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10 Days Itinerary

10 Day Greece Sailing Family Adventure

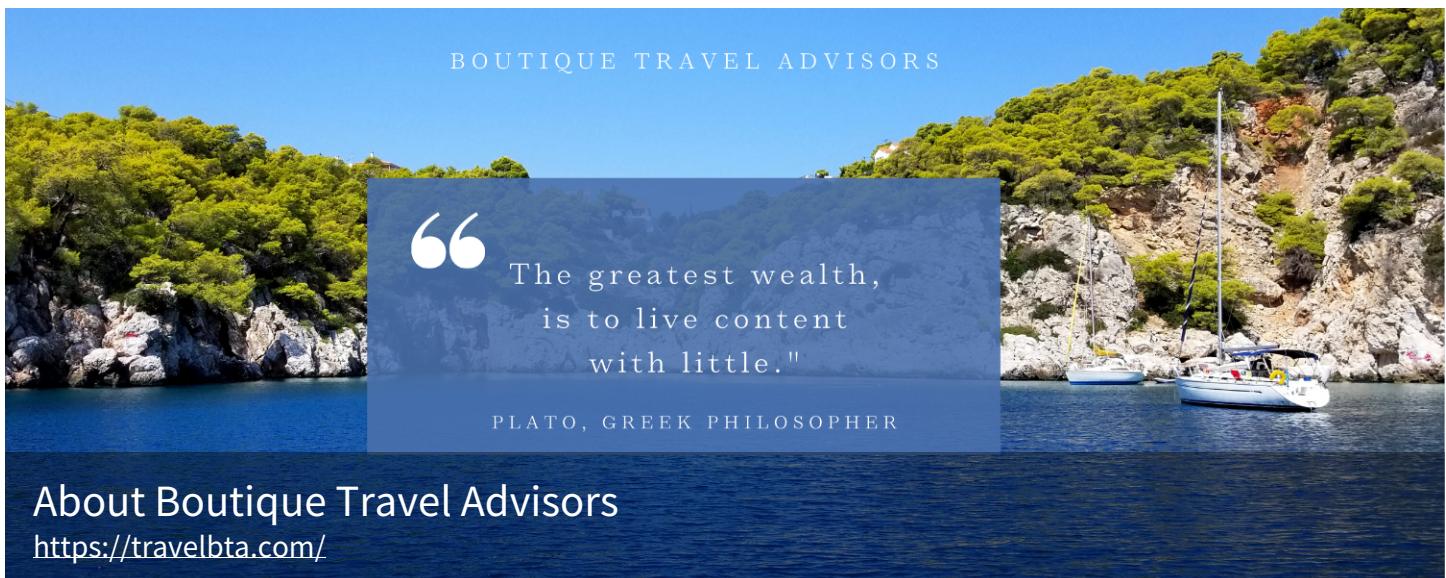
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About Boutique Travel Advisors

<https://travelbta.com/>

At **Boutique Travel Advisors**, we believe luxury travel goes beyond welcome chocolates on pillows & first-class seats. Luxury travel can be subjective. To us, the definition of luxury travel embodies having the privilege to explore & experience the infinitely possible wonderments the world has to offer when we decide to mindfully venture outside of our comfort zone in our home environment.

From booking bespoke safaris in South Africa, serenely scenic river cruises through France's waterways, to private wine (+ pasta) tastings on the Amalfi Coast... BTA strives to curate each personalized itinerary with credible expertise, dedicated service & the whole-hearted intention for each traveler to exceed their travel goals and expectations while on the adventure of a lifetime.

BTA is proudly a women-owned & run company. Co-owners and luxury travel curators, Janet Semenova and Angie Rice, use a thorough 5-step process to seamlessly design & tailor YOUR travel experience: explore, imagine, build, journey, reflect.

Your BTA travel itinerary is more than a document of scheduled flights, tours, and dinner reservations. It is the motherboard, the holy grail, the backbone of a transformational journey that turns your individual, subjective experiences into heart-warming, thought-provoking, jaw-dropping, life-changing memories that are worthy of being cherished for a lifetime.

Our purpose is to make your travel dreams come true... We are here to make your every step along the way uncomplicated, stress-free, and wildly exciting. All we ask is, **where will your journey take you?**



Weather in Greece

Weather In Greece

During the summer months in Athens and the Cyclades, the climate is typically hot and dry. Average temperatures in Athens range from the low to mid-30s Celsius (mid to high 90s Fahrenheit), while in the Cyclades, temperatures can reach even higher. The climate is generally characterized by clear blue skies and sunshine, with occasional heatwaves.

The winds in the Cyclades during the summer are known as the Meltemi winds. These are strong, dry northerly winds that can reach speeds of up to 8 or 9 on the Beaufort scale. They can bring relief from the heat, but can also make swimming and boating dangerous. In Athens, the winds are generally not as strong, but can still provide a bit of respite from the heat.



Tipping Guidelines Greece

U.S. Dollar to Euro Conversion

Gratuities in Greece, while extremely welcome and appreciated, are not as much ‘expected’ as they are in other countries and are totally optional.

If you are happy with the service you have enjoyed and would like to show your gratitude to the people who made it a very special experience for you here below you can find the amounts we recommend for Tour Guides, Drivers and other special services.

Tour Guide Half Day Euro 20.00

Tour Guide Full Day Euro 30.00

Driver Half Day Euro 20.00

Driver Full Day Euro 30.00

Housekeeping staff 2 Euro/day

Hotel staff, such as porters, should be tipped about 2 Euro per bag for taking your bags to/from your room.

The above amounts are to be considered per service and not per person. Fiscal laws in Europe are extremely tough on this matter and this is the reason why these amounts cannot be included in the service costs and have to be paid in cash directly to the suppliers.

If you would like to 'tip like a local' at bars and restaurants then we suggest just leaving the change ie if your meal costs Euro 56 then just leave Euro 4; if the meal costs Euro 92 then just leave the Euro 8 change. However, if you are very happy with the service a tip of 10% is considered adequate.

Day 1

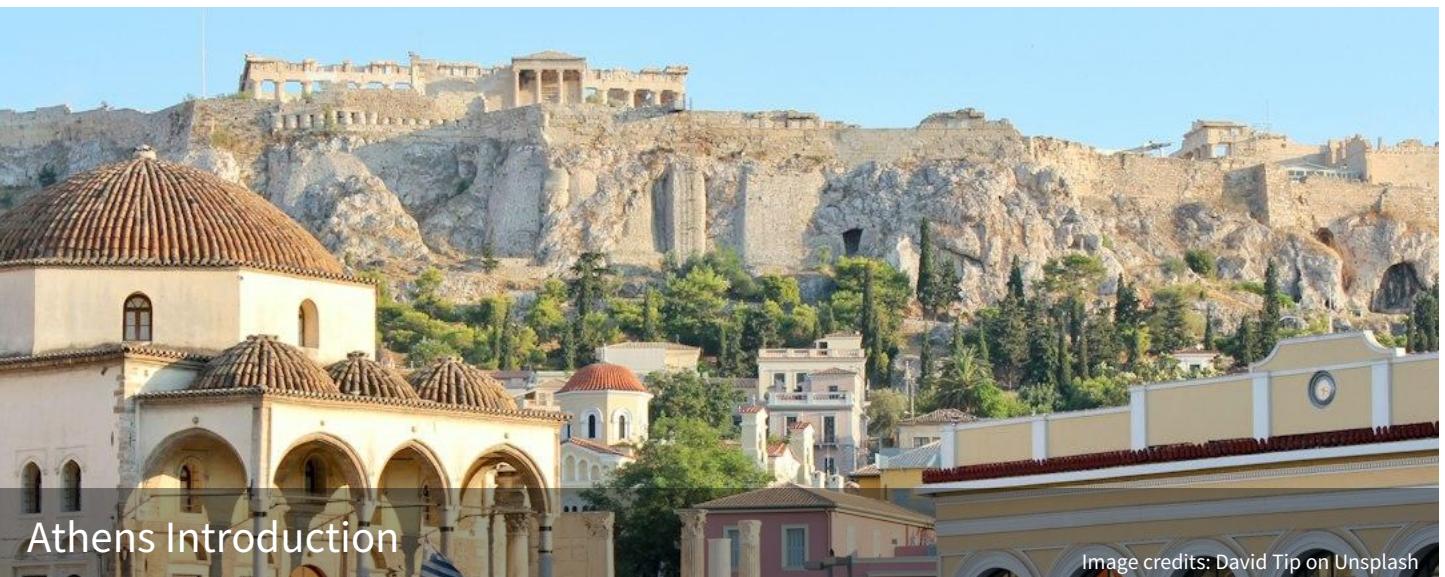


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Athens Introduction

Sights in ancient Greece, and especially Athens, take on a larger importance than in most other places in the world. They are histories of democracy, Western civilization and philosophy firsthand. You can't help but walk around the Parthenon and the rest of the Acropolis and dream about the great ones who have come before you and whose footsteps you're in.

Athens is a must-see on any European tour. The ancient and modern merge in this city in ways that are fascinating and sometimes overwhelming. Pollution wreathes the golden stones of the Acropolis and obscures views of the Saronic Gulf. Cars bleat and belch among ranks of concrete high-rises. But then you turn down a cobbled lane and discover vine-swathed tavernas, tortoises trundling through ancient ruins and bazaars teeming with dusty treasures. Or perhaps you will encounter a sleek cafe, art gallery or an outdoor cinema that serves ouzo under the stars. Greece's capital has been reinventing itself, and the results could not be more charming.

Sights—The Acropolis; the ancient Agora (marketplace); the Temple of Olympian Zeus; the changing of the evzone guards outside Parliament in Syntagma Square; Lykavittos Hill; a day trip to Cape Sounion for the sunset; a one-day cruise around the Saronic Islands.

Museums—The Acropolis Museum; the Museum of the Ancient Agora of Athens; the Benaki Museum; the Goulandris Museum of Cycladic and Ancient Greek Art; the National Archaeological Museum.

Memorable Meals—The spectacular view of the Acropolis and the creative cuisine at Orizontes Lykavittou; the mind-boggling variety of traditional Greek dishes served at Eleas Gi; modern Greek taverna fare in trendy Gazi; rooftop dining in Thissio; award-winning seafood specialties at Varoulko.

Walks—Through the Plaka (Old Athens) and the flea market in the Monastiraki area; along the traffic-free "archaeological promenade" Apostolou Pavlou in Thissio.

Especially for Kids—The virtual-reality presentations at the Hellenic Cosmos (adults will love it, too); the bird collection at the Attica Zoological Park; the Hellenic Children's Museum in the Plaka.

Transfer

Departure Location	Arrival Location	Vehicle
Athens El. Venizelos Airport	King George A Luxury Collection Hotel Athens	Private Van

Notes

Arrival Transfers - One Way Private Transfer from Athens El. Venizelos Airport to Athens Hotel by Private Van for four (4) people.

Driver will meet you outside baggage claims with a sign.



King George, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Athens

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3 Vassileos Georgiou A Syntagma Square Athens 10564 Greece

2:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

2 Nights

Located in the very center of the vibrant city of Athens since 1930, the King George, a Luxury Collection Hotel represents the absolute essence of a fascinating boutique hotel, having hosted renowned celebrities and well-known personalities. A state-of-the-art hotel, the King George has always been distinctively recognized for its iconic rooms with the finest natural hard wood floors. With 63 rooms, 39 suites and incomparable views of the luminous city and the Parthenon, this historic residence, encapsulates the unique experience of a Penthouse Suite with private outdoor pool overlooking the famed Acropolis. Journey to the 9th floor with a private elevator and discover a unique experience.

Absorb the sparkling views of the city and relax with the tranquil senses evoked by the private pool. Allow us to create the most excellent an unmatched atmosphere for an intimate gathering or personalized exclusive event in this 350sq.meter room, under the illuminated sky. Located on the 7th floor, the Tudor Hall Restaurant features a unique neo-classical décor, unrivaled views of the Acropolis, Modern Greek cuisine as well as signature cocktails. The King George meeting and conference spaces include 3 distinctive meeting rooms within the Ballroom. Select the room of your exclusive preference and we will be delighted to accommodate the finest event. From board meetings to opulent weddings, our talented team would create the most professional and enchanting atmosphere to be.

The inviting environment of the King George finds its best expression in the outstanding and always personalized service. With exceptional attention to detail and thorough expertise on the Destination Treasures of Athens, the historic residence promises to meet our global explorers' expectations as well as convey the highest level of quality service. Unique personalized services and travel authority discoveries are just a few of the memories when visiting the King George.

Amenities

Signature Amenities

Full American Breakfast for two daily in Tudor Hall

Three course Lunch for two in main hotel restaurant, once during stay (Excluding beverages and gratuities)

Complimentary WiFi

The following amenities are subject to availability at the time of check-in/departure:

Upgrade

Early Check-In

Late Check-Out

Room Selection

Room Category	Bedding
Deluxe Room	King

Room Description

Bedding Options: (1 King Bed or 1 Queen Bed or 2 Twin Beds)

Inviting and beautifully attired, the Grand Acropolis Suite offers upscale accommodation with a generous footprint and a subtle, pared-back décor. Each suite comes with separate living room occupied by comfortable sofa, writing desk and easy chair, as well as coffee and tea making facilities. The Luxury Collection Bed takes center stage in the bedroom, dressed with luxurious Frette linen and ample plump pillows. Fine, hand-picked antique furniture, double wardrobe and a second flat screen television add to the residential ambience of the accommodation.

The light, marble-lined bathroom offers both bathtub and separate rainfall shower, along with a plentiful supply of premium bath amenities, plush toweling robes and slippers.

Room Notes

Room Highlights

Amenities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- Flat-screen television
- In-room safe
- Molton Brown bath products
- Telephone
- Hairdryer
- Kettle & tea facilities
- Espresso coffee machine
- Ironing board & iron
- Business services, an additional fee
- Welcome gift
- Honor Bar

Features

- 50sqm/538sqft 65sqm/699sqft
- Separate living area

Room Category	Bedding
Deluxe Room	King

Room Description

Bedding Options: (1 King Bed or 1 Queen Bed or 2 Twin Beds)

Room Notes

Check-in time is 2:00pm and check-out time is 12:00pm. Payment is due 7 days prior to the penalty date or 45 days prior to your check-in date. Whichever comes first. A regulation of the Municipality of Athens requires a mandatory accommodation Stay Over Tax of 3-5 EUR per room per night in all hotel establishments. This fee is included in your rate plan and is not to be charged to you by the hotel upon check-out. City tax is a government-regulated fee and may change without prior notice. Minimum night stay may vary. Minimum night stay is subject to change without prior notice and will not be covered by the Waiver or Travel Smart Plan for early departures. Room rate is based on double occupancy. Any additional guests may be subject to an extra person charge which is payable to the hotel direct. All extra person fees and/or rollaway charges are the sole responsibility of the guest.

Payment

Quote Only

Cancellation Policy

Please refer to this for the details - <http://www.classicvacations.com/about-us/classic-vacations-price-protection-and-change-cancellation-waiver> <http://www.classicvacations.com/about-us/2015-travel-smart-plan>



GB Roof Garden Restaurant Dinner Reservations

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Vasileos Georgiou A 1, Athina 105 64, Greece, Located in Hotel Grande Bretagne, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Athens

<https://www.gbroofgarden.gr/>

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The GB Roof Garden Restaurant and Bar, is located on the 8th floor of the Hotel Grande Bretagne. The generous space that unfolds before our eyes captivates the senses and arouses the desires at first sight.

The Acropolis and the Parthenon as well as Lycabettus hill and the Doric Greek Parliament at Syntagma Square, are located just one breath away and can be admired from every corner, giving a touch of unparalleled glamor to the classy GB Roof Garden Restaurant and Bar.

The menu, based on the Mediterranean culinary tradition and the application of modern haute cuisine techniques, is created of premium fresh raw materials and inexhaustible inspiration.

Evening Dress Code (after 18.00) at the Main Dining & Lounge Area

Elegant, Smart Casual

No beachwear, no shorts & flip flops combination

GB Roof Garden Menu

Day 2



Best of Athens in One Day: Acropolis & City Exploration

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8:00 AM

Start Time

1:00 PM

End Time

5hr

Duration

Meeting Point

King George Hotel

If you're looking for a unique way to explore the ancient city of Athens, why not try a private guided tour that focuses on the myths and legends of the city? During this 5-hour tour, you will visit the world-famous Acropolis, the Acropolis Museum, and other prominent landmarks in the city, all while learning about the fascinating stories and legends that are woven into their history.

Your experienced and licensed tour guide will lead you through the ancient ruins of the Acropolis, including the Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, and the Erechtheion, and share with you the myths and legends associated with each site. You'll hear stories about the gods and goddesses who were worshipped in these temples, and the epic battles that were fought here.

At the Acropolis Museum, you'll get to see a vast collection of artifacts and exhibits related to the Acropolis, including ancient statues, pottery, and other relics that bring the myths and legends of Athens to life. Your guide will take you on a fascinating journey through the museum, pointing out the most interesting pieces and telling you the stories behind them.

Along the way, you'll also visit other city highlights such as the Panathenaic Stadium, where the first modern Olympic Games were held, and the Temple of Olympian Zeus, which is said to have taken over 700 years to build. With a focus on myths and legends, this private guided tour of Athens is a truly unique and unforgettable experience.

What to bring:

Hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, bottled water

Transfer · Hellenic Transfer Club

Departure Location
King George Hotel

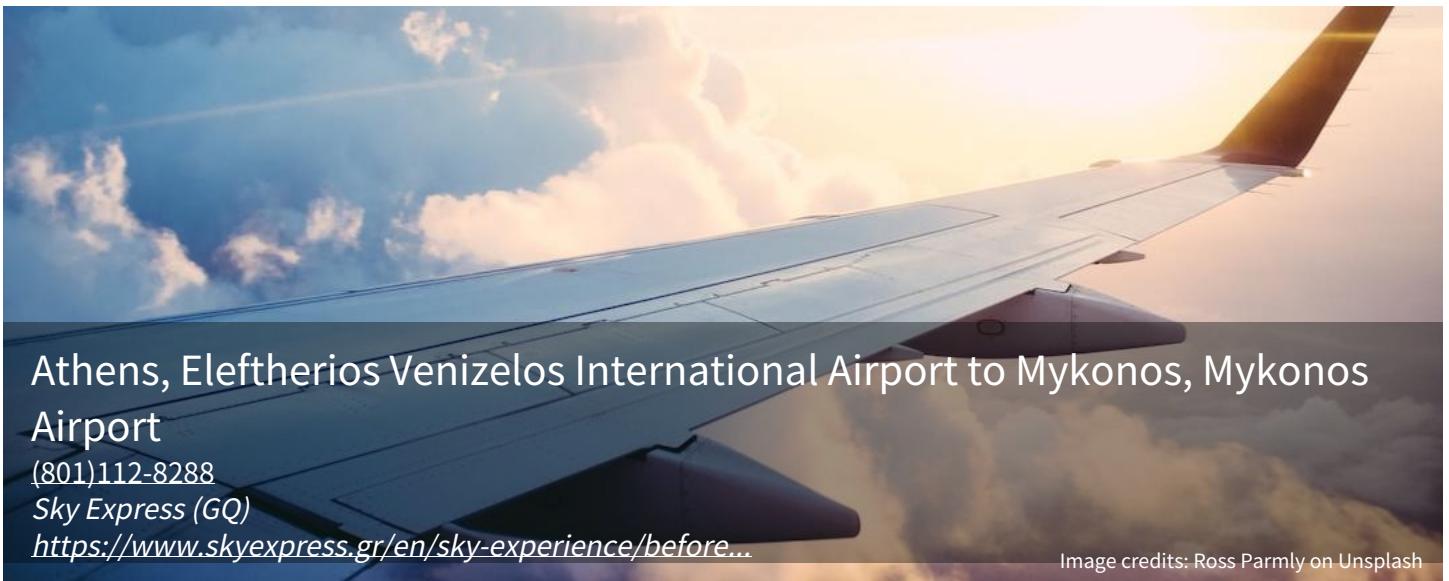
Arrival Location
Athens Airport

Vehicle
Private Van

Notes

Departure Transfers - One Way Private Transfer from Athens Hotel to ATH by Private Van for four (4) people.

One way transfer from your hotel in Athens to the Athens El. Venizelos Airport. Driver will meet you at the hotel lobby with a sign.



Athens, Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport to Mykonos, Mykonos Airport

(801)112-8288

Sky Express (GQ)

<https://www.skyexpress.gr/en/sky-experience/before...>

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GQ Carrier/Flight	ATH •	JMK•	55 min Duration
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Sky Express

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Transfer

Departure Location
Mykonos Airport

Arrival Location
Hotel

Payment

Gratuity not included

Notes

One-way private transfer from Santorini Airport to your hotel in Mykonos. The driver will meet you outside the baggage claim with a sign.

Welcome Experience includes:

- The driver will use a welcome sign together with the client's name.
- English speaking Professional uniformed chauffeur
- Kleenex tissue paper will be provided along with cold bottled water and a "Things to do in the city" pamphlet.

Arrival or departure, private, nonstop service aboard a Mercedes Benz four-door Sedan or Mercedes Benz Vito Van The driver will ask the client if they wish to listen to music.

Andronis Concept Wellness Resort

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3:00 PM

Check In

11:00 AM

Check Out

2 Nights

The Andronis Concept Wellness Resort is a picturesque destination that offers breathtaking views, making it the perfect place to escape and relax. Its location on the romantic coast of Imerovigli on Santorini island adds to the allure of the resort. With luxurious pool suites and villas, guests are guaranteed an unforgettable experience with personalized service from the Andronis staff.

The 28 pool suites and villas have a minimalist design that combines traditional Santorinian style with modern touches to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Most of these suites capture the stunning sunset over the Aegean towards the caldera, providing guests with an unparalleled view.

The private terraces and infinity pools offer guests a serene haven to unwind and enjoy the vast Aegean panorama below. The elegance of the suites and the five-star service from the staff make Andronis Concept one of the best luxury hotels in Imerovigli, Santorini. Guests are invited to indulge in an unforgettable holiday experience at the resort.

Room Selection

Room Category	Bedding
Villa, 2 Bedrooms	King/Twin

Room Description

In a luxurious 70m2 Two Bedroom Sunrise Suite, the whole family can experience the magic and wonder of Santorini, without compromising on comfort. The garden view terrace in combination with a private pool, spacious living area, and two private rooms with their own bathroom will make this villa your “home away from home”.

Room Details:

- 1 King Bed and 2 Twin Beds
- 753-sq-foot room with a furnished balcony/patio Layout - 2 bedrooms
- Private pool
- Free WiFi
- 32-inch flat-screen TV with satellite channels
- Espresso maker, minibar, and 24-hour room service
- Premium bedding and turndown service
- 2 bathrooms, shower, bathrobes, and slippers
- Safe, phone, and iron/ironing board (on request)
- Air conditioning and daily housekeeping

Room Notes

Check-In Instructions:

- Extra-person charges may apply and vary depending on property policy
- Government-issued photo identification and a credit card, debit card, or cash deposit may be required at check-in for incidental charges
- Special requests are subject to availability upon check-in and may incur additional charges; special requests cannot be guaranteed
- No onsite parking is available
- This property accepts credit cards; cash is not accepted
- Safety features at this property include a fire extinguisher

Special Check-In Instructions:

This property doesn't offer after-hours check-in. Front desk staff will greet guests on arrival.

Value Adds:

Free Parking
Free WiFi
Free breakfast

Need to Know:

No cribs (infant beds) available
Non-Smoking

CANCELLATION POLICY: Must be cancelled prior to Fri Apr 02 2021 23:59:00 GMT-0700 (Pacific Daylight Time) to avoid penalty of 1 night.

Mandatory Tax: EUR 12.00 due at the hotel.

Day 3



Mykonos - Top 12 Unique and Off-The-Beaten-Path Things to Do

<https://travelbta.com/top-12-unique-and-off-the-beaten-path-things-to-do-in-mykonos/>

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Are you heading to Mykonos but feel concerned that it will be overly touristy and crowded, and you will not be able to immerse yourself into local Greek culture and traditions fully? We have you covered keep reading for our list of the top 12 unique and off-the-beaten-path things to do in Mykonos!

Take a Biking Tour (or E-bike) around the island.

All of you, who are looking for a bit of adventure and cannot wait to explore as much of the island as possible, should consider booking a biking tour; or even better, if you want to be a sustainable and environmentally conscious traveler how about an E-bike! [This full-day tour](#) will take you on a fantastic journey through the island.

From visiting local vineyards to having a delicious traditional Greek meal, a bike tour is one of the best unique and off-the-beaten-path things to do in Mykonos. Families traveling with children and teenagers alike will love exploring lesser-known parts of the island. Instead of dealing with the tourist crowds, discover uncrowded trails and hidden beaches we guarantee you this is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

Watch the Sunset from the Windmills

No trip to Mykonos would be complete without watching the sunset from the Windmills. While almost 20 windmills spread across the island, the most popular ones are located on top of a hill near the island's capital Chora! Not only are the windmills the most iconic symbol of the island, but they are also conveniently located to overlook the endless blues of the Mediterranean Sea.

If you are taking a honeymoon in Mykonos or a romantic getaway, this experience should definitely be at the top of your to-do list. Visiting just before sunset is a great idea, as you will get to admire the jaw-dropping panoramic scenery while standing beneath Mykonos' most recognizable attraction!

Visit Delos

Although the island of Mykonos offers a plethora of activities, travelers seeking off-the-beaten-path experiences will want to take a day trip to Delos. Visiting the archaeological site of Delos is a must-do for history buffs and one of the top unique things to do in Mykonos. As soon as you stop at the uninhabited island of Delos, you will be transported back in time. As a [UNESCO World Heritage Site](#), Delos was once a religious and cultural center. Today, visitors can explore the ruins of ancient markets, amphitheaters, temples, and incredible mosaics.

Taking a [half-day trip to Delos](#) is one of the best ways to immerse yourself and learn more about Greek history and culture. Families traveling with children will love the educational opportunities the excursion offers, while adult travelers will enjoy learning about the island's rich culture and historical past.

Take a photography tour in Little Venice

Are you thinking of going on a honeymoon in Mykonos? You won't want to miss Little Venice. As one of the most romantic and iconic districts in Mykonos, Little Venice is calling all photography enthusiasts. Magnificent old houses with white-washed

facades and colorful balconies and doors are sitting right on the edge of the Aegean Sea. As sundown approaches, the golden hour illuminates the water and the buildings beautifully and allows all photographers to capture incredible images.

Capture the scenes and looks of local streets, shops, and people for even more spectacular photos, which tell the story of Mykonos! These are the images you would be taking home as souvenirs from your trip to Greece!

Spend an afternoon at a beach club

It seems like the sun is always shining in Mykonos! So, what better way to experience the island than spending an entire afternoon at a beach club. And of course, we have the best suggestion for you head to Scorpios on Paraga Beach. Ok, so this may not be the most unique and off-the-beaten-path activity in Mykonos, but it's still a lot of fun!

Honeymooners and couples traveling together will enjoy spending a day lounging beachside. While the bar located next to the crystal clear waters of the sea offers various seating options. Grab a delicious cocktail and sunbathe on their comfortable loungers. Not only this, but with just a few steps, you can also dip your toes into the refreshing waters or even go for a swim! Can you imagine anything better on a hot summer day?

Go wine tasting

One of the best unique and authentic things to do in Mykonos is a [wine tasting tour](#). True, the island may not be the most significant wine producer globally. Still, they carefully preserve and pass on the secrets of local wine-making techniques from one generation to another.

The local wineries offer a small but incredible list of authentic local wines unavailable to the general public. These wineries grow healthy, fresh, and organic grapes. Superior quality and great flavors are captured inside each bottle so make sure to visit at least one local winery and treat yourself to a world-class wine tasting session.

Visit Ano Mera Village

Suppose you want to embark on an adventure away from the tourist crowds and experience the authentic vibe of Mykonos. In that case, you should pay a visit to Ano Mera. Unfortunately, the island's visitors often neglect Ano Mera as a tiny village. Do not make this mistake, however. Head to Ano Mera Village and admire the incredible white-washed buildings lining the narrow cobblestone streets.

Allow yourself to get lost between the quaint alleys and stumble upon small souvenir shops and local art galleries. Try to talk to the locals and fully experience Ano Mera Village's relaxed and slow-paced life. This is truly one of the most unique and off-the-beaten-path activities in Mykonos.

Spend the Morning at the Panagia Tourliani Monastery

As one of the most famous sights in Mykonos, the Monastery of Panagia Tourliani is an absolute must-see. Head early in the morning if you want to skip the crowds and avoid the heat. Spend a few minutes just admiring the beautiful white-washed 16th-century exterior before heading inside. The interior is equally impressive. Every element resembles an art masterpiece, from the 18th-century wooden iconostasis to the unique incense holders with silver dragons! The Panagia Tourliani Monastery should be part of your travel itinerary if you love history or religious sites with significant value!

Families traveling with children to Mykonos will enjoy visiting the Monastery. Be sure to book a creative and engaging guide to keep the kids and adults entertained.

Discover the Underworld Universe

Are you an adventure seeker? If the answer is yes, [scuba diving](#) is one of the most unique things to do in Mykonos. It is not enough just admiring the incredibly blue waters of the Aegean Sea when you can dive straight into the underworld and take a glimpse of the sea wildlife. Colorful fish and incredible corals, and lost ships are hiding under the surface of the water. Book this class if you want to be taken along a magnificent underwater journey. This is something you will remember long after you have gone back home! [A good travel agent](#) should be able to get this experience lined up for you.

Families traveling with teenagers can sign up for beginner scuba classes or get certified before your trip and take full advantage of all the island has to offer.

Take a Culinary Journey

One of the most authentic and unique ways to experience a new culture is exploring the local cuisine. No trip to Mykonos would be complete without [taking a culinary master's class with a local chef](#)! Not only will you learn the chef's secret recipes,

but you will be taken on a complete culinary journey. Your day will start early in the morning as you follow the chef along with his market visit. From the butcher to the baker, you will see how the chefs select the best and freshest ingredients. You will get to buy seasonal vegetables and just-caught fish yourselves before heading over to the chef's private kitchen.

Spend a few hours learning the secrets of preparing a few local specialties, such as Baklava, Spanakopita, and Taramasalata. Then, to top it off, you will gain inside knowledge of the traditional practices and techniques for creating masterpieces!

Take a Yoga Class

Imagine waking up early in the morning and heading for a relaxing and rejuvenating yoga class. What makes the [Yoga Classes in Mykonos](#) extra special, however, is the incredible scenery of the Mediterranean sea before your eyes. A couples yoga class is a perfect addition to any romantic getaway. Especially in Mykonos, yoga is a great way to relax sore muscles from all the dancing and swimming you will be doing.

Regardless of whether you are a beginner or advanced, there is a bit of everything for everyone. Either way, you will quickly realize that the best yoga is in Mykonos, where you get to admire the sweeping views of the endless blue waters! You bet that you would want every morning to start like this!

Spend the Day Out at Sea

Last but definitely not least on our list of the top 12 unique and off-the-beaten-path things to do in Mykonos is spending the day out at sea. Surrounded by the crystal blue waters of the Aegean Sea, there is nothing better than heading out to sea. It allows for time spent escaping the busy hot Greek streets. If you want to meet other fellow travelers, book the [half-day luxurious catamaran tour](#), where you will get to snorkel and explore the nearby islands. Many Mykonos visitors yearn to visit Santorini. If this is you, here is our list of the [top 10 things to do in Santorini](#).

If you plan a romantic trip with your significant other, you might prefer the [private luxury sunset cruise](#). As you are sailing away, you will be served a fabulous selection of traditional drinks and meals. So just sit back, relax and admire the sunset!

Additionally, if setting sail is up your ally, try looking at different cruises to take you from island to island. We have reviewed the Celebrity Cruise Apex Ship Mediterranean Voyage from a [teen, and adult](#) perspective.

Day 4

“Happy is the man, I thought, who, before dying, has the good fortune to sail the Aegean sea.”

- Nikos Kazantzakis

Private Yacht Charter

Chartering a catamaran is the best way to explore the Greek islands for families because it allows for a unique and personalized vacation experience. With an expert captain and hostess on board, families can enjoy a stress-free holiday with all the benefits of a luxurious cruise, while also having the freedom to explore the islands at their own pace. T

The hostess will prepare delicious meals and snacks throughout the day, while also helping to organize activities such as snorkeling, kayaking, and hiking. With a catamaran, families can visit secluded beaches and hidden coves that are inaccessible by land, and experience the stunning beauty of the Greek islands from a completely different perspective.

The spacious and comfortable accommodations also make it easy to relax and unwind after a day of adventure. So, if you're looking for a unique and unforgettable family vacation, chartering a catamaran in Greece is definitely the way to go!



Greek Island Sailing Options

For the next six days, feel free to let the weather, your mood, & your desired vacation vibe guide you and your decision on how to spend your time enjoying & exploring the magical islands of Greece!

Each island is uniquely stunning in its own distinct way with environments of rugged, hillside landscapes, pristine beaches, and sparkling, postcard-worthy coastlines. From whichever angle you look from, the sights + scenes are sure to leave you mesmerized, especially at sunset.

In the following days, you will find options for each destination based on our expert opinions and personal suggestions for intuitively and smoothly maneuvering throughout the Greek islands.

On some days, the winds are *too good* to pass up on the opportunity for a memorable sailing day on the turquoise blue Aegean /Mediterranean waters. On other days, you may choose to slow it down and simply embrace the stunning natural setting on the beach. Or if you feel a bit more adventurous, throw on your comfy-yet-chic walking shoes and go exploring through the charming cobblestone streets of the small seaside towns...

Discover first handed, the warm, joyous energy of locals, the rich culture and ancient Greek history, and of course, the popping food scene of deliciously authentic Greek cuisine. *Think:* as-fresh-as-it-gets seafood, frappes (a refreshingly indulgent, signature European blended iced coffee drink), tangy tzatziki and Greek olive oil doused bread and salad, hot pita wrapped gyros, and sweet, delicious pastries like baklava and koulourakia cookies; the kind that would make Yaya (grandma) proud.

Our final tips to enhance + maximize your travel experience:

- Don't overlook the less touristy, off-the-beaten-path islands: the best-hidden gems are here!
- Be present; breathe, practice mindfulness & gratitude by taking the time to bring awareness into all five senses in each given moment.
- Take photos for keepsake.
- Laugh with each other.
- And don't forget to save us a piece of baklava.

However you choose to sail, explore (& eat), your way through Greece, choose to do it presently, intuitively, and wholeheartedly. As your Boutique Travel Advisors, we are here to help, guide, and assist you every step of the way.



Day 1: Depart Mykonos - Sail to Paros and Anti-Paros

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Sail south in this gorgeous Greek weather for the island of Paros and its beautiful sister island of tiny and charming Anti-Paros. Spend some time on the beach, or swimming in one of the lovely bays, before heading inland to explore this island whose natural beauty and fabulous footpaths connecting the villages are truly breath-taking. Some of the finest restaurants of the Cyclades can be found here.

Highlights

Antiparos:

Antiparos became well known when celebrities like Tom Hanks, Bruce Willis, Pierce Brosnan, and many others bought a place on this little island. When you walk through the main village and visit the Cave of Antiparos going back to the 6th century BC you will understand why. Quiet yet colorful and charming, this little island is one of the places you need to visit especially. Drop an anchor and relax between Antiparos and Despotiko bay, taste great grilled fish in one of the port little taverns, along of course with some ouzo on the side.

Paros:

Paros is one of the most popular islands of the Cyclades with whitewashed houses, hundreds of historical interests, crystal clear waters and above all hospitality of her inhabitants who are ready to welcome you and share their culture. Famous for her white marble production Paros has one of the finest marble qualities available in the globe.

The monastery of *Panagia Ekatodapiliani* (in Greek the word means that she has 100 gates) is a long-lasting legend saying that Saint Constantine (first emperor of Constantinople) built this church on behalf of her mother Saing Helene-since she was saved by a storm while traveling and she was rescued in Paros. According to the legend, the church has 99 doors and 1 that is hidden. The hidden one will be finally found and opened when the church in Agia Sofia (in Constantinople) will be orthodox again.

Naousa:

Naousa has a classy and cosmopolitan atmosphere. This is the most beautiful village of Paros if you are looking for a late afternoon walk through the white stoned alleys that bring you to after-dinner cocktails in one of the most well-recognized port towns.

Despite the tourism development, Naousa has kept her authenticity, her traditional character, and surely is must-see if you are visiting Paros as your sailing destination. Maybe she is not the quiet fishing village it used to be but surely she has a high quality that despite the mercantilism of the place still keeps her little taverns, ouzeries as well as her traditional atmosphere building together one of the best villages to visit in the Aegean

Day 5

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IOS, GREECE

Day 2: Paros to los

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Spend your morning enjoying a leisurely breakfast in the sunshine while your crew sail on to los and stop off in the port of Ormos harbour. From the harbour, you can walk or take the bus up to the beautifully picturesque village of Chora, a stunning place to walk around as it is inaccessible for any kind of vehicle.

Be sure to take the time to try out some of the best restaurants on the island, including los Club Restaurant which offers a wonderfully romantic ambience as well as tantalizing Greek cuisine and delicious cocktails.

Day 6

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SIFNOS, GREECE

Day 3: los to Sifnos

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Anchor off the beautiful island of Sifnos after a morning sail with your crew. This island, with its three quaint towns and breathtaking vistas from every angle is an unforgettable landscape.

If you wish to explore inland, there is an abundance of olive groves, almond trees, oleander and herbs that create a delicious tang to the surrounding air. You can enjoy snorkelling the surrounding coves and in the evening, a meal in a local taverna will not disappoint.

Day 7



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SERIFOS, GREECE

Day 4: Sifnos to Serifos

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Welcome to the island where Perseus was raised and where the Cyclops lived! If you are looking for an island with hundreds of whitewashed little houses built on the top of the cliff supervising one of the biggest natural ports of the Cyclades then you should be looking for Serifos!

According to the Greek mythology, Perseus returned with Medusa's head in time, and gave it as a votive gift to Athena, to save his mother, Danaë, from being ravished by the local king Polydectes. The same myth telling that Medusa's eyes had the super power to convert people into stones if they looked at it. Along with mythology, you should not miss the mines that used to be the most popular source of raw material for the Aegean.

For those of you who are looking to walk among lovely trails, Serifos will lead you from the tallest mountain to the most colorful beaches with clear waters and unrivaled natural beauty.

Don't waste time, take the bus/taxi or hire a quad/car, walk in the hora and take a photo of the port while sitting in the yard of the church Agios Konstantinos. Being on an island with the most beautiful beaches in Greece, the capital built in the edge of a cliff and so many interesting options in terms of historical interest but also local delicacies, will need you to move quite a lot to experience the different beauties of Serifos. Trust us she is worth it.

If you have anchored in the main port Livadi, you can start by visiting 'Chora' as described in our top three. An interesting option would be to visit Koutalas bay that will reveal interesting and colorful beaches with crystal clear waters while if you have the ability a drive to 'Megalos Livadi' (12km from the port) you will have the chance to see the old mines (top 3), visit the village of Galani and have a greek salad at the tavern located on the sandy beach of Platis gialos. Don't waste, move around!

Interesting Sights:

Mines of Serifos (located in Megalo Livadi-southwest side of the island represent the revolution of the mining workers that were led to revolt due to the inhumane working conditions opposed by the owner of the mines at that time the Gromman family. In 1919 and while on strike, Gromman asked the Greek authorities to end the rebellion. The police came, gave a 5 min notice to the workers to get back to work (they refused) and then they opened fire. 4 workers were shot to death, while the rest of the workers as well as wives and children chased the officers and threw them into the sea.

Best Beaches:

Psili Ammos voted as one of the best beaches in Europe by The Sunday Times, has a really pristine coastline and crystal clear waters.

Megalos Livadi Beach

Located in the Southeast part of Serifos, Megalo Livadi is also known for the old mines

GANEMA BAY

This bay is protected from northerly winds and offers crystal clear, turquoise waters. Ganema Bay is located in Koutalas, on the south side of Serifos.

Sites Worth Visiting:

MONASTERY OF TAXIARHES

Located near Galani village, one of the few monasteries in Greece that was built like a fortress with a wall of more than 10m high. Only 1 entrance to enter 4m high will allow you to visit the interior of the dome, that is dedicated to Archangels Michael and Gabriel.

THE CASTLE OF SERIFOS

Located at the top of the Hora, built to protect by the pirates, under the Venetian empire, the castle of Serifos will compensate you for climbing up the numerous steps with its incomparable view. White chapels light up all around you, the Aegean breeze smoothly touches you you have reached the so-called ‘Balcony of the Aegean’.

Day 8

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KYTHNOS, GREECE

Day 5: Serifos to Kythnos

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When it comes to Kythnos 3 things drop instantly to my mind. Beautiful beaches, non-touristic and close to Athens. Known also as ‘THERMIA’, Kythnos is a quite power, rocky mountainous island.

Visit Kolona Beach

Definitely one of the best beaches in Greece. A thin strip of sandy land divides the sea in two pieces and connects the island of Kythnos with the church of Agios Loukas. If you are visiting with a sailing yacht or a catamaran this is a location that should not be missed. Crystal clear waters, sandy bottom, protected from the wind (the interior side) and an untouched natural beauty that will captivate the eye if you look from above. Try to walk to the church of Agios Loukas (at the top of the hill) and have a dinner in the restaurant located above the bay. For those of you that prefer something more fancy in terms of nightlife and restaurant options you can either sail to Mericha port (10 min sailing) or call for a water taxi for your transport!

Visit Loutra

Loutra is one of the most beautiful and traditionally looking village. Located in the eastern side of the island it has post-card perfect charms with small taverns with wooden little chairs right on the water.

On the side of the natural bay the well know thermal springs of Loutra (used to be named as ‘Thermia’) that is said to have healing abilities that go back to the ancient times. You can try the thermal spring at the side of the beach located in Loutra bay, opposite the marina. You will notice a set of rocks that create a circle in the interior of which you can relax and feel the hot bubbles of water arising from the bottom of the sea.

Explore:

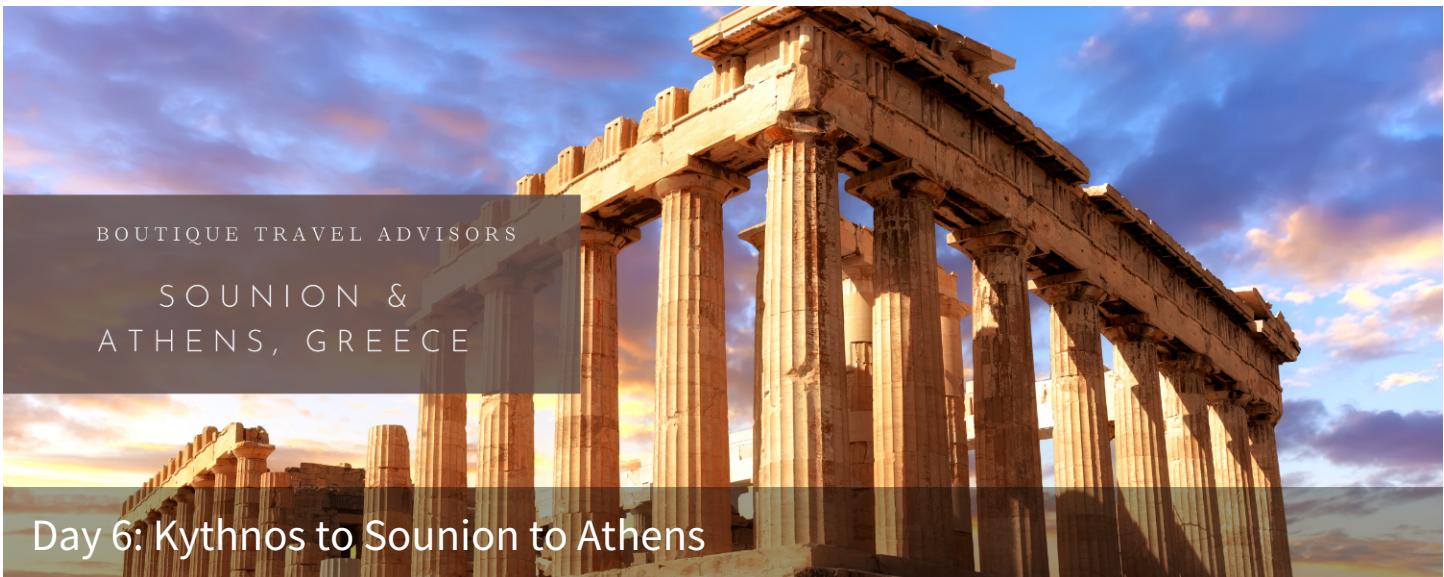
KATAFYKI CAVE

One of the most popular caves in Greece. Used as a famous shelter for the locals to hide from the enemies during World War II. Located on the northern side of the island, near village Dryopida. As an honor for the difficult times of the war the locals organize a big festival in Easter time, taking place in the cave, where the area under the ground is filled with music coming from the violin and the lute. **Katafiki Cave** to our opinion is one of the important places to visit if you have reached Kythnos with one of our sailing yachts or catamarans during your private sailing cruise.

MONASTERI OF PANAGIA KANALA

Even if you are not a fan of exploring monasteries **Panagia Kanala**, is really worth visiting. According to tradition the monastery is dedicated to Virgin Mary Kanala who is the protector of the island. The icon of Virgin Mary, is placed into the monastery and is believed to have the power of doing miracles according to the legend. One of the biggest festivals 'Panigiri' take place on the **nameday of Virgin Mary on the 15th of August**. The monastery is located on the south-eastern side of the island, built on the edge of the rocks. A nice idea would be to approach by your sailing yacht or catamaran, drop your anchor and visit the monastery by the side of the sea.

Day 9



Day 6: Kythnos to Sounion to Athens

On Day 6 of the trip, we will visit three places: Kythnos, Sounion, and end up back in Athens. At Sounion, we will explore the Temple of Poseidon. This Doric temple is dedicated to the God of Seas, Poseidon, and is surrounded by legends from Greek mythology.

According to the myth, Aegeus, the father of Theseus, killed himself when he saw a black sail on Theseus' ship. He assumed that his son had failed to kill the Minotaur in Crete, but in reality, Theseus had succeeded and simply forgot to change the sail to white.

The temple is located on the eastern part of Attica and offers a breathtaking view of the Aegean sea. It is also situated at a strategic location, making it a must-visit spot to admire the view and the architecture of the monument.

You will arrive in Athens in the late afternoon, in time to venture off the boat and experience your last evening in the city.

Day 10

Transfer · Pier to Athens Airport

Departure Location

Athens El. Venizelos Airport

Arrival Location

King George A Luxury
Collection Hotel Athens

Vehicle

Private Van

Payment

Gratuity not included

Notes

Departure Transfers - One Way Private Transfer from Marina Alimos Pier 6 to ATH by Private Van for four (4) people.