

# A Week in Greece: Athens, Mykonos & Santorini

+ ROME EXTENSION



**9**

DAYS

12 DAYS WITH EXTENSION

*Shorter Stays*

**Watch the setting sun from the hilltops of Greece's most famous islands.**

Cobblestone streets, arched white facades, ocean blue roofs, and larger-than-life windmills are just a few of the picturesque Greek landscapes you can expect to find on this tour. Experience ancient history and open-air museums in the capital of Athens. Then, the quintessential, beautiful Greek islands you've been dreaming of come to life on the isles of Mykonos and Santorini.

# Overview

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& SANTORINI



Let us handle the details



Expert  
Tour Director



Local  
cuisine



Handpicked  
hotels



Sightseeing with  
local guides



Private  
transportation



Personalized  
flight options

## Your tour includes

- 7 nights in handpicked hotels
- Breakfast daily, 3 three-course dinners with beer or wine
- Multilingual Tour Director
- Private deluxe motor coach
- Guided sightseeing and select entrance fees

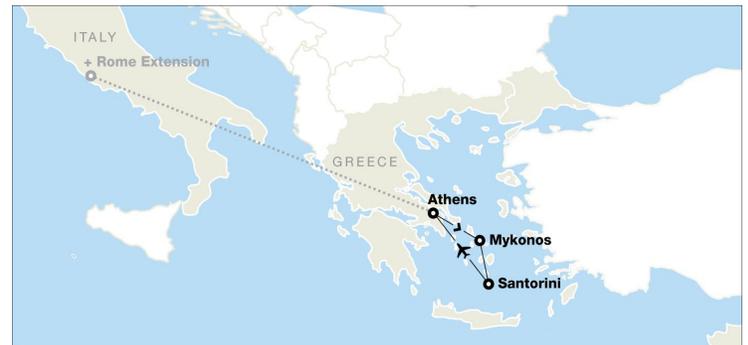
## Your tour highlights

- Ancient Athens' world-famous Acropolis
- Cruise the shimmering waters of the Aegean
- The famous windmills and quaint island of Mykonos
- Traditional Greek food and drink
- The black-sand beaches and sunsets of Santorini
- The warm and welcoming Greeks

## Where you'll go

### OVERNIGHT STAYS

- 1 night • Overnight Flight
- 2 nights • Athens
- 2 nights • Mykonos
- 2 nights • Santorini
- 1 night • Athens



### MAXIMUM GROUP SIZE FOR THIS TOUR

**14 — 35**

### ABOUT YOUR HOTELS

Our 3- and 4-diamond accommodations are handpicked to ensure quality and comfort.



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# Itinerary

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## Overnight Flight | 1 night

### Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Athens today.

## Athens | 2 nights

### Day 2: Arrival in Athens

*Included meals: Dinner*

Welcome to Greece! Meet your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner tonight.

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Athens

*Included meals: Breakfast*

A local guide introduces you to the highlights of this bustling ancient capital, home to the world's first democracy.

- Tour the ancient Acropolis, site of the Parthenon and the Temple of Athena Nike
- Visit the 6th-century Temple of Zeus
- View the classically inspired Old Royal Palace, home of the Hellenic Parliament
- Pass through Syntagma Square to see the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Spend a free afternoon and evening in Athens or add an excursion.

+ Cape Sounion

## Mykonos | 2 nights

### Day 4: Transfer to Mykonos

*Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

Travel by ferry to Mykonos this morning and spend some free time on the island when you arrive.

- See the iconic windmills in Mykonos Town, built as early as the 16th century
- View Little Venice, the charming neighborhood right along the Aegean Sea

### Day 5: Free day in Mykonos

*Included meals: Breakfast*

Enjoy a free day in Mykonos soaking up the sun, or add excursions.

+ Delos

+ Mykonos Cooking Class & Dinner

## Santorini | 2 nights

### Day 6: Transfer to Santorini

*Included meals: Breakfast*

Take a ferry to Santorini, then enjoy free time to discover the island's charming culture and awe-inspiring landscapes.

Enjoy a free evening in Santorini or add an excursion.

+ Santorini Caldera Cruise & Dinner

### Day 7: Sightseeing tour of Santorini

*Included meals: Breakfast*

Take in the local sights on a guided tour of Santorini, a volcanic isle known for its black-sand beaches, cliff-lined shores, and stunning whitewashed architecture.

- Visit the prehistoric settlements that were unearthed during the archaeological excavations at Akrotiri
- Ride to the top of Mount Profitis Ilias for panoramic views of the whole island
- Stop in the small, picturesque village of Pyrgos

Spend a free afternoon and evening in Santorini or add an excursion.

+ Greek Wine Tasting & Lunch

## Athens | 1 night

### Day 8: Transfer to Athens

*Included meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

This afternoon, fly to Athens and say goodbye to your group at a farewell dinner.

### Day 9: Departure

*Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay to explore Rome.

## Post-tour extension

## Rome | 3 nights

### Day 9: Transfer to Rome

*Included meals: Breakfast*

This morning, transfer to Athens airport for your flight to Rome.

Enjoy a free evening in the Italian capital or add an excursion.

+ Dinner with Tenors

### Day 10: Sightseeing tour of Rome

*Included meals: Breakfast*

Follow in the footsteps of the ancient Romans on a guided sightseeing tour of the Eternal City.

- Pass by Trajan's Column and Piazza Venezia, the city's central hub
- Stop at the ruins of the Forum, once the setting of parades, elections, and trials
- Soak up over 2,000 years of history in Imperial Rome, viewing the Arch of Constantine, the Arch of Titus, and the Temple of Venus and Roma
- Enter the Colosseum, the largest amphitheater of the Roman Empire, and take time to explore on your own

Enjoy a free afternoon and evening in the city or add an excursion.

+ Ancient Rome: St. Paul's Basilica & the Catacombs

### Day 11: Free day in Rome

*Included meals: Breakfast*

Spend a free day in Rome or add an excursion.

+ Iconic Sights: Vatican City

### Day 12: Departure

*Included meals: Breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Extension is available on select departure dates. Space is limited. Minimum of 10 travelers is required.



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# Customize your experience

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Create a more personal journey by adding optional excursions that speak to your interests. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose—you're free to do as much or as little as you'd like. Excursions that require advance reservation will only have this discounted price listed.

## Day 3: Cape Sounion | \$45/\$55\*

Journey to the southern tip of the Attic Peninsula to take in the sights of the Poseidon Coast, including sandy beaches, natural and manmade harbors and, of course, the Aegean Sea itself. High above the sparkling shoreline, the Temple of Poseidon dominates the landscape. Of the original structure, 16 elegant Doric pillars remain. Afterward, decide how you'd like to spend your free time. Take a moment to look out from the lofty cliffside vantage point, where you can see five Aegean islands on a clear day. You may also choose to enjoy a coffee, stop in the souvenir shop or stroll through the area. Please note: This excursion involves some walking on uneven terrain.

## Day 5: Delos | \$79/\$89\*

Journey by boat to the island of Delos, rich with mythological history and once one of Greece's most sacred spots. Your guided tour of the island's ancient city will transport you to the time when this was an important center for trade in silk, spices and slaves. You can explore the ruins of the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Sacred Cave, the Lion Terrace and the House of Dionysus, where you'll find a breathtaking mosaic of the god of wine.

## Day 5: Mykonos Cooking Class & Dinner |

\$89/\$99\* (4 hours, afternoon with dinner)

Your first stop is the village of Ano Mera, where you'll pay a visit to the 18th-century Monastery of Panagia Tourliani and enjoy free time to explore the surrounding town square. After you've worked up an appetite in town, make your way to a local farm where you'll craft traditional dishes such as Mykonian pie and tzatziki. Then, pair your creations with a tasting of three different Greek wines for a delicious dinner you'll enjoy with the group.

## Day 6: Santorini Caldera Cruise & Dinner |

\$119/\$129\* (5 hours, departs in the afternoon with dinner)

Board an elegant, fully equipped catamaran and sail in comfort through Santorini's awe-inspiring caldera on this scenic excursion. You'll cruise around the volcanic island of Nea Kamenim for views of the picture-perfect cliffside village of Oia (pronounced "EE-ah"). Situated on the western end of the island, Oia was once a maritime center and stately captains' houses still sit on its high ridges. Take in the scenery and the sunset (on clear days) as you enjoy a buffet-style dinner of home-cooked Greek specialties on board the boat. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs from May through the beginning of October only. It is also dependent upon weather conditions. A welcome drink, glass of wine, and water are included.

## Day 7: Greek Wine Tasting & Lunch | \$55/\$65\*

(4 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Santorini's volcanic landscape and nutrient-rich soil nurtures a wealth of outstanding vineyards. On this

excursion, you'll tour a local winery, enjoying a film screening followed by a wine tasting. Taste five different varietals, including Vin Santo, a sweet wine made from dried grapes, then enjoy a light lunch overlooking the Aegean Sea.

## Extension optional excursions

### Day 9: Dinner with Tenors | \$79/\$89\* (4 hours, evening with dinner)

End your day with an elegant four-course dinner at a local restaurant. While you dine, you'll be treated to some of opera's best-loved arias, sung by professional tenors, and you might even join the singers on stage. Don't miss this lighthearted evening of food and fun! Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs from February through November.

### Day 10: Ancient Rome: St. Paul's Basilica & the Catacombs | \$65/\$75\* (3.5 hours, departure time varies)

Descend into Rome's ancient catacombs, where early Christians buried saints and popes alongside commoners. A local guide will lead you through burial chambers before your visit to St. Paul's Basilica, one of the four most important basilicas of Rome, originally founded by Constantine the Great. The Basilica also houses the tomb of St. Paul. Please note: Shorts and sleeveless shirts are not permitted within the basilica. Also, this excursion involves extensive walking and may be inadvisable for claustrophobic travelers.

### Day 11: Iconic Sights: Vatican City | \$99\* (3.5 hours, departure time varies)

This guided tour takes you inside the world's smallest state, Vatican City. Upon arrival, you'll first visit the Vatican Museums, which are over 500 years old and hold many of the world's most important Classical- and Renaissance-era sculptures. Next, step inside the Sistine Chapel, where you'll gaze up at what is perhaps Michelangelo's greatest masterpiece. Finally, pay a visit to the enormous St. Peter's Basilica, the epicenter of the Roman Catholic faith. The artists who have contributed to its glory are some of the best Italy has ever known, including Bramante, Peruzzi, Raphael, and Michelangelo. Masterpieces await at every turn, from Bernini's magnificent bronze canopy to Michelangelo's Pietà. Please note: This excursion is not available on Sundays. Backpacks are not allowed in the Vatican and a dress code of no shorts or sleeveless shirts is enforced. *This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked by 70 days prior to departure.*



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