

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Airfare
- Airline departure taxes (approx. \$600.00 per person)
- Accommodation in first-class city centre hotels
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- All excursions as per the itinerary below
- Private tour
- Blue Grotto Excursion
- All excursions as per the itinerary

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Travel insurance: \$120.00 (trip cancellation, overseas medical and trip interruption)
- Gratuities: \$60.00
- Lunches
- Special beverages during meals (pop, juice etc.)
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or the 'price includes' section.
- \$250.00 cheque payable to Pickering College

*Based on air fares, land tariffs and currency exchange rates as of February 16, 2018 and a minimum of 30 participants. Please note the possibility of increases in airfares and land costs prior to departure. Any increase must be borne by the individual participant.

**Flight Schedules are subject to change.

APPLICATION, PAYMENT & BOOKING CONDITIONS:

1. Please visit www.ghardytraveltours.com and then click the 'Apply Now' page for the full application and terms and conditions.
2. Click on "March Break and School Organized Trip" and enter code: **PICKERING-MAR2019**
3. Please have passport ready.
4. **If you are interested in this program, please submit a \$250.00 Expression of Interest cheque payable to 'Pickering College' to the school no later than March 30, 2018.**

It is the responsibility of all participants to ensure that they have a valid passport and that no additional travel documents are necessary. Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. is not responsible for inadequate travel documents. Georgia Hardy Tours reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary when necessary for the convenience and safety of tour participants. Any extra cost in the unlikely event of itinerary changes must be borne by the individual participant.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: Based on 30 students

Non-Refundable Deposit: \$445.00 (+ optional insurance of \$120.00) due by April 30, 2018

Second Payment: \$1,880.00 due September 28, 2018

Final Payment: \$1,880.00 due January 10, 2019

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION:

Payment Schedules are indicated in the body of the email(s) provided with your invoice(s). If at any other time you need a reminder of your payment schedule do not hesitate to ask.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All requests for cancellation must be submitted in writing to Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. Charges for cancellation will be as follows:

- Deposit plus insurance: non-refundable
- Second Payment date + 1 day: 50% of the tour price is non-refundable
- Final Payment date + 1 day: 100% of the tour price is non-refundable

RESPONSIBILITY AND JURISDICTION:

Georgia Hardy Tours and their agents act only as agents for the passengers with respect to services supplied to passengers by others, including but not limited to transportation, hotel and restaurant services, on the express condition that they are not liable for any failure in such services, or injury, loss or damage, delay or inconvenience arising out of or in connection with any defect in any vehicle or any act, omission, accident or error in providing such transportation, hotel, restaurant or other services. There is no refund for unused portions of the tour. In case of an accident occurring during the land portion of any tour, the passenger must submit any claim therefore only to the competent judicial authorities of the jurisdiction where such accident occurred, to be determined exclusively in accordance with the laws of such jurisdiction. By accepting the coupons and tickets and utilizing the services, the passenger agrees that Georgia Hardy Tours nor any affiliated or subsidiary companies or representatives shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage to the passenger or belongings or otherwise in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other services or resulting directly from any occurrences beyond its control including breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation or changes in itinerary or schedules, etc. Georgia Hardy Tours and its agents reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of this tour. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all of the tour or portions thereof. All tour services including, but not limited to hotel accommodations, restaurants, guide services and transportation are furnished by independent contractors.



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Pickering College Greece and Italy

March 6 - 16, 2019



TOUR PRICE:

\$4,145.00 based on 30 participants

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6
TORONTO - ATHENS

Board your overnight flight to Greece.



THURSDAY MARCH 7
ATHENS - DELPHI

Arrive in Athens and transfer to Delphi. Our coach shall pass the cities of Thebes and Livadia. During the Hellenistic period, Delphi was considered to be a sacred valley, the mythical point where the earth touched the divine. Located on the south-western side of Mt. Parnassus, in Greek mythology Delphi was home to the Pythian Oracle, but today is an impressive archeological excavation and UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will hike and tour the archeological sight and spend the night in Delphi. Overnight Delphi.



FRIDAY MARCH 8
DELPHI - ATHENS

This morning we will transfer to our centrally located hotel in Athens, and after checking in, we will meet our guide for a panoramic drive that will include: Syntagma Square, National Garden, Hadrian’s Arch, Parliament, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, National Library, and Orthodox Church. Continue to Panathinaiko Stadium where the first modern Olympic games took place in 1896. Bus tour will be a hop-on, hop-off (where stops are permitted) for students to have a photo opportunity at these sites. This afternoon we will walk to the heights and tour the Agora, Temple of Athena Nike, Theatre of Dionysus and the incomparable doric Parthenon. Following this hike up the Acropolis, we will enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight Athens.

SATURDAY MARCH 9
ATHENS

This morning we will enjoy a guided tour of the Acropolis museum. We will spend the afternoon in Plakka before a traditional Greek dinner. We will pack our bags when we return to the hotel in preparation for our flight to Rome tomorrow. Overnight Athens.



SUNDAY MARCH 10
ATHENS - ROME

Board your coach and transfer to the airport for your flight to Rome. As soon as we arrive, we will drop our bags and start our tour by visiting the world-renowned 18th Century Spanish Steps, our walk will take us to the Piazza of Trevi with its spectacular fountain, through the Piazza Colonna distinguished by the Marcus Aurelius column in its centre to the Pantheon built by Agrippa in 27 B.C. and finally to the Piazza Navona, a 17th Century square that traces the oval form of the underlying Circus of Domitian. This first view of the city will emphasize the great span of architectural styles which make Rome a true metropolis. Overnight Rome.



MONDAY MARCH 11
VATICAN CITY

Our programme today centres on the Vatican City and Papal Rome. The Vatican City, a 109 acre state, is surrounded by a wall built in the 9th Century and by the colonnade of St. Peter’s Square. We will visit St. Peter’s Basilica, one of the world’s most majestic buildings standing over St. Peter’s Tomb and the spot where he was martyred. We will also visit the Vatican Museum with its many treasures and see the Sistine Chapel where we marvel at the ceiling and the many splendid works of art. In the afternoon, there will be time for some shopping on via del corso with the GHT rep. Overnight Rome.



TUESDAY MARCH 12
ATHENS - ROME

Today’s excursion into ancient Rome takes us to the Forum and the Colosseum. The Colosseum, opened by the Emperor Vespasian in AD 80, was where gladiator fights took place. Immensely impressive with a circumference of 530 metres and a height of 48 metres, the Colosseum was built to seat 50,000 spectators. The Roman Forum was the commercial, civil and religious centre of Roman life in the Republican Era. Afternoon will be spent exploring the trastevere district followed by dinner in an Osteria. Overnight Rome.



WEDNESDAY MARCH 13
ROME - POMPEII - SORRENTO

Board your coach to Sorrento via Pompeii for a tour of this ancient city. Pompeii was a thriving commercial centre when it was destroyed by the devastating eruption of Vesuvius in AD 79. Two-thirds of the city has now been excavated revealing a fascinating example of urban geography. In addition to several private homes and temples, the guided tour includes: Forum, Basilica, Baths, Street of Shops, Theatres, and some free time to explore further in Pompeii. Continue onto Sorrento for dinner and overnight.

THURSDAY MARCH 14
SORRENTO - CAPRI - SORRENTO

This morning, travel across the bay by hydrofoil to Capri - the “Island of Dreams”. The Phoenicians were the island’s earliest settlers, followed by the Greeks in the 4th-century BC, and then the Romans. The Emperors Augustus and Tiberius both constructed villas on the island. Later it became one of the strongholds of the Barbary pirate Barbarossa, who after sacking it, then made it his raiding base. Weather permitting, visit the famous Blue Grotto. We will tour Capri and the upper town of Anacapri to explore the main sights of the island. In the late afternoon, return to Sorrento for dinner at the hotel. Overnight Sorrento.



FRIDAY MARCH 15
SORRENTO - NAPLES - SORRENTO

This morning we will travel to Naples where we will visit the National Archeological Museum in Naples and have lunch (at students’ expense). This afternoon we will hike up Mount Vesuvius (weather permitting) followed by dinner at an outdoor restaurant situated in a beautiful vineyard looking out over Mount Vesuvius. Schedule permitting, we will enjoy live Neopolitan Music while we eat. Overnight Sorrento. *** If weather does not permit us to climb Vesuvius, we will spend the afternoon in Naples visiting the antique market and visiting the EATALY food hall.*

SATURDAY MARCH 16
ROME

Ciao Italia! Board your private coach bus to the airport and catch your flight home to Toronto.

