

# Wonders of Greece



## **9 days Sample Itinerary. Limited to 15 - 25 max guests**

Experience an unmatched blend of ancient history and modern Wonders in Greece, savoring the relaxed pace of island living and the lively bustle of Athens alike, and enjoying the rich variety of Mediterranean cuisine.

### **DAY 1 ARRIVE ATHENS, GREECE**

Arrive in Athens and transfer to your hotel. Gather this evening for a welcome briefing followed by dinner.

*NEW Hotel | Meals: Dinner*

### **DAY 2 ATHENS | TEMPLE OF ATHENA**

Visit the Acropolis and the Parthenon, two great icons of the ancient world. At the Acropolis Museum, marvel at artifacts Athenians used in everyday life, as well as finds from the slopes of the Acropolis. This afternoon explore Athens' wonders at your own pace.

*NEW Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

### **DAY 3 OROPOS | HANDSON CULINARY EXPERIENCE**

Depart your hotel for the ancient town of Oropos, where you meet a local family in their home for an exclusive hands-on culinary experience. After lunch, stroll the charming village streets, and peruse its boutiques and shops. *NEW Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*

### **DAYS 4-6 CRETE | MINOAN TREASURES**

This morning fly to the island of Crete for three days of exploration and discovery. Visit the Heraklion Archaeological Museum, known for the best collection of Minoan art in the world. Continue to the largest Bronze Age archaeological site on Crete and visit its Minoan palace. Later, check in to your seaside accommodations in Agios Nikolaos, a coastal town that blends bustling city life with local art and a leisurely attitude. The next day, visit the island of Spinalonga, a protective outpost for the Cretan mainland built in 1579. Join its custodians on the first boat of the morning and witness them opening the fortress for the day. Wander the streets of this former community and then explore the picturesque streets of historic Plaka, filled with flower shops, taverns and charming boutiques. Cap off your day with a visit to a local organic olive oil producer, where you learn about this Greek staple. Discover eastern Crete the following day with a visit to an organic cosmetics producer, where you learn about how these traditional products are made. Next, visit the village of Kritsa, renowned for its traditional weaving.

*St. Nicolas Bay | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner (Day 4); Breakfast, Lunch (Day 5); Breakfast (Day 6)*

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## **DAY 7 SANTORINI | MYTHICAL ATLANTIS**

Voyage to Santorini by high-speed catamaran. Continue to Akrotiri, a Minoan Bronze Age settlement preserved in volcanic ash from the Thera eruption in 1627 BC. The settlement has been suggested as a possible inspiration for Plato's story of Atlantis. Travel north to Fira to visit the Archaeological Museum, home to the island's finest collection of artifacts from the fourth and fifth century.

*Vedema Resort | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

## **DAY 8 SANTORINI | CATAMARAN CRUISE**

Set out on a private yacht for a cruise around the southern coast of Santorini. Bask in the beauty of the stunning white and red beaches with time to soak up the sun or swim in the crystal waters. Savor an appetizing barbecue lunch prepared by the expert crew just for you. Return to your hotel with the remainder of the evening at your leisure.

*Vedema Resort | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch*

## **DAY 9 ATHENS | BREATHTAKING CAPE VIEWS**

Fly to Athens and visit the Temple of Poseidon, travelling along the shores of Cape Sounion. Take in the gorgeous vistas over the Aegean Sea as you imagine life for the ancient Greeks who constructed the imposing temple. Travel to your waterfront resort, where you settle in and enjoy some time at leisure. This evening, gather for a special farewell dinner at an authentic working farm for a meal featuring seasonal, locally grown produce.

*Divani Apollon Suites | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

**DAY 10 DEPART ATHENS** Transfer to Athens airport and board your onward flight.