



Essential Greece & Rhodes Greek Islands

14 days from \$3999 per person

\$4499 Departs every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in Nov 2018 and Feb and March 2019

\$4999 - Departs every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in October 2018.



Escorted Package Includes

- Return economy airfares from ALL Australian Capital Cities to Athens.

- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- Internal flights from Athens to Rhodes
- 13 nights First Class accommodations
 - 4 nights Athens
 - 1 night Olympia
 - 1 night Delphi or Arachova
 - 7 nights Rhodes Best Western Hotel Plaza
- 15 meals: 13 breakfasts, 2 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary

Special Features

- Visit the Acropolis Museum, a modern museum housing ancient relics from the Acropolis
- Visit Olympia, birthplace of the first Olympic Games
- Tour the archaeological sites of Delphi and the Temple of Apollo

Note: Gratuities for tour manager and coach driver are included.

DAY 1, Sunday - Depart for Greece

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DAY 2, Monday - Arrive in Athens

Arrive in Athens, the classical capital of Greece; transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to discover the ancient wonders of this city known as the cradle of Western Civilization and the birthplace of democracy. This evening, join your Tour Manager and fellow traveling companions for a welcome drink and orientation meeting at your hotel

Overnight: Athens

DAY 3, Tuesday - Athens Walking Tour

This morning is at leisure, or join the *optional* guided tour of the Acropolis. This architectural masterpiece was built during the Golden Age of Athens and today is designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Meet your Tour Manager and the rest of the group at the Acropolis Museum. Visit the museum, built at the base of the famous monument, housing many of the precious original statues from the Acropolis. After lunch on your own, join the tour manager for a walk through the lively Plaka area, the oldest section of Athens, a neighborhood of charming restaurants, shops and sidewalk cafes. Continue the tour with a metro ride to Syntagma Square. Upon arrival, you might catch a glimpse of the colorfully-costumed Evzone guards, outfitted in the traditional Greek style. The afternoon is at leisure to further discover Athens on your own

Optional: Acropolis Archaeological Site Walking Tour (AM)

Overnight: Athens

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4, Wednesday - Sightseeing en route to Olympia

Depart Athens via the scenic coastal road to the mighty Corinth Canal, dividing the Peloponnese from mainland Greece. Continue via Nauplion to Mycenae, the heartland of

Greek mythology. Visit the Acropolis of Mycenae and the Tomb of Atreus, built around 1250 B.C. From here, drive through the Central Peloponnese Peninsula, whose major cities in classical times were Corinth and Sparta. Continue to Olympia, birthplace of the first Olympic Games

Overnight: Olympia

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5, Thursday - Tour the Olympia Archaeological Site

Morning visit to the archaeological site of Olympia, including the Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, and the ancient stadium where the Olympic Games were first held in 776 B.C. At the Archaeological Museum view astonishing Greek works of art such as the Nike of Paionios and terracotta statues dating back to the 5th century B.C. Then, drive north through the plains of Eliad and Achaia, crossing the Corinth Strait via a cabled bridge from Rion to Antirion. Pass the town of Nafpaktos en route to Delphi, home of the ruins of the Tholos Temple

Overnight: Delphi or Arachova

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 6, Friday - Archaeological Tour of Delphi

Tour the excavated site of Delphi and the archaeological Museum, perched on the slopes of Mount Parnassos, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Considered one of the most important places in Greek history, its stunning setting and ancient ruins are truly inspirational. Walk the Sacred Way to the imposing 4th century Temple of Apollo, site of the most important oracle in the classical world. Travel south this afternoon, arriving in Athens in the late afternoon. Tonight, consider joining the *optional* dinner in Athens. Begin the evening with a panoramic drive through illuminated Athens. Continue to the lively Plaka area under the Acropolis and enjoy a 3-course traditional Greek dinner, including wine and live music at a typical Greek taverna

Optional: Dinner in Athens (PM)

Overnight: Athens

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7, Saturday - Full Day in Athens

Today is at leisure to explore Athens independently. Perhaps join the *optional* full day cruise to Hydra Island. Travel by bus from Athens to the port for embarkation on a cruise to Hydra, Poros and Aegina islands. Enjoy time at leisure to explore Hydra on your own. Afterward, board your ship and sail to Poros, the smallest of the three islands, and historical Aegina, known for its delicious pistachios and the Temple of Afea. Explore Aegina independently, or opt for an excursion by coach to the temple. Finally, sail back and return to your hotel in Athens

Optional: Full Day Cruise to Hydra, Poros & Aegina with lunch

Overnight: Athens

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 8, Sunday – Fly from Athens to Rhodes

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9 to 13, – Free time Rhodes

The next 5 days are free to explore the Islands of Rhodes at leisure.

Rhodes, the largest of Greece's Dodecanese islands, is known for its beach resorts, ancient ruins and remnants of its occupation by the Knights of St. John during the Crusades. The city of Rhodes has an Old Town featuring the medieval Street of the Knights and the castlelike Palace of the Grand Masters. Captured by the Ottomans and then held by the Italians, the palace is now a history museum.

Meals: Breakfast daily.

DAY 14, Sunday – Fly from Rhodes to Australia

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight to Australia

Meals: Breakfast

Athenian Callirhoe Hotel, Athens



This first class hotel is centrally located, only a short walk to the Acropolis and many major attractions.

[Hotel Details](#)

Alexandros Hotel, Athens



This superior tourist class hotel is located in a central location on Mavili Square.

[Hotel Details](#)

The Stanley, Athens



This superior tourist class hotel is a short metro ride from the historical center of Athens including the Plaka, the Acropolis, and the Archaeological Museum.

[Hotel Details](#)

Airotel Stratos Vassilikos, Athens



This first class hotel is located in the center of Athens.

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Zafolia Hotel, Athens



This first class hotel has magnificent views of Lycabettus Hill.

[Hotel Details](#)

Europa Hotel, Olympia



This first class hotel is situated on a hill above the village of Ancient Olympia.

[Hotel Details](#)

Arty Grand Hotel, Olympia



This first class hotel is located atop a hill overlooking Olympia.

[Hotel Details](#)

Hotel Apollonia, Delphi



This superior tourist class hotel is situated in an ideal location, with majestic views in the modern city of Delphi.

Hotel Details

Amalia Hotel, Delphi



This first class hotel is located within walking distance of the town and main tourist attractions.

Hotel Details

Rhodes: Best Western Plaza Hotel

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-details.77522.html?iata=00171880&ssob=BLBWI0004G&cid=BLBWI0004G:google:gmb:77522

DESTINATION INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAYS

BOOKING CONDITIONS

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GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST)

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DEPOSIT

A deposit is required to confirm your booking (varies depending on package booked). Receipt of deposit will be taken as an understanding by Destination International Holidays that the customer has checked their confirmed travel arrangements and has read and agreed to the terms and conditions.

FINAL PAYMENT

Payment in full must be made no less than 90 days before travel, unless required earlier by any supplier.

PRICES

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AMENDMENT FEES

Should you need to alter your original reservations, there will be an automatic fee charged of \$100 per amendment or transaction.

Additionally, there may be cancellation fees levied by the tour operator or fees may be applicable where arrangements have been pre-purchased.

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given as follows:

Days' Notice	90 or more	75-90	65-75	65-1
	Loss of Deposit and 50% loss of fare	75%	85%	100%

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