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Ancient Literature”*

**East Hall of the Academy of Athens**

**28 Panepistimiou Street**

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## **GETTING TO ATHENS**



## **Flying directly to Athens**

At the crossroads between Europe and the Middle East, Athens is easily accessible. Today, Athens International Airport (AIA), the so-called *Eleftherios Venizelos Airport*, is connected to 172 domestic and international destinations, including all major cities around the world at competitive prices. It is also the gateway to the Greek islands (from world-famous Santorini to off-radar gems like Skyros and Astypalea). Since its modern makeover in 2017, Athens airport is not only easy on the eye; it is super easy to navigate too. The streamlined layout means you spend less time on tasks like check-in and security and have more time for the things you enjoy. Like shopping, dining, and unwinding.

You may find out more about the flight from your destination to Athens with a click on the links below.

[European Destinations](#)

[International Destinations](#)

## UPON YOUR ARRIVAL, YOU HAVE THREE OPTIONS TO GET TO THE CITY CENTER:

- **Bus (X95: Syntagma – Airport)**

EXPRESS Bus routes directly connect the Athens International Airport with the Athens city center. Service is provided on a non-stop basis, seven days a week, including holidays (24/7 operation). All buses depart from the Arrivals Level. BUS tickets are sold at the info/ticket-kiosk (located outside the Arrivals, between Exits 4 and 5), or onboard (ask operator) at no extra cost. Passengers are advised to allow sufficient time for their transfer from/to the airport. Find all the ticket info [here](#).

- **Metro Line 3 (Blue Line)**

If you select this option, you may take Metro Line 3 (Aghia Marina – Douk. Plakentias – Athens International Airport), which connects the airport with the city center. Trains run every 30 minutes, 7 days a week, from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. The trip from the Airport to Syntagma station (Athens center) takes approximately 40 minutes.

- **Taxi**

Taxis are available at the designated Taxi waiting area, located at Exit 3 of Arrivals Level. A taxi from the airport to the city center (inner ring) costs a flat rate of €35, from 5:00 a.m. to midnight, and €50 from midnight to 5:00 a.m.

Note: The charge is determined by the time of arrival at the destination and includes all applicable surcharges and extras.



## Getting to Athens by bus

There are many buses from and to other large Greek cities (like Thessaloniki or Patra). The buses that travel within cities in Greece are called KTEL. There are two main KTEL stations in the city, KTEL Bus station terminal A ([Kifissos Station](#)) and KTEL Bus station terminal B ([Liosia Station](#)). To get to these stations, you may take a bus, trolley, or a taxi from/to the center. To find all available information regarding destinations, tickets, and timetables, you may visit the [website](#).



## Driving to Athens

Driving to Athens takes about 2 ½ hours from Patra, 3 ½ hours from Volos and 5 hours from Thessaloniki. The European route E 75 is part of the International E-road network, which is a series of main roads in Europe.



## Transport in the city

In Athens, there is an extensive, low-cost public transport network covering the city, including bus, underground, trolley, tram, and taxi. You can use all means of public transport (bus, metro, trolley, and tram) using the same ticket within the city. A single ticket costs €1.40 and is valid for 90 minutes.



## Tickets for Public Transport

Tickets and passes for public transport are sold at ticket booths and machines in Athens Metro and tram stations.

### **Ticket Prices**

A standard ticket on Athens public transport costs €1.40, but students and senior citizens over 65 are eligible for a reduced fare of €0.60 (student ID and proof of age are required upon ticket control or during purchase). Children up to the age of 6 travel free of charge; ages 7-18 pay €0.60 (proof of age is required).

Each **ticket** can be used for 90 minutes on any form of public transport (apart from services to/from the airport). A **Day Pass** (€4.50) is valid for unlimited travel (apart from airport services) for 24 hours. A **5-Day Ticket** (€9) is valid for unlimited travel on all modes of transport (apart from airport services and bus line X80) for 5 days. A **3-**

**Day Tourist** Ticket (€22) is valid for unlimited travel (including one round trip to/from Athens International Airport).

For more information on public transport in Athens, call 11185 or visit [www.oasa.gr](http://www.oasa.gr).



## Bus/ Trolleybus/ Tram

**Bus/Trolleybus:** Most buses and trolleybuses run daily from 5 am to midnight.

**Tram:** The tram network connects central Athens with the coastal suburbs of Faliro and Voula. It takes approximately an hour to get from Syntagma to the final seaside stop at Voula. The tram connects to the Metro and overground train at four stops: Syntagma, Syngrou/Fix, Neos Kosmos and SEF (Peace and Friendship Stadium in Faliro). The tram operates from 5:30 am to 01:00 am daily, and until 2:30 am on Fridays and Saturdays.



## Metro

The fastest means of getting around Athens is Metro. The Athens Metro system consists of 3 lines and connects to the tram, bus routes, and suburban railway. The Metro runs daily from 5 am to midnight. Lines 2 and 3 operate until 2 am on Fridays and Saturdays. At peak hours, trains run approximately every 5-6 minutes. During evenings and nights, however, the trains arrive at each station every 10-13 minutes. [Athens Metro Website](#)

Line 1 is an overground train (commonly known among Greeks as ESAP) that runs from the northern suburb of Kifissia to the port of Piraeus. It connects to lines 2 and 3 at three stations (Attiki, Omonia and Monastiraki). [Athens Piraeus Electric Railways Website](#)

**TAXI**



## **Taxis**

Taxis in Athens are not expensive (there is a minimum fare of €3,50 during the day and €5 after 23:00). You can pick them up from taxi ranks around the city (there is one in Syntagma Square and another outside of the conference venue, which is the building of the Academy of Athens, in 28 Panepistimiou Street). You can also stop them in the street or ask the hotel reception desk to call a taxi for you; this may have an additional minor cost. All licensed taxis in Athens are equipped with meters. The fare is charged per kilometer and per hour, so you are advised to make sure that the meter is switched on as soon as you set off.