GEEO ITINERARY

Greek Islands 6/25/2027

Day 1: Athens Meet your group for a welcome meeting around 6:00 or 7:00 PM, followed by an optional dinner. We recommend arriving a day or two earlier to explore Athens.

Arrive at any time. There are no planned activities until the Welcome Meeting in the evening. The Athens airport is **Athens International Airport Eleftherios Venizelos (ATH)**.

Consider arriving 1-2 days early to explore the city, adjust to the time zone, and buffer against flight delays. We can request extra hotel nights for you before the program begins.

Hotel Check-in and Welcome Meeting
Hotel check-in is normally between 2–3 p.m. Check with reception for the exact time and location of the group welcome meeting, typically between 6–7 p.m. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. If you're running late, send a message in the group WhatsApp or call the emergency number on your trip voucher so that your tour leader can let you know where and when to meet the group.

After the meeting, you might choose to get dinner at a nearby restaurant with your traveling companions and your tour leader to further get to know one another.

Note: *Like many GEEO programs in Europe, this trip uses public transportation. This means you will need to have luggage you can easily carry with you up and down stairs, on and off ferries, etc.*

> **Joining Instructions**
> Taxi: (€38-50 | ~45min) Available at the airport.
> Metro: (€10 | ~1hr) Take the M3 line toward Agia Marina from Athens International Airport. After 16 stops (~40 min), get off at Monastiraki Station. From there, either walk 15 minutes (1.3 km) to the hotel, or transfer to the M1 Metro for 1 stop (2 min) to Omonia Station. The hotel is a 2-minute walk from Omonia Station: exit the station, head west on Pl. Omonias toward 3is Septemvriou, turn right onto 3is Septemvriou, then right onto Chalkokondili.

Day 2: Athens/Tínos Ferry from Athens to Tinos and enjoy a free day for food, hikes, surf, and hillside views over blue seas and beaches.

Take a ferry ride from Athens to the island of Tinos. Once the group arrives take advantage of a full free day on the island to roam as you please. Tinos has great food, wild beauty, and even better surfing and hiking, so you won't want to waste any time. Climb up the hillsides for magnificent views of the deep blue waters and pristine beaches.

Approximate travel time: 4 hrs by ferry
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3: Day trip to Mykonos Hop to Mykonos to explore, see the windmills, and enjoy a seaside cocktail before returning to Tinos by evening ferry.

This morning, we will island hop over to gorgeous Mykonos for a day trip. Explore Greece's most famous cosmopolitan island. Named for the grandson of the Greek God Apollo, Mykonos has something for everyone. A vibrant nightlife, stunning beaches, and historic sites draw in all kinds of travelers, including celebrities, families, and students. Visit the local windmills and maybe enjoy a cocktail on a veranda overlooking Little Venice.

We'll travel back to Tinos in the evening by ferry.

Approximate travel time: 1-1.5 hrs by ferry
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4: Tínos Enjoy a six-hour guided tour of Tinos with lunch, visiting Dio Choria, Volax, and Pirgos, then enjoy a free evening to explore on your own.

Enjoy a six-hour tour of the island with a local guide. The first stop on the tour is Dio Choria village, where you'll have the opportunity to enjoy a coffee with a view of the Aegean Sea. Then it's on to Volax village, situated in the heart of Tinos. The landscape is very rocky. Many of the locals weave baskets, which you can buy during your time there. The third stop will be to the village of Pirgos, which is the birthplace of famous artists, painters, and sculptors. From there, travel onwards to Ktikados, where you will try some Greek dishes at one of the taverns, before the group returns to Tinos port via the village of Tarampados.

Afterwards, take advantage of a free evening to keep exploring Tinos on your own.

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch

Day 5: Tínos/Naxos Ferry to Naxos for a guided tour, visit the Temple of Apollo, then enjoy free time for sights, tavern meals, and sunset at Apollonas Beach.

Leave Tinos behind and travel by ferry to Naxos. Set out on a guided orientation tour of Naxos before visiting the Temple of Apollo. Built around 530 BC, the Portara towers over the busy harbour and is the best place to watch the sunset in Naxos. Made of marble columns that weigh up to 20 tonnes each, the Portara serves as the "doorway" to the island's unfinished Temple of Apollo. From the mainland, walk across a paved path to reach this scenic lookout over the Aegean Sea.

Afterwards, enjoy some free time. Maybe stop at the Temple of Dimitra, a local microbrewery, or the Church of Droisiani to see the 6th-century wall paintings. Take in the view of Mt Zeus at Zas Cave and grab a meal at a local tavern before capping off the evening at Apollonas beach.

Approximate travel time: 2 hrs by ferry
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6: Naxos Enjoy a full free day in Naxos—visit the hilltop castle and archaeological museum, hike Mount Zas for panoramic views, explore quaint villages, shop, café hop, or relax on the beach.

Enjoy a full free day in Naxos! There are many options.

You can visit the castle on the hill built by a Venetian emperor in 1207, and its archaeological museum.

You could also hike up Mount Zas for panoramic views of Naxos and bragging rights that you stood on the highest point in the Cyclades. The hike is 7km round trip and 300m of elevation gain.

You can spend some time exploring traditional villages around the island. Wander through alleyways that wind their way up the hillside, and across quaint town squares with incredible views of the region's famous whitewashed houses (with much fewer crowds than Santorini). Observe the strong Venetian influence in Naxian architecture, as seen in local windmills and churches.

And of course, you can relax on the beautiful beaches of Naxos – there's no shortage of them across the

island! Sparkling blue waters, pristine sandy beaches, and unforgettable sun-kissed weather make “beach hopping” an activity you can’t miss, whether you opt to lay on the beach or spend an active day by the sea.

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7: Naxos/Santorini Ferry to Santorini and join a guided 11km caldera walk from Fira to Oia, then optionally enjoy a farewell dinner.

Jump on the ferry to the island of Santorini. Upon arrival, the group will enjoy a guided caldera cliff walk from Santorini’s main town of Fira to the village of Oia, famous for its windmills. You’ll pass through the villages of Firostefani and Imerovigli between Fira and Oia. At just under 11 km (About 6.5 miles) the hike will take between 3 and 4 hours. Part of the path is similar to a sidewalk and some parts are cobblestone and others a simple dirt path. Enjoy the exercise and some of the best views in Santorini.

Afterwards, you have the option of attending dinner with the group for your final night in Santorini.

Approximate travel time: 3 hrs by ferry
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8: Santorini Depart Santorini at any time. We recommend spending an extra night on Santorini.

There are no planned activities today, so you may depart at any time. The tour ends in Santorini, and the nearest airport is **Santorini (Thira) National Airport (JTR)**. If you wish to extend your stay in Santorini, consider requesting post-trip accommodation with us.

Please note that check-out time from the hotel is usually mid-morning, but luggage storage services are available at the reception desk.

Meals included: Breakfast

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Where you’ll stay

The hotels listed below reflect the properties expected to be used for this program. Final accommodations are subject to change based on group size, availability, or seasonality. The confirmed start and end hotels are listed on your trip voucher:

Day 1 Athens (Jun 25): Parnon Hotel Athens

Day 2 Tínos (Jun 26): Favie Suzanne Hotel Tinos

Day 3 Tínos (Jun 27): Favie Suzanne Hotel Tinos

Day 4 Tínos (Jun 28): Favie Suzanne Hotel Tinos

Day 5 Naxos (Jun 29): Naxos Holidays Hotel

Day 6 Naxos (Jun 30): Naxos Holidays Hotel

Day 7 Santorini (Jul 1): Hotel Santorini

*__*Itinerary Disclaimer*__: *While it is our intention to adhere to the routes described on our website, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable, to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The information on our website is a general guide to the tour and region, and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.*