



**Lewis & Clark Alumni Tour of Greece
November 11-21, 2019**

ITINERARY:

Monday, Nov. 11: Arrival

Arrive to Athens. Meet your driver and transfer to your hotel. Have a welcome meeting / orientation and dinner at your hotel.

Hotel: Electra Palace Hotel (Athens) (Dinner included)

Tuesday, Nov. 12: Athens

Breakfast at the hotel. In the morning meet with your guide at the hotel. Depart for a full day guided visit to the famous Acropolis and the Mars Hill followed by a visit to the Acropolis Museum and the ancient Agora. Then continue for a sightseeing tour of the cities highlights. Continue with a local culinary tour through traditional, authentic neighborhoods, savoring favorite Greek specialties. In the afternoon, meet with a local journalist at the hotel to discuss Greece and the geopolitics of Greece. In the evening, be hosted for dinner by a local family. Enjoy traditional homemade specialties, unlimited wine and drinks, local deserts, traditional music and dancing.

Hotel: Electra Palace Hotel (Athens) (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Athens

Breakfast at the hotel. Begin the day with a choice of possible visits: the Jesuit Refugees Service, the Ritsona Refugee Camp, or others. Have lunch at a local restaurant. This evening, go to a Greek Theater for a Tragedy or Drama show followed by a very special dinner with Lewis & Clark students.

Hotel: Electra Palace Hotel (Athens) (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Thursday, Nov. 14: Delphi

Breakfast at the hotel. This morning, meet with a local expert to discuss Greek Philosophy. Then, depart for a full-day tour to Delphi. Visit the imposing archaeological site and the very interesting museum. On the way, visit the Osios Loukas monastery, one of the most important Byzantine monasteries in Greece. Have lunch at a local restaurant. Stop at the historical village of Arachova and visit the Ethnographic Museum.

Hotel: Amelia Hotel (Delphi) (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Friday, Nov. 15: Crete

Drive in the morning toward Athens airport for a morning flight to Heraklion, Crete. Start the day with a short panoramic tour of the city, including a visit to the Nikos Kazantzakis' tomb. Visit the impressive Heraklion Museum. Then, proceed to Knossos for a visit of the world famous Knossos Palace.

Hotel: GDM Megaron (Crete) (Breakfast and Lunch included)

Saturday, Nov. 16: Private Yacht Sailing

Breakfast at the hotel. Walk to the Heraklion Marina to board sailing yachts for a private sailing educational course up to the island of Dia. In the evening, return to the Heraklion Marina and walk to your hotel. Dinner at a local restaurant.

Hotel: GDM Megaron (Crete) (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included)

Sunday, Nov. 17: Lasithi Plateau

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart for a day in the village in the Lasithi Plateau. Begin the day walking through the promenade to the narrow streets of the village, discuss the history from the Venetian to Turkish dominations and the special architectural characteristics of the houses in the village. Following the visit, enjoy the local cuisine and a trek through the gorge of Havgas. Dinner at the hotel.

Hotel: GDM Megaron (Crete) (Breakfast and Lunch included)

Monday, Nov. 18: Santorini

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Santorini and have a day for leisure. In the evening, meet with a local historian to discuss the history of Greek democracy. Dinner at the hotel.

Hotel: Aqua Suites Hotel (Santorini) (Breakfast and Dinner included)

Tuesday, Nov. 19 : Santorini

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the port for a morning cruise around the island, focusing on the caldera (volcano) and the hot springs. Take some free time to swim in the hot springs. Stop for a barbeque meal.

Hotel: Aqua Suites Hotel (Santorini) (Breakfast and Lunch included)

Wednesday, Nov. 20: Santorini - Athens

Breakfast at the hotel. This morning, meet with a local TV-radio journalist, tour with them for the day while hearing their input on traditional life in Santorini. Visit the Akrotiri Bronze Age site, meet local fishermen and the Sawa-Santorini Animal Welfare Association, and tour the prehistoric museum. Drive along the caldera and pass by the towns of Oia (in the northernmost tip of the island) and the town of Pyrgos (famous for its wineries). In the evening fly back to Athens for our last night.

Hotel: Electra Palace Hotel (Athens) (Breakfast and Dinner included)

Thursday, Nov. 21: Departure

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure for your outbound flight. *(Breakfast included)*