

TWO CONTINENTS 14 Days / 13 Nights

Athens, Mykonos, Santorini, Istanbul, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Kusadasi, Ephesus, and much more. From € 2,260.60

Guaranteed departures from Athens on Thursdays & Fridays from March to October.

Free cancellation up to 31 days before your arrival, except for the air tickets.

What is included in this Package

- 2-night Accommodation in Athens
- 2-night Accommodation in Mykonos
- 2-night Accommodation in Santorini
- 3-night Accommodation in Istanbul
- 2-night Accommodation in Cappadocia in 4* or 5* hotels
- 1-night Accommodation in Pamukkale in 4* or 5* hotels
- 1-night Accommodation in Izmir in 4* or 5* hotels
- Tour through inland of Turkey with local English-speaking guides and Half Board
- Full-day city tour in Istanbul with an official English-speaking guide and lunch
- Athens City tour with an English-speaking escort
- Entrance fees to the archaeological sites as per description
- Evening walking tour through Monastiraki,

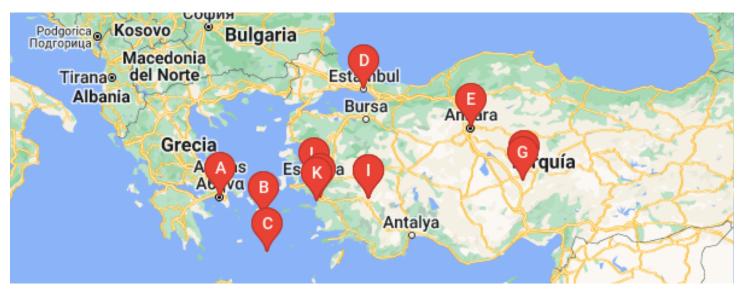
Not included Package & Optionals

- + Personal expenses, tourist city tax in Greece, and Gratuities (optional)
- + International air tickets
- + Add Fast ferry by clicking on "Customize your Program" or in step 1 of the reservation
- Add extra nights in Istanbul, Athens, Mykonos or Santorini by clicking on "Customize your Program" or in step 1 of the reservation
- + Check our <u>FAQ</u>s section for more information on hotel categories and properties



Plaka and Anafiotika

- Air ticket Istanbul-Cappadocia (15 kg + 8 kg)
- Air ticket Izmir-Istanbul (15 kg + 8 kg)
- Air ticket Istanbul-Athens (23 kg + 8 kg)
- Air ticket Santorini-Athens (23 kg + 8 kg)
- Ferry tickets with numbered seats Piraeus-Mykonos
- Fast ferry tickets with numbered seats Mykonos-Santorini
- All transfers as mentioned in this itinerary
- 24/7 emergency phone line
- Daily breakfast
- Hotel taxes in the inland of Turkey



Itinerary Two continents



ATHENS - CRADLE OF CIVILIZATION

Arriving in **Athens**, we'll smoothly transfer you to your hotel in our comfortable vehicles. Our English-speaking assistant will be with you, ensuring your comfort and care throughout the journey. In the afternoon, at the hotel, our representative will provide you with all the essential trip details. Get ready for an engaging presentation about the city, where you'll gain insights into its vibrant daily life. Feel free to ask questions and clear any doubts, setting the stage for a pleasant and hassle-free experience throughout your trip.

With the rest of the day at your leisure, embrace Athens at your own pace. Immerse yourself in the captivating sights, sounds, and flavors of this remarkable city.

Greca Tip: Enhance your experience by easily extending your

stay. Add more nights during the booking process!



AFTERNOON CITY TOUR & ATHENS BY NIGHT!!

After breakfast, enjoy a relaxed morning at your own pace—sleep in, explore nearby areas, or simply unwind—before meeting your assistant at Syntagma Square at 15:40 to witness the Changing of the Guards in front of the Hellenic Parliament at 16:00. Shortly after, we will board our vehicle together and begin a panoramic city tour, offering a comprehensive introduction to Athens and its most important landmarks. During the tour, we will see:

The Athenian Trilogy (National Library, University of Athens, and Academy of Athens), the Presidential Residence, the Kallimarmaro Stadium (Panathenaic Stadium), the Zappeion, and the Temple of Olympian Zeus and Hadrian's Gate, while making short stops to take in the beauty of these landmarks and capture memorable photos.

Our tour will come to an end at the top of **Philopappou Hill**, offering stunning views of the city. Here, our assistant will provide recommendations for those who wish to continue exploring independently, whether visiting the Acropolis, discovering Monastiraki, or enjoying a meal in Plaka.

This tour is conveniently designed to finish at around 19:30, allowing you some time to rest before making your way to Mornastiraki to join the **Athens by Night Walking Tour**, and see another side of the city under the moonlight.

Greca Tip: If you wish to visit the Acropolis, you can do so at your own pace, in the morning or after the afternoon tour, keeping in mind that the site closes at sunset. You can purchase your tickets for the Acropolis in step 2 of your reservation.



FROM ATHENS TO MYKONOS - NAVIGATING AS ODYSSEUS

Embark on an exciting journey as we transfer you to the **Port of Piraeus**. From there, you'll set sail on a ferry bound for the famous island of Mykonos. Bask in the perfect timing of the crossing, enjoying the sun-drenched deck and immersing yourself in the captivating shades of the Aegean Sea.

Mykonos, known as the "heap of stones" or the "rocky place," holds a rich history. According to legend, it was named after Mykonos, the heroic son of King Anius of Delos. As you arrive on this cosmopolitan island, our friendly English-speaking representative will warmly welcome you. They'll assist with your hotel transfer and introduce you to the enchanting charms of Mykonos.

The remainder of the day is yours to unwind and embrace the laid-back island lifestyle. Immerse yourself in the unhurried pace embraced by the locals, allowing yourself to truly relax and soak in the beauty of Mykonos.

Greca Tip: For a swifter journey, consider selecting a fast ferry during the reservation process.

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MYKONOS: RELAX, SUN, BEACH, AND HISTORY

Free day to spend a delightful time exploring the stunning **island** of Mykonos. Known as a favorite destination for the international "jet set," it offers a wealth of attractions including beautiful beaches, glamorous shops, and vibrant nightlife. When it comes to food, Mykonos offers Mediterranean cuisine that incorporates fresh vegetables, flavorful olive oil, and a variety of aromatic spices such as oregano and basil. You can also indulge in delicious fish and seafood dishes. Remember to visit the nearby historic island of Delos, just a short ferry ride away. According to Greek mythology, **Delos** is the legendary birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. This ancient island

has been inhabited since 3000 BC and holds immense cultural significance from ancient times.

Greca Tip: For an authentic experience, we suggest renting a car or motorcycle to explore the island, immerse yourself in local customs, and truly feel like a part of Mykonos.



FROM MYKONOS TO THE MAGICAL ISLAND OF SANTORINI

After a tasty breakfast, appreciating life like a Greek, our **representative** will pick you up at the agreed time, in one of our private vehicles, to drive you to the port, where you will continue to your next destination, the island which is an inexhaustible source of inspiration, **Santorini**. Approaching the island, you will have the opportunity to admire the capital city of **Fira**, with its white houses perched on the cliffside and facing the volcano. Upon your arrival, one of our **English-speaking representatives** will be waiting for you at the port to welcome you, escort you to your hotel and comment a little more on the attractions of this picturesque island. The rest of the **day is free** to wander through the narrow streets and become part of this amazing world. **Greca Tip**: Sit back and enjoy one of the most beautiful sunsets in the world from one of the coffee shops in glamorous Oia.





6 DISCOVERING SANTORINI

Free day for you and your companion to explore this magical island, considered to be the lost continent of Atlantis, at your own pace. The name of the island was given by the Venetian Giacomo Barozzi due to the presence of a chapel dedicated to Saint Eirini. His descendants remained until 1576, when it became part of the Duchy of Naxos and until the Turkish conquest by Piyale Pasha. Optionally, you can go on a dazzling sailboat tour that includes visits to the small islands inside the caldera, Nea and Palea Kameni, with the hot springs of green and yellow waters. All the time, the capital city of Fira will never be far away, but will feature superbly in the background throughout the cruise tour. Greca Tip: We also recommend hiring a car in order to find out more about this island, taste its wine and its excellent local cuisine.



GOODBYE SANTORINI - HELLO ISTANBUL

At the time indicated you will be transferred to **Santorini Airport** to board your flight to Istanbul via Athens.

After you arrive in the city that was once Byzantium (and later Constantinople), an English-speaking assistant will be waiting for you at the airport. He will inform you about all the details of your itinerary, answer your questions, and offer you a brief presentation of the city and its day-to-day life.

The transfer to your hotel will take place in one of our private vehicles and your assistant will help you with the check-in. The rest of the day will be free for you to relax and start enjoying this stunning city.

Greca Tip: Head to Ortaköy, the area for upmarket chic, where you will also find a strip of stands serving kumpir, Turkey's answer to the jacket potato. Pick your spud and toppings and savor the seaside views while you eat on your feet.



8 ISTANBUL - ANKARA - CAPPADOCIA

In the morning, a Spanish-speaking assistant will be waiting to take us to Istanbul Airport to board our flight to the capital of Turkey, Ankara.

In Ankara, we will visit the important Mausoleum of Kemal Atatürk, the hero and first president of the Republic of Turkey. At noon, we will continue to the magical and surprising region of Cappadocia, where we will have dinner and stay overnight. **Greca Tip**: Ask your tour guide about the possibility of taking the famous hot air balloon ride in Cappadocia during the following days (subject to weather conditions).



ISTANBUL - ANKARA - CAPPADOCIA

In the morning, your **English-speaking assistant** will pick you up from your hotel to transfer you to Istanbul airport to board your flight to the capital of Turkey, **Ankara**. In Ankara you will visit the important **Museum of Anatolian Civilizations** and the **Mausoleum of Kemal Ataturk**, a national hero and first president of the Republic of Turkey. At noon, you will continue to the magical and surprising **Cappadocia**, where you will have dinner and rest. **Greca Tip:** Consult with your guide about the possibility of joining in an unforgettable hot air balloon tour in Cappadocia (subject to weather conditions).



10 CAPPADOCIA - CENTRAL ANATOLIA

After a filling breakfast, you will dedicate the entire day to this wonderful region and the Turkish cities of **Kirsehir**, **Nigde and Kayseri**.

You will start at the town of **Uçhisar**, its troglodyte villages and the **Underground City of Kaymakli**, one of the largest underground settlements in the region. You will continue towards the **Göreme Valley** with its open-air museum, its churches carved into the rock and the beautiful frescoes on their walls.

In the afternoon, you will visit the **Pasabag Valley**, with its amazing landscape of cave dwellings and famous limestone fairy chimneys and **Avanos**, a potterers' town with its countless pottery factories that date back to the Hittites.

In this town an underground city was revealed only recently and consists of three floors, homes, tunnels and places of worship. During the late afternoon, you will return to your hotel for dinner and a good rest.

Greca Tip: Remember that, inside the caves, flash photography is not allowed so as not to damage the wall paintings.

FROM PAMUKKALE TO KUSADASI OR IZMIR

After breakfast, we will visit Hierapolis, an ancient Hellenistic city declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

We will explore the ruins of the Necropolis and the ancient Roman baths, as well as the natural park known as the "Cotton Castle," which, due to its natural beauty and the properties of its





thermal waters, has been attracting visitors since pre-Christian times.

Later, we will enjoy some free time for lunch, and then we will head to Meryemana, where we will visit the House of the Virgin Mary, the supposed last residence of the mother of Jesus.

We will continue to Ephesus, the ancient Roman capital of Asia Minor, where Cleopatra, Mark Antony, and the Apostle Saint Paul walked. In Ephesus, we will visit the ruins of the Odeon, the Arch of Hercules, the Library of Celsus, the Greco-Roman Theatre, as well as the Agora and the Basilica of Saint John.

In the late afternoon, we will arrive at the hotel for check-in and dinner.

Greca Tip: The word Kusadasi means "Island of the Birds." Although cruises dominate the scene!

2 KUSADASI - IZMIR - ISTANBUL

Early in the morning, after a wonderful breakfast, we will continue to Izmir to fly back to Istanbul. Upon arrival, we will transfer to the hotel and have the rest of the day free.

Greca Tip: Say goodbye to the fantastic city of Istanbul with a traditional Turkish dinner.



KUSADASI - IZMIR - ISTANBUL

Early in the morning, after a delicious breakfast, you will continue to **Izmir** to take the flight back to **Istanbul**. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel and the rest of the day will be free to explore the city at your own pace.

Greca Tip: You can look for hand-painted pottery and carpets made in Izmir or clothing in traditional Izmir style. Don't be afraid to haggle as this is a common practice and vendors will expect you to do so for every item.



SEE YOU SOON ISTANBUL!

You will enjoy your breakfast and, at the time indicated, we will transfer you to **Istanbul Airport** to board your international flight. From all of us at Greca, we wish you a safe journey and hope to see you again soon to create more wonderful moments that will be etched in your memory forever.

Have a nice trip! Or, as the locals say, "*Iyi yolculuklar!*" **Greca Tip:** If you think that your stay in Istanbul was too short, you can add additional nights at the time of your booking.

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What other travelers say about us

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Excellent Personal Service

I went on a tour of Delphi and Meteora with GRECA VIAJES and my experience was exceptional. The tour took place according to plan, very punctual, our guide Maria was in charge of making the trip very pleasant with her stories and anecdotes about Greece and especially all the information she gave us about the sites themselves, highly recommended.



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