

Mount Olympus Trek

Summit the highest mountain in Greece



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Conquer the highest Peak in Greece, 2,917m

Mount Olympus reaches 2,917m into the sky and is the highest point in all of Greece. It is the mystical home of the ancient Greek Gods and is situated in Greece's oldest and most carefully protected national park. It was from the steep, rocky summit of Mount Olympus that Zeus hurled thunderbolts against mankind. Today the national park has an extensive concentration of flora and fauna, and boasts dozens of endemic species of flower as well as some endangered birds and butterflies.

Our trekking challenge takes us through good forest paths, grassy uplands to Mitikas at 2,917m, Mount Olympus's highest peak, where we, like Zeus, can survey the world and enjoy views described as 'fit for the gods!'



Detailed itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Thessaloniki

Upon arrival in Thessaloniki, you will be met by your guide and transferred to the hotel in Litohoro at the foot of Mount Olympus. Time permitting, there may be time to explore the village, visiting the natural river pools of Vithos at the end of Enipeas gorge. This evening you will have a traditional Greek dinner, and have a full trekking briefing about the challenge ahead.

Day 2: St. Dionisios to Spilios Agapitos 5-6hrs trekking

After an early breakfast you'll be transferred to the old monastery of St. Dionisios to begin the challenge. Entering the Enipeas Gorge, you'll see small waterfalls and river pools with crystal clear waters, a variety of woodland birds and flowers as you trek through shady beech and fir forests. The climb is steady reaching Prionia at 1,000m after approx. 1-2 hours. The path continues past another waterfall before the ascent to 2,100m and the refuge of Spilios Agaritos where you will spend the night.

Day 3: Mount Olympus ascent 6-7hrs trekking

The summit ascent begins soon after breakfast. This is a long, rugged trek today as the path continues up the cliffs to Skala at 2,882m and then the top Skolio at 2,911m. From here you can make the optional side-trip to Mitikas 2,917m*, Greece's highest peak. This involves some tough scrambling, but the hard climb will be more than worth it when you reach the top, as the views are spectacular on a clear day. After some celebration photos you descend back down to Spilios Agapitos where you spend a second night.



Day 4: Plateau of the Muses 5-6hrs trekking

After breakfast you leave the refuge towards the Plateau of the Muses and on to the second refuge of Yiosos Apostolidis at 2,700m. The dramatic peak of Stefani, the throne of Zeus, dominates the plateau. After resting for a while you'll begin your descent to Diastaurosi, from here you will be transferred back to the village of Litohoro. Tonight you will spend the evening at a local tavern, enjoying traditional Greek food and celebrating your achievements.

Day 5: Thessaloniki to London

Breakfast in the hotel before transferring back to the airport for your onward flight.

* *Mitikas Peak is not suitable for vertigo sufferers*

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