

 Heraklion
Pick-Up from
Chania

 Full Day
(12 Hours)

 Tuesday



Tour Starts
at 06:40

LEGENDARY KNOSSOS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore the oldest city & civilization of Europe
- ✓ Learn more about the Cretan Mythology and History
- ✓ Free time to discover Heraklion town or optional visit to Archaeological Museum



INCLUDED

- ✓ Pick-up/Drop-Off
- ✓ Official Guide
- ✓ Air-Conditioned Luxury Bus
- ✓ Whispers
- ✓ Full Liability Insurance

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Indicative Time-Table

- 06.40-07.50 Pick up
- 09.00 Coffee break for 20'
- 10.30 Arrival at Knossos Palace – Guiding
- 12.00 Departure from Knossos to Heraklion city
- 12.30-15.30 Free time at Heraklion City
- If you wish you may visit by yourselves the Archaeological Museum of Heraklion*
- 15.30 Departure from Heraklion
- IMPORTANT!: Dep. time must be confirmed with local guide**
- 17.00 Coffee break for 20'
- 18.00-18.30 Arrival at your Hotel

Note: Due to high volume of visitors in High Season, the group may visit at first Heraklion City and then Knossos Palace

Knossos Palace

Knossos is the site of the most important and better-known palace of Minoan civilization. According to tradition, it was the seat of the legendary king Minos. The Palace is also connected with thrilling legends, such as the myth of the Labyrinth with the Minotaur and the story of Daedalus and Icarus. The site was continuously inhabited from the Neolithic period (7000- 3000 B.C.) until Roman times.

After its partial destruction in 1450 B.C., Knossos was settled by Mycenaeans from the Greek Mainland. The city flourished again during the Hellenistic period in 67 B.C. It was captured by the Roman Quintus Caecilius Metellus Creticus.

Knossos was discovered in 1878 by Minos Kalokairinos. Arthur Evans conducted systematic excavations at the site between 1900 and 1931, bringing to light the palace, a large section of the Minoan city, and the cemeteries. The restoration of the palace to its present form was carried out by Arthur Evans. The interventions were mostly imposed by the need to preserve the monuments uncovered.

Please note that Entrance Fees are not included and are paid on the spot in cash

Heraklion City & Archaeological Museum

History is very much alive in the old town of Heraklion, just like in most Greek cities. From the old Venetian Harbour, the August 25th Str., leads to the old town's centre. The central square while surrounded by cafes, stores and restaurants, is dominated by the fountain of the Lions, built by Morozini the venetian governor in 1628. The Town Hall, is today housed in the Venetian Loggia, a building from the same era and next to it, the plateau and the cathedral of Agios Titos an exceptional monument from the Byzantine era. From the central square the street of the "Central Market" ends at "Kornarou Square" with the coffee house, housed at "Koubes" a Turkish fountain and next to it the "Bembo fountain" built by a Venetian nobleman. To the left "Averof Str." leads to "Eleftherias sq." , Heraklion's main square where the Archaeological museum stands and to the right 'Kyrillou Loukareos Str' leads to Agios Minas cathedral and Agia Aikaterini Museum. The archaeological museum is considered to be one of the most famous museums all over Europe and definitely worths a visit. All around the old part of the city, visitors can walk following the Venetian walls that meet at the old port and "Koules", the fortress that dominates the old harbour of the city. of Minoan antiquities the world over.

Please note that all clients eligible for a Discounted entrance ticket to Knossos Palace, must show proper ID for verification of age & country origin

AMAZING GUIDING EXPERIENCE!! This trip is being made with whisper tour guiding system which provide a top class experience in guiding!



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→ SunCream, Sunglasses and Hat → Long-Sleeved Shirt for Sensitive skin

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