

#### Ports & Excursions



#### Volos, Greece

Lying along the shores of the Pagasitikos Gulf, Volos and its surrounding area are steeped in history and myth. Towering Mount Pelion was believed to be the hunting ground of centaurs and other mythological creatures. And it was from here that Jason led his mighty band of Argonauts on their fabled quest for the Golden Fleece. Even mere mortals have accomplished seemingly inhuman feats. Awesome monasteries, built atop the towering rock pinnacles of Meteora, remain as testaments to man's faith. Six of the original structures, including St. Stephen's, are still inhabited.

The results of wind erosion or eons' worth of gravel deposits, these mysterious formations are truly a wonder to behold. Meteora is usually translated as meaning "mid-air."

#### Points of Interest

# Meteora Monasteries

The word Meteora translates as "hovering in the air" and that is just what the region's medieval monasteries seem to do. Built high atop towering rock pinnacles they were once virtually inaccessible.

### Volos Museum

This fascinating museum houses finds from early 20th century and modern archaeological excavations in Thessaly ranging from jewelry, household utensils, and statuettes to entire tombs.

## Makrynitsa

Narrow cobbled lanes, colorful shops, gurgling fountains and a main square overlooking stunning views of Volos and the Pagasitic Gulf make Makrynitsa on Mt. Pelion, a popular tourist attraction. Makrynitsa is known as The Balcony of Volos.

## Milies Village

Milies is a mountainous traditional village, filled with lush vegetation, mainly consisting of plane trees, olives and pine trees. Milies is also notable for being the terminus of the narrow gauge Pelion Railway.

## Special Child Pricing Available!

Children age 12 and younger, savings up to 50%. For actual pricing information, click on tour title or Reserve button.

# Sightseeing & City Tours



Most Popular World Heritage Site

Meteora & Monasteries VOL-100 | Volos, Greece You will visit:

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8.5 hours

from \$169.95

Six hundred year old monasteries sit atop pillars of granite that rise hundreds of feet above the plains of Thessaly. The climb to the top is strenuous but well rewarded by breathtaking views. A tour of the monastery buildings offers a fascinating glimpse into monastic life on this full-day excursion.



World Heritage Site

Meteora Scenic Drive VOL-190 | Volos, Greece You will see:



7.5 hours

from \$149.95

Perfectly suited for those passengers who wish to see the wonder of the six hundred year old monasteries which sit atop pillars of granite that rise hundreds of feet above the plains of Thessaly but are unable to climb the stairs to visit them.



Volos & Makrynitsa Village

VOL-200 | Volos, Greece

You will visit:



3.5 hours from **\$59.95** 

Explore the Volos Museum, renowned for its collection of grave stelae and ancient jewelry. Enjoy a Panoramic Volos Town drive and travel to the slopes of Mt. Pelion for a walking tour of Makrynitsa Village. The narrow village lanes are lined with shops displaying honeyed fruit, herbs and spices. Take in sweeping views of Volos and the Gulf of Pagasae on this moderate half-day excursion.



Portaria & Makrynitsa Villages

VOL-205 | Volos, Greece

You will visit:







from **\$59.95** 

Enjoy a panoramic drive of Volos Town before traveling to the slopes of Mt. Pelion for a walking tour of Makrynitsa and Portaria villages. The narrow village lanes are lined with shops displaying honeyed fruit, herbs and spices. Take in sweeping views of Volos and the Gulf of Pagasae on this moderate half-day excursion.

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