ATHENS & RHODES

May 8th - 17th, 2020
ATHENS

Once known for smog, traffic, and tacky architecture, Athens is a city reformed thanks to the fortunes brought by the 2004 Summer Olympics. Spotless parks and streets, an ultramodern metro, new motorways, an accessible airport and signs all in perfect English, make the city easily negotiable for tourists. Meriting more than a stopover en-route to the islands, sophisticated Athens sites include many pillars of Western history, from the Acropolis to the Temple of Olympian Zeus, as well as treasures in the National Archaeological Museum.

SUNRISE
6:20 AM

SUNSET
8:25 PM

AVERAGE HIGH
25°C

AVERAGE LOW
16°C
Conveniently located near the vibrant streets of the city centre and attractions such as the Acropolis Museum, Hermou Street and the outdoor markets, the Grand Hyatt Athens offers striking views of the Acropolis from its stunning rooftop pool, modern luxury in its newly built guest rooms and mouthwatering Mediterranean cuisine in one of the three dining experiences at the hotel.

- 309 spacious guestrooms and suites, with varying views
- 35 minutes to Athens International Airport
- 15 minutes to Syntagma (Constitution) Square
- Rooftop Restaurant with views of the Acropolis Hill and Parthenon
- On-property fitness centre
- 2 outdoor pools
AGENDA
athens

Friday May 8
• Group arrives throughout the day in Athens
• Transfers to the hotel are on your own
• Check in at Grand Hyatt Athens
• Welcome reception & buffet dinner at the Grand Hyatt Athens

Saturday May 9
• OSM Annual General Meeting followed by a tour of Athens with lunch at the Yacht Club of Greece
• Afternoon at leisure
• Group dinner at the Dionyssos Restaurant

Sunday May 10
• Full day at leisure

*for suggestions on activities, check out the Yours To Explore page.*
RHODES

Just a one-hour flight from Athens is Rhodes, the largest of Greece’s Dodecanese islands, and one of the most visited by tourists. Widely known for its beach resorts, the island also boasts 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 castle-like Palace of the Grand Masters. Captured by the Ottomans, and then held by the Italians, the palace is now a history museum.

AVERAGE HIGH
23°C

AVERAGE LOW
17°C

SUNRISE
6:05 am

SUNSET
8:10 pm
The stylish beachfront Elysium Resort & Spa delivers 5-Star luxury with a contemporary twist. Set on the private Kallithea Beach, this chic property impresses with their large elegant guestrooms and spectacular views of the Aegean Sea. Experience the best fine dining that Rhodes has to offer with their rooftop panoramic gourmet restaurant.

- 329 spacious guestrooms and suites, with varying views
- 30 minutes to Rhodes International Airport
- 8 restaurants and bars, including roof-top gourmet restaurant
- Beachfront property, with beach service
- On-property fitness centre
- Home of Serenity Spa
- Large resort-wide, wrap-around pool
- 3,000 sq ft of versatile meeting space
AGENDA rhodes

Monday May 11
- Group departures from Athens to Rhodes with group transfers
- Check into the Elysium Resort & Spa
- Group lunch at the Elysium Resort & Spa
- Afternoon/evening at leisure

Tuesday May 12
- Full day at leisure
- Association dinners

Wednesday May 13
- Group activity of Lindos Tour
- Afternoon/evening at leisure

Thursday May 14
- Day at leisure

Friday May 15
- Day at leisure
- Off-site Presidents Dinner at Santa Marina Beach Club

Saturday May 16
- Day at leisure

Sunday May 17
- Departure
- Return flight to Athens

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YOurs to explore

Athens

**Acropolis & Museum**
Check out this UNESCO site, the Acropolis, an ancient citadel and its monuments that sit upon a rocky mound above Athens. Include a trip to the Acropolis Museum that houses over 4,000 artifacts found at the Acropolis.

**Cape Sounion**
Located 200ft above sea-level, the temple of Poseidon at Cape Sounion is known for its incredible views surrounded by the Aegean Sea (whether it be during the day or at sunset). The one-hour drive includes a scenic route along the Apollo Coast and will have guests in awe from beginning to end.

**Delphi**
A must-see in Greece is only 2 hours away at the foot of Mt Parnassus. Delphi is what is known in Greek mythology as the centre of the world or “Navel of the Earth”. Check out the ancient stadium where the Pythian Games were held, the ruins of the temple of Apollo and the intact Amphitheater of Delphi just to name a few.

Additional information and pricing to follow closer to departure date.
Old Town City Tour

Take yourself back in time to cobblestone streets and gated walls. This utopia is home to the oldest inhabited medieval European city. Scattered through the city, you will find many medieval buildings, traditional fountains, Gothic Churches and shops to explore.

Symi

Known for its beaches, music festivals and its picturesque harbour surrounded by colourful neoclassical houses, Symi is a must-see island easily reachable from Rhodes by ferry.

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THINGS TO KNOW

Passport/VISA Info:
Canadians travelling to Greece will require a minimum of 6 months validity on their passport. A visa is not required for Canadians to travel to Greece if your visit is less than 3 months.

Currency:
Euro
Cash is the preferred method of payment, although some places are beginning to accept credit/debit cards. ATM's are commonly found throughout the country.

Official language:
Greek

Water:
It is safe to drink the tap water in Greece on the mainland, and some islands including Rhodes. We recommend drinking from bottled water when you can.

Electric Current:
230V at 50 Hz. An adapter is required for all electronics & converter is recommended for more powerful devices.

Time Zone:
Daylight savings time begins
UTC+3 EEST from March 29 – October 25, 2020.
Otherwise it is UTC+2 EET

Seasons:
Spring:
Temperatures approx. 24°C
Mid-March to May

Summer:
Temperatures approx. 33°C
June to August

Autumn:
Temperatures approx. 22°C
September to November

Winter:
Temperatures approx. 13°C
December to Mid-March

Population:
10.77 Million
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Pricing

MEMBERS: $6900 + HST PER COUPLE / $5800 + HST PER SINGLE

NON-MEMBERS: $8500 + HST PER COUPLE / $6600 + HST PER SINGLE

To register for this incredible experience, click here!

Inclusions

- All ground transportation within Greece for all group activities & group meals
- 3 nights at the Grand Hyatt Athens
- Return flight from Athens to Rhodes
- 6 nights at the Elysium Resort & Spa in an Elite Club Sea View Guestroom
- Access to the Elysium Resort & Spa Elite Club lounge
- Breakfast Daily
- Airport transfers for the domestic flight from Athens to Rhodes and Rhodes to Athens

Exclusions

- International flights to and from Greece
- Airport transfers on arrival and departure from the program
- Guestroom upgrades
- All meals during leisure time
- Excursions during leisure time (see YOURS TO EXPLORE page for suggestions)