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### **The Games of Nemea**

Ancient Greeks celebrated athletic religious holidays, organised like the Delphic Games. The other known games of the time were the Isthmian and the famous to date Olympic games, which formed the circle of the holy Panhellenic Games. In each of these four sites, alternating each year and for some time, a sacred truce was announced, preventing every war and every warfare and all the Greeks, declared their presence, recognizing their common human nature and origin.

**Nemea Games** held both athletic and equestrian events. Subsequently musical games were added. The events were Stadium (178 meters), Diavlos (355 meters), Hippios (710 meters), Horsegram (3,600 meters), Hoplite road (3,600 meters), Pangratio, boxing, wrestling and pentathlon.

Today, Nemea is also known as one of the most important wine producing regions in Greece. The production of **red wine from Nemea** is truly famous. Therefore, the private wine tour will take you not only to the archaeological site of the region that is nice to see, but also to the winery that will truly amaze you. Nemea lies at an altitude of 200 to 800m ASL and the most predominant variety cultivated here is the red Agiorgitiko. It is one of the most tasteful varieties and provides the opportunity to create a wide range of wines: some of the most known ones are the V.Q.P.R.D. **Nemea wines**, along with a rosé, and some full flavored aged red wines. Some of the other known varieties produced in the Nemea Wineries are: Plagion, Argous, Pterotou, Peloponnesian, Corinthian, Plagion of Mountainous Corinthia, Klimenti and Iliou. These are red wines which are mostly known due to their strong aroma and fruity flavor.