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Southern Greece - 10 Nights

Athens | Aegina | Epidaurus | Corinth | Mycenae | Olympia | Delphi

Northern Greece - 5 nights

Meteora | Dion | Thessaloniki | Vergina | Pella

Greek Isles - 6 nights

Crete | Santorini | Mykonos | Delos



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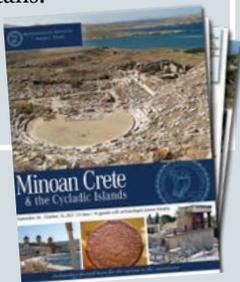
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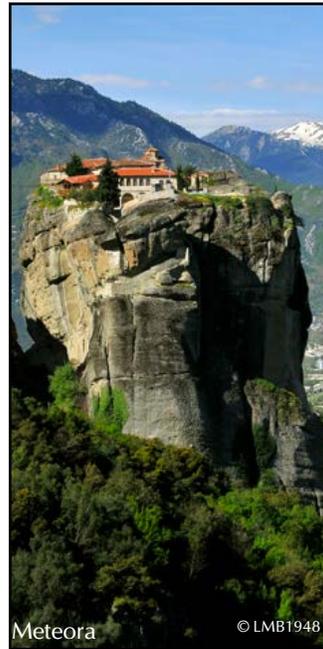
Cover photos (clockwise from top left): Theater and oracle at Delphi; a view of the Argolic Gulf from Palamidi Fortress, Nafplion; view while dining on Mykonos; monastery at Meteora atop a sandstone pinnacle

Southern Greece 10 nights



Athens

Northern Greece 5 nights



Meteora

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Greek Isles 6 nights



Santorini

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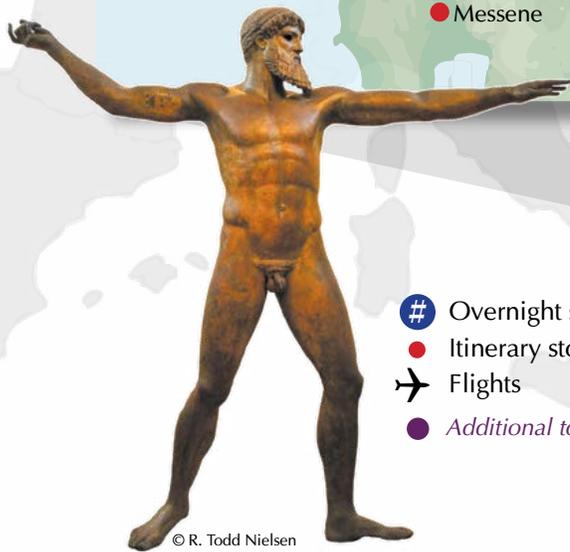
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Your Private AIA Tour SOUTHERN GREECE

(11 days | 10 nights)



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- # Overnight stays
- Itinerary stops
- ✈ Flights
- Additional tours

Northern Greece



Greek Isles



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Mycenaeans & Classical Greeks

Experience the glories of Bronze Age and Classical Greece with 27 expertly-guided site visits, including six UNESCO World Heritage Sites, on this 10-night itinerary. The myths and stories of Homer and the Greek playwrights come alive amid the landscapes of the southern mainland and the Peloponnese Peninsula. This well-paced tour spends a total of five nights in Athens; two nights in the charming port town of Nafplion; one night in Olympia, home of the original Olympic Games; and two nights in the mountain resort town of Arachova, near the ancient oracle of Delphi.

Parthenon, Athens



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Acropolis, Athens



Lion Gate, Mycenae



Delicious fresh seafood



Delphi

ITINERARY

(B)= Breakfast • (L)= Lunch • (D)= Dinner

Day 1: Arrive in Athens | Transfer to hotel

Upon arrival at Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport (ATH), you will be met and transferred to your centrally-located hotel near the Acropolis. Depending upon your time of arrival, enjoy lunch or dinner with your private guide and a short orientation walk. This expert guide will accompany you throughout your private tour and, at your request, will assist you with dining suggestions and reservations. *Overnight at a 4-star, centrally-located hotel for four nights.* (L or D)

Day 2: Athens: Acropolis, Acropolis Museum, PM at leisure *OR optional excursion*

Each morning your private guide meets you in your hotel's lobby. This morning ascend the Acropolis (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) and learn about its famous Parthenon and Erechtheion temples. View from above the Odeon of Herodes Atticus and the Theater of Dionysos, set on the south slope of the Acropolis. Then explore the stunning, nearby Acropolis Museum. Enjoy a traditional Greek lunch in the Plaka, Athens' ancient center, at the foot of the Acropolis, with its narrow, labyrinthine streets overflowing with restaurants, art galleries, and craft and tourist shops. The rest of the day is at leisure, perhaps to explore the Plaka or return to the Acropolis Museum, or you may choose an optional excursion at additional cost. (B,L)

Optional excursions with your private guide and driver:

1. Enjoy a lovely hour and a half seaside drive along the Attic Riviera to **Cape Sounion**. Admire the views from a 5th-century B.C. temple built to honor the god of the sea, Poseidon, which is spectacularly situated 200 feet above the Aegean Sea. Savor dinner at a traditional seaside taverna.
2. Take a private, guided visit of the **Museum of Cycladic Art**, one of the most celebrated collections of Early Cycladic art, which dates back 5,000 years and originated in the Aegean Sea's Cyclades (islands encircling the sacred island of Delos, including Mykonos and Santorini, which you may choose to visit on the Greek Isles Tour). Enjoy a coffee or tea with your guide at the beautiful museum café.

Note: There are seasonal restrictions to some included and optional excursions.



Medusa mosaic, Corinth Museum



Above: (left) Temple of Aphaia, Aegina; (right) Erechtheion, Acropolis, Athens

3. Take a private, guided visit of the **Benaki Museum of Greek Culture**, housed in one of Athens' most beautiful Neoclassical-style buildings. Its permanent collections include an overview of Greek civilization and culture: prehistoric and ancient Greek and Roman art, Byzantine art, post-Byzantine and Neo-Hellenic art, clothing, and more, up through the 20th century. Enjoy a coffee or tea with your guide at the beautiful museum café.

Day 3: Athens: Kerameikos Cemetery, Agora, National Archaeological Museum

This morning's walking tour begins with the Kerameikos, which was the city's cemetery from the 12th century B.C. through the 6th century A.D. and is something of an urban oasis today. It is populated by marble *stelae* (grave markers), many of which are carved with portraits. Continue your walk to the ancient Agora, the marketplace that was the center of ancient Athens' economic, social, and political life. Stroll its paths to the Temple of Hephaestus and visit the Agora Museum, housed in the reconstructed Stoa of Attalos. Your final stop of the morning is at the Roman Agora, where you see the octagonal, 1st-century B.C. Tower of the Winds and the monumental, 1st-century A.D. Gate of Athens Archegetis. After lunch, explore the National Archaeological Museum, which contains the richest collection of Greek antiquities in the world, including Neolithic, Cycladic, and Mycenaean artifacts. The evening is at leisure. (B,L)

Day 4: Piraeus | Aegina Island | Piraeus | Athens

Your guide takes you to Piraeus, the port of Athens, for a 40-minute, high-speed ferry trip to the island of Aegina. Visit the splendid, early 5th-century B.C. Temple of Aphaia, from where you will have a view over the island and the Saronic Gulf. After a visit to the small Archaeological Museum of Aegina, which was the first archaeological museum established in Greece, visit a local farmhouse and pistachio farm. Enjoy free time for lunch and to explore Aegina's bustling port before returning this afternoon to Piraeus via high-speed ferry. Transfer to your hotel and enjoy the evening at leisure in Athens. (B)

Day 5: Corinth | Epidaurus | Nafplion

Depart Athens, with your guide and driver, for the Peloponnese Peninsula. Your first stop is at ancient Corinth to see the 6th-century B.C. Temple of Apollo, the 1st-century A.D. Roman Odeion, and the site museum. Continue driving to Epidaurus, an ancient sanctuary that was dedicated to Asclepius, the god of medicine, and today is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Admire the well-preserved, 4th-century B.C. theater with its extraordinary acoustics, and visit the small site museum with ancient medical instruments. Drive onward to the charming port town of Nafplion, the first capital of independent Greece, and check-in to your hotel. The evening is at leisure. *Overnight at a 4-star, centrally-located hotel for two nights.* (B,L)



Plaka district, Athens



Temple of Poseidon at Sounion



Grave Circle A, Mycenae



Olympia



Cyclopean walls at Tiryns



Messene

Day 6: Mycenae | Tiryns | PM at leisure

OR optional excursion | Nafplion

Drive to the Bronze Age site of Mycenae and enter the magnificent Treasury of Atreus, a well-preserved tholos (beehive-shaped) tomb. Walk through the celebrated Lion Gate into the ruins of the fortress-palace of legendary Agamemnon and Clytemnestra, immortalized by Homer, Aeschylus, and others. Explore the wonderful site museum. Return to Nafplion, stopping along the way to explore the Mycenaean site of Tiryns, with its impressive Cyclopean walls. Tiryns and Mycenae are together a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the balance of the day at leisure OR your choice of one or more of these optional excursions (at additional cost):

Optional excursions with your private guide and driver:

1. Visit one of the best **wineries** in Nemea, one of the most important wine regions in Greece. Enjoy a guided tour of the winery, discussing the details of Greek wine making. Taste unique varieties of wine accompanied by Greek delicacies.
2. Visit a **local distillery** to learn the characteristics of the famous Greek ouzo and tsipouro (the Greek grappa) and taste traditional local distillations. Then visit a traditional honey workshop where its owner, a beekeeper, reveals the way that the beehives are maintained and harvested. Wear beekeeper's protective clothing to admire the magical world of the bees in their natural environment and taste unique Greek honeys.
3. Visit the **Archaeological Museum of Nafplion**, which exhibits rare objects and artifacts from excavations in the Argolis region, including bronze body armor dating to the Mycenaean period. Next, visit the **Palamidi Fortress** built between 1711 and 1714. It is preserved in excellent condition and regarded as a masterpiece of Venetian fortification architecture. The majestic fortress provides magnificent views of the Argolic Gulf.

After all optional excursions, the evening is at leisure in Nafplion. (B)

Day 7: Messene | Olympia, PM at leisure OR optional excursion

Depart Nafplion, with your guide and driver, for a scenic drive across the Peloponnese Peninsula. Visit the fortified, 4th-century B.C. city of Messene (Messini). This sprawling site includes the remains of its defensive wall, theater, agora, Sanctuary of Asclepius, and stadium, plus a small site museum. Continue driving to the Pan-Hellenic sanctuary of Olympia, where the Olympic Games originated in 776 B.C. and were held every four years until the 4th century A.D. Olympia is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and includes the original stadium, ruins of the immense 5th-century Doric Temple of Zeus and the well-preserved 6th-century Doric Temple of Hera, plus an excellent site museum. Check-in to your hotel, and enjoy the evening at leisure OR choose an optional excursion (at additional cost). *Overnight at a 5-star hotel.* (B,L)

Optional excursions with your private guide and driver:

1. Enjoy a **private dinner at the beautiful home of a local family** on the outskirts of Olympia. Using local ingredients and recipes for local dishes, you will enjoy the best of Mediterranean cuisine and the hospitality of your Greek hosts—a memorable dinner, experiencing local life in modern Greece.



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Descending the Sacred Way in Delphi



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Baptism of Christ mosaic detail at the Monastery of Hosios Loukas



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Temple of Apollo, Corinth

2. Take a **private cooking class** to learn about authentic Greek techniques, flavors, and ingredients such as honey, feta, olives, virgin olive oil, lemon, Greek oregano, and other herbs and spices. Participate in the cooking demonstration/class and then enjoy tasting each sensational dish.

Day 8: Olympia | Galaxidi | Arachova

This morning you visit, or re-visit, ancient Olympia and/or its museum. Then depart the Peloponnese, with your guide and driver, crossing the Gulf of Corinth via the Rio-Antirrio bridge, one of the world's longest multi-span, cable-stayed bridges. Enjoy a late lunch in Galaxidi, overlooking the Gulf of Corinth. Continue driving, into the mountains, to your hotel in the lovely resort town of Arachova, famous for its red wine and cheese. Enjoy a short orientation walk before an evening at leisure. *Overnight at a 4-star hotel for two nights.* (B,L)

Day 9: Delphi | Arachova

Drive to nearby, breathtaking Delphi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site spectacularly situated on the slope of Mount Parnassus. This was the most celebrated oracle in antiquity, believed by the ancient Greeks to be the center of the Earth. Walk up the slope, along the Sacred Way, past monuments and treasuries and ruins of the oracle and theater. Continue up to the stadium where the Pythian Games were held. Then explore the Delphi Archaeological Museum, whose excellent collection includes the celebrated bronze Charioteer statue and a colossal marble group of three dancing women. Return to Arachova for an evening at leisure. (B,L)

Day 10: Monastery of Hosios Loukas | Archaeological Museum of Thebes | Athens OR depart for Northern Greece tour

For those who choose to tour northern Greece next, depart from Arachova in the morning and drive north to Kalambaka (refer to Day 1 of the northern Greece itinerary).

Depart Arachova for Athens, making a couple of interesting stops along the way. First, visit the 10th-century monastery of Hosios Loukas, a UNESCO World Heritage Site on the slopes of Mount Helicon, which contains some of the country's finest Byzantine frescoes. Then drive onward to Thebes and tour its Archaeological Museum, whose collections range from the Paleolithic to post-Byzantine periods. Continue on to Athens, check-in to your hotel, and enjoy an evening at leisure. *Overnight at a 4-star, centrally-located hotel.* (B,L)

Day 11: Transfer to Athens Airport | Fly home OR Elsewhere

You are met at the hotel for a private transfer to Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport (ATH) for flights homeward OR to start the next part of your tour. (B)



The so-called "Mask of Agamemnon," a gold funerary mask found at Mycenae, now in the National Archaeological Museum

PRICING

Southern Greece (10 nights)

Off Season is November through April.
Peak Season is May through October.

# of guests	Off Season (\$ per person)	Peak Season (\$ per person)
12	4,295	4,795
11	4,495	4,945
10	4,545	4,995
9	4,795	5,285
8	4,895	5,295
7	5,295	5,795
6	5,370	5,895
5	6,395	6,895
4	6,545	7,045
3	9,695	10,245
2	10,195	10,745
*Single Supplement	695	785

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Customize Your Trip

1. **Fill in the quote request form for the most accurate price quote.**
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2. **How many travelers are in your private group?**
Your group can be as small as two, and there is no maximum.
3. **Which tour(s) do you select?**
Choose from any or all of the three Greece tours. Each one is priced individually with optional excursions allowing you to truly customize your experience.
Combine two or all three tours and receive a multi-tour discount per person.
4. **Select your travel dates.**
Prices vary due to peak season versus off season. There are seasonal restrictions to some included and optional excursions.
5. **Choose your optional excursions.**
Excursions can be scheduled based on the level of personal interest, group demographics, and/or seasonal availability.

Optional Excursions (with private guide and driver)

# of guests	Athens Options - Day 2 (\$ per person)		
	Cape Sounion	Museum of Cycladic Art	Benaki Museum of Greek Culture
12	121	43	43
10-11	129	50	50
8-9	142	59	59
6-7	148	63	63
4-5	184	87	87
2-3	291	162	162

# of guests	Nafplion Options - Day 6 (\$ per person)		
	Wine Tasting	Ouzo/Honey Tasting	Fortress of Palamidi & Museum
12	60	102	38
10-11	60	105	42
8-9	60	110	46
6-7	60	125	54
4-5	60	125	70
2-3	145	156	115

# of guests	Olympia Options - Day 7 (\$ per person)	
	Local Home Dinner	Cooking Class with dinner
4-12	121	90
2-3	149	118

Return the quote request form or call for current pricing based on your customized trip choices. Estimated prices are based on currency exchange rates at the time of publication, and are per person/double occupancy. *A single supplement will be charged when a single room is requested or required. Flights between tours are not included in the price.

Your Private AIA Tour

NORTHERN GREECE

Meteora | Dion | Thessaloniki | Vergina | Pella

(6 days | 5 nights)



- # Overnight stays
- Itinerary stops
- ✈ Flights

This tour may be reversed if you choose: fly into Thessaloniki and end in Athens.

Macedonian Kings & Byzantine Monks

Enjoy 11 expertly-guided site visits, including three UNESCO World Heritage Sites, on this five-night itinerary. Spend two nights in Kalambaka exploring Meteora's spectacular landscape of Byzantine monasteries perched on rock columns. Discover Pella, the birthplace of Alexander the Great; Vergina, with splendid Macedonian tombs and a spectacular museum; and Dion, where Macedonian kings prayed to the gods at the foot of Mt. Olympus. Three nights in

Thessaloniki include superb museums, Byzantine churches, and the grand seaside promenade.



The Derveni Krater (bronze), Thessaloniki Archaeological Museum

ITINERARY

(B)= Breakfast • (L)= Lunch • (D)= Dinner

Day 1: Arrive | Meteora | Kalambaka

Fly into Athens or depart Arachova (if just completing the Southern Greece tour) and drive north with your guide and driver to the famous and breathtaking karst landscape of Meteora ("rocks in the air"), whose monasteries are perched precariously atop towering rock columns. The Meteora monasteries are truly awe-inspiring and are today a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Winding roads provide access to six monasteries in their splendid isolation; today and tomorrow you will explore several and examine their paintings, carvings, and icons. Check-in to your hotel in Kalambaka, where you have dinner this evening. *Overnight at a 4-star hotel for two nights.* (B,L,D)

Day 2: Meteora | Kalambaka

Eremitic (hermit) monks settled on Meteora's 'columns of the sky'—almost inaccessible sandstone peaks. Today you will continue exploring monasteries and admiring the magnificent landscape. Choose an optional guided hike in the mountains (at additional cost), visit an icon workshop, or relax at your hotel. *If you choose the guided hike*, you will walk round-trip from the village of Kastraki, right near the Meteora pinnacles. It is a moderately difficult hike of about six miles that will gain an elevation of just under 1,000 feet and take two to three hours. On the hike you will see the ruins of Pantokrator Monastery; walk through beautiful forest to the Great Meteoron Monastery, the first and largest of the Meteora monasteries; and continue along an old trail to the secluded Ypapanti Monastery, enjoying incredible views along the way of Kalambaka, the Pineios River valley, and the Pindos mountain range. The evening is at leisure. As always, your private guide, at your request, will assist you with dining suggestions and reservations. (B,L)

Day 3: Dion | Thessaloniki

Depart Kalambaka, with your guide and driver, for Dion, the Macedonians' sacred city where Alexander the Great and his father, Philip II, made sacrifices to Zeus at the foot of Mount Olympus, the abode of the Greek gods. Explore the vast site, including its Sanctuaries of Isis, Demeter, and Zeus Hysistos; and visit the small, but excellent, site museum. Continue driving to Thessaloniki, ancient Macedonia's



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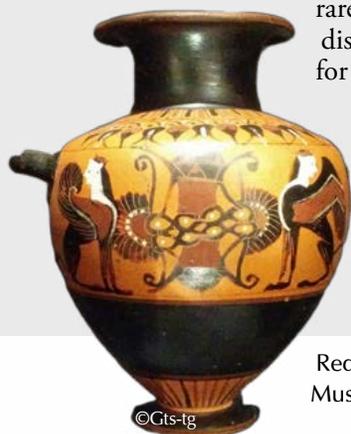
most important seaport and modern Greece's second largest city. See the massive Byzantine city walls and the Byzantine Churches of Agios Dimitrios and Agia Sofia. The city's Paleochristian and Byzantine monuments comprise a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Check-in to your hotel and then enjoy the evening at leisure to explore the many cafés along the splendid seaside promenade. *Overnight at a 5-star, centrally-located hotel for three nights.* (B,L)

Day 4: Thessaloniki: AM walking tour, Archaeological & Byzantine Museums; PM at leisure

Spend the morning seeing the highlights of Thessaloniki with your guide: the Rotunda of St. George, the Roman Arch of Galerius, and the Roman Agora. Also visit both the Archaeological and Byzantine Museums. The afternoon and evening are at leisure in this cosmopolitan city. (B)

Day 5: Pella | Vergina | Thessaloniki

Your last full day begins at Pella, capital of ancient Macedonia and birthplace of Philip II and Alexander the Great. Also visit the site museum, which includes displays of exquisite pebble mosaic floors. Continue to Vergina, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and see magnificent ancient Macedonian tombs, with their rare frescoes and glorious gold, and other treasures displayed at the unique museum. Return to Thessaloniki for an evening at leisure. (B,L)



Red figure pottery, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki

Day 6: Transfer to Thessaloniki Airport | Fly home OR Elsewhere

You are met at the hotel for a transfer to Thessaloniki Airport "Makedonia" (SKG) for flights homeward OR to start the next part of your tour. (B)



Mosaic with Dionysos on a cheetah, Pella



Golden larnax and wreath, Vergina

Northern Greece Pricing (5 nights)

**An additional charge of \$100/pp will be added to the price if you choose to travel in peak season (April through October).

# of guests	**Northern Greece (\$ per person)	Optional Excursion Meteora Guided Hike (\$ per person - Day 2)
12	2,445	75
11	2,595	78
10	2,645	78
9	2,745	81
8	2,795	81
7	3,145	91
6	3,195	91
5	3,945	119
4	4,045	119
3	6,545	208
2	6,745	208

*Single Supplement 595

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Museum at Dion



Greek shepherd near Dion with Mount Olympus in the background

Note: There are seasonal restrictions to some included and optional excursions.

GREEK ISLES

(7 days | 6 nights)



- = Flights
- = Ferries
- = Overnight stays
- = Itinerary stops

Greece

This program is available April through October.

Minoans & Cycladians

Enjoy 13 expertly-guided site visits as you explore Crete and three Cycladic Islands on this six-night itinerary. Two nights on Crete allow you to explore Europe's first civilization, the Minoan, in this mythical land of Theseus and the Minotaur. Two nights on Santorini include a visit to Greece's "Pompeii," Akrotiri, a haunting excavation of a Bronze Age town buried by a massive volcanic eruption that created the stunning island vistas that you will admire. Two nights on Mykonos provide access to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Delos and to the quintessential Greek Island lifestyle.

ITINERARY

(B)= Breakfast • (L)= Lunch • (D)= Dinner

Day 1: Arrive Heraklion, Crete | Heraklion Archaeological Museum | Knossos | Heraklion

Arrive at Heraklion International Airport "Nikos Kazantzakis" (HER), where you will be transferred privately to your hotel in Heraklion, administrative capital of Crete, the largest of the Greek islands and the fifth largest island in the Mediterranean. Meet your private guide and tour the celebrated Heraklion Archaeological Museum, which houses the world's finest collection of Minoan art and artifacts. After lunch, visit the legendary, partially-reconstructed Minoan palace at Knossos. Return to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. As always, your private guide, at your request, will assist you with dining suggestions and reservations. *Overnight at a 4-star, centrally-located hotel for two nights.* (B,L)

Day 2: Gortyn | Phaistos | Agia Triada | Museum of Cretan Ethnology | Heraklion

Begin the day with a visit to ancient Gortyn, which was the Roman capital of Crete for centuries. Next explore the ruins of the vast Minoan palace at Phaistos, which was destroyed in the 15th century B.C., from where you have views over the Mesara Plain and Mt. Psiloritis. After lunch, visit the Bronze Age "summer villa" of Agia Triada, which may have been a smaller palace or a seaside residence of wealthy Minoans. Continue to the village of Voroi to visit the Museum of Cretan Ethnology, for an overview of the history of traditional Cretan metalwork, furniture, weaving, and pottery. Return to Heraklion for an evening at leisure. (B,L)

Day 3: Ferry to Santorini | Fira: Museum of Prehistoric Thira, PM at leisure OR optional excursion

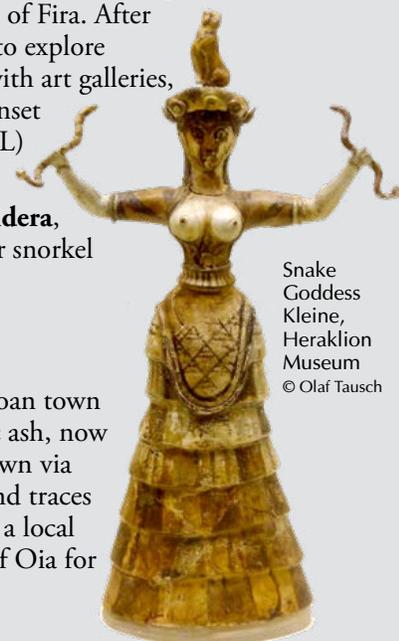
Embark a high-speed ferry to Santorini, one of the world's most breathtaking islands, with whitewashed houses and churches perched on cliffs nearly 1,000 feet above an immense, drowned volcanic crater. Learn about the ancient volcanic eruption that destroyed the island's Minoan community and see splendid Minoan art at the Museum of Prehistoric Thira in the town of Fira. After lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure, perhaps to explore independently Fira's narrow cobbled streets lined with art galleries, and craft and tourist shops OR take an optional sunset cruise. *Overnight at a 4-star hotel for two nights.* (B,L)

Option for days 3 or 4 (at additional cost):

Take a **private sunset cruise into Santorini's caldera**, including dinner and the opportunity to swim or snorkel (snorkeling equipment is provided).

Day 4: Santorini: Akrotiri, Oia, PM at leisure OR optional excursion

Discover Santorini's "Pompeii," the haunting Minoan town of Akrotiri, preserved for millennia under volcanic ash, now excavated and protected by a roof. Navigate the town via wooden walkways among three-storey buildings and traces of life from before the eruption. Enjoy a tasting at a local winery, and then drive up to the cliff-side village of Oia for



Snake Goddess
Kleine,
Heraklion
Museum
© Olaf Tausch

Greek Isles: 6 nights

panoramic views of the volcanic caldera and town of Fira below. The balance of the day is at leisure *OR* take an optional sunset cruise. (B,L)

Day 5: Ferry to Mykonos, PM at leisure *OR* optional excursion

Embark a high-speed ferry to the island of Mykonos. Take a guided orientation walk around the town of Chora before checking in to your hotel. The balance of the day is at leisure to enjoy your hotel's amenities and explore Mykonos' chic shops, art galleries, and seaside cafés *OR* take an afternoon hike. *Overnight at a 4-star hotel for two nights.* (B,L)

Option for days 5 or 6 (at additional cost):

Enjoy an **afternoon hike on Mykonos**, along a hidden path from the village of Ano Mera to a secluded beach, where you may wish to swim in the Aegean.

Day 6: Ferry to Delos | Ferry to Mykonos, PM at leisure *OR* optional excursion

Take a short ferry ride to the nearby, sacred island of Delos, located in the center of a circle of islands known as the Cyclades. Delos is the legendary birthplace of the twin gods Apollo and Artemis, and today is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Dating back to 1000 B.C., the tiny, uninhabited island is one of Greece's most significant ancient religious sites with extensive marble ruins, statues, mosaics, and a museum. Return to Mykonos for the balance of the day at leisure *OR* take an afternoon hike. (B,L)

Day 7: Transfer to Mykonos Airport | Fly home *OR* Elsewhere

You are met at the hotel for a transfer to Mykonos Airport (JMK) for flights homeward *OR* to start the next part of your tour.



Photos (from top): Santorini, Akrotiri, dining in Mykonos, Knossos

Greek Isles Pricing (6 nights)

**An additional charge of \$350/pp will be added to the price if you choose to travel in the peak season for the Greek Isles (July or August).

# of guests	**Greek Isles (\$ per person)	Optional Excursions	
		Private Sailing Cruise in Santorini with dinner (\$ per person Day 3 or 4)	Mykonos Guided Hike (\$ per person Day 5 or 6)
12	3,195	267	101
11	3,345	289	115
10	3,395	289	115
9	3,570	322	118
8	3,595	322	118
7	4,045	377	145
6	4,095	377	145
5	4,945	487	203
4	5,045	487	203
3	7,490	973	378
2	7,695	973	378

*Single Supplement **845**

Return the quote request form or call for current pricing based on your customized trip choices. Estimated prices above are based on currency exchange rates at the time of publication, and are per person/double occupancy. *A single supplement will be charged when a single room is requested or required. Flights between tours are not included in the price.

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Southern Greece, Northern Greece and/or Greek Isles

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Upon receipt of this request, a member of the AIA Tours team will contact you to discuss the details.

Primary Contact's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Preferred) _____ Phone (Secondary) _____

Email(s) _____

CUSTOMIZE YOUR TRIP:

1. Choose the length of your tour: Select any/all of these three tour options, choose the order in which you would prefer to do them, and indicate how many will participate in each tour option.

	Total # of People (including yourself)	How many require single accommodations?	CHOOSE YOUR ORDER (i.e., first, second, third)
Southern Greece (10 nights)	_____	_____	_____
Northern Greece (5 nights)	_____	_____	_____
Greek Isles (6 nights)	_____	_____	_____

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2. Choose your travel dates (choose a season, fill in your preferred departure date, include the year)

Preferred Departure Date: _____

3. Select your optional excursions:

See reverse (page 2) for a detailed list of excursions. You may change your mind at any time, but changes will alter the quote.

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**Based on your selections, we will calculate the per person cost of your tour
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Please feel free to call with questions or to adjust your trip requests.

If you choose to accept the quote and wish to reserve your trip, a deposit of 10% of the total cost will be required. We will hold your options open, without financial obligation, for 30 days while you make your decision and/or your reservation form is in the mail. After 30 days, quotes may need to be reviewed and reissued.

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. You will receive an invoice for final payment. Please note that credit cards are not accepted for final payment. All prices and payments are in U.S. dollars.

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Optional Excursions (private guide & driver included)

Southern Greece:

	Excursion	# of participants joining each excursion
Athens Day 2 (Choose one per person)	<input type="checkbox"/> Cape Sounion, includes dinner	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum of Cycladic Art	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Benaki Museum of Greek Culture	
Nafplion Day 6	<input type="checkbox"/> Wine tasting seminar & light lunch*	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Honey & Ouzo (anise-flavored aperitif) tasting*	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Nafplion's Archaeological Museum/Fortress of Palamidi*	
Olympia Day 7 (Choose 1 per person)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner at the home of a local family*	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking class with dinner*	



Female figurine 5, Museum of Cycladic Art, Athens

Northern Greece:

	Excursion	# of participants joining each excursion
Day 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Guided hike at Meteora*	



Meteora

Greek Isles:

	Excursion	# of participants joining each excursion
Day 3 or 4	<input type="checkbox"/> Santorini private sunset cruise and dinner (optional swim or snorkel)*	
Day 5 or 6	<input type="checkbox"/> Afternoon hike on Mykonos (optional swim on secluded beach)*	

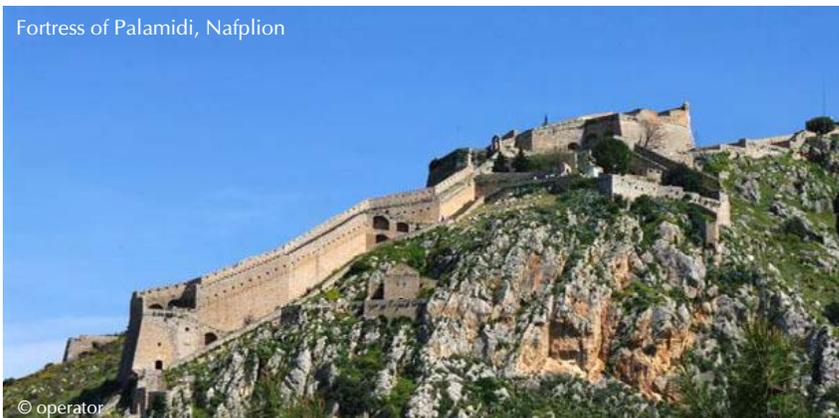


Bee Keeper, Honey & Ouzo Tasting

Prices are based on the number of participants on an individual excursion, not the total number in the overall group.

*Seasonal and/or schedule restrictions may apply.

Fortress of Palamidi, Nafplion



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Sunset, Santorini



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Tour prices include:

- **All accommodations** in comfortable 4- and 5-star hotels
- Expert English-speaking **guide/tour manager**
- **Individual arrival and departure airport transfers**
- **Excursions** and entrance fees as per itineraries
- Private transportation with a **professional driver in luxury cars, minivans, or a modern, air-conditioned coach with seating for up to 30**, depending on the size of the group. Bottled water and hand sanitizer provided
- **High-speed ferry tickets** to/from Aegina on the main tour, and Heraklion to Santorini and Santorini to Mykonos on the Greek Isles tour
- **Delicious meals** as indicated in the itinerary. All meals include bottled water plus coffee/tea; house wine or beer included with lunches and dinner
- **All gratuities** to your private guide/tour manager, drivers, waiters for included meals, and porters (including optional excursions)
- **Baggage handling** at hotels where available (not available on ferries)
- **Personal listening system** during excursions
- **All VAT, local taxes, and service charges**
- **Comprehensive pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading/media guide, travel guide, and packing list
- Enrollment in a basic **emergency evacuation insurance** plan
- Enrollment in **STEP (Smart Traveler Enrollment Program)**, providing you with up-to-date safety and security information and helping us reach you in an emergency

Flights & Transfers

Airfare is not included. Private airport transfers are included on your arrival and departure. **Note that there is no portage service on the ferries**, and you will have to trundle your own luggage up and down a gangway, so we advise you not to travel with more than you can handle independently under such conditions. All flight itineraries must be provided to our office prior to the tour. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

Tour Prices Do Not Include: Any airfare; passport and visa fees; airport fees and departure taxes; optional excursions (quoted separately based on the number of participants); cost of personal, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; transportation of excess baggage; portage on ferry crossings; personal tips; items of a personal nature, such as laundry, taxi, telephone, and fax charges; meals and beverages except as noted; deviations from scheduled tour; other items not listed as included.

Payments: A deposit of 10% of the tour price per person is required to reserve your space and is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or check. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure and must be by check, ACH transfer, or wire transfer only; credit cards are not accepted for final payment. By submitting your deposit, you are bound by the terms and conditions delineated throughout this brochure and elsewhere published.

Participant Cancellation Fees: All requests by participants for cancellations must be received in writing by AIA Tours. Cancellations received at least 90 days prior to departure are refunded less a cancellation fee of \$75 per person. Cancellations received between 89 and 61 days prior to departure are subject to a cancellation fee of \$300 per person. Cancellations received within 60 days or less prior to departure are subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the tour cost. *For this and other reasons, participants are strongly encouraged to purchase trip cancellation insurance. Information will be provided with confirmation of receipt of your deposit.*

Note: Rates are based on tariffs and exchange rates in effect at the time of your price quote and are subject to change prior to departure. Substantial changes in tariffs, exchange rates, and the price of fuel, services, and labor may increase the cost of arrangements significantly, and we reserve the right to alter our prices. *Price quotes will be based on the information/services you have requested. Any changes will need to be reviewed and may result in a change in the price quote. Major changes or last-minute changes to your itinerary may result in additional administrative fees.*

Prices, itineraries, and accommodations are subject to change. Prices quoted are based on group participation and no refunds will be made for any part of the program in which you choose not to participate. It is understood that refunds cannot be made to participants who do not complete their tour for whatever reason.

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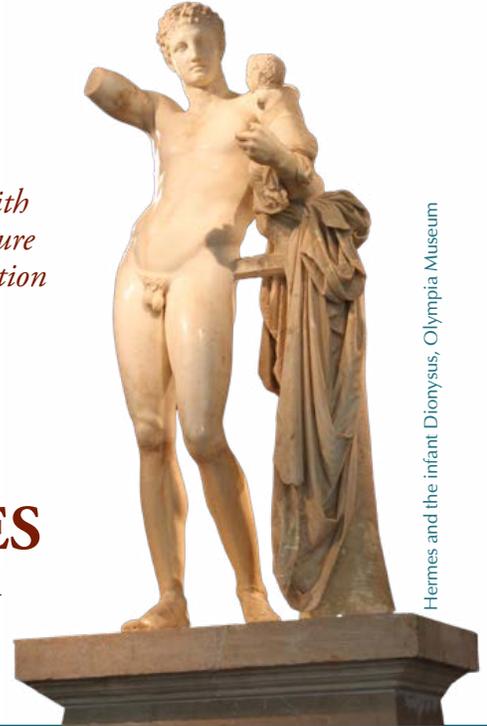
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- Louis, California

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Hermes and the infant Dionysus, Olympia Museum




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Greek Isles

6 nights: Crete | Santorini | Mykonos | Delos