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TRAVELLING TO NEW PLACES WITH CONFIDENCE

Greece: Athens, Santorini in Winter

7-Day, 6-Night Journey Athens, Santorini

Embark on a captivating journey through Greece during the winter season (October to March). Commence your adventure in Athens, where ancient wonders await your exploration. Sail to the famous island of Santorini in the Aegean Sea, where the iconic Oia village unveils its enchanting beauty.

You focus on spending glorious days explore the labyrinthine lanes of island towns, and leave the interisland logistics to us. Visit amazing volcano craters, idyllic coves and, seaside cafés. Embrace the tranquility of winter, as each destination reveals its distinct beauty without the summer crowds.



Acropolis, Athens



Athens City & Acropolis



Zeus, Athena and other ancient Greek gods, National University of Athens



Octopus drying in Santorini



Oia Village, Santorini



Santorini Caldera in the Aegean Sea

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Inclusions	Exclusions
 Private Airport & Ferry Terminal Transfers 	 International Air Fare
 Hotel Accommodations 	► Greece Domestic Air
 Daily Breakfast & Selected Meals 	► Travel Insurance
(See tour plan for details)	► Medical Expenses
 English-speaking Local Guide 	► Visa Fee (if applicable)
 Entrance Fees to Monuments and 	► Gratuities
Attractions per Itinerary	► Personal Expenses

Nearby Airports

Athens – Athens International Airport (ATH) Santorini – Santorini Airport (JTR)

Itinerary

DAY 1: ARRIVE ATHENS, GREECE

At **Athens airport** you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free. [3 nights in Athens. Meals: None]

DAY 2: ATHENS CITY ORIENTATION TOUR WITH ACROPOLIS MUSEUM

Half-day ancient **Athens city group tour** including Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Greek Parliament building, Presidential



Palace, photo stop at Panathinaiko Stadium (where the first Olympic Games took place), Zappeion and Temple of Olympian Zeus, Athens Trilogy, National Garden, Hadrian's Arc, St. Paul's Church,

Schliemann's House (Numismatic Museum), Catholic Cathedral, Old Parliament, Constitution Square,

Russian Orthodox Church. The tour ends at Acropolis Museum.

Note: Acropolis and Acropolis Museum admissions are not included.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 3: ATHENS PERSONALIZED EXCURSION DAY

After breakfast, join one of the following options included in this tour.

OPTION 1: Epidaurus & Mycenae Full Day Tour (9-10 hours)

Visit the ancient city of Mycenae and the ancient theatre of Epidaurus.

Drive along the coastal road on the Saronic Gulf to reach the Corinth Canal that connects the two Greek seas - the Aegean Sea and the Ionian Sea. We then arrive at the ancient site of Mycenae, home to the kingdom of mythical king Agamemnon. You will visit the Treasury of Atreus (Tomb of Agamemnon), the Mycenaean Citadel with the Cyclopean Walls and the Lionesses Gate.

After lunch, a scenic drive through the fertile Argolic valley of orange and lemon groves. At Nafplio we stop to admire the Palamidi and Acronauplia Hills, and Bourtzi island in the middle of the harbor. We continue Epidaurus Theatre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. It is one of the best preserved classical Greek theatres and still used today due to its amazing acoustics.

OPTION 2: Delphi Full Day Tour (8-9 hour)

Immerse yourself in the myths and monuments of classical Greece on this full-day tour of Delphi. Explore the UNESCO-listed archeological site of Delphi with an expert guide and learn how the city was considered the 'Center of the World' in ancient Greece. Stand in awe before the dramatically situated Temple of Apollo, then discover long-lost wonders at the Delphi Archeological Museum, including the Charioteer of Delphi and the Sphinx of Naxos. After lunch in Delphi (at your own expense), visit the handicrafts towns of Arachova and Levadia on the way back to Athens. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 4: ATHENS - SANTORINI FLIGHT

Hotel check-out and fly to the best-known and most breathtaking of all of the Greek islands - **Santorini**. Transfer to the hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is free.

Believed by some to be the lost continent of Atlantis, this historic and unimaginably picturesque island is situated on the edge of a submerged volcano. Stand high on the cliffs to admire the incredible views of the white Cycladic houses with blue painted windows that have inspired artists over the ages. During your free time, sample the distinguished local wines and sunbathe on one of its many beautiful beaches which are home to transparent azure waters, with black, red or white sand depending on which beach you visit. [3 nights in **Santorini.** Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 5: SANTORINI ISLAND TOUR WITH OIA SUNSET

Full day Santorini group excursion (8-9 hours) - This excursion takes you back to the Prehistoric Thera and the myth of Lost Atlantis. Continue to the natural beauties of Santorini and its much-praised wine and food. Visit Akrotiri Excavations, Emporio, Black Beach, Monastery Prophet Elias Monastery and then watch the Oia sunset.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 6: VOLCANO AND HOT SPRINGS EXCURSION

Volcano And Hot Springs Excursion (group, about 3 hours): Today we sail on a traditional boat to small islands that are home to volcanos and hot springs [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 7: DEPART SANTORINI – END OF TOUR

After breakfast, check-out and transfer to **Santorini Airport (JTR)** for your flight home.

[Meals: Breakfast]

*Hotel check-out time is generally around 11 am. If your flight departs in the evening or past midnight, we suggest you consider adding a post-tour hotel night during booking, to be comfortable and well rested before your flight home.

*The duration and start time of excursions are subject to change without prior notice.

Hotels

We carefully handpick our hotels to ensure they provide you with the best comfort and experience. For Private Tours, you may request a specific hotel as one of the customizable options.







