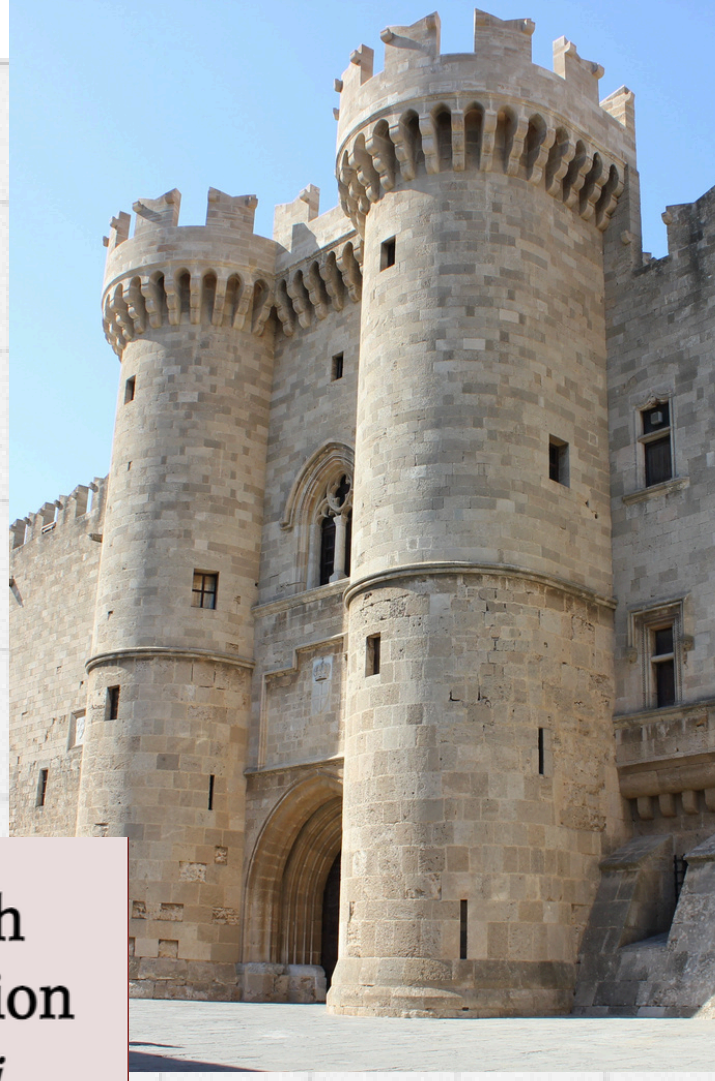

The Sephardic Jewish Brotherhood Foundation

*La Ermandad Sefaradi*

# SUMMER TOUR OF JEWISH GREECE

## June 28 - July 7, 2027

INCLUDES SALONIKA (THESSALONIKI), VERIA, KASTORIA, IOANNINA, ATHENS, AND RHODES

REDISCOVER YOUR HERITAGE AND CONNECT WITH OTHER SEPHARDIC JEWS ON THIS ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME EXPERIENCE

**To register and learn more go to sephardicbrotherhood.com/tourofjewishgreece**

## Day 1 - Monday June 28

International Flight from the United States to Thessaloniki, Greece. Arrive in the evening to Thessaloniki. **Overnight in Thessaloniki at the Electra Palace Hotel.**

## Day 2 - Tuesday June 29

Our first full day together. We'll visit Salonika's two synagogues: Monastirioton and Yad Lazikaron, the Jewish community center, and the Jewish Museum. We'll also explore the Upper City and its lavish villas, the new monument commemorating the Jewish cemetery, and we will end our tour at the Byzantine Walls, where you can enjoy fabulous views of the bay. We'll close the day with a special group dinner on the water to welcome everyone to a wonderful trip together. **Overnight in Thessaloniki at the Electra Palace Hotel.**

## Day 3 - Wednesday June 30

We say goodbye to Thessaloniki and take a special trip to the city of Ioannina (the city of Johns), the historic home to the Romaniote Jewish community and capital of the Epirus region of Greece. On the way we stop in the idyllic towns of Veria and Kastoria, both home to historic Sephardic Jewish Communities. We visit the historic synagogue of Veria along the way and stop in Kastoria for Lunch. Early evening arrival to Ioannina. **Overnight in Ioannina at the Lake Hotel.**

## Day 4 - Thursday July 1

Today we explore the beautiufl and historic Jewish Community of Ioannina with a walking tour of the old city and castro. We visit the historic Jewish cemetery, synagogue, and the Holocaust Memorial, walk the streets of the fortified old town and the Jewish neighborhood, and enjoy the lovely scenery of the Pamvotis lake. The afternoon you will be free to explore the town on your own, or enjoy the beautiful Lake Hotel Resort. **Overnight in Ioannina at the Lake Hotel.**

## Day 5 - Friday July 2

Our private bus will take us on a picturesque drive to Athens, driving along the Corinthian Canal and stopping at the Isthmus of Corinth along the way, and arriving to Athens in time to freshen up before Shabbat. Join us for Shabbat services Friday evening led by our dear friend Rabbi Gabriel Negrin. Shabbat Dinner included. We will also get to meet other members of the Jewish Community of Athens. **Overnight in Athens at the Fresh Hotel.**

## Day 6 - Saturday July 3

Today we'll rest and celebrate Shabbat in Athens, with services at Beth Shalom Synagogue. The rest of the day is free to walk around the city, visit the Acropolis, museums, see the changing of the guard in Syntagma Square, walk up Athinais to the open-air food market, walk through Monastiraki and the flea market, or stroll through Plaka, the oldest neighborhood in Athens. Our tour guide will give you all the information you need. Watch the sunset over the Acropolis and finish Shabbat with Avdalah services. **Overnight in Athens at the Fresh Hotel.**

## Day 7 - Sunday July 4

In the morning we will tour the Jewish Museum of Greece and of course the famous Acropolis of Athens. Afterwards, we head to the airport to fly to the beautiful island of Rhodes, once home to a thriving Sephardic community. On arrival, our bus will pick us up at the airport and take us to our lovely hotel in Rhodes. The early evening is free to swim in the beautiful Aegean Sea or swim in the hotel pool before dinner. The rest of the evening is free to explore the Old City and the island nightlife. **Overnight in Rhodes at the Best Western Plus Hotel.**

## Day 8 - Monday July 5

Today we explore Jewish Rhodes, walking through the streets of the Medieval City of the Crusader Knights. Our special tour guide, who is a member of the local Jewish community, will tell us about Kahal Shalom Synagogue, the oldest functioning synagogue in Greece, and walk us through the Jewish quarter, the Juderia. The afternoon is free to shop, explore, or hit the beach. **Overnight in Rhodes at the Best Western Plus Hotel Plaza.**

## Day 9 - Tuesday July 6

Today we enjoy another full day in Rhodes with a private bus trip to Lindos, a picturesque village down the coast of the island. Lindos is the site of the Ancient Acropolis of Rhodes and a delightful small town on the water, lined with charming white-washed streets and local donkeys just waiting for a photo op. Bring your bathing suit - we will stop at a local beach on the way back to Rhodes town. Farewell Dinner included. **Overnight in Rhodes at the Best Western Plus Hotel Plaza.**

# Day 10 - Wednesday July 7

We say goodbye to Greece as we depart Rhodes to connect with our flights back to the USA.

# Tour Details & Cost

This specially priced Tour of Jewish Greece & the Balkans includes all hotels, all transfers, all taxes, all breakfasts, 6 dinners, 1 lunch, and all entrance fees to attractions included in the tour, shuttle buses, and 1 domestic flight from mainland Greece to Rhodes. This trip is organized by Sephardic Balkans - Jewish Heritage Trips and the Sephardic Jewish Brotherhood Foundation. We will try to make your travel as stress-free as possible.

Double (per person in double room): $4,890.
Single (single person in a single room): $6,140.

Note: International Airfare is not included in the prices above. If you would like us to arrange flights for you, we can accommodate that through our travel agency for an additional cost.

Space is limited. This notice is only going out to Sephardic Communities across the United States to participate. If you wish to reserve your place, please contact Ethan Marcus at Ethan@SephardicBrotherhood.com, or register online at sephardicbrotherhood.com/tourofjewishgreeece.

Registration and deposit deadline November 30th 2026. Upon confirmation, you are required to submit an initial non-refundable deposit of $1,000. The rest of your payments are subject to the following cancellation terms: Up to March 30 – full refund. 1 April—1 May: 50% refund. After 1 May – no refund. We recommend and can provide travel insurance upon request.

If you have any questions, contact Ethan Marcus via email at Ethan@SephardicBrotherhood.com

Information to submit with deposit by November 30, 2026:

Name (exactly as it appears on your passport): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Passport Number: _____

Number of People in Your Party: _____

Number of Single Rooms: _____ Number of Double Rooms: _____

Please submit a copy of your passport via email to Ethan@sephardicbrotherhood.com

"The trip was special because it was surreal to witness as my new friends found a part of themselves that they had not known existed. I met friends as they set foot in the same synagogue where their ancestors had prayed and left their marks, and we all had an unforgettable time exploring beautiful beaches and vibrant city nightlife. Thank you for the rare opportunity to partake in this journey."

"This trip was absolutely incredible. It was special, met many great people, and made many great memories. I would very strongly recommend this trip to any and all of my friends. It was epic."

- Past Tour Participants