

Athens to Paros & Santorini

8 Days | Athens to Santorini



SEMI-INDEPENDENT TOUR:

Discover the fascinating ancient wonders of Athens before heading to the beautiful Greek islands of Paros and Santorini. The perfect combination of city break and island relaxation.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Athens - Discover one of the world's oldest cities, from the ancient Acropolis to the modern Panathenaic Stadium
- Paros - Quaint island in the Aegean with traditional villages and secluded beaches
- Santorini - Relax on one of Greece's most beautiful islands, where whitewashed villages perch on volcanic cliffs and breathtaking sunsets can be witnessed at Oia

What's Included

- 7 nights 3-4 star hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- One arrival transfer on Day 1 (Athens) and one departure transfer on Day 8 (Santorini) included per booking
- Two local ferry journeys between Athens and Paros and Paros and Santorini
- Half day guided tour of Athens, including the Acropolis and Acropolis Museum

- Entrance fees for all included sites
- Services of an English-speaking tour guide for Athens city tour
- All transfers and transportation in modern air conditioned vehicles
- Note: This is a semi-independent tour which includes one day of group touring. For the Athens City Tour you will join travellers who have booked through other operators and group size can vary from 20 - 45 persons. Guiding may be in an additional language to English

What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- A hotel tax of €3.00 per room per night to be paid directly to the hotel at time of check in. Please budget Euro 21, for the duration of the tour. See Trip Notes additional info for details

ITINERARY

Day 1 : Athens



Upon arrival at Athens airport you will be met and transferred to our hotel in the city. The remainder of the day is at leisure. **Overnight - Athens**

Day 2 : Athens City Tour



Today we spend the morning on a coach tour of the city. Popular landmarks and monuments we pass are the Panathenaic Stadium, the Zappeion, the Temple of the Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch and the Parliament. We also visit the legendary Acropolis, which overlooks the city. Enjoy a guided tour of highlights

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including the famous Parthenon and visit the impressive Acropolis Museum. The afternoon is at leisure so why not explore the Plaka district or go shopping on popular Ermou Street? **Overnight - Athens (B)**

Day 3 : Paros



Athens - Paros. Today we leave the mainland and head to the beautiful island of Paros. We take a local ferry from the Athens port Piraeus early this morning. Arriving on the island about 4 hours later, we're transferred to our hotel and the remainder of the day is at leisure. **Overnight - Paros (B)**

Day 4 : Free time on Paros



Today we have a free day to explore the island of Paros at leisure. This stunning island in the Cyclades is home to pretty fishing villages such as Naoussa. The village is famous for its whitewashed little houses and tiny churches. It's surrounded by a labyrinth of endearing cobbled streets that you can explore. When staying on Paros you can also explore the neighbouring islands including Antiparos or if you prefer to stay put then take advantage of the sandy beaches and the picturesque capital, Parika. **Overnight - Paros (B)**

Day 5 : Santorini



Paros - Santorini. Leaving Paros this morning, we head to the port for a local ferry to the magical island of Santorini. The journey takes about 3 1/2 hours and once we have docked we are transferred to our hotel where the rest of the day free to relax or explore. **Overnight - Santorini (B)**

Days 6-7 : Explore Santorini



The next two days are at leisure on the breathtaking island of Santorini. Santorini is without doubt one of Greece's most idyllic locations, with dramatic lava cliffs, pristine sandy beaches and azure blue waters. Santorini is also famous for its whitewashed buildings with iconic cobalt blue roofs. No trip to the island is complete without a visit to Oia for one of the magical sunsets. When on Santorini you can also enjoy lots of scenic walks, delectable food and a variety of wines. There's also plenty of history to discover including the Minoan Bronze Age archaeological site of Akrotiri. **Overnight - Santorini (B:2)**

Day 8 : Santorini



Our time in Greece ends today with an included transfer to the airport. **(B)**

HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard.

Please refer to your Tour Voucher for your confirmed arrival hotel and further arrival information.

Polis Grand

In the heart of Athens, the Polis Grand is a contemporary hotel with excellent facilities. Guest rooms are well appointed with elegant furniture and all modern conveniences. Some rooms are equipped with a balcony with fantastic views over to the Acropolis. The hotel benefits from a number of eateries which serve up an array of Greek and international cuisine as well as tasty coffee and delicious pies. Definitely head for a cocktail in the evening at the roof garden bar for amazing views across the city.



Titania Hotel

Nestled in the historic centre of Athens, the Titania offers beautiful accommodation all classically designed. The ensuite guest rooms are furnished to a high standard with neutral tones and wooden flooring. Breakfast is served in the impressive rooftop Olive Garden restaurant which affords amazing

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views across the city including the Acropolis. The hotel also benefits from complimentary Wi-Fi and a fitness centre.



Hotel Narges

This classically Greek Narges Hotel is designed in the typical Cycladic style with white washed decor and splashes of vibrant colour. The en suite guest rooms are spacious and open out onto balconies with garden views. The hotel also benefits from a large swimming pool and stylish poolside bar serving refreshing cocktails and other beverages.



Parosland Hotel

Set amongst well manicured gardens, Parosland hotel is designed in a classic Cycladic. All guestrooms are tastefully decorated with earthy tones and private balconies. The hotel benefits from a lovely outdoor pool and well tended bar. There is a fitness centre and massages can be arranged upon request.



El Greco Resort & Spa

Conveniently located just minutes from the centre of Fira, El Greco is a beautiful white washed complex in the classic Santorini style. All guest rooms are air conditioned and reflect the Cycladic style whilst including all mod-cons and exception ensuite facilities. The resort benefits from an outdoor pool, on

site restaurant and adult-only Spa Centre for guests.



Orizontes Hotel & Villas Santorini

Located in the village of Pyrgos, the Orizontes Hotel was recently renovated and is surrounded by vineyards. Guest rooms have private balconies looking out to the sea or the garden and are equipped with lots of modern conveniences. The hotel also has a couple of restaurants serving local and international cuisine. Plus there is a lovely outdoor pool to cool down in and lots of sunbeds.



PRICES / DATES INFO

Departure dates noted with a 'G' are guaranteed to operate. All other departure dates are guaranteed with a minimum of 2 persons. Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' is compulsory for solo travellers or if your booking party cannot reach the minimum of 2 persons in a room and the amount needs to be added to the per person price. The single supplement offers the comfort of your own room and is also available to any other person wanting their own room.

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Date	Twin Share	Single
01 Apr	USD 1,445	USD 2,325

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