



## From Peloponnese to Cyclades [10 days]

from €1149

Travel from the Peloponnese to the Cyclades for a journey that showcases the diversity and beauty of Greece. The Peloponnese is known for its ancient sites and stunning scenery, while the Cyclades are a group of islands famous for their picturesque villages and beautiful beaches. Start by visiting the historic city of Sparta and the ancient theatre of Epidaurus in the Peloponnese, then take a ferry to the Cyclades and explore the charming villages of Mykonos and Santorini. Enjoy the crystal-clear waters, white-washed houses, and traditional Greek tavernas. The Cyclades offer a perfect blend of ancient history, culture and stunning landscapes, making it an ideal destination for those who seek to experience the true essence of Greece.

### >> Departures every Saturday

A complete package includes 9 nights' accommodation in a hotel of your choice with breakfast, transfers and visits.

### Highlights:

**Athens** (Acropolis, Acropolis Museum, Monastiraki, Thissio, historical center)

**Delphi** (Oracle of Delphi, Temple of Apollo, Archaeological Museum)

**Olympia** (Ancient stadium, Temple of Zeus, Archaeological Museum)

**Epidaurus** (Ancient Theatre, Asklipio)

**Mycenae** (Palace, Door of Lions, Cyclopean Walls)

**Paros** (Naousa, Kolibithres, the Virgin Mother of Ekatonpilian church)

**Santorini** (Archaeological site of Akrotiri, Oia, Fira, Nea Kameni volcano)

**Mykonos** (Little Venice, Lower Mills, Matogiannia)

## Itinerary

### Day 1 Arrival in Athens

Arrival at Athens International Airport. Our Escort will meet you and arrange a transfer to the Hotel for your check-in. Rest of the afternoon free for leisure

We do recommend a stroll so you can get the first feeling of the Greek Metropolis. Overnight in Athens

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## Day 2 Panoramic tour of Athens and Acropolis

After your breakfast, we will start the tour around the sites of Athens.

This tour gives you an opportunity to observe the striking contrasts that make Athens such a fascinating city. Our expert guides will take you to see the Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympic Games of modern times were held in 1896 (short stop).

Continue and pass by the Prime Minister's residence (Old Royal Palace) guarded by the Evzones in their colourful uniform, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, the Hadrian's Arch, the Parliament and the memorial to the Unknown Soldier, the Academy, the University, the National Library, the Constitution Square (Syntagma).

On the Acropolis visit the Architectural Masterpieces of the Golden Age of Athens: The Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion and finally "the harmony between material and spirit", the monument that "puts the mind in order", the Parthenon.

Continue and visit the place where the statues found their home and admire the classical era's wonders: The Acropolis Museum.

The evening is free. We recommend taking a tour to enjoy the beautiful sunset in Cape Sounion. Overnight in Athens

## Day 3 Mycenae – Epidaurus - Nafplion - Olympia

Start the day early with breakfast and embark on a classical tour of Greece. Leave by the coastal road to the Corinth Canal for a short stop to admire the views and take some pictures. Next, we'll visit the Theater of Epidaurus, known for its remarkable acoustics.

We will then proceed to the town of Nauplion for a shortstop, where you can admire Venetian architecture and charming squares. After Nauplion, we will visit the archaeological site of Mycenae and the Tomb of Agamemnon, an important archaeological site from ancient Greece.

We will then depart for Olympia, passing through the towns of Tripolis and Megalopolis. Olympia is the cradle of the ancient Olympic Games, and you will have the opportunity to visit the archaeological site and learn about the history of the games. Dinner and overnight in Olympia.

## Day 4 Olympia – Delphi

After breakfast, we will visit the Archaeological Site of Olympia, where you can see the remains of the sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, the ancient stadium and the



Archaeological Museum. The museum contains many important artefacts and sculptures from the Sanctuary of Zeus and the ancient Olympic Games.

After visiting Olympia, we will drive through the plains of Ilia and Achaia until we reach the magnificent bridge that crosses the Corinthian Bay from Rion to Antirion. On the way, we will pass by the picturesque town of Nafpactos (Lepanto) and Itea, and then arrive in Delphi.

In Delphi, you can visit the Archaeological Site of Delphi and see the remains of the Temple of Apollo, the theatre, the stadium, the treasuries, and the famous Oracle of Delphi. The Oracle of Delphi was a place where people could go to ask questions and receive guidance from the god Apollo through Pythia, the priestess of Apollo.

Dinner and overnight in Delphi, to be ready to explore more of the ancient city the next day.

#### **Day 5 Delphi – Athens**

After breakfast, we will visit the archaeological site of Delphi, which is one of the most important religious and spiritual centres of ancient Greece. We will visit the Treasury of the Athenians, the Temple of Apollo, and the museum. The museum contains many important artefacts and sculptures from the Sanctuary of Apollo Pythios. We will have lunch during the visit.

After visiting Delphi, we will drive back to Athens, the capital of Greece. We will arrive in Athens in the afternoon, giving you the opportunity to relax or explore the city before dinner. Athens is a city with a rich history and culture, you can visit the Acropolis, the Ancient Agora, the new Acropolis Museum, Plaka, the historic centre, and many other places.

Dinner and overnight in Athens, to be ready for your next adventure.

#### **Day 6 Athens – Paros**

Early departure from Piraeus port by ferry to reach Paros in the Cyclades. Transfer to your hotel and check-in. Free afternoon to discover the beautiful island. Overnight in Paros

#### **Day 7 Paros - Delos- Mykonos – Paros**

Start the day with breakfast at the hotel and embark on a day trip to Delos and Mykonos. Delos is a small island, but it was an important commercial and religious port of antiquity. The island is the birthplace of Apollo, the god of music and poetry, and his twin sister Artemis, the goddess of hunting. Abandoned at the turn of our era, it was rediscovered at the end of the 19th century and its many well-



preserved remains such as the mosaic houses or the terrace of the lions make it one of the most important archaeological sites in the Mediterranean.

After visiting Delos, we will continue to Mykonos, the most famous of the Cyclades islands, prized in particular for its festive atmosphere. You will have lunch at a local tavern, where you can try some delicious traditional Greek food.

After the trip, we will return to the island of Paros. You will have a free evening and overnight at a hotel in Paros, where you can relax and enjoy the beautiful island.

## **Day 8 Paros – Santorini**

Start the day with breakfast at the hotel and a free morning to relax. In the afternoon, transfer to the port of Paros and embark on a ferry to Santorini. The ferry ride offers beautiful views of the Aegean Sea and the surrounding islands.

Upon arrival in Santorini, you will be transferred to your hotel and check-in. Santorini is a volcanic island, and it is known for its stunning natural beauty, crystal-clear waters, and white-washed buildings. The island is also famous for its sunsets, which can be enjoyed from the capital Fira, hanging on the edge of the huge crater.

You will have free time to spend in Fira, where you can explore the capital, try some local food, or just relax. You can also take an aperitif in Fira, where you can enjoy a drink while admiring the views of the sunset.

Overnight at your hotel in Santorini, to be ready for the next day's adventure.

## **Day 9 Santorini**

This day is dedicated to exploring the island of Santorini. We will depart by coach to visit the site of Akrotiri, which was, like Pompeii with Vesuvius, buried in ash around 1650 BC following the eruption of the volcano of Santorini. Akrotiri is one of the most important prehistoric settlements of the Aegean and it is known for its well-preserved frescoes and buildings.

After visiting Akrotiri, we will continue with a visit to the village of Pyrgos, the highest on the island. This charming village offers panoramic views of the island and is known for its traditional architecture, narrow streets, and small churches.

In the afternoon, we will visit the village of Oia, famous for its beautiful sunsets. Oia is a charming village known for its white-washed buildings, blue-domed churches, and narrow cobbled streets. You will have the opportunity to admire the most beautiful panoramas of the Aegean Islands at sunset.

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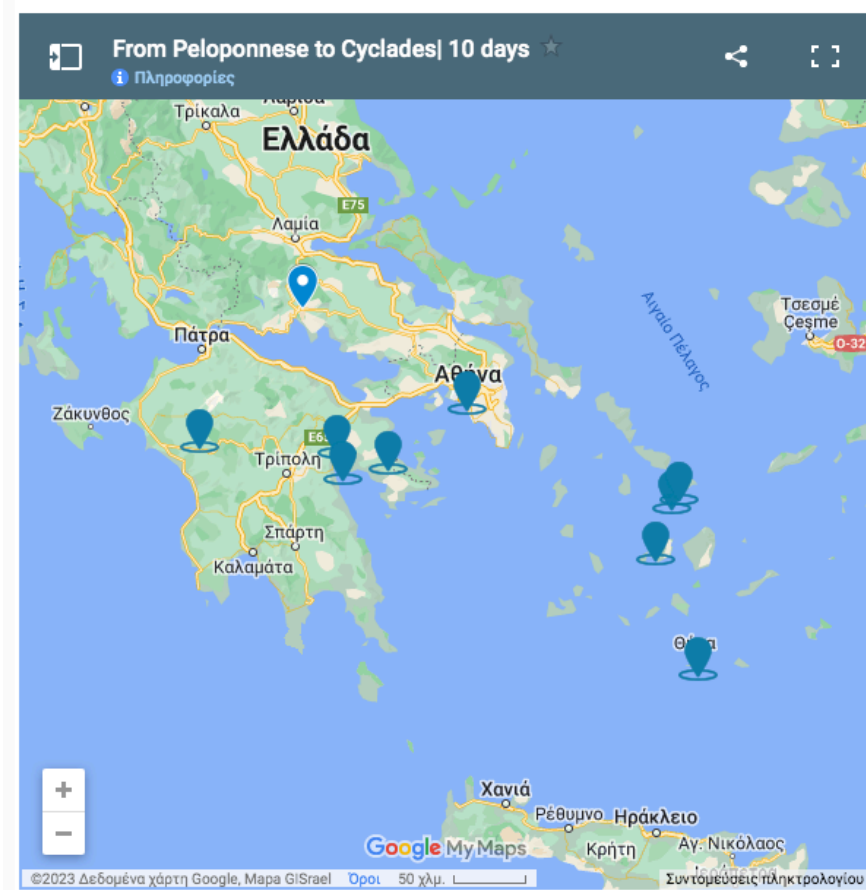
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After a full day of exploring the island, we will return to the hotel in Santorini overnight.

## Day 10 Departure from Santorini

Breakfast at the hotel free morning in Santorini - Return transfer to the port or the airport, from your hotel.



### Your package includes:

- Arrival and departure transfers in Athens and in the islands
- Ferry Crossings: Piraeus – Paros - Santorini, (touristic class)
- 9 nights in hotel (4\*) of your choice with breakfast (3 in Athens, 1 in Olympia, 1 in Delphi, 2 in Paros and 2 in Santorini)
- The excursions mentioned in the program (Athens City Tour, 3-day classical tour)
- 2 meals (during the tour outside of Athens)

### Your package excludes:

- City tax
- Personal expenses (extra meals, drinks, tips)
- Optional excursions and visits
- Anything that is not mentioned in the included section

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## Price List

Departures are from Athens & include 4\* Hotels on B&B basis.

| Departure Day | Double Per Person | Single Per Person | Child Price (below 12) |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 01 Apr 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 08 Apr 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 15 Apr 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 22 Apr 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 29 Apr 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 06 May 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 13 May 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 20 May 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 27 May 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 03 Jun 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 10 Jun 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 17 Jun 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 24 Jun 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 01 Jul 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 08 Jul 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
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| 29 Jul 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 05 Aug 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 12 Aug 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 19 Aug 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 26 Aug 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 02 Sep 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 09 Sep 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 16 Sep 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 23 Sep 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 30 Sep 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |
| 07 Oct 2023   | On request        | €n/a              | €n/a                   |

### NOTES

- \*\* No Single or children reductions, minimum double occupancy.
- \*\* Rates are net & non-commissionable