



# Greece Summer 2025

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# History

- Greece has been around thousands of years and through various empires including the Roman and Ottoman
- Thessaloniki was named after Alexander the Great won a battle at Thesa
- Ruins are scattered throughout the city and act as a perpetual reminder of the rich history and culture in Thessaloniki







## Landmarks

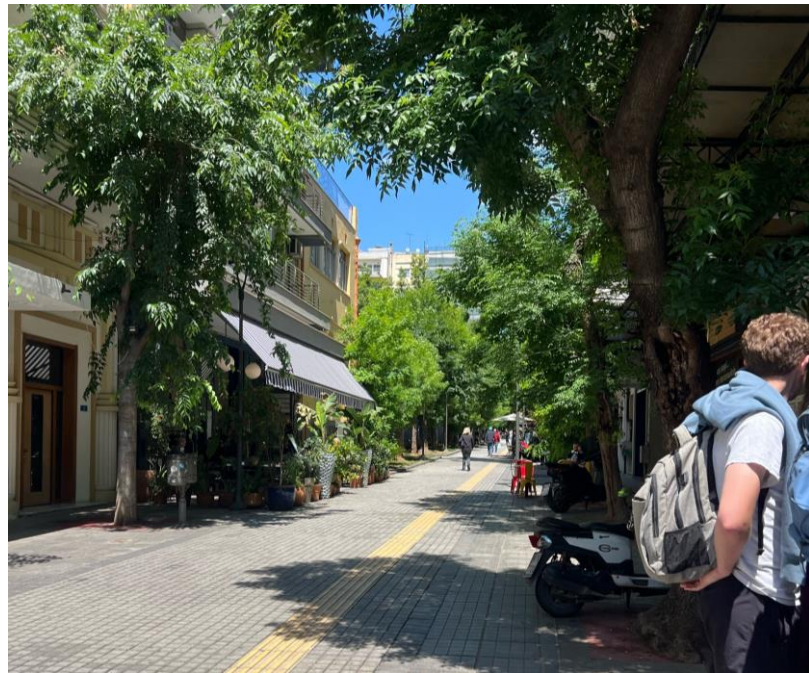
- White tower
- City ruins
- Hilltop fortress
- Churches





# Thessaloniki







# Thessaloniki to Crete







Heraklion





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## Heraklion Port







# Palace of Knossos





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Rethymno



# Food

- Greek food is incredible!
- By far the best know is the gyro, a “fast food” also served at most restaurants made on a rotating rod slowly cooking and releasing the flavor in the meat
- Tatziki is another popular side easy to make and tasty
- Souvlaki: Grilled chicken on a stick served with veggies



Greek Food











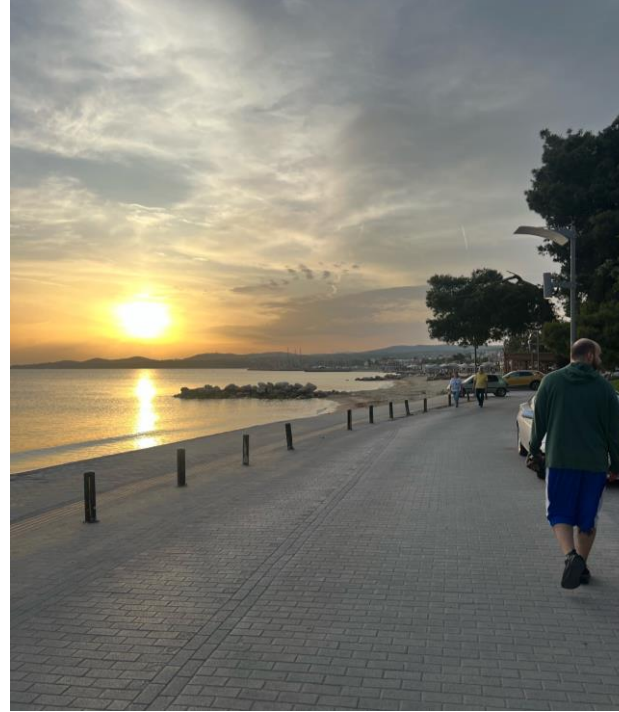










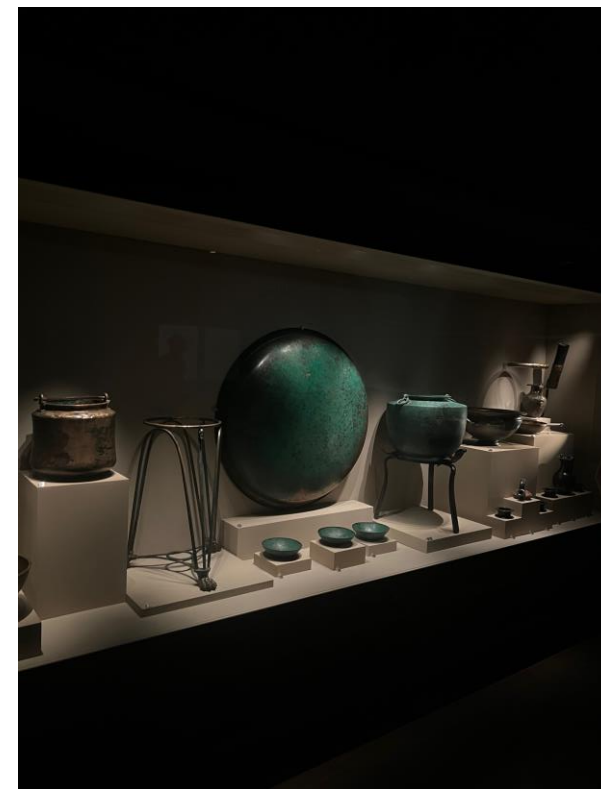
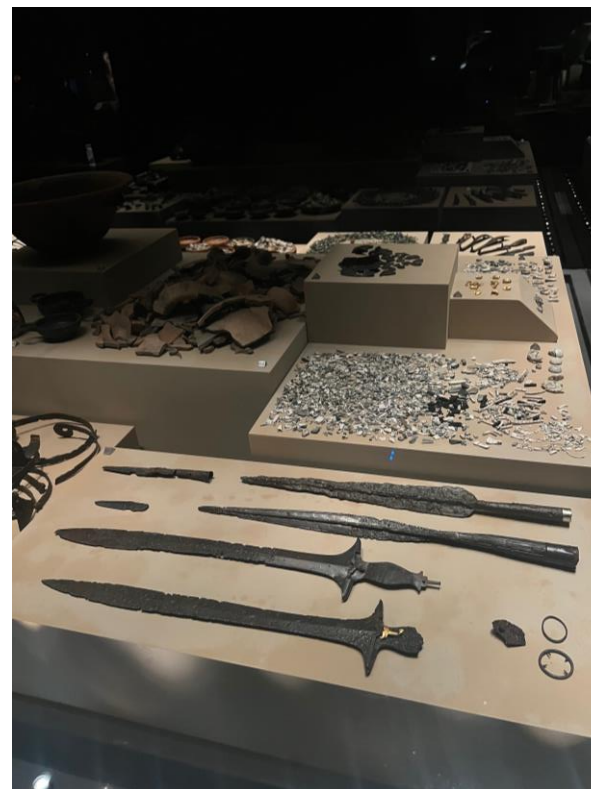
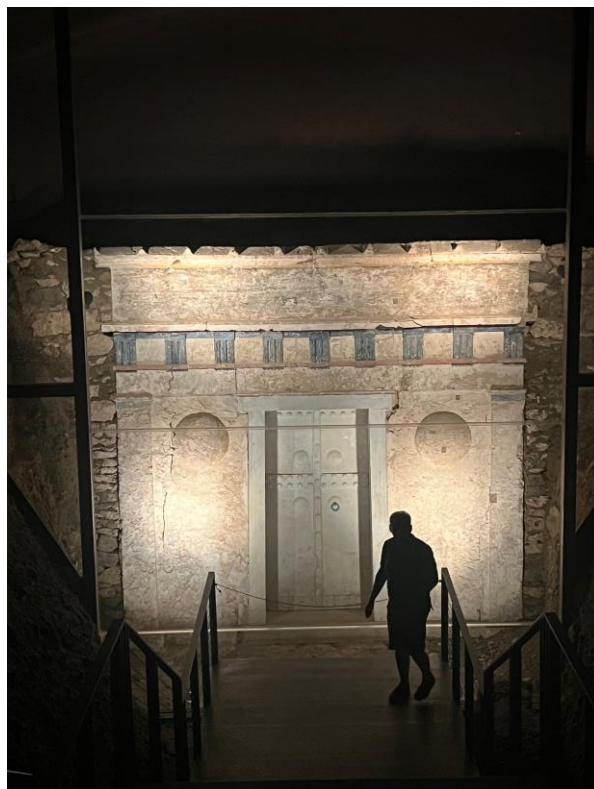


## Halkidiki (Nikiti)- second free weekend

- One of the three Peninsulas
- Beautiful beaches and close to Thessaloniki



# Tomb of King Philip the Second



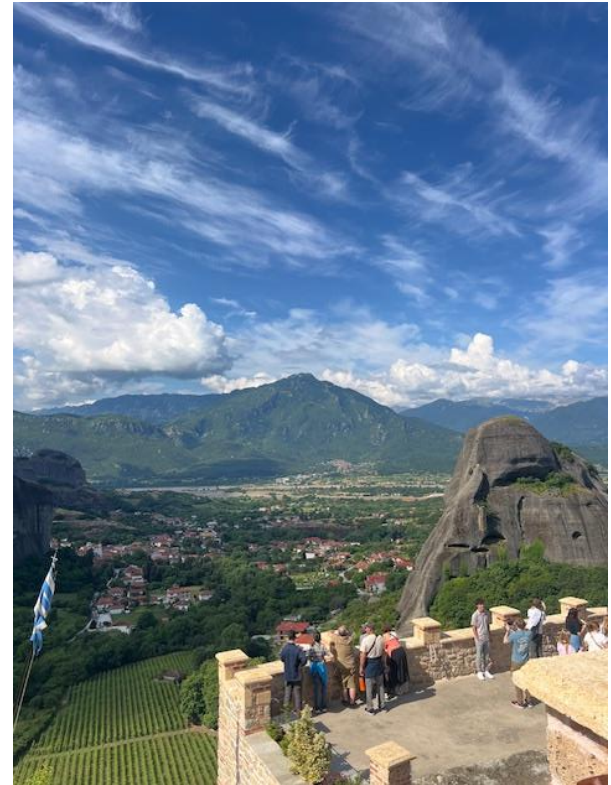


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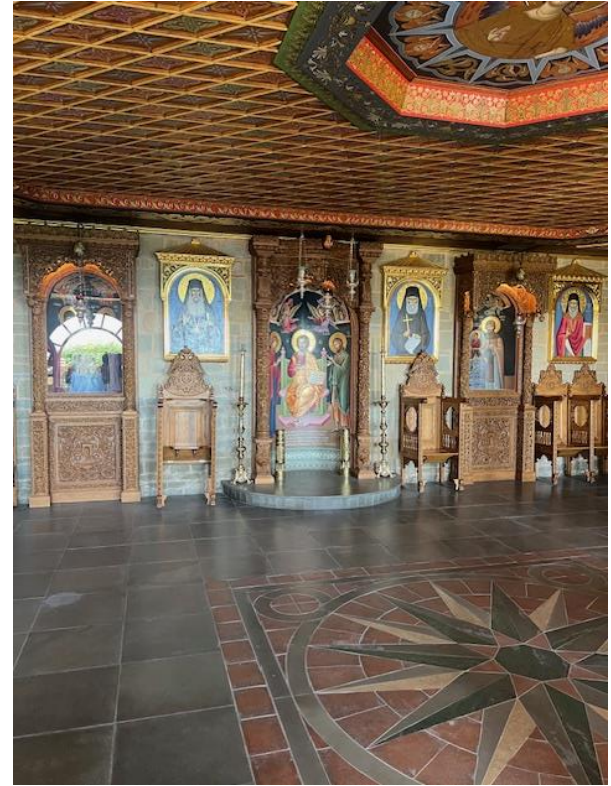
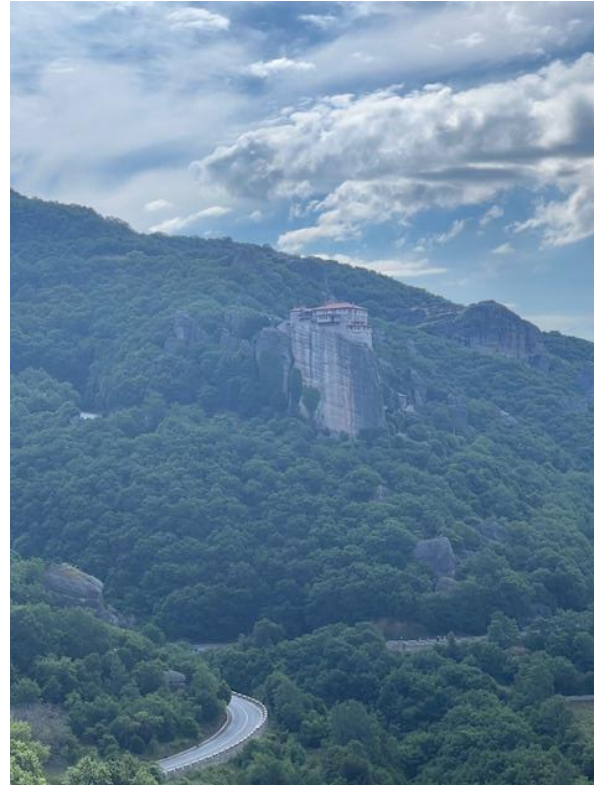


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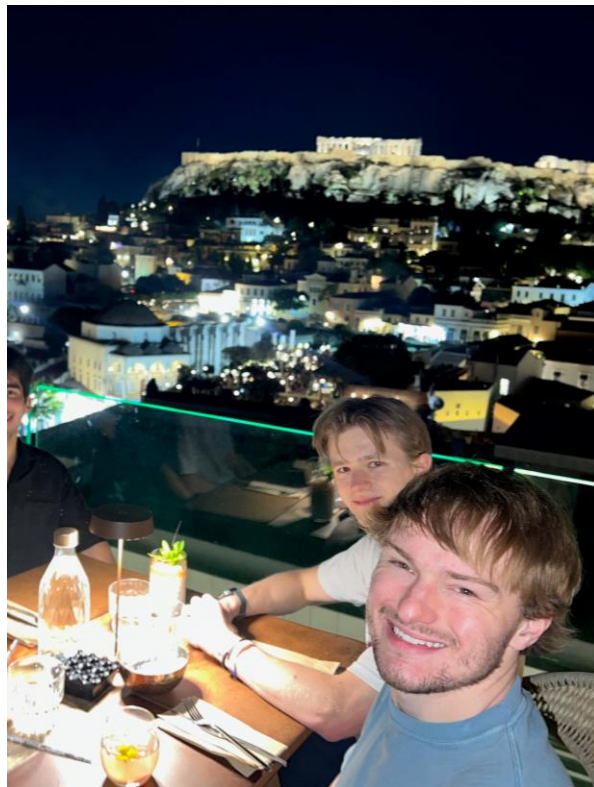


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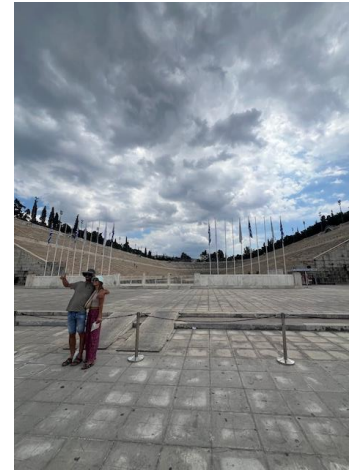


# Athens



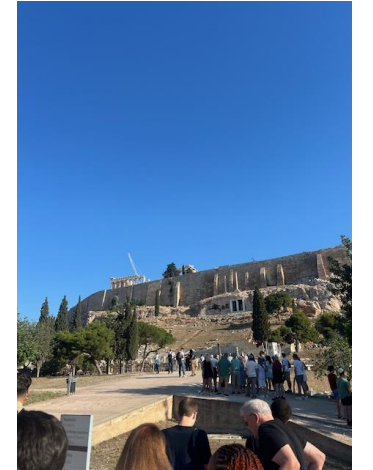


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# Takeaways

- I enjoyed every second of the trip and would have loved to stay longer
- Made new friendships
- Honed communication and self-reliance

