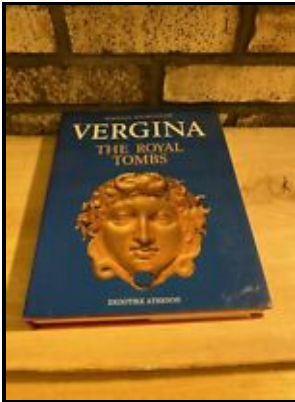


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Curiosity builds as the large green tumulus, neatly covered with grass and shrubs, is spied ahead. Not long re-opened after being closed for months due to COVID, there were very few visitors on the Sunday morning we went, which felt simultaneously a privilege and a pity, as there is so much of interest here that it deserves to be on every tourist's map. Here you can visit the stunning Macedonian Vergina Tombs, where the remains of King Philip of Macedonia, the father of Alexander the Great, were found.

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In the museum, they have achieved a mystic atmosphere around the temples, tombs, and artifacts by the dimmed lighting.

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We spent about three hours here and probably could have spent more. The excavations by Andronikos, whose name is now as well known in certain circles as Heinrich Schliemann and Howard Carter, revealed a treasure trove of weapons and body armor; jewelry; golden lamakes ash chests and oak-leaf diadems; banqueting equipment; luxuriously woven and ornamented burial shrouds; equestrian tack; and the remains of wooden mortuary couches trimmed with ivory, relief-carved human figures, including males whose faces have become iconic Macedonian images, sometimes said to depict Philip II and Alexander the Great themselves. A museum that leaves you speechless with the faithful depiction of the time and the setting.

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The palace is under construction so was not able to see it so there is already a loss of the value of your money. We were on a long drive from Meteora to Thessaloniki a conducted tour by bus and there were groans and moans when the bus stopped at Vergina.

The ancient city

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