



## 10 Things to see and explore!

\*follow the numbers for a complete tour

Athens is a city which can easily be explored on foot, and our location is ideal for this. Put on your comfortable walking shoes and set out through central roads which have been transformed into pleasant pedestrian walkways.

Athens is one of the ten top safest cities in the world according to international reports. Nowadays one can walk from the <sup>1)</sup>**Panathinaikon Stadium**, where the 1st Modern Olympic Games took place in 1896, via **Syntagma Square** (the <sup>2)</sup>**House of Parliament**, with the changing of the guard in front of the <sup>3)</sup>**Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, the **National Gardens**), to the <sup>4)</sup>**Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Gate** (Athens Gate), and all the way to **Kerameikos** Ancient Cemetery and **Gazi**, all on foot.

This is the way around the Acropolis Hill, also known as "the Archaeological walk of Athens", since it passes through the most significant ancient sites of the city.

At this tour one can find many subway stations, located at convenient intervals, offering you the choice to start your tour from many different points. The tour offers a set of diverse activities including sightseeing, leisure time and walking, jogging and even shopping options. Explore this pedestrian path and learn more about the History of our city.

The most significant part of the tour starts at Acropolis Metro Station, and ends up at Monastiraki. It is a circular walk along three pedestrian roads: Dionisiou Areopagitou, Apostolou Pavlou and Adrianou. You can use it to visit the <sup>5)</sup>**Acropolis** early in the morning, passing by <sup>6)</sup>**Dionysus Theater** and the <sup>7)</sup>**New Acropolis Museum**, the **Acropolis monuments** and the famous <sup>8)</sup>**Agora**. It ends up at **Thission** and the <sup>9)</sup>**Temple of Ifestos**, an area with many cafes offering spectacular views of the Acropolis, as well as the popular **Monastiraki** flea market. You can also explore the "Athens Walking Tours" that are conducted daily.

In one outing you can have it all: the Acropolis, ancient sites, museums, unique photo angles, coffee breaks and of course <sup>10)</sup>**Plaka**, with its beautiful neoclassical buildings. If you feel tired at any point, use the subway to return back to our hotel.

Stroll around **individually**, or as part of a **guided Walking Tour**, have fun on a **Segway** ([www.segway.gr](http://www.segway.gr)), or even on a **bicycle**.

Not to be missed is the **Temple of Poseidon** at **Sounion**. It is a drive along the scenic coastal road of the Athenian Riviera with a splendid view of the Saronic Gulf, passing through some of the most beautiful suburbs of Athens.

The route ends up at the famous Temple of Poseidon (built around 5<sup>th</sup> century B.C.), offering one of the most breathtaking panoramic views of the **Aegean Sea** and one of the world's famous sunset spots.

Sounion is an excellent choice for a half day trip away from the Athens city center and we are at your disposal to arrange your trip individually by public transportation, or even as part of a guided tour.

### **Museums and Galleries of Athens**

The New Acropolis Museum: [www.theacropolismuseum.gr](http://www.theacropolismuseum.gr)

National Archeological Museum: [www.namuseum.gr](http://www.namuseum.gr)

Benaki Museum and New Benaki Museum: [www.benaki.gr](http://www.benaki.gr)

Byzantine & Christian Museum: [www.byzantinemuseum.gr](http://www.byzantinemuseum.gr)

Museum of Cycladic Art: [www.cycladic.gr](http://www.cycladic.gr)

The National Gallery: [www.nationalgallery.gr](http://www.nationalgallery.gr)

The Athens University Museum: <http://www.history-museum.uoa.gr>

National Museum of Contemporary Art: <http://www.emst.gr>

Academy of Athens: <http://www.academyofathens.gr>

Athens Museums Guide: <http://www.athens-museums.com>

Hellenic Motor Museum: [www.hellenicmotormuseum.gr](http://www.hellenicmotormuseum.gr)

Hellenic Cosmos Cultural Centre: <http://www.hellenic-cosmos.gr/>

Foundation of the Hellenic World: <http://web.fhw.gr/>

Museum of the city of Athens: <http://www.athenscitymuseum.gr>

Athens Walking Tours: [www.athenswalkingtours.gr](http://www.athenswalkingtours.gr)

Dear Guest, we are at your disposal 24 hours a day to make your stay a memorable one and our city, Athens, your favorite one.

Enjoy your Stay!

The Athens Gate Hotel Team