



ANCIENT GREECE – MYTHS & LEGENDS

THE WOMEN'S TRAVEL GROUP

7 Days: *Athens, Corinth Canal, Epidaurus, Nafplion, Mycenae, Olympia, Delphi, Aegina, Poros & Hydra*

Tour Overview

This tour starts in Athens with a panoramic tour of the historic landmarks of the city. Next, a guided visit to the Acropolis to see the temple of Athena Nike, the Parthenon, and more. Stops will be made in Peloponneseto see the Corinth canal, Nafplion, and Mycenae. Experience the wonders of the Ancient Olympia Complex, where the original Olympic Games were held. Delphi is up next for a day full of admiring the amazing sights and learn the history. For the last full day, the tour will transfer to the port of Trokadero for a day cruise to the islands of the Saronic gulf – a day full of adventures that are one of a kind!

Day 1 – SUN, 13 NOV 22: Arrival / Athens (D)

Arrive at the Athens airport, welcome assistance, and transfer to the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. In the evening we will gather again and after a briefing about our tour, we will head at a local restaurant for our welcome dinner. Return transfer to the hotel for overnight.

Accommodation: Hotel St. George Lycabettus 5* - 2 Nights

www.sglycabettus.gr

Day 2 – MON, 14 NOV 22: Athens city tour / Athens (B,L)

The day is dedicated to exploring the city of Athens. Our day begins with a direct transfer for our guided visit to the Acropolis, including the Propylae, the temple of Athena Nike, the Parthenon, the Erechtheion. From here, we continue on foot along Diorysiou Aeropagitou street, to the Acropolis museum, voted on of the best museums in Europe, where findings from the area, including the Caryatides have found their home. We will then board our coach again and continue with a panoramic tour to the most important monuments and landmarks of the city including the Panathinaikon stadium, the Zappeion, the temple of

Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, Syntagma square, the Parliament, the tomb of the unknown soldier, Schliemann's house, the Academy, the University, the National Library, and the old Parliament. Our panoramic tour will end in Kerameikos area. The day continues on foot to the local Farmer's market for a vibrant slice-of-life experience, mingling with the locals who buy fresh foodie products from various local producers. Further walk, will bring us to Thisio. Taking Adrianou street and walking next to the ancient Greek and Roman agora, we will cross to Monastiraki with the famous flea market, and conclude in Plaka to experience a typical Greek lunch with "souvlaki with pita", Greek salad and appetizers. Balance of the afternoon at leisure to explore Plaka, the picturesque old part of the city, and why not, some shopping at Ermou street.

Day 3 – TUE, 15 NOV 22: Corinth Canal, Epidaurus, Nafplion, Mycenae / Olympia (B,D)

After our breakfast, we depart towards the Peloponnese. The first stop will be at the impressive Corinth canal and we continue to Epidaurus with its theater, famous for its acoustics. Our day continues as we will be arriving in Nafplion for a short stop. Our next visit will be to Mycenae «rich in gold» as Homer mentions, with the Cyclopean walls, and the tomb of Agamemnon with the famous Lion's Gate. In the afternoon, we will be crossing the mountains of the Peloponnese to arrive in Olympia for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation: Hotel Europa 4* - 1 Night

www.hoteleuropa.gr

Day 4 – WED, 16 NOV 22: Olympia / Delphi (B,L,D)

Built on the banks of the River Alfios, Olympia is beautiful, green, and placid. We will enjoy a tour through the remains of the Ancient Olympia Complex (home of the original Olympic Games), including the Temple of Zeus, the Palaestra, and Phidias's Workshop. We continue to the local museum, one of the richest in Greece, with the impressive statue of Hermes of Praxitelis. Lunch on the way. In the afternoon, we will start heading north, driving around Patras, over the impressive Rio-Antirio bridge, through Nafpaktos and Itea, to Delphi for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation: Hotel Amalia 4* - 1 Night

www.amaliahoteldelphi.gr

Day 5 – THU, 17 NOV 22: Delphi / Athens (B,L,D)

Delphi used to be the most sacred spot in the world and a pilgrimage center for many centuries in antiquity. You will admire the Sanctuary of Apollo, walk the Sacred way, and visit the temple of Apollo, home of Pythia (the oracle). We continue to the local museum with the famous bronze statue of the Charioteer. After our visits, we will take the road back towards Athens. On the way, we will stop for lunch at a countryside local restaurant. Arrival in Athens in the afternoon and check in at our hotel. In the evening, we will gather and head to a local restaurant with live Greek music to experience a dinner along with the locals.

Accommodation: Hotel St. George Lycabettus 5* - 2 Nights

www.sglycabettus.gr

Day 6 – FRI, 18 NOV 22: Day cruise to Aegina, Poros & Hydra / Athens (B,L,D)

Early breakfast this morning and we transfer to the port for a day cruise to the islands of the Saronic gulf. Our first port of call will be Hydra. A picturesque little “vehicle-free” island, well-known to the international jet-set. Take a donkey ride, explore the little cobble-stoned streets, and visit the Mitropolis at your own pace. Next, we will be visiting the island of Poros with its clock tower facing the Peloponnese. Last will be a visit to Aegina, a weekend retreat island for many Athenians. Enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride. Before leaving make sure to buy some pistachios, as Aegina is world-famous for its production. During cruising, you will enjoy a buffet lunch on board, and on the way back you will have to opportunity to see and participate in some traditional Greek dances! Return transfer to our hotel, where we will enjoy a farewell dinner with great views to the Acropolis.

Day 7 – SAT, 19 NOV 22: Departure (B)

Breakfast, and at the appropriate time, transfer to the airport for your departure flight.

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November 2022 – Post Tour Extension
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Extension to Santorini (3 Nights)

Day 7 – SAT, 19 NOV 22: Athens – Santorini

You will be transferred this morning from your hotel to the Athens International Airport to board the flight to Santorini

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Upon arrival in Santorini, please collect your luggage and proceed to the Exit for your transfer to your hotel in Fira. Rest of the day at leisure

Accommodation: Rocabella Santorini Hotel – 3 Nights - Breakfast

<https://www.rocabella-hotel-santorini.com/>

Day 8 – SUN, 20 NOV 22: Santorini

Santorini Classic Highlights Tour (Shared)

Enjoy an all-day pure Santorini experience that you can’t miss! Joining this tour you will discover authentic Santorinian villages, details about the wine heritage of the island, amazing caldera landscapes and volcanic beaches, and you will have the opportunity to enjoy your lunch by the sea escorted by an English speaking guide. The Santorini Classic Highlights Tour concludes with Santorini’s most treasured moments as we will take you to the village of Oia to enjoy the magnificent sunset! Embark on a tour that will take you only to the best of Santorini!

Many historic mansions, old traditional houses, pirate hideouts and wine cannons. Traders and rich landowners who exported the famous wine of the island, Vishanto, lived here in its history. An important feature of these historic houses and mansions are the high walls, courtyards, and large imposing wooden doors that were built to protect privacy and security for pirates.

The Red Beach is behind a series of lava monoliths! A rare beach that you should definitely visit. Its distinctive morphological character, make the Red Beach one of the most captivating beaches in the world. Emporio was the place where all the merchandise was sold in the past - which shows that the production of the products was here. The most important attraction is the medieval Kastelli, a masterpiece of architecture, which is in very good condition as many buildings have been restored or repaired by their owners, although they are not inhabited all year.

Perissa, located at the south-eastern end of the island, stretching about 7 km, is the largest beach of Santorini, with its continuation, Perivolos and Saint George. With black sand, clear deep waters and well-organized beach bars, tavernas and cafés right on the beach, Perissa accommodates any visitor who prefers something more economical in terms of accommodation and entertainment than the Caldera settlements.

The highest point of Santorini with excellent views not only of Santorini but also of the surrounding islands. The entrance to the courtyard of the monastery is a beautiful experience. The temple has a tranquil serenity and if all areas are open you will be impressed by the relics and historical manuscripts. The most photographed Santorini blue domes churches are located in Oia. You'll have the chance to visit and take the most wonderful pictures of your trip.

Pick Up Point: Hotel

Pick Up Time: 11:00am

Duration: 8 Hours

Day 9 – MON, 21 NOV 22: Santorni

Day at leisure

Day 10 – TUE, 22 NOV 22: Santorini – Athens - Home

You will be transferred this morning from your hotel to the Santorini Thira Airport to board the flight to Athens

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Upon arrival in Athens, connect with your onward international flight home.

Note: Flights are not included in the Extension package and are strictly for guidance. The return flight from Santorini to Athens can be booked depending on the departure time of the international connection.

Quotation & Conditions of Contract:

LAND ARRANGEMENTS – MAIN TOUR

10 – 14 travelers

\$2,635.00 PER PERSON

15 - 19 travelers

\$2,370.00 PER PERSON

20 - 21 travelers

\$2,245.00 PER PERSON

SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT

\$690.00 PER PERSON

AIRFARE UPON REQUEST

LAND ARRANGEMENTS – POST TOUR EXTENSION

(Extension to Santorini-3 Nights)

\$610.00 PER PERSON

SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT

\$330.00 PER PERSON

Inclusions:- Main Tour

- ✓ Accommodation on BB, 4 nights in Athens, 1 night in Olympia and 1 night in Delphi
- ✓ Welcome & Farewell Dinner with wine in Athens
- ✓ Other Meals – 4 Lunches & 4 Dinners
- ✓ Deluxe a/c coach throughout the tour for all transfers and visits according to the above itinerary
- ✓ Whisper Headsets throughout your trip
- ✓ Porterage in & out at the hotels listed above
- ✓ Professional qualified English-speaking escort from Day 1 – Day 7
- ✓ Accommodation for Tour Escort in Olympia & Delphi
- ✓ The day cruise to Aegina, Poros and Hydra (including lunch and dances on board)
- ✓ Entrance fees to the various sites and museums
- ✓ All taxes and our services (except for the “overnight stay” tax - please refer below)

Not included:

- Personal expenses
- Gratuities for driver or escort: please estimate \$10 per person per day for the driver, \$15 per person for tour guide, based on level of satisfaction

- Meals other than those mentioned above
- Beverages during included meals. (wine is included for welcome and farewell dinners)
- Hotel City taxes need to be paid directly – An average of € 3.5 per person per night
- Anything else not specifically mentioned in the program or our quotation, or anything mentioned as optional

Inclusions – Post Tour Extension

- Accommodation at Rocabella Santorini Hotel with Breakfast – 3 Nights
- Shared Transfers
- Shared Sightseeing

Not included

- Personal expenses
- Flights
- Gratuities
- Meals

Terms and Conditions. Please also review those on the link on your Booking Form:

COVID-19 and your personal responsibility:

Countries welcoming you and allowing open travel will have a Covid-19 rule-set in place. Visitors must be familiar with these requirements and are expected to adhere to all rules. Requirements will differ from country to country and may also change over time. It is therefore important that all travelers are secure in their understanding of what will be expected of them before departing their home and upon entering a foreign destination. Please ask your SITA Travel Expert about the specific entry requirements. Furthermore, understand that COVID-19 may be present anywhere. The World Health Organization and medical experts have stated that older citizens, as well as guests with existing health challenges, are exposed to heightened risks. It is important that travelers take personal responsibility for their well-being and strictly follow instructions, whether given verbally or through public announcements and signage. When traveling with SITA World Tours you agree to accept all risks associated with exposure to COVID-19. At SITA World Tours we encourage adherence to hygiene and distancing rules and sincerely wish that all of our guests travel safe and remain healthy.

Airfares: Based on current fares and subject to change without notice UNTIL TICKETED. Airfares are based on the current lowest fare, and subject to availability of the applicable class of service. it may be necessary to re-quote a fare at the time of booking, depending on availability. At the time of final payment, please check for any applicable increase in taxes and fuel surcharges. Airfares are subject to different rules and cancellation fees. Some airfares may be non-refundable once ticketed. Details will be provided on request. **Please note that effective Jun 01 2019 it is mandatory to provide the passenger contact details - Tel # & Email - to the airline**, in order that they may provide updates directly to the passenger regarding schedule changes, flight delays, or cancellations. The passenger has the right, not to provide the contact details, but the travel agency issuing the ticket requires to receive such refusal in writing, which will be added to the ticketing record.

****Insurance:** We strongly recommend Travel Insurance

Inoculations: We recommend that you contact Passport Health at 1-888-499 7277 or www.passporthealthusa.com for questions regarding country-specific health counseling.

Tour Reservations: SITA requires a deposit of \$600.00 per person to commence reservations. This amount will be adjusted with the balance due 60 days prior to departure.

Tour Payments: SITA accepts tour payments by Agency check and /or by clients Visa, Master & American Express credit cards. Signed statement on SITA form required by each client charging on credit cards. Copy of form will be supplied by SITA. SITA does not accept 3rd party credit cards.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations received 60 days or more prior to departure: \$350 per person; 59-45 days 25%; 44-30 days: 50% of the tour price; 29 days or less: 100% of the tour price. If final payment is received more than 60 days prior to departure, and cancellation occurs, the fee incurred will be 25% of the tour price. Please refer to SITA's website for applicable details. Your deposit for the tour is your acceptance of these Terms and Conditions

Tour documents: Final tour documents including day-by-day itinerary, hotel listing, air tickets & vouchers are sent between 30-15 days prior to departure.