



MEDITERRANEAN MAGIC

Soak up some history in Athens then visit Santorini and Mykonos with plenty of time for shopping, sun and relaxation. Then, catch the ferry across to Turkey where you will delight in its incredible history, tasty cuisine and amazing landscape.

14 DAYS
from
USD **2389**

Price

Twin USD **2389**
Single USD **3115**

when to go

	2016	2017
Jan		
Feb		
Mar		
Apr		
May		
Jun	08-22	07-21
Jul	06-20	05-19
Aug	03-17-31	02-16-30
Sep	14	13
Oct		
Nov		
Dec		

TOUR OVERVIEW

Tour includes

- Inbound Airport Transfer - Athens - Eleftherios Venizelos Airport (ATH)
- Outbound Airport Transfer - Istanbul - Atatürk Airport (IST) OR Sabiha Gokcen Airport (SAW)
- Services of an English-speaking professional tour guide in Turkey
- Services of an English speaking tour leader throughout the Greek Islands
- Transportation in a fully air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicle in Turkey
- Transportation by ferries between the Greek islands
- Transfers between ports and hotels in Greece
- Tips except driver and guide
- Entrance fees - Turkey
- 13 nights 4 star accommodation
- 12 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

Tour does not include

- Suggested optional activities
- Tips - driver and guide
- Entrance fees - Greece
- Visas, border or port taxes

Day 1 Wednesday Athens

Welcome to Athens, Greece! You will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Spend the rest of the day exploring this ancient city. Tonight meet your tour leader and fellow travelling companions. Overnight Athens

Day 2 Thursday Athens Acropolis

After breakfast we will do a half day tour. Highlights will include the Acropolis, the stadium where the first Olympic Games were held, Hadrian's Arch, the Temple of Nike and the Parthenon. Overnight Athens (B)

Day 3 Friday Athens to Santorini

Early departure for the stunning island of Santorini, where you may choose to relax on the beach, or wander around Fira, soaking up the atmosphere. Overnight Santorini (B)

Day 4 Saturday Santorini

Choose to relax today or you have the option of taking a boat trip to see the World's biggest volcanic crater. Here you will be able to swim in the warm waters and take a relaxing mud bath. Overnight Santorini (B)

Day 5 Sunday Santorini to Mykonos

Today we catch the ferry to Mykonos, where you may choose to chill at the beach or explore the charming town before heading out to enjoy the vibrant Mykonos nightlife tonight. Overnight Mykonos (B)

Day 6 Monday Mykonos

Today you are free to soak up the sun, wander around town, or explore one of the charming small villages. Overnight Mykonos (B)

Day 7 Tuesday Mykonos, Samos

We will catch a ferry to Samos just after midnight. Depending on ferry schedules, we will either explore Samos while we wait for our ferry to Kusdasi, or head directly to Kusadasi, Turkey. Overnight Kusadasi (D)

Day 8 Wednesday Ephesus, Kusadasi

Transport yourself back to life in ancient times today as you stroll the streets of Ephesus and visit the Temple of Artemis. Try out your singing skills in the well preserved theatre before we continue on to the former Greek village of Sirince, famous for its fruit wines. This afternoon we visit a carpet weaving centre to learn about the dying art of Turkish carpet weaving - how they are made, and the factors that determine their value. Overnight Kusadasi (B, D)



Day 9 Thursday Pamukkale, Hierapolis

This morning we will enjoy a display of locally handcrafted leather goods before we commence our drive to Pamukkale - home of the famous white travertines (calcium pools) and the ruins of the ancient Roman spa city of Hierapolis. Here you will be able to swim over Roman columns in the Cleopatra Antique Pool (entrance extra) and take a dip in the travertine pools which contain thermal water, believed since ancient times to have therapeutic powers. Overnight Pamukkale (B, D)

Day 10 Friday Silk Road, Konya

This morning we commence our drive along the ancient Silk Road to Cappadocia, stopping to visit the Mevlana Museum in Konya and Sultanhani Caravansary, on the way. Option to attend a traditional Turkish folk dance show tonight - this is a great night, and an opportunity not to be missed. Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

Day 11 Saturday Cappadocia, Goreme, Underground City

We spend today touring Cappadocia and surrounds. Sights you will see include the Goreme open-air museum and one of the area's underground cities. You will be amazed by the incredible landscape of this area so have your camera charged and ready to go! Overnight Cappadocia (B, D)

Day 12 Sunday Ankara

After breakfast we depart for Turkey's capital, Ankara, where we will visit Anitkabir, the Mausoleum of the Turkey's founding father, Mustafa Ataturk. We then head back to Istanbul. Note: optional morning flight to Istanbul from Kayseri, Cappadocia Overnight Istanbul (B)

Day 13 Monday Istanbul Old City

After breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of Istanbul - once known as the former imperial capital of the Byzantine and Ottoman empires. We visit the Blue Mosque, the Hagia Sophia, soak in the Sultan's opulence at Topkapi Palace and explore the Hippodrome. Overnight Istanbul (B)

Day 14 Tuesday Istanbul

Our tour finishes after breakfast, and we say goodbye to our new friends. Transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)