: Disembark and head to Corinth & Myceane, Athens
Day 7: Flight from Athens to Rome
Day 8: City tour to Roman Forum and Ostia Antica
Day 9: Vatican Museum, St. Peter's, Sistine chapel
Day 10: Departure

CLASSICAL GREECE AND CAPTIVATING ITALY, 14 days

Day 1: Arrival to Athens
Day 2: Athens, Panoramic city tour
Day 3: Free day
Day 4: Full day tour to Epidaurus – Mycenae - Olympia
Day 5: Visit to Olympia, drive to Delphi
Day 6: Visit Delphi (Museum and Archaeological site). Departure for Kalambaka
Day 7: Visit Meteora Monasteries, depart for Athens
Day 8: Flight to Rome
Day 9: Rome, city tour
Day 10: Vatican, Saint Peter's Basilica, Sistine chapel, Siena, Florence
Day 11: Florence, city tour. Venice
Day 12: Venice, city tour. Milan
Day 13: Free day to Milan
Day 14: Depart

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GREECE AND TURKEY

Embark on an Inspiring Pilgrimage Tour to Greece and Italy

Embark on a soul-stirring pilgrimage tour to Greece and Turkey, tracing the footsteps of saints and prophets. Explore ancient ruins in Athens, visit sacred sites like Ephesus and Patmos, and delve into the rich tapestry of religious history in Istanbul.

GREAT CAPITALS OF TURKEY AND GREECE, 8 days

Day 1: Arrival to Istanbul
Day 2: Istanbul, Bosphorus tour, Spice Bazaar, Top Kapi Palace, Hagia Irene
Day 3: Istanbul, the Cathedral of St. George, Mosque of Soliman, Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque
Day 4: Istanbul free day
Day 5: Flight to Athens
Day 6: Athens - City Tour and Acropolis Visit
Day 7: Free day to Athens. Optional tours to Argolis or Cruise to 3 islands, Aigina, Poros, Hydra

CHRISTIANITY IN GREECE AND TURKEY, 11 Days

Day 1: Arrival to Athens, city tour
Day 2: Athens to Kalambaka, Meteora
Day 3: Kalambaka, Meteora to Thessaloniki
Day 4: Kavala, Philippi
Day 5: Kavala to Istanbul
Day 6: Wandering in and around the gems of historical Istanbul
Day 7: Istanbul – Iznik – Bursa
Day 8: Bursa – Thyatira – Sardis – Pamukkale
Day 9: Pamukkale – Laodicea - Kusadasi
Day 10: Kusadası – Ephesus - Izmir
Day 11: Izmir – Pergamon - Izmir
Day 12: Departure

GREECE & CAPPADOCIA, 14 days

Day 1: Arrival to Athens
Day 2: Athens - City Tour and Acropolis Visit
Day 3: Athens to Olympia
Day 4: Olympia to Delphi
Day 5: Delphi to Kalambaka and Meteora
Day 6: Kalambaka to Athens
Day 7: Athens to Istanbul
Day 8: Istanbul, Bosphorus tour, Spice Bazaar, Top Kapi
Day 9: Istanbul, the Cathedral of St. George, Mosque of Soliman, Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque
Day 10: Free day to Istanbul
Day 11: Istanbul – Ankara – Cappadocia
Day 12: Cappadocia, Valley of Dervent, Ozkonak, Goreme, Uchisar, Avcilar, Güvercinlik
Day 13: Cappadocia, Hot air balloon, Three Beauties of Urgup, Ortahisar, Zelve valley, Cavusin valley
Day 14: Departure

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