



GREECE FOR COSMOPOLITANS

11 days - 10 nights

We have planned this tour thinking about cosmopolitans who, like you, love to travel in comfort, meet places, meet new people, eat, and drink in style and get to know a region with another perspective. And Greece is appropriate for that, a country with extraordinary gastronomy, good wines and spirits, wonderful landscapes, charming cities, and beaches with pristine waters that invite you to stay.

The conjunction of history and mythology have made Athens and all of Greece an open book where we can learn how the Greeks have focused and seen life on earth. On this trip we will visit the Mount where the gods lived, we will travel regions and places that are linked to them as they passed through the Earth and our guides will tell us very interesting stories that will make your visit a unique experience. As for architecture, the Greeks have of course marked a style of construction that has influenced and continues to influence styles around the world. We have not purposely included meals because it would be unfair not to let you choose what to eat in each city what we will visit. Once in Greece and at the suggestion of your guide, we can choose the restaurants that offer specialties from the region that we will visit either in group or individually meeting your expectations (and your palate). In addition, you can live every day different experiences that you, as a cosmopolitan will really appreciate.

A visit to Greece without visiting its islands is not a complete visit. Here we offer you to know some of the more than 1000 islands that belong to Greece. Onboard a cruise ship you will see the most important of the Cycladic archipelago located in the center of the Aegean Sea. This 4-night discovery cruise takes in six iconic destinations, including two of the world's ancient seven wonders. Discover the magnificent ancient Ephesus and relaxed waterfront of Kusadasi. Immerse yourself in the old town of Rhodes or venture south to the picturesque town of Lindos and the Acropolis. End the voyage in the splendour of beautiful Santorini, take in the stunning views and sample their fantastic wines and produce. In addition, we will have a whole day visiting some of the Saronic Islands, with Hydra being the main and one of the most beautiful Greek islands. Come with us to this cosmopolitan Greece (Greek word meaning citizen of the world) and live your adventure.

DAY 1 (Saturday) ARRIVAL IN ATHENS

Arrival in Athens after your international flight. Reception at the airport and transfer to the chosen hotel and registration. Athens is the capital of Greece with a history of more than three thousand years, making it one of the oldest inhabited cities on the planet and which played a fundamental role in the development of democracy and philosophy and which influenced the development of Greece, Rome and Western culture. City rich in archaeological remains, of which the most famous is the Parthenon in the Acropolis, although they are not limited to buildings of the classical Greek era but also include Roman and Byzantine monuments. Take advantage of your free time for private activities and explore its streets or discover the Acropolis at your own pace.

DAY 2 (Sunday) ATHENS

Breakfast at the hotel. One of the beauties of traveling to Athens is a captivating cruise to the magical islands of the Saronic Gulf: Hydra, Poros and Aegina with the promise of a world of pleasures on board with all the comforts to meet your expectations. A live orchestra will welcome you on board with traditional Greek music and international favorites. Resting on its decks is an exceptional experience surrounded by the legendary blue waters of the Saronic Gulf. In addition, you can enjoy many activities on board, such as listening to music while having your favorite cocktail, dancing and the fun of taking a Greek dance lesson. The onboard buffet lunch offers you an exceptional dining experience with a variety of authentic Greek cuisine. Our bus

**PRICE PER PERSON
IN DOUBLE OCCUPATION
EUR 2.356.-**

Surplus Single Room
EUR 455.-

**HIGH SEASON INCREMENT
(July – August)
EUR 126.-**

FIXED DEPARTURES 2024

06 April	13 Apr	20 Apr
27 April	04 May	11 May
18 May	25 May	01 June
08 June	15 June	22 June
06 July	13 July	20 July
27 July	03 August	10 August
17 August	24 August	31 August
07 Septemb	14 Sept.	21 Sept.
28 Septemb	05 October	12 October
19 October	26 October	02 November
09 Novemb	16 November	23 November

INCLUSIONS

- ✚ 4-nights cruise ship at the Aegean Sea
- ✚ 6 Hotel nights including Breakfast
- ✚ 2 lunches, 4 dinners
- ✚ Sit-in basis program. Minibus or private Van on request.
- ✚ Saronic Gulf Day Cruise
- ✚ All transfers and excursions as mentioned in the program.
- ✚ Local guides in English for all the excursions mentioned in the program
- ✚ All tickets to national parks and excursions.

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights
- Meals and drinks and other services not mentioned in the program.
- Tips for guides, conductors and porters.
- Personal expenses





and guide will pick you up from the hotel to take you to the port where you will embark on this dream cruise. The first visit we will make will be in **Aegina**, the largest of the Saronic Islands. According to myth, Aegina takes her name from the beautiful nymph kidnapped by Zeus. The highlights of Aegina are the Temple of Aphaia located on a pine-clad hill and the ancient Temple of Apollo. We will visit the magnificent church of San Nektarios and Monasterio, one of the most rewarding spiritual experiences in Aegina. The visit lasts 2 hours to explore its rich history, enjoy its beaches, the pistachio sweets that are the specialty of the island and of course, its gastronomy and excellent wine. We continue to **Hydra**, one of the most charming islands of the Saronic Gulf known for its beauty and light. The tranquility of the car-free port provides the backdrop for lively activities and invites you to visit it on a donkey back that is the means of running on the island. The charm of the narrow streets, lined with handicrafts and jewelry stores, galleries and beautiful and colorful bougainvillea, capture the mood of greek island life. We will have almost two hours to quietly explore the island and enjoy a walking tour to discover its castles and fortresses, historical monuments, picturesque narrow streets and art shops. Finally, we will see **Poros** which is simply charming, beautifully green and covered with thousands of pine trees. It is known for its famous 'Lemon Forest', unique in Greece. Walking or cycling around lemon trees is a journey of the senses. The stay in Poros is 50 minutes with enough time to discover the beautiful sandy beaches of the island and the city highlighted by the architecture of the town hall, the municipal library, the museum, the cultural center and the small and whitewashed houses typical of the island. Return to Athens and the hotel. **(B) (L)**

DAY 3 (Monday) ATHENS – MIKONOS – KUSADASI (Turkey)

Breakfast at the hotel. Today we will take our luggage as we will leave the hotel and Athens after the guided tour of the historic center. The tour begins in the lively area of Monastiraki Square, in the heart of Athens, where you will discover landmarks, the flea market, plenty of souvenir shops and traditional taverns, all under the majestic eye of the Acropolis. Then we will enter the most unique part of the city to discover its quiet, picturesque and mystical hidden corners. Next, we will see the Acropolis, with the Shrine of Dionysus as well as the Dionysus Theatre before ascending to its summit to see the Parthenon, the temple of Nike and other monuments. At the end of the tour, we continue to the port to board our cruise ship that will take us to Mikonos. We leave Athens and head for beautiful Mykonos in the Cyclades. The island, according to Greek mythology, was formed by the bodies of giants slain by Hercules. The most recognisable site on Mykonos is the row of immaculate picture postcard white windmills overlooking the water. Every visitor takes that picture. The Old Town has many delightful cafes and tavernas along its winding alleys and time will pass very quickly in these lovely, relaxing surroundings. Dinner and overnight onboard the Celestyal Olympia Cruise Ship. **(B) (D)**

DAY 4 (Tuesday) KUSADASI - PATMOS

Breakfast on board. Vibrant and colourful, Kusadasi in Turkey is the gateway to the Hellenistic ruins of Ephesus, famed for the Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Our next port of call is Patmos, a small and charming island a little over 20 square kilometres in size and lying in the Dodecanese. It is most famous for being where the Book of Revelations was written, and the location of John the Baptist's vision, which is detailed in the text. Overnight onboard the Celestyal Olympia Cruise Ship. **(B) (D)**

DAY 5 (Wednesday) PATMOS - RHODES

Breakfast on board. His remains are nowhere to be seen, of course, but the Colossus of Rhodes once bestrode the harbour which gives us another link to the Seven Wonders. Lose yourself in the maze of atmospheric cobbled streets of the Old Town (a World Heritage Site) in that will transport you back to the Byzantine Empire and be sure to wander through the Knights Quarter and the Palace of the Grand Master. Indeed, Rhodes is also known as the Island of the Knights. Our itinerary allows us a whole day here which gives plenty of opportunity to discover the clear waters, wonderful beaches and lush wooded valleys. Overnight onboard the Celestyal Olympia Cruise Ship. **(B) (D)**





DAY 6 (Friday) RHODES - SANTORINI

Breakfast on board. Our odyssey continues as we spend the day in Santorini, whose stunning face is instantly recognisable across the world. We're sure she will take your breath away, with her soaring landscapes, clusters of whitewashed houses in the capital Fira, and, of course, the iconic blue-domed church at Oia. Don't forget to try one of the many restaurants jostling for position at the edge of the caldera. Overnight onboard the Celestyal Olympia Cruise Ship. **(B) (D)**

DAY 7 (Saturday) SANTORINI - ATHENS

Breakfast on board. We return to the capital in the morning after an exciting journey of discovery. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel in downtown Athens. Rest of the day free to explore the hidden corners of the city, go shopping or just relax at the hotel. **(B) (L)**

DAY 8 (Sunday) ATHENS - DELPHI

Today, after breakfast, you leave for Delphi via Thebes, Levadia and the picturesque village of Arachova, on the slopes of Mount Parnassus. Today we will visit the archaeological site of Delphi, declared a World Heritage Site of the Humanity by UNESCO in 1987. In ancient times it was the place of the oracle of Delphi, within a temple dedicated to the god Apollo in the valley of Mount Parnassus. Delphi was revered throughout the Greek world as the place of the encephalus or center of the universe. Once in Delphi, we will visit the famous theater, where you will contemplate spectacular views of the mountains of the area. Then we'll see the temple of Apollo. After the visit, we continue our route to Corinth, near the narrow strip of land that joins the Peloponnese with Continental Greece. We will visit the ruins of the ancient city where St. Paul lived and preached for two years, we will see the remains of the first century shops, the agora where Paul's trial for Galio took place, the fountain of Peirene and one of the most outstanding monuments of the pre-Roman period, the temple of Apollo. Afternoon free. Enjoy dinner and stay overnight at Delphi. Accommodation **(B)**

DAY 9 (Monday) DELPHI - KALAMBAKA

Breakfast at the hotel. Leave Delphi for an interesting trip through Central Greece and the town of Lamia to Kalambaka. The city of Kalambaka is located at the foot of the Meteora monasteries in the northwesternmost part of the plain of Thessaly, formed by the Pinios and its tributaries. The district extends over about 48 km² from the Meteora monasteries northeast of the city to the opposite side of the River Pinios to the northeastern ridges of the Koziaka, which borders the Thessalian plain to the west and represents the eastern beginning of the Pindos Mountains. Enjoy dinner and stay overnight. **(B)**

DAY 10 (Tuesday) KALAMBAKA – METEORA - ATHENS

After breakfast we will continue our trip to Meteora where we will visit its monasteries, classified as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO since 1988. These Orthodox Christian monasteries are constructions on the summit of grey rock masses (sandstone and conglomerate), carved by erosion and called Meteora. They are located at a height of 600 meters and have been inhabited since the fourteenth century. Visit 3 main monasteries and discover the natural beauty and cultural heritage of this area. The visit will take us back to the dark season and to the history of the first monks who laid the foundations of what later became the monastic community of Meteora. Return to Athens via Trikala, Lamia. Thermopylae (short stop to see across the road the Leonida's Monument), arrive in Athens early in the evening. **(B)**

DAY 11 (Wednesday) ATHENS - RETURN

Breakfast at the hotel. Free time in Athens for private activities. To agreed time, airport transfer for your return flight or connection for the extension of your trip in Europe. End of our services. **(B)**

(B) Breakfast **(L)** Lunch **(D)** Dinner

