

## **METEORA** *the 8th wonder*

We invite you on a tour of the 8th wonder of the world - the monasteries of Meteora, which are one of the most striking sights of Greece. The name of this place received from the Greek "Meteor», which means "floating in the air." And this term perfectly describes the sensation that cause to everyone who will see the six Greek Orthodox monasteries. Vertical rocks with a height of several hundred meters were created about 60 million years ago during the Paleogene period, and 1st was seen by Byzantine hermits, which climbed to the top of the rocks, to be alone with the God. The 1st monasteries were built during the 14th - 15th centuries. The First Great monastery of Meteora (Μεγάλου Μετεώρου) appeared in 1340 and 1500, How many monasteries there now, what and how monks live, all the stories, legends and miracles of this site will be opened for you on our tour. we will also visit a traditional Byzantine Hagiography workshop and have a small informative tour about the technologies and styles of hagiography. During the tour we will have a drive by The Great Mount Olympus, the residence of the ancient Greek Gods and we will dive in the Myths and fairytales.

08:00 Departure

09:30 (15-20min) Rest Stop

11:30 Arrival to Meteora

11:30-13:30 Visit of 2 monasteries

13:30-15:30 Free time for lunch and sightseeing in Kalambaka

15:30-16:00 Departure from Kalambaka

17:30 (15-20min) Rest Stop

19:00 Arrival to Thessaloniki

