





# ISLAND LIFE® in Ancient Greece

**9-day/7-night cruise round-trip Athens, Greece, on the Aegean Sea**

*Departures: October 3 to 11 | October 10 to 18 | October 17 to 25, 2023*



Call on the islands of Volos; Delos; Mykonos; Pátmos; Rhodes; and Santorini on this epic, one-of-a-kind voyage. Enjoy excursions to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Meteora; Delos' classical ruins, including the Sanctuary of Apollo and the theater quarter; the archaeological site and ancient ruins of Ephesus; and Santorini, believed to be the legendary lost city of Atlantis. Discuss life on the islands with local residents during the ISLAND LIFE® forum. Extend your journey with the Athens Pre-Program and/or Delphi Post-Program Options.



Ephesus, Celsus Library



## 9-Day/7-Night Itinerary

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada**
- 2 Arrive in Athens, Greece/Embark the ship.**
- 3 Volos/Meteora**—Arrive in Volos and enjoy an excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Meteora. One of the most important complexes of Greek Orthodox monasteries, Meteora’s monasteries are built on natural sandstone massifs and date to the 14th and 15th centuries. Attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception on board the ship this evening.
- 4 Delos/Mykonos**—This morning, visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Delos, legendary birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. Walk along the Sacred Way to the Sanctuary of Apollo, a spectacularly rich archaeological site with remains of three separate temples from the fifth and sixth centuries B.C. See the legendary Terrace of the Lions, dedicated to Apollo, where hand-carved marble statues guarded the island for nearly 2,600 years. After lunch on board the ship, explore the island of Mykonos, where according to ancient legend, its craggy hills and clefts were formed from the petrified bodies of giants defeated by Hercules.
- 5 Kusadasi, Turkey /Ephesus**—Arrive in Kusadasi and drive to Ephesus, a vast archaeological site of Greek, Roman and Byzantine ruins including the restored and

reconstructed Celsus Library and the Grand Theater. Visit the Terrace Houses and the Ephesus Museum, which contains findings from this ancient city.

- 6 Patmos, Greece**—On the island of Pátmos, tour the Greek Orthodox Monastery of St. John, a UNESCO World Heritage site. See the Cave of the Apocalypse, where St. John the Apostle most likely wrote the Book of Revelation in A.D. 95. This afternoon, meet and engage with local residents who will discuss daily life on the islands during the ISLAND LIFE® forum.
- 7 Rhodes/Lindos**—Dock in Rhodes at the wall of Rhodes Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and visit the 14<sup>th</sup>-century Palace of the Grand Masters. Enjoy an optional excursion this afternoon to the ancient village of Lindos. See the Church of Panagia and its cliff-top acropolis or indulge in an afternoon at leisure in Rhodes. Enjoy a performance of traditional Greek music and dance this evening on board the ship.
- 8 Santorini**—Be on deck as the ship cruises into the port of Santorini, beneath which some believe to be the legendary lost city of Atlantis. Tour the Minoan ruins of Akrotiri, held intact by layers of pumice and ash for over 3,500 years. Visit the Museum of Prehistoric Thera, which houses finds excavated from Akrotiri. Continue to the town

of Fira, then take a cable car to the pier and reboard the ship for lunch. Enjoy time at leisure in Santorini.

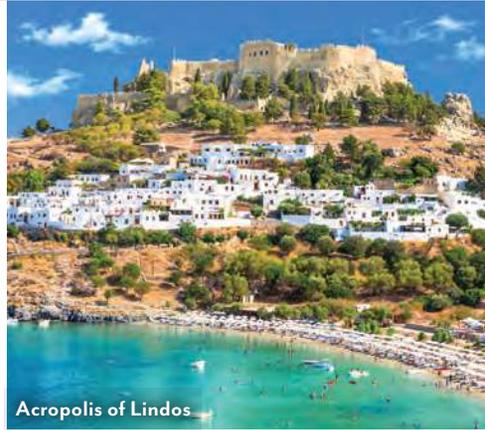
- 9 Athens/Disembark ship/Return home to the U.S. or Canada.**

Bronze stag symbolizing the Colossus of Rhodes

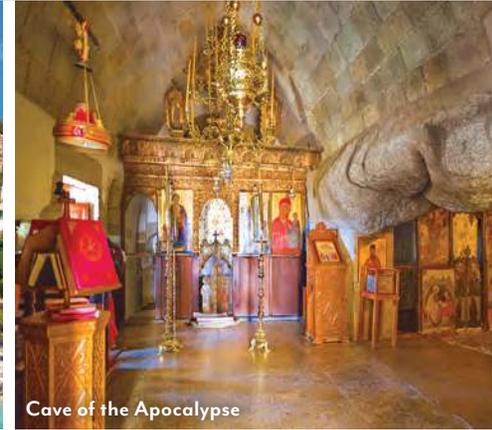


# Highlights

- ◆ Visit up to six UNESCO World Heritage sites, showcasing the cultural and architecture of ancient Greece and Turkey.
- ◆ Call on islands steeped in myth and history—Delos; Mykonos; Pátmos; Santorini; and Rhodes.
- ◆ Walk through legendary ruins of Ephesus, Turkey and the UNESCO World Heritage site of Meteora.
- ◆ Exclusive ISLAND LIFE® forum with local residents who will discuss contemporary life.



Acropolis of Lindos



Cave of the Apocalypse



Terrace of the Lions



LE BOUGAINVILLE

## EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED FIVE-STAR, SMALL SHIP LE BOUGAINVILLE

- ◆ Only 92 suites and staterooms, each with a private balcony.
- ◆ All meals included on board the ship, as well as alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages throughout the cruise.
- ◆ State-of-the-art theater ideal for enriching educational lectures.



Acropolis

## PRE-PROGRAM OPTION Athens

Begin your tour with two nights in the ancient city of Athens to explore the monumental Acropolis; the Parthenon; the Acropolis Museum; the Temple of Poseidon; and Plaka, the city's oldest neighborhood. Enjoy accommodations in the deluxe HOTEL GRANDE BRETAGNE.



Delphi

## POST-PROGRAM OPTION Delphi

Extend your journey with a two-night itinerary that features a visit to the Archaeological Museum of Thebes and a tour of Delphi with a visit to the Delphi Archeological Museum. Also view the Treasury of Athens, the Temple of Apollo and the impressive Stadium along the Sacred Way. Spend one night in the AMALIA HOTEL DELPHI and one night in the SOFITEL ATHENS AIRPORT HOTEL.

## 2023 DEPARTURE DATES: October 3 | October 10 | October 17

Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES <small>excluding taxes</small>	Early Booking Savings (if booked more than six months prior to departure)	Rate after Early Booking Savings
8	Deluxe stateroom with a picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. <i>Deck 3, midship.</i> (limited availability)	\$4,995	\$5,745
7	Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 4, midship.</i>	\$5,695	\$6,545
6	Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 5, midship and aft.</i>	\$6,395	\$7,355
5	Prestige stateroom with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 6, midship and aft.</i>	\$6,995	\$8,045
4	Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 3, midship.</i> (limited availability)	\$7,995	\$9,195
3	Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 4, midship.</i> (limited availability)	\$8,695	\$9,995
2	Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 5, midship.</i>	\$9,395	\$10,795
1	Deluxe suite with sliding glass door, <b>private balcony.</b> <i>Deck 6, midship.</i>	\$9,995	\$11,495
<b>Prestige Suite II</b>	Two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, <b>larger private balcony,</b> two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 5, midship.</i> (limited availability)	\$10,995	\$12,645
<b>Prestige Suite I</b>	Two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, <b>larger private balcony,</b> two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 6, midship.</i> (limited availability)	\$11,695	\$13,445
<b>Privilege Suite</b>	Large Suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>larger private balcony,</b> sitting area with sofa. <i>Decks 5 and 6, aft.</i> (limited availability)	\$12,495	\$14,365
<b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b>	Extra-large, one-bedroom Suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace,</b> full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. <i>Deck 6, aft.</i> (limited availability)	\$13,395	\$15,405
<b>Owner's Suite</b>	Extra-large, one-bedroom Suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace</b> with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath. <i>Deck 5, aft.</i> (limited availability)	\$13,995	\$16,095

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Taxes are an additional \$450 per person.

LE BOUGAINVILLE has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request from Gohagan & Company.

The Pre-Program and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided during the reservation process.

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