



HARVARD
Alumni Association

TRAVELS

SPRING BREAK GREECE
FOR STUDENTS & ALUMNI
MARCH 15-23, 2013

HAA Spring Break trips are specially designed for Harvard students and alumni to travel together. The fifth annual trip uncovers Classical Greece through its most important archaeological sites. Special rates are available for Harvard students, and there are travel scholarship opportunities for current Harvard College students. Enjoy exclusive access to the Harvard Hellenic Center in Nafplion and learn about current work by Harvard students and professors. At every step of the way, Professor Gregory Nagy lends his insights and expertise.

PRICING (Land only-price does not include airfare)

Alumni: \$3,295 per person double occupancy / \$595 single supplement

Special Harvard College student* rate: \$1,995 per person double occupancy / \$595 single supplement

Special Harvard graduate student* rate: \$2,795 per person double occupancy / \$595 single supplement

**Must be currently enrolled as a fulltime Harvard student.*

STUDY LEADER



Gregory Nagy PhD '66;
*Francis Jones Professor of
Classical Greek Literature
and Professor of
Comparative Literature*

*HAA is pleased to announce
Professor Nagy as the "Greece
Spring Break" study leader for the
5th consecutive year.*

Born in Budapest, Hungary, Gregory Nagy was educated at Indiana University and Harvard, where he studied Classical Philology and Linguistics, receiving his PhD in 1966. He has held positions at Johns Hopkins University and since 1975 at

Harvard. He also is currently the Curator of the Milman Parry Collection of Oral Literature and the director of the Harvard Center for Hellenic Studies in Washington D.C. Nagy has served as chair of the Harvard University Department of the Classics and as president of the American Philological Association.

Nagy is a renowned authority in the field of Homeric and related Greek studies. His numerous honors include a Guggenheim Fellowship. He has lectured widely in North America and Europe on a great range of topics, especially concentrated in Homeric and Archaic Greek questions. He is a strong proponent of the use of technology in reaching and use of student writing in the general education curriculum.

SCHEDULE BY DAY

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner, R=Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

DEPART USA

Most participants from the USA will depart on this day. Several overnight flights are available. Please make your own air arrangements to Athens, Greece.

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

ATHENS

Arrive at Athens Airport and make your own way to the Hotel St George Lycabettus. The hotel is about 32 km (20 miles) from the airport; a taxi should take about 35 - 45 minutes and cost about 40 EUR.

Please arrive at the hotel by 6pm for the transfer to your orientation dinner at the restaurant Kafeneion.

Overnight at the *Hotel St. George Lycabettus* / **D**

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

ATHENS

Visit the National Archaeological Museum, which is considered one of the great museums of the world and contains the richest collection of artifacts from Greek antiquity worldwide. Have lunch at the *taverna* Thespis in the Plaka (the old city of Athens).

Then continue to the New Acropolis Museum, which first opened to the public in June 2009. Tonight mingle with local Harvard alumni at a reception at the hotel. Dinner will be on your own (a list of recommended restaurants will be provided).

Overnight at the *Hotel St. George Lycabettus* / **B, L, R**

MONDAY, MARCH 18

ATHENS / NAFPLION

This morning visit the famous Acropolis of Athens and the Agora "place of assembly." Lunch is at the *taverna* Hermeion in the Plaka. Continue to Nafplion, home of the Greek branch of Harvard's Center for Hellenic Studies.

Founded in 2006 in large part due to the efforts of Professor Nagy, this Greek branch of the CHS is a key part of Harvard's continuing effort to support researchers and students who seek to explore the relationships between Eastern and Western cultures

as well as the many facets of Hellenic civilization. Nafplion's proximity to some of the most celebrated archaeological sites in Greece, as well as its enduring cultural significance and prominent historical role in the shaping of modern Greece make it the perfect setting for Harvard students as well as for visitors from Greece and across the globe--scholars, students, Harvard alumni, and friends of the CHS. This evening enjoy a reception at the center before having dinner at a local *taverna*.

Overnight at the *Grand Sarai* / **B, L, R, D**

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

NAFPLION / MYCENAE / EPIDAUROS

Drive into the countryside to visit the Acropolis of Mycenae and view the Cyclopean walls. Also visit other important sites such as the Grave Circle A, Mycenae's Palace, the Perseia cistern, the Treasury of Atreus (Tomb of Agamemnon), and the local museum. Lunch will be at the restaurant Kolizeras in the village of Mycenae. In the afternoon visit the sites of Epidaurus including the ancient medical center of Asclepius, the stadium, the *tholos*, the museum, and the theater famous for its extraordinary acoustics.

Enjoy an afternoon of leisure time and dinner on your own.

Overnight at *Grand Sarai* / **B, L**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

CORINTH / ARACHOVA

Drive along the scenic coastal road to Corinth and cross the impressive modern bridge that connects the Peloponnese with the mainland. Explore ancient Corinth, the richest port of ancient Greece. Then continue on to Arachova, your base for visiting Delphi. Dinner will be at a local *taverna*.

Overnight at the *Hotel Likoria* / **B, L, D**

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

DELPHI / ATHENS

Situated at the foot of Mount Parnassos, the highest peak in Greece after Mount Olympus, Delphi was the site of important Hellenic sanctuaries. In the morning visit the museum in Delphi and the sanctuary of Apollo. Then return to the village of Arachova for lunch. This afternoon visit the 11th century Monastery of Hosios Loukas, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and

view the exquisite mosaics. Later drive to Athens.
Dinner will be on your own.

Overnight at the *Hotel St. George Lycabettus* / **B, L**

FRIDAY, MARCH 22
ATHENS / AEGINA

Sail to the island of Aegina. Drive from the main town to the eastern coast of the island to visit the Temple of Athena Aphaea. Return to Piraeus and farewell dinner at the *taverna* Psaras in the Plaka.

Overnight at the *Hotel St. George Lycabettus* / **B, L, D**

SATURDAY, MARCH 23
DEPART FOR USA