

King George Hotel Athens, Greece

VALUE ADDED: Pools and spa access, fitness center (privileges at the Grande Bretagne), bottled water, twice daily housekeeping with nightly turndown service, slippers, bathrobes, wifi internet access.

RESORT FEE: No resort fee.

BEST PRICE PERIOD: February, March, November

UNIQUE FEATURES:

Molton Brown bathroom amenities, plush bathrobes offered in the Suites.

DINING: Located on the 7th floor, the Tudor Hall Restaurant features a unique neo-classical décor, unrivaled views of the Acropolis, Modern Greek cuisine as well as signature cocktails. The restaurant has been renovated and is ready to welcome you in the heart of the city, overlooking the magical historic heritage, and offering authentic Greek seasonal dishes with a modern twist. The combination is achieved by passionate Executive Chef Sotiris Evangelou, whose name is synonymous with quality. Sotiris Evangelou's aim, as he says, is to create a cuisine that evokes nostalgia and emotion. A key element of differentiation is the use of fresh seasonal vegetables and raw materials. This is also the reason why the restaurant menu will be continuously updated, so as to be consistent with the seasonal produce. The extensive Greek wine list is also very interesting and has been curated by hotel sommelier, Evangelos Psofidis. The restaurant is open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

STANDOUT ACCOMMODATION: The Penthouse Suite

Journey to the 9th floor of this residence and visit the 350-square-meter Penthouse Suite. Elegantly appointed with the most luxurious furnishings, the Penthouse Suite creates a unique ambiance that leaves its visitors with the most charmed impression. Walk through a long marbled corridor to experience the spacious living room light up the exceptional suite while the 10-person dining room further enhances the grandeur of an opulent culinary experience. The epicurean journey is additionally facilitated by a private kitchen located adjacent to the dining area. Out of the three marble bathrooms, the master with its double vanity, not only provides its valued guests with exclusive Molton Brown amenities, but also offers the alluring option of a relaxing bathtub or a soothing rainfall shower. Pass the full-mirrored walk-in closet on the left, followed by the master bedroom, which adds to the blissful environment and enjoy the



Signature Luxury Collection King-sized bed. The decorative fireplace, the antique working desk and the small sitting area complete the romantic atmosphere.

CONCIERGE EXCLUSIVE:

<u>Monastiraki Flea Market</u>: The best time to visit Monastiraki is on Sunday morning when the Flea Market is in full swing. Walk through colorful shops and find a wide selection of souvenirs and traditional relics to take back home. Monastiraki itself was named after the Monastery of Pantanassa.

<u>Aerides - Tower of the Winds</u>: The oldest weather station of the world that also functioned as a "horologion" - a structure for calculating time by the position of the sun or through the use of a water clock (clepsydra) when the sun was not shining - was crafted using marble from Mount Penteli and erected around 47 B.C. Still standing at the slopes of the Acropolis, east of the Roman Agora, it is a 12 meter - tall octagonal structure, with figures of the wind deities depicted on each side.

TOP AREA ATTRACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

The Parthenon

The Temple of Poseidon

Cape Sounion

Acropolis Museum: open throughout the week

<u>Byzantine Museum</u>: closed on Monday <u>Cycladic Art Museum</u>: closed on Tuesday

Benaki Museum: closed on Monday and Tuesday

<u>Parliament Building</u>: daily & at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday the ceremonial change of the guards

National Archeological Museum: open throughout the week

<u>Filopappou Hill</u>: Standing opposite the Acropolis Rock, Filopappou Hill is worth a walk up to observe the vivid colors of the Athenian sky during sunset. Take a stroll on Ash Monday and you may be lucky enough to be part of the events taking place on the hill.

<u>The Plaka</u>: walk the oldest, most enchanting neighborhood of Athens. Known as the "Neighborhood of the Gods", it embraces labyrinthine streets and neoclassical architecture, built on top of the residential area of Athens' ancient town. Archeological sites are nestled next to small ouzerias and tavernas, visit colorful flower stands and artisan shops for an authentic flavor of local Athens. The Sunday flea market at Monastiraki Square is well worth a visit.

<u>The Psiri</u>: This quarter comes alive when the sun sets—perfect for night owls in search of superb live performances of every kind of music imaginable.

<u>Temple of Zeus</u>: Just 700 meters south of Syntagma Square, the temple's foundations date back to the tyrant Pisistratus in 515 BC. Its graceful columns influenced the development of Corinthian style.



<u>Ancient Agora</u>: The most famous agora in Greece, Ancient Agora once had private housing, until it was reorganized by Peisistratus in the 6th century BC into the center of Athenian government.

<u>Lycabettus Hill</u>: Approximately 300 meters high, this favorite spot among locals and visitors alike boasts superb views and a sense of tranquility amidst the sprawling Athenian landscape. Intrepid travelers may ascend the hill on foot. The funicular is an easier alternative.

Top Attractions within walking distance:

- 1. Acropolis Museum (open throughout the week)
- 2. Byzantine Museum (closed on Monday)
- 3. Cycladic Art Museum (closed on Tuesday)
- 4. Benaki Museum (closed on Tuesday)
- 5. Jewish Museum (closed on Saturday)
- 6. Keramikos Cemetery (closed on Monday)
- 7. National Archaeological Museum (open throughout the week)
- 8. Parliament Building Changing of the guards takes place every hour

Unique Area Restaurant Offerings:

<u>Cafe Avissinia</u>: located at Avissinia square since the mid 1980s, evoking an atmosphere of a french bistro but featuring Greek cuisine using authentic ingredients.

<u>Tzitzikas & Mermigas (Cricket & Ant)</u>: located within less than five minute walk from Syntagma square, its style reminds one of an old grocery. Traditional Greek cuisine with a twist.