



Undiscovered Greece:
Athens, Naxos & Milos

Take an enticing journey to historic Athens, and to some of the lesser-known Greek islands, combining history, culinary adventures, and sunny beaches. First, you'll explore Athens's glorious past, including a visit to the Acropolis. Then visit two of Greece's quieter, under-the-radar islands: Naxos and Milos - with their turquoise bays, charming whitewashed houses, dramatic terrain, and uninhabited beaches.

ACCOMMODATIONS

• 3 Nights Athens

• 2 Nights Naxos

• 3 Nights Milos

INCLUSIONS

• Shared Athens Sightseeing Tour
& Visit to the Acropolis Museum
• Dinner with Locals in Athens

• Naxos to Milos Ferry
• Milos Full Day Cruise with
Lunch

• Private Arrival & Departure
Airport Transfers
• Daily Breakfast



ARRIVE ATHENS:

Arrive at Athens's Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport and meet your driver for a private transfer to your hotel. You'll receive a local itinerary complete with your ferry tickets for the rest of the trip. After checking in, the remainder of the day is open, and you are free to relax or explore the city on your own.

(Accommodations, Athens)



ATHENS:

After breakfast at your hotel, you will be picked up from your hotel lobby for your Athens Sightseeing Tour. The striking contrast between breathtaking monuments of a glorious past and modern elegant structures is what you will enjoy during your tour of Athens. Visit the Acropolis, the crowning beauty and glory of Ancient Athens, with its many monuments atop its rocky base, including the awesome Parthenon, the Propylea, the temple of Athena Nike and the Erechtheion, with its Porch of Maidens. Drive to the Roman Temple of Olympic Zeus, the Panathinaikon Stadium (site of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896), and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in front of the Parliament House on Constitution Square. Conclude your tour with a visit to the new Acropolis museum, a marvel of architecture with a full exhibition of the glory of Ancient Athens.

In the evening, enjoy an intimate group dinner with local Athenians. You'll join a Greek family in their home and hear about Greece from their perspective. Then enjoy a hearty Greek meal consisting of salad, two appetizers, main course, and dessert, as well as mineral water, house wine or bottled ouzo, and coffee or tea.

(Breakfast, Dinner & Accommodations, Athens)



ATHENS TO NAXOS:

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and transfer back to the airport for a quick flight to Naxos. Depending on the season, you'll also have the option to take a high-speed hydrofoil. Upon arrival in Naxos, meet your driver for a private transfer to your hotel and spend the rest of the day exploring this lovely island on your own. The largest and greenest island in the Cyclades, Naxos offers fun for everyone, from its charming villages, to mountain hikes, to relaxing sandy beaches.

(Breakfast, Athens; Accommodations, Naxos)



NAXOS:

Take your sweet time enjoying your breakfast at the hotel because the rest of the day is open!

Located in the southern part of the Aegean Sea, Naxos is a destination that constantly draws beach lovers and water sports enthusiasts. Naxos is characterized by beautiful waterfronts and mountainous landscape dotted by whitewashed houses. Consider a visit the Temple of Apollo, the most famous landmark on the island, or hike to the top of Mount Zas for panoramic views from the highest point in the Cyclades.

(Breakfast & Accommodations, Naxos)



NAXOS TO MILOS:

Check out of your Naxos hotel and meet your driver for a private transfer to the pier to catch your ferry to Milos. After checking in to your hotel, you can spend the rest of the day as you wish. This island offers landscapes unlike anywhere else in Greece, and with more than 70 beaches to choose from, you won't be short on options. You'll explore beaches by boat tomorrow, so this evening is a perfect time to stroll the quaint streets of Pollonia or Adamas, and indulge in some fresh local seafood.

(Breakfast, Naxos; Accommodations, Milos)



MILOS:

Explore Milos by boat and visit notable places like Poliegos, Firligos, Gerakas, and Klefiko. You'll get to swim the crystal-clear waters of Poliegos island and stop by an amazing beach called 'Ammotsoulithres'. After stopping by the old pirate bay of Klefiko, where you will get to swim and explore the numerous sea caves, pass by Arkoudes, a complex of lava rocks that takes its name from its characteristic shape - the form of a bear. After a fresh lunch on board, you'll also get to admire stunning views of the island's west coast, including places like Sykia, Agios Ioannis, Triades, Agathia, and Cape Vani. Cap the cruise by passing by the traditional fishing villages of Skinopi, Klima, Areti, and Fourkovouni - with their colorful little sea-side houses called 'syrmata'.

As the cruise starts making its way back to the port, you'll be treated with spectacular coastline scenery as you enjoy some delicious homemade ice cream.

(Breakfast, Lunch & Accommodations, Milos)



MILOS:

Today you have the option to explore on your own or join a small group for a fascinating tour that covers the history of Milos and its most famous sites. The first stop will be the Ancient Theater of Milos, which is located on the east side of the narrow entrance of the gulf of Milos. From here you will see the area where the famous statue of Milos Aphrodite (Venus de Milo) was discovered. The magnificent artwork now resides at the Louvre in Paris.

You'll then visit the Catacombs of Milos, a remarkable Pre-Christian monument. Proceed to the fishing village of Klima and admire its colorful 'syrmata', traditional houses where fishermen kept their boats during the winter. From there you will go to Plaka, the capital of Milos, where you'll have the option to explore the Folklore and Archaeological Museum or walk around the village's narrow streets populated by numerous little shops.

Continue to Mandrakia - a scenic fishing village with 2 small docks - before capping your day at Sarakiniko, the island's most famous beach.

(Breakfast & Accommodations, Milos)



MILOS TO ATHENS:

After breakfast, you can choose to fly or take a high-speed hydrofoil back to Athens for your last night in the capital.

(Breakfast, Milos; Accommodations, Athens)



DEPART ATHENS:

After breakfast, meet your driver for a private transfer to the airport for your flight home or to proceed to your next Avanti Destination!

(Breakfast, Athens)

** Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change