

Greece with Carol James Travel – July 7 – 15, 2023

Leave U.S. - Friday, July 7, 2023 – Arrive in Athens – Saturday, July 8, 2023

DAY 1: 08 JUL 2023 ARRIVE ATHENS

After breakfast, transfer to the Venice airport by private water taxi. (Maximum: 7 passengers per taxi; 1 pc luggage per person)

Check out time: 11am. Late check out is not included

Note: Departure transfer is a group transfer for all guests departing on the same flight and at the same time. Any travelers departing at a different time must pay extra for a private transfer.

Upon arrival in Athens, you will be greeted by our local representative and then transferred to the hotel.

Note: Arrival transfer is a group transfer for all guests arriving on the same flight and at the same time. Any travelers arriving at a different time must pay extra for a private transfer.

Check in time: 2pm and after. Early check in is not included.

Accommodation: (3 nights hotel accommodation)

DAY 2 : 09 JUL 2023 ATHENS (B)

After breakfast, take a half day **Athens City tour**.

This tour gives you an opportunity to observe the striking contrasts that make Athens such a fascinating city.



Amexpert guide will take you to see the Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympic Games of modern times were held in 1896 (short stop).

Continue and pass by the Prime Minister's residence (ex Royal Palace) guarded by the Euzones in their colorful uniform, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, the Hadrian's Arch, the Parliament and

the memorial to the Unknown Soldier, the Academy, the University, the National Library, the Constitution Square (Syntagma).

At the Acropolis, visit the Architectural Masterpieces of the Golden Age of Athens: The Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion and finally “the harmony between material and spirit”, the monument that “puts order in the mind”, the Parthenon.

Continue and visit the place where at last the statues found their home and admire the wonders of the classical era: The new Acropolis museum. A walk through its galleries is a walk through history – between the masterpieces of the Archaic and Classical periods, but also in the ancient neighborhoods of Athens.

Return to the hotel after the tour.

DAY 3 : 10 JUL 2023 ATHENS (B)

After breakfast the day is at leisure.

DAY 4 : 11 JUL 2023 ATHENS – MYKONOS (B)

Today, after breakfast, checkout from the hotel.

You will be transferred to the Pireaus port where you will board the **hydrofoil to Mykonos**. Upon arrival in Mykonos, you will be transferred to your hotel.

Accommodation: (2 Nights hotel accommodations)

DAY 5 : 12 JUL 2023 MYKONOS (B)

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After breakfast, you will embark on a **walking tour of Mykonos**.

Stroll along the seafront, past the local fish and vegetable market. Keep your eyes peeled for the island’s cheerful avian mascot, Peter the Pelican.

Visit the antique-filled Folklore Museum, situated in a charming 11th-century house on your way to Papaportiani Church. Dedicated to the Virgin Mary, the Church is a famous example of Cycladic architecture and is one of the most photographed spots in the Mediterranean.

From here, continue onwards to the picturesque area of Alefkandra, known as the "Little Venice" of Mykonos. The gorgeous old houses are perched precariously on the edge of the sea, and the neighborhood is a popular area for local artists to set up their workshops. The iconic windmills stand guard facing the north, and offer a strikingly beautiful photographic opportunity. The windmills were used in the past to grind wheat, and provide a scenic vista overlooking Little Venice and the sea below.

Continue to the House of Lena Museum, a great example of 19th-century middle-class Mykonian life. Return to your hotel and the remainder of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 6 : 13 JUL 2023 MYKONOS – SANTORINI (B/D)

Today, after breakfast, checkout from the hotel.

You will be transferred to the port where you will board your **hydrofoil to Santorini**. Upon arrival in Santorini, you will be transferred to your hotel.

Later this afternoon, you will begin your **Sunset Catamaran Boat Tour**. Discover Santorini's beautiful coastline with this delightful cruise, which includes a BBQ meal with drinks (white wine, beer & soft drinks) on board.

Enjoy a refreshing swim in the clear blue waters at the red beach, and sail past the big lighthouse south of the caldera. Explore secluded volcanic beaches, experience the volcanic hot springs or simply relax.

Your first stop at the Red Beach for swimming and snorkeling.

Then move on to the White Beach for swimming and here you will enjoy your barbeque onboard.

Your cruise sails past Aspronisi, the Ancient Lighthouse, Akrotiri and Indian Rock.

Then make a stop at the Hot Springs for more swimming.

The last stop is below the picturesque village of Oia to watch the sunset, before returning to your hotel.

*Note: All yachts and boats in Greece cannot moor directly on the beach. We have selected the best points for swimming and snorkeling, the closest possible from the beach.

Accommodation: (2 nights hotel accommodations)



DAY 7: 14 JUL 2023 SANTORINI (B)

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy the day at leisure

DAY 8: 15 JUL 20 3 SANTORINI (B)

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and transfer to the Santorini airport for your flight back home. Check out time: 11am. Late check out is not included.

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Arrive back to New York, JFK – Saturday, July 15, 2023