

Ancient Greece:

Oracles & Theaters, Myths & Legends



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Explore the world

March 13-25, 2021 (13 days)
with Carleton Professor of Classics Clara Hardy

Delphi

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"Clara Hardy's lectures were excellent and gave an added dimension to the theatres, in particular."

- Maureen, California



Carleton College Faculty Leader

Clara Hardy has taught Classics at Carleton since 1990. Her current research is on the performance of drama in Athens and Rome, and her forthcoming book is entitled *Athens 415: The City in Crisis* (U. Michigan Press). Clara regularly teaches courses on gender and sexuality, classical mythology, and ancient drama, and has collaborated extensively with Ruth Weiner (Theater), most recently on productions of Euripides and Aeschylus at Carleton. She has enjoyed many research excursions around Greece to explore the physical contexts of ancient drama both in and out of Athens, and led a previous incarnation of this tour in 2015.

“It is thrilling to experience first-hand the landscapes and monuments of ancient Greek myth and tragedy. I look forward to sharing these sites with Carleton alumni, from the theater of Dionysos where Pericles sat to watch the very first performances of Sophocles and Euripides, to the stunning and unforgettable temples at Delphi, where Oedipus received his shocking oracle. We’ll travel into the Peloponnese to explore the stadium at Olympia and walk around Agamemnon’s palace in Mycenae. I will provide a brief reading list for any who’d like to dig in before the trip, and while we’re there will be happy to read and discuss a tragedy or two featuring these sites such as Sophocles’ Oedipus the King or Aeschylus’ Eumenides.” - Clara Hardy

Dear alumni, parents, and friends of Carleton College,

I invite you to delve into the world of ancient Greek mythology, religion, drama, literature, art, and history with Carleton Professor Clara Hardy and an excellent Greek guide on this exploration of “sacred spaces” of the ancient Greek world.

- Travel with a popular Carleton Professor whose teaching and research interests include ancient drama, mythology, rhetoric, and gender studies, all of which can be addressed *in situ* on this tour in and around Athens, Delphi, and the Peloponnese.
- Explore ancient Greek religion and mythology while visiting sites associated with the rites and stories, such as Eleusis, center of the ancient mystery cult called the Eleusinian Mysteries; and the oracle of Trophonius, which predates Delphi.
- Visit SIX UNESCO World Heritage sites:
 - Athens’ Acropolis, with its stunning Parthenon and Erechtheion temples, plus the nearby Acropolis Museum;
 - the 10th-century monastery of Hosios Loukas, on the slopes of Mount Helicon, which has some of the country’s finest Byzantine frescoes;
 - the greatest ancient oracle, Delphi, located in a spectacular mountain setting;
 - Olympia, the original site of the Olympic Games for 1,000 years, starting in 776 B.C.;
 - the Bronze Age fortress-palace of Mycenae, legendary home of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra;
 - and the ancient sanctuary of Epidauros, with its well-preserved, 4th-century B.C. theater.
- Marvel at world-class museum collections of marble and bronze sculptures, exquisite gold jewelry, and icons, including the National Archaeological Museum in Athens.
- Gaze upon breathtaking mountain vistas and seascapes.
- Relax at centrally-located, comfortable (often luxurious) hotels.
- Savor delicious, healthy Mediterranean cuisine.
- Throughout your travels an expert trip manager handles all of the logistics, so you can relax, enjoy, and learn.

I hope you will seize this opportunity to explore with fellow Carls a diverse, magnificent array of ancient sites on this custom-designed itinerary!

Sincerely,

Derek Fried '93

President, Carleton College Alumni Association

Acropolis, Athens



ITINERARY

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

- # Overnight stays
- Itinerary stops
- ✈ Flights

Saturday, March 13, 2021: Depart home on flights to Athens, Greece

Sunday, March 14: Arrive in Athens | Private transfer to hotel

Upon arrival at Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport (ATH), you are met for a private transfer to our centrally-located hotel, which has views of the Acropolis. The balance of the day is at leisure for you to settle in, rest, and perhaps start to get acquainted with the very walkable area around our hotel. *Overnight at the 4-star [Herodian Hotel](#) (or similar) for four nights.*

Monday, March 15: Athens - Acropolis, Acropolis Museum, PM at leisure | Welcome dinner

Set out this morning to ascend the Acropolis (a UNESCO World Heritage site) and learn about its Parthenon and Erechtheion temples. We will also view from above the Odeon of Herodes Atticus and the Theater of Dionysos, set on the slope of the Acropolis, before we explore the stunning, nearby Acropolis Museum. Enjoy a traditional Greek lunch in the Plaka, Athens' ancient center, at the foot of the Acropolis, with its narrow, labyrinthine streets. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure, perhaps to explore the Plaka's shop-lined alleys and/or return to the Acropolis Museum. Gather this evening for a welcome reception and dinner. (B,L,R,D)

Tuesday, March 16: Athens - AM walking tour: Kerameikos, Agora, Roman Agora | PM at leisure

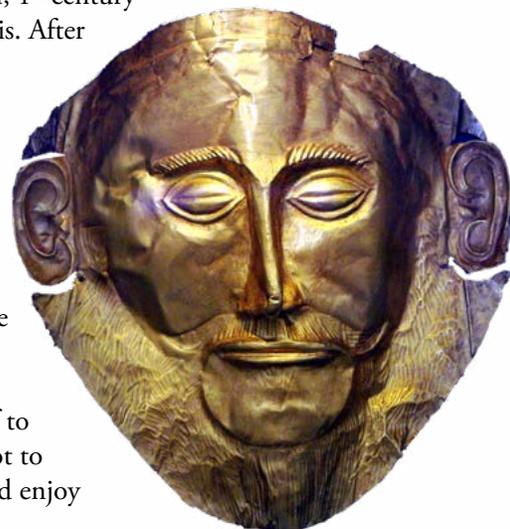
This morning's walking tour begins with the Kerameikos, which was the city's cemetery from the 12th century B.C. through the 6th century A.D. and is something of an urban oasis today. It is populated by marble *stelae* (grave markers), many of which are carved with portraits. Continue our walk to the ancient Agora, the marketplace that was the center of ancient Athens' economic, social, and political life, to stroll its paths to the Temple of Hephaestus and visit the Agora Museum, housed in the reconstructed Stoa of Attalos. Our final stop of the morning is at the Roman Agora, where we see the octagonal, 1st-century B.C. Tower of the Winds and the monumental 1st-century A.D. Gate of Athens Archegetis. After a group lunch, the rest of the day is at leisure for you to explore Athens. (B,L)

The so-called "Mask of Agamemnon," a gold funerary mask found at Mycenae, is on display at Athens' National Archaeological Museum

Wednesday, March 17: Athens - National Archaeological Museum | Brauron |

Cape Sounion | Athens

Spend the morning exploring the National Archaeological Museum, which contains the richest collection of Greek antiquities in the world, including Neolithic, Cycladic, and Mycenaean artifacts. After lunch we drive to the Sanctuary of Artemis at Brauron, a site often associated with the story of Iphigenia, who came to Brauron after Artemis saved her from sacrifice at the hands of her father, Agamemnon. We continue on to Cape Sounion, at the southernmost tip of mainland Greece, with its 5th-century B.C. Temple of Poseidon, spectacularly situated more than 200 feet above the Aegean Sea. Mythology tells us that the Sea acquired its name because King Aegeus of Athens leaped off this cliff to his death when his heroic son, Theseus, upon his return from killing the Minotaur, forgot to change his ship's black sail to white to indicate that he was alive. We return to Athens and enjoy dinner at leisure. (B,L)





Theater at Epidaurus
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Thursday, March 18: Eleusis | Livadia | Hosios Loukas | Arachova

Set out from Athens for the small site of Eleusis, center of the ancient mystery cult called the Eleusinian Mysteries. At Eleusis, where we find the Sanctuary of Demeter, secret religious rites took place based on Hades' seasonal abduction and return of Persephone to her mother, Demeter. We then drive to Livadia to visit the site of the oracle of Trophonius, which predates the more famous oracle at Delphi (to which tomorrow is dedicated), and onward to the 10th-century monastery of Hosios Loukas. A UNESCO World Heritage site on the slopes of Mount Helicon, the monastery contains some of the country's finest Byzantine frescoes. Enjoy lunch in the mountain resort town Arachova, at the foot of Mount Parnassus, where we check-in to our hotel and have some time this afternoon to settle in before we gather this evening for dinner. *Overnight at the 4-star [Aegli Arachova](#) (or similar) for two nights.* (B,L,D)

Friday, March 19: Delphi | Arachova

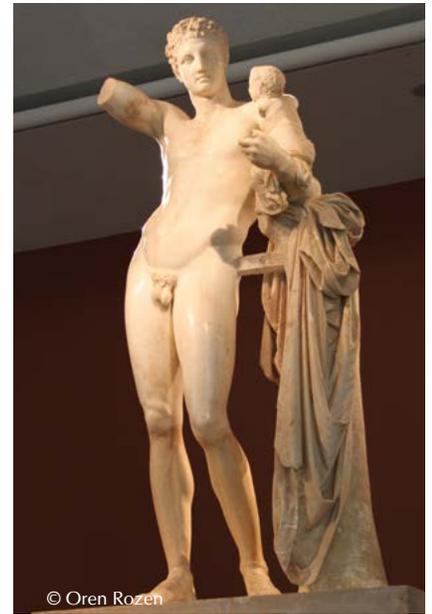
We spend today at Delphi, a UNESCO World Heritage site spectacularly situated on the slope of Mount Parnassus. This was the most celebrated oracle in antiquity, believed by the ancient Greeks to be the center of the Earth. We walk up the slope, along the Sacred Way, past monuments and treasuries to the theater and up even farther to the stadium where the Pythian Games were held. After a lunch in town, we explore the Delphi Archaeological Museum, whose excellent collection includes the celebrated bronze Charioteer statue and a colossal marble group of three dancing women. Return to our hotel in Arachova and gather this evening for dinner. (B,L,D)

Saturday, March 20: Olympia

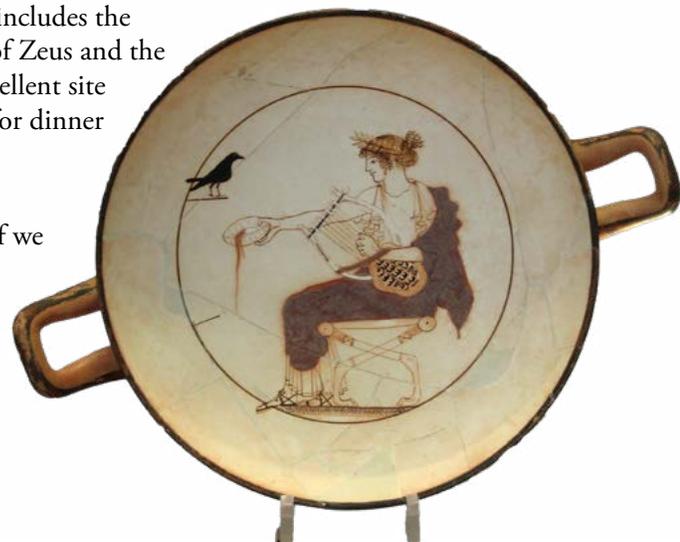
Enjoy a scenic drive (approx. 3.25 hrs.) today from Arachova to the Peloponnese peninsula, crossing the Gulf of Corinth via the Rio-Antirrio bridge, one of the world's longest multi-span, cable-stayed bridges. Arrive at the Pan-Hellenic sanctuary of Olympia, where the Olympic Games originated in 776 B.C. and were held every four years until the 4th century A.D. This extensive site, which is today a UNESCO World Heritage site, includes the original stadium and the ruins of the immense 5th-century Doric Temple of Zeus and the well-preserved 6th-century Doric Temple of Hera, plus we will visit the excellent site museum. Check-in to our hotel in the town of Olympia and then gather for dinner this evening. *Overnight at the 5-star [Arty Grand Hotel](#) (or similar).* (B,L,D)

Sunday, March 21: Olympia | Nafplion

The morning may begin with a return visit to the Olympia site museum, if we did not have a thorough visit the previous day. Then we take a beautiful drive (approx. 3.25 hrs.) across the Peloponnese peninsula to the delightful port town of Nafplion, which was the first capital of modern Greece. After lunch, visit Nafplion's imposing Palamidi Fortress for marvelous views overlooking the Argolic Gulf. Check-in to our hotel and get settled before gathering this evening for dinner. *Overnight at the 4-star [Ippoliti Hotel](#) (or similar) for three nights.* (B,L,D)



Above, Praxiteles' *Hermes and the Infant Dionysus*, on display at the Olympia Museum; (below) a shallow bowl (kylix) with an unusual depiction of the god Apollo, found in a grave underneath the Delphi Archaeological Museum, where it is currently displayed



"I really liked all the places that we visited, our guides were fabulous, and the group of Carls were a great bunch." - Randy, Chicago



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Temple of Apollo, Corinth

Monday, March 22: Mycenae | Nafplion | PM at leisure

En route to Mycenae we drive past Tiryns for a view of its impressive Cyclopean walls. Tiryns and Mycenae are together a UNESCO World Heritage site. At Mycenae, we start with a visit to the Treasury of Atreus, a well-preserved tholos (beehive-shaped) tomb, and then pass through the celebrated Lion Gate into the ruins of the fortress-palace of legendary Agamemnon and Clytemnestra. Also explore the wonderful site museum. After a group lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure in Nafplion. (B,L)

Tuesday, March 23: Epidaurus | Nafplion | PM at leisure

We spend the morning at the site of Epidaurus, an ancient sanctuary that was dedicated to Asclepius, the god of medicine, and today is a UNESCO World Heritage site. Admire the well-preserved, 4th-century B.C. theater with its extraordinary acoustics, and visit the small site museum with ancient medical instruments. After a group lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure in Nafplion. (B,L)

Wednesday, March 24: Corinth | Athens | Farewell dinner

Drive to ancient Corinth, where we see the 6th-century B.C. Doric Temple of Apollo, the 1st-century A.D. Roman Odeion, and the site museum. We then return to Athens, have lunch together, and enjoy our final afternoon at leisure. This evening we gather for our farewell dinner. *Overnight at the 4-star [Herodion Hotel](#) (or similar).* (B,L,R,D)

Thursday, March 25: Private transfer to Athens Airport | Fly home

You are met at the hotel for a private transfer to Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport (ATH) for your flights homeward. (B)

What to Expect

You must be able to make long walks, unassisted, over uneven terrain and up and down steps that may be steep and without handrails. Participants who are not able to walk or stand unassisted for extended periods are kindly advised not to join this tour. All participants are expected to be physically active and not be an impediment to others on excursions, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences. Some sites require strenuous and/or brisk walking or climbing, sometimes with difficult footing. If the tour manager decides that a participant cannot visit a site safely or in a timely manner, their judgment will be final. Where possible, an alternate activity may be suggested; additional costs may apply. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Hotels have been chosen for their excellent locations and generous comfort. At the time of year that we visit this region the weather is generally sunny and pleasant, with average temperatures in the mid- to high 50s (F) during the day, dropping to the high 40s at night. There is always a chance of light to moderate rain showers. *Complete pre-departure details and what to pack will be sent to participants.*



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ACCOMMODATIONS



ATHENS: Five nights total at the 4-star [Herodion Hotel](#)



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ARACHOVA: Two nights at the 4-star [Aegli Arachova](#)



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OLYMPIA: One night at the 5-star [Arty Grand Hotel](#)



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NAFPLION: Three nights at the 4-star [Ippoliti Hotel](#)

Photos (from top): Olympia; Nafplion; Odeon of Herodes Atticus, Athens; Rio-Antirrio Bridge over the Gulf of Corinth

For questions, and to reserve your space: 800-811-7244 or carleton@studytours.org



Tour Prices Per Person (11 nights)

Double Occupancy (16-20 participants).....\$5,545

Double Occupancy (12-15 participants).....\$5,845

Single Supplement \$795

Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required (limited availability).
With fewer than 12 participants, a small group surcharge may be applied.

Prices Include:

- **Leadership of Carleton faculty leader Clara Hardy**, an expert English-speaking **tour manager**, and **local guides**
- **Accommodations for 11 nights** in 4- and 5-star boutique hotels
- **Delicious meals:** buffet breakfasts daily, ten lunches, and six dinners including welcome and farewell dinners. Lunches and dinners include water/soft drinks, a choice of local beer/house wine, and coffee/tea.
- **Individual arrival and departure airport transfers** on program dates
- **Surface transportation** via air-conditioned private coach with bottled water available at all times
- **All gratuities** for tour manager, local guides, hotel staff, and servers for included meals
- **Baggage handling** at hotels
- **All sightseeing, entrance fees, and excursions** as indicated in the itinerary; and all VAT and local taxes
- **Comprehensive pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading guide, travel guide, and packing list

Air Arrangements & Transfers

Airfare from/to home is not included. Individual arrival and departure transfers from/to Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport (ATH) are provided. Your flight itinerary must be provided to our office prior to the tour. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

Photos (from left): Mosaic of Dionysos with fruit and ivy in his hair, Archaeological Museum of Ancient Corinth; entrance to the Treasury of Atreus at Mycenae; Nafplion © Elizabeth Thomas; the bronze *Charioteer of Delphi* © R. Todd Nielsen photos

Prices Do Not Include: Airfare from/to home; passport and visa fees; all airport fees and departure taxes; cost of personal, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; transportation of excess baggage; meals other than those indicated in the itinerary; personal tips; items of a personal nature, such as laundry; alcoholic or other beverages except as noted; taxi, telephone, and fax charges; optional excursions or deviations from scheduled tour; and other items not listed as included.

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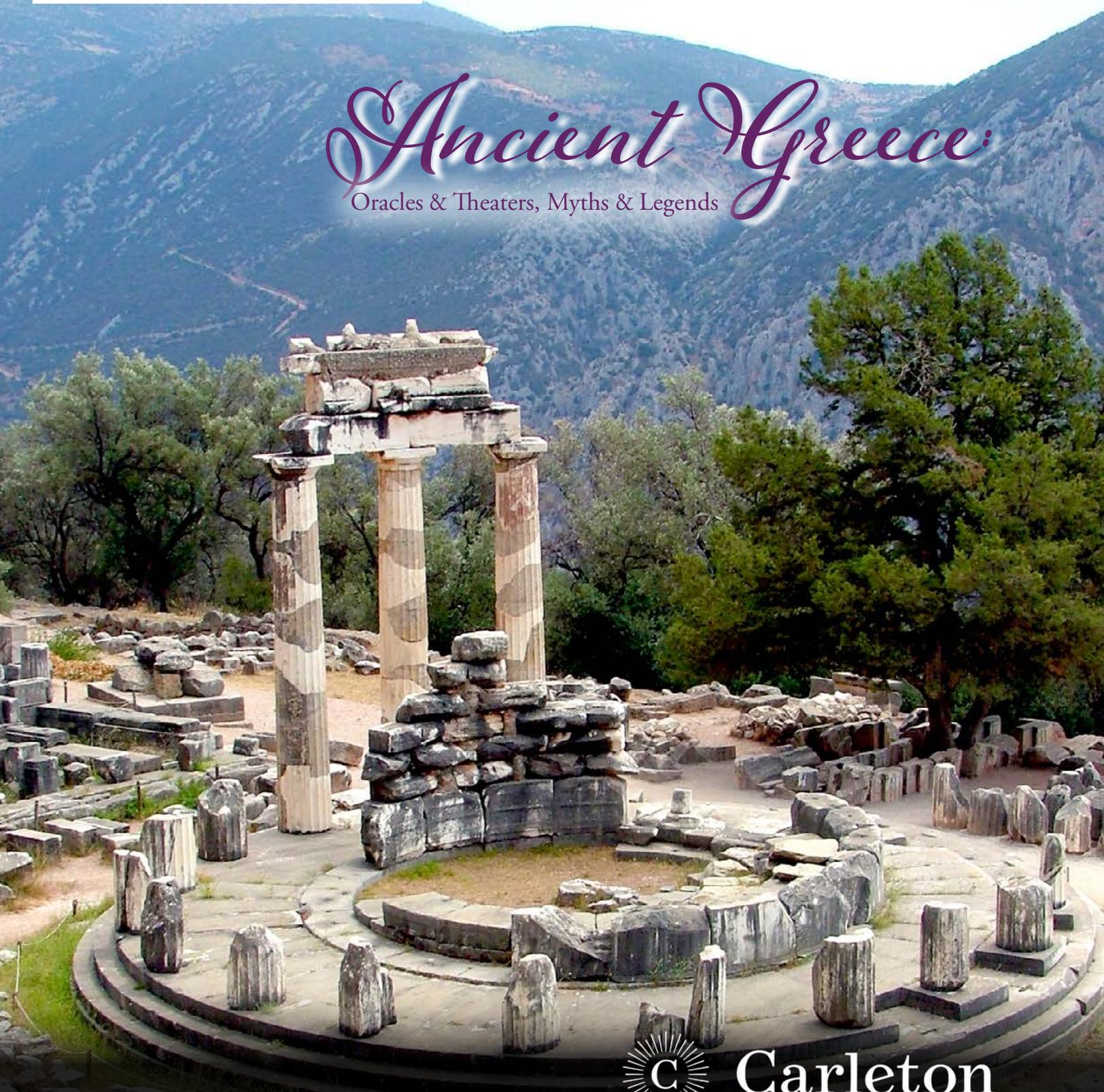
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The Tholos at Delphi

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RESERVATION FORM

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(Accommodation preferences are not guaranteed.)

- Double (one bed) Twin (two beds) Single
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