

## **1. THE DIVIDED CAPITAL OF CYPRUS - NICOSIA**

- ❖ Half Day Excursion
- ❖ Visits to:
  - Archaeological Museum
  - Byzantine Museum and Art Galleries
  - Laiki Gitonia & Green Line
  - Time for shopping

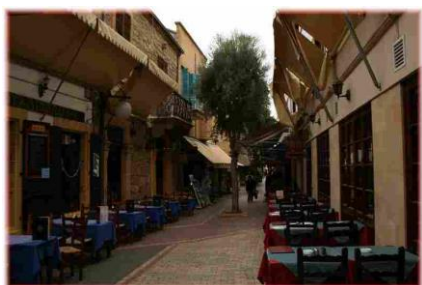
A visit to any capital is a must, but Nicosia is unique in that it is the only remaining divided capital in the world today.

The contrast of the old and new is most evident in Nicosia, with its modern architecture and old city within the Venetian ramparts of the 16th century. Nicosia is a city boasting of many important historical monuments and interesting museums.

The participants will visit Nicosia's Archaeological Museum; here there are artefacts going back to 7000 BC. The Archaeological Museum of Lefkosia consists of fourteen rooms surrounding a square central area and it is comprised with offices, a library, storerooms and areas for preserving and studying items of the collection. The objects in the rooms follow a chronological and a thematic succession.

The next visit will be the Byzantine Museum and Art Galleries, an Archbishop Makarios III Foundation Cultural Centre with the largest collection of icons on the island, covering the period from the 9<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> century. The Art Galleries contain oil paintings, maps and lithographs.

Next stop will be the 'Laiki Gitonia' (the Traditional Neighbourhood) this being the restored commercial quarter of the old city. Here the guests will be able to have a stroll and visit the picturesque shops which sell traditional items. They will also have the possibility to visit the "Green Line", the area which presents the last divided capital of the world.



**PRICE:**

**€25,00 per person**

**The following services are included in the above price:**

- ◆ Private coach transfers
- ◆ Licensed English speaking Guides
- ◆ All relevant entrance fees for archaeological sites
- ◆ Organisation and assistance by Smart Events

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPATION 20 PERSONS**

## **2. THE GREEN HEART OF CYPRUS: THE TROODOS MOUNTAINS**

- ❖ Full Day Excursion
- ❖ Visits to:
  - Troodos Mountains
  - Kykkos Monastery
  - Omodhos Village

A day spent far away from the coast in the green heart of Cyprus where the guests will discover that the island is one full of contrasts!

A drive through pine-clad Troodos Mountains, wine country and mountain villages offering them panoramic views out to the north-west coast; a most exhilarating experience!

Highlight of the day is a visit to Cyprus' most famous and richest monastery, Kykkos Monastery founded in the 12th century. The monastery houses the miraculous icon of the Virgin Mary, which was apparently painted by St. Luke. The monastery also produces its own wines and spirits and is in fact a world in itself, being a very significant place of pilgrimage for the Greek Orthodox world.

Following the impressive morning visits, the guests will then be driven to Omodhos Village, a traditional wine producing village located at an approx. height of 700m. A visit to the monastery of the "Holy Cross", located in the centre of the village is a must. It is at this monastery where St. Helen left pieces of the Holy Cross in the 4th century.

They will then be able to walk through the village square and the narrow streets of this picturesque village. They can also visit Linos Press, an old wine press which is now a historical monument.



**PRICE:**

**€32,00 per person**

**The following services are included in the above price:**

- ◆ Private coach transfers
- ◆ Licensed English speaking Guide
- ◆ Organisation and assistance by Smart Events

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPATION 20 PERSONS**

### 3. LIMASSOL - KOURION - PAPHOS: A World Cultural Heritage Site

- ❖ Full Day Excursion
- ❖ Visits to:
  - Walking in the old part of Limassol
  - Kourion Theatre
  - Aphrodite's Rock (Petra tou Romiou)
  - Paphos Mosaics
  - Walking at Paphos Old Harbour "Limanaki" (free time)

The participants will be taken to the old part of Limassol for a stroll around the old town.

Next stop the former city kingdom of Kourion which was founded in the 12<sup>th</sup> century BC. Here the guests will visit the Greco-Roman theatre with its breathtaking coastal view and the early Christian mosaics in the House of Eustolios and the Kourion Basilica.

The journey will then follow the breathtaking coastline of "Petra tou Romiou", the legendary birthplace of the goddess of fertility, Aphrodite. A stop here is without any doubt a must! This has been regarded as the gateway to Paphos for centuries!

Paphos was founded in the 4<sup>th</sup> century B.C. by the last king of the city kingdom of Palaepaphos and thanks to its natural harbour it soon became the capital of Cyprus during the Hellenistic and Roman periods and is featured on the World Cultural Heritage List of UNESCO since 1980.

The excursion will continue with a visit to the renowned mosaics which are located next to the picturesque harbour. Here are the residences of the Roman capital and include the Roman Proconsul with the outstanding floor mosaics recounting the stories from Greek Mythology: The House of Dionysos, Aion, Orpheus and the Villa of Theseus.

Some free time will be given to the guests at the picturesque harbour for a stroll and souvenir shopping!



**PRICE:**

**€40,00 per person**

**The following services are included in the above price:**

- ◆ Private coach transfers
- ◆ Licensed English speaking Guide
- ◆ All relevant entrance fees for archaeological sites
- ◆ Organisation and assistance by Smart Events

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPATION 20 PERSONS**

## Night Out at Plaka Tavern



This is a family-run tavern and is one of the oldest and most famous traditional taverns in Nicosia.

The great variety of local dishes accompanied with the homemade desserts and the fresh fruit guarantee that the guests will leave the tavern very content.

**PRICE:**

**€38,00 per person**

**The above price includes the following services:**

- ◆ Return coach transfers
- ◆ A rich meal, meze style (sample attached)
- ◆ Unlimited local drinks (including local wine, local beers, soft drinks and water)
- ◆ Tips for the staff
- ◆ Organisation, assistance and escort by Smart Events

## PLAKA TAVERN - MENU

### Starters:

Cheese & Hiromiri  
Salad  
Olives  
Tabouli  
Tahini  
Fresh Vegetables  
Tzatziki  
Beetroot  
Skordialia  
Sardines  
Ravioli  
Giouvetsi

### Grill:

Mushrooms  
Pork Souvlaki  
Halloumi  
Sheftalia

### Cooked:

Fried Mushrooms with onions  
'Poules' & Potatoes  
Stifado  
Rabbit  
French fries  
Tomatoes or aubergines with eggs  
Escargot  
Broccoli  
Mpamies (local vegetables-cooked)

### Main Courses:

Chicken Souvlaki  
Kleftiko (lamb meat)

### Fruit in Season

#### Local sweets:

Mpourekia  
'Glyka tou koutaliou'