

## ETAPE 7 Distance 55 km. Route: Aliartos - "Modi"

Seventh day of our journey with many kilometers ahead of us, but all in a flat area. Apart from a small ascent towards the picturesque village of Modi at the end of our route, there is nothing else but an endless plain.



Athens Archeological Museum, arrowheads and spear points excavated from the hillock where the Spartans and Thespians made their final stand at Thermopylae.

One could say that these 55 kilometers are easy. It is true, but, at the same time, they are difficult and tiring due to the monotony of the landscape. Today's journey is one of recollection. As our feet run on the asphalt, our mind wanders to the faces of our loved ones to our life, to the next day, to our goal, Thermopylae, to the statue of the honorable king, to what makes decisions in life so important.



Modern monument to the Thespians who died at the Battle of Thermopylae

We know that our goal is very close. The historic Thermopylae is a few kilometers away and this gives us courage to concentrate and forget the tiredness, as well as any other distractions around us. The night finds us on the last camp before our "Ithaca". We have dinner in a very friendly tavern, discussing the unique moments we have lived during this trip, as well as the important "next day".