Greek Islands Pass Guide

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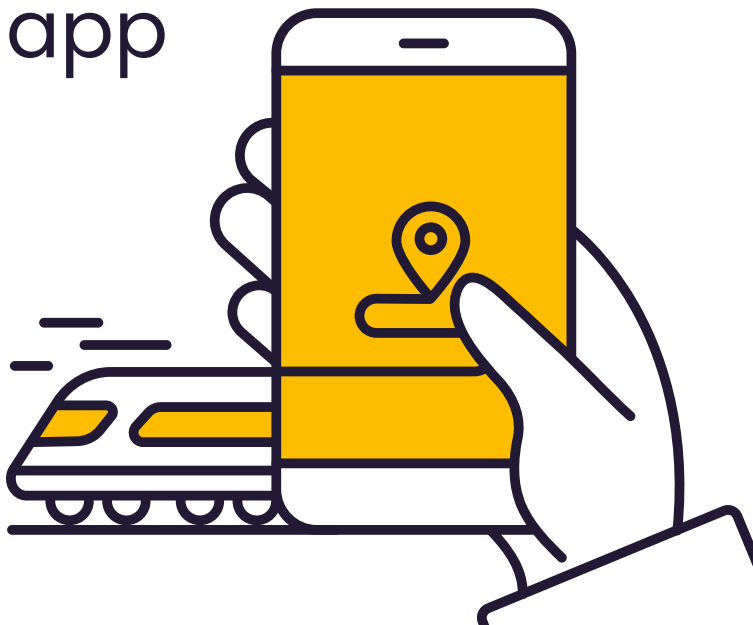


Discover the Greek Islands

Greece is one of the most popular destinations in the world, attracting millions of visitors every year. The country offers a wide variety of tourist attractions and can be characterised by its mountainous landscapes, sandy beaches, tasty food, rich history, and its popular islands.

Greek Islands Passes

Eurail and Interrail offer two Greek Islands Passes that allow you to discover the Greek islands as you hop from one island to the next. Using the high-quality ferry services of Superfast Ferries, Blue Star Ferries & Hellenic Seaways you can explore Greece's most beautiful islands, such as Crete, Santorini and Mykonos, in complete comfort. Your Greek Islands Pass allows you to make use of these services with all the freedom and flexibility of Eurail and Interrail.

What is Included in the Pass?

Greek Islands Pass 6 days within 1 month

- Included Ferry trips within a 1-month period:
  - 2 out of the 6 travel days can be used on international routes between Italy and Greece*
  - 4 out of the 6 travel days can be used on domestic routes within Greece
- TRAINOSE rail/bus transfer from the international port of Patras to the domestic port of Piraeus (and vice versa)
- Fuel surcharge and port fees
- Accommodation in either 1st or 2nd class
- 30% discount on all additional trips (valid on Economy Class only)
- 30% reduction on all upgrades in accommodation (except Lux cabins). Valid for International and Domestic routes.

Greek Islands Pass 4 days within 1 month

- **4 travel days for domestic trips** within a 1-month period
- International trips **not possible** on this Pass
- Fuel surcharge and port fees
- 30% discount on all additional trips (valid on Economy Class only)
- 30% reduction on all upgrades in accommodation (except Lux cabins). Valid for International and Domestic routes.

* Only 1 day is calculated during the night ferries, the departure date of the vessel

Which islands can be reached?

The domestic ferry lines between the Greek islands are operated by Blue Star Ferries and Hellenic Seaways. Detailed timetables and travel times are available on their websites: **bluestarferries.com** and **hellenicseaways.gr**. The following islands can be reached with the Greek Islands Pass*:

Cyclades: Amorgos, Anafi, Andros, Donoussa, Folegandros, Ios, Iraklia, Kea, Kimolos, Koufonissi, Kythnos, Milos, Mykonos, Naxos, Paros, Santorini, Schinoussa, Serifos, Sikinos, Syros, Tinos, Sifnos.

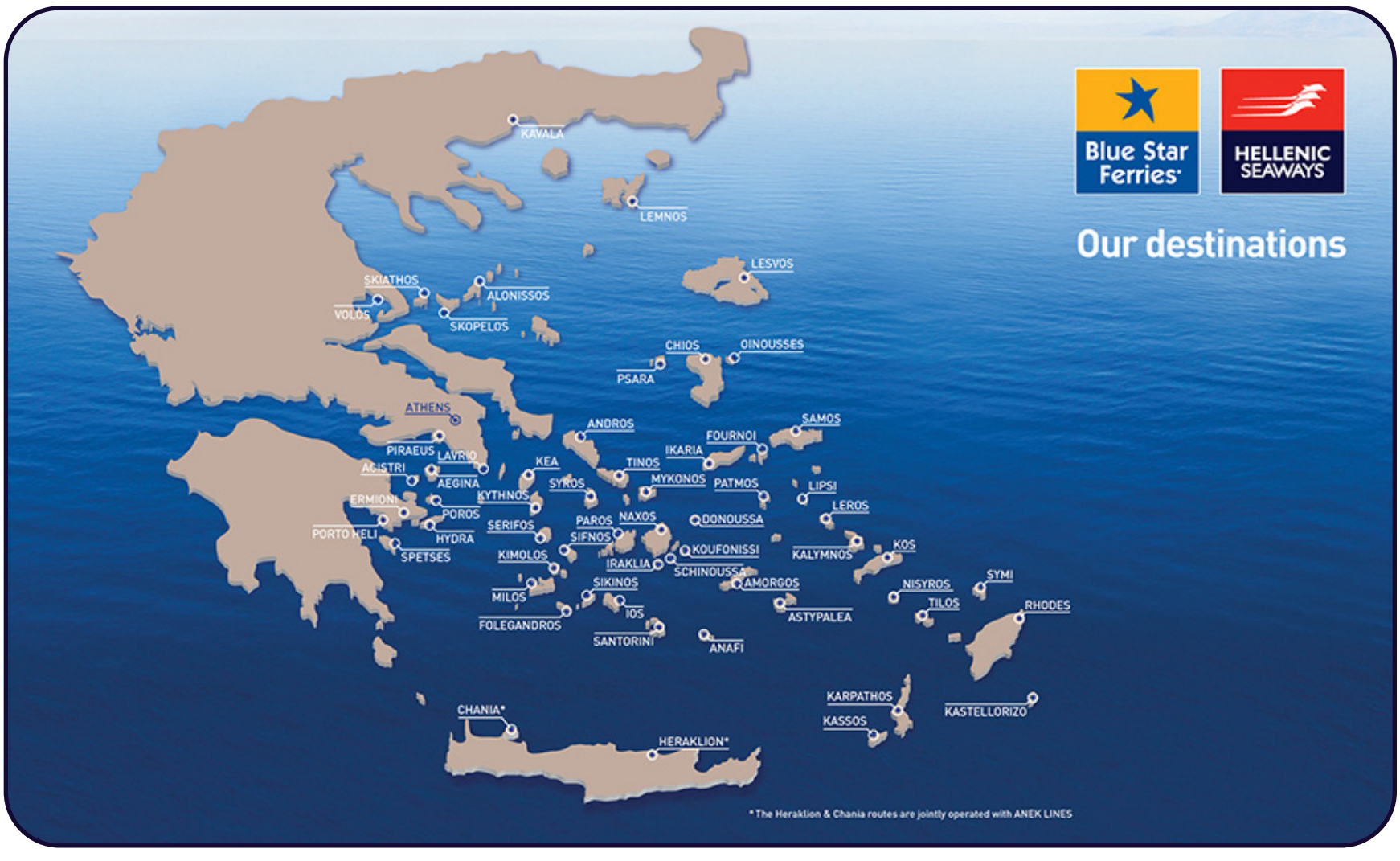
Dodecanese: Astypalea, Karpathos, Kastellorizo, Kalymnos, Kasos, Kos, Leros, Lipsi, Nisyros, Patmos, Rhodes, Symi, Tilos.

Sporades: Alonissos, Skiathos, Skopelos.

Saronic Islands: Aegina, Agistri, Hermioni, Hydra, Poros, Porto Heli, Spetses.

North & N.E. Aegean Islands: Chios, Fourni, Ikaria, Lemnos, Lesvos, Oinousses, Psara, Samos.

Crete: Chania & Heraklion.



* Please note that not all crossings are daily.

Book your island here

Piraeus Harbour Entrance Gates

Gates E1 & E2

Point of ships' arrival and departure for:
The Dodecanese, Cyclades, Ikaria, Fourni, Samos, Chios, Mytilene, Psara, Oinousses.

Gate E3

Point of ships' arrival and departure for:
Heraklion & Chania, Crete.

Gates E6 & E7

Point of ships' arrival and departure for:
Syros - Tinos - Mykonos and Ikaria - Fourni - Samos Paros- Naxos - Ios - Santorini and Syros - Amorgos - Iraklia - Schinoussa - Koufonissi - Donoussa - Anafi - Astypalea.

Gate E7

Point of ship's arrival and departure for:
Syros - Tinos - Mykonos - Ikaria - Fourni - Samos - Chios - Oinousses - Mytilene - Lemnos - Kavala.
Paros - Naxos - Koufonissi - Amorgos.

Gate E8

Point of ships' arrival and departure for:
Saronic Gulf islands: Aegina - Agistri and Poros - Hydra - Ermioni - Spetses - Porto Heli.

Available Routes

International Routes

The Greek Islands Pass with 6 days gives you the opportunity to travel between Italy and Greece. This international crossing is operated by Superfast Ferries (Attica Group) in cooperation with Anek Lines on the following routes:

	Departure	Arrival	Remarks
Greece to Italy	Patras	Ancona	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Bari	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Venice	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
	Igoumenitsa	Ancona	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Bari	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Venice	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
	Corfu	Ancona	Crossings are not daily and are operated during the summer period only (see timetable on superfast.com)
		Bari	
		Venice	
Italy to Greece	Venice	Patras	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Igoumenitsa	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Corfu	Crossings are not daily and are operated during the summer period only (see timetable on superfast.com)
	Ancona	Patras	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Igoumenitsa	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Corfu	Crossings are not daily and are operated during the summer period only (see timetable on superfast.com)
	Bari	Patras	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Igoumenitsa	Superfast Ferries/Anek Lines
		Corfu	Crossings are not daily and are operated during the summer period only (see timetable on superfast.com)

Greek Domestic Routes

The 6-day and 4-day Greek Islands Pass offer domestic trips to explore the charm of the Greek islands. If you wish to explore more islands without using a travel day, you can add more destinations to your itinerary with a 30% discount on all additional trips during the 1 month Pass validity. These trips are operated by Blue Star Ferries & Hellenic Seaways. The Crete routes are jointly operated by Blue Star Ferries & Anek Lines.

Dodecanese

- Up to 2 daily departures from Piraeus to **Kos - Rhodes**
- 5-6 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Kalymnos**
- Up to 5 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Astypalea**
- Up to 7 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Leros - Patmos**
- 1-3 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Karpathos - Kasos - Kastellorizo - Lipsi - Nisyros - Symi - Tilos**

Cyclades

- Up to 4 daily departures from Piraeus to **Naxos - Paros - Santorini**
- 5-8 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Amorgos - Ios**
- Up to 4 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Donoussa - Iraklia - Koufonissi - Schinoussa**
- Up to 3 daily departures from Piraeus to **Mykonos - Syros Tinos**
- 2 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Anafi**
- Up to 2 weekly departures from Lavrio to **Kea - Kythnos - Syros**
- Routes between the Cycladic islands: **Syros - Paros - Serifos - Sifnos - Kimolos - Milos - Sikinos - Folegandros los - Naxos - Kea - Kythnos - Andros - Tinos**

Sporades

- Up to 3 daily departures from Volos to **Skiathos - Skopelos**
- Up to 2 daily departures from Volos to **Alonissos**

Saronic Islands

- Up to 7 daily departures from Piraeus to **Aegina**
- Up to 4 daily departures from Piraeus to **Agistri**
- Up to 8 daily departures from Piraeus to **Poros**

- Up to 8 daily departures from Piraeus to **Hydra**
- Up to 4 daily departures from Piraeus to **Hermioni**
- Up to 8 daily departures from Piraeus to **Spetses**
- Up to 4 daily departures from Piraeus to **Porto Hel**

North & North-East Aegean

- Up to 12 weekly departures from Piraeus and 3 departures from Kavala to **Chios - Lesvos**
- Up to 3 weekly departures from Piraeus to **Oinousses - Psara**
- Up to 9 weekly departures from Piraeus and 2 departures from Kavala to **Ikaria - Samos**
- Up to 2 weekly departures from Piraeus, and 5 departures from Kavala to **Lemnos**
- Up to 3 weekly departures from Piraeus and 1-2 weekly departures from Kavala to **Fourni**

Chania & Heraklion

- Daily departures from Piraeus to **Heraklion** and from Piraeus to **Chania**

* Itineraries & timetables are subject to change. For more information please visit **Blue Star Ferries** and **Hellenic Seaways** websites.

How to Make a Reservation?

When travelling with your Greek Islands Pass, you must reserve a seat for each ferry you'll be travelling on. This can be done free of charge. Make sure to do so as early as possible to ensure there are still seats available.

Important: You must book your ferries in the order that you will use them! If you book out of order, your Pass will not be valid from your starting location. For example, you book your first ferry for the 10th of August, this date will be the activation date of your Pass. The next ferry you book can only be after this date, for example on the 13th of August, not on the 8th of August.

Reservation on International Routes

Holders of the 6-day Greek Islands Pass can book their international trips online (through **superfast.com** or **anek.gr**) or through the Attica Group (Superfast Ferries, Blue Star Ferries & Hellenic Seaways) Call Center in Athens (Tel. +30 210 8919200) or email to Help Desk Dept.: **helpdesk@attica-group.com**, or **helpdesk@anek-superfast.com**.

Reservation on Greek Domestic Routes

Domestic trips can be booked online (through **bluestarferries.com** or **hellenicseaways.gr**) or through the Attica Group (Superfast Ferries, Blue Star Ferries & Hellenic Seaways) Call Center in Athens (Tel. +30 210 8919200) or email to **helpdesk@attica-group.com** or **callcenter@atticagroup**.

When making a reservation, a booking reference number will be provided and with this number customers will be able to collect their boarding pass at the embarkation port (Ancona, Bari, Corfu, Igoumenitsa, Patras, Piraeus and Venice, as well as the Attica Group Port Agencies on the Greek islands).

Travelling with a Greek Islands Pass

1. Decide which islands you would like to visit.

2. Check ferry timetables and determine when you would like to travel.

3. Reserve seats for the ferries you'd like to travel on (as early as possible). In order to reserve seats you need to first activate your Pass. The 1st day of travel (the 1st destination island you choose) is the activation date of your Pass. The Pass will remain valid for 1 month.

It is very important to keep in mind that you must book your ferries in the order that you will use them! If you book out of order, your Pass will not be valid from your starting location. For example, you book your first ferry for the 10th of August, this date will be the activation date of your Pass. The next ferry you book can only be after this date, for example on the 13th of August, not on the 8th of August.

4. After reservation, you will receive a booking reference number. Use the booking reference to collect your boarding pass at the Attica Group Port Agencies.

5. When boarding*, present your passport and other travel documents (if requested) with your boarding pass.

*Boarding begins 2 hours prior to departure on the international routes and 1 hour prior to departure on the domestic routes

Accommodation

On the international routes there is 1st or 2nd class available. The Greek domestic crossings only offer 2nd class (Economy).

International Routes (Adriatic Sea)*

- 1st class customers are entitled to a bed in a shared 4-bed inside cabin with facilities
- 2nd class customers are entitled to aircraft-type seats

Domestic Routes

- 1st and 2nd class customers are entitled to Economy Class

* Only available for the Pass with 6 days

Fare Types

- 1st or 2nd class on the international crossings
- Greek domestic crossings only offer 2nd class (Economy)
- Available for the following passenger tariffs:
  - Adult
  - Youth
  - Child (aged 4-11, free when travelling with full paying adult)*
  - Senior
- Children under 4 travel for free when they don't occupy a bed/berth/air-seat

* Maximum 2 free children per one full paying adult

Train and Bus Service

With a 6-day Greek Islands Pass, you can travel for free between the international port of Patras to the domestic port of Piraeus using bus and train services of the Greek railways TRAINOSE (upon presentation of your Pass). Starting in Patras, take the bus to Kiato, and from there take the train towards Piraeus. This trip can be made at any time. It is not necessary to fill in a separate trip on your Travel Calendar.

If you travel from Italy to Corfu or Igoumenista, you can use public transportation (KTEL) from these locations to Athens. This transportation is not included in the Greek Islands Pass.

Please be aware that the free transfer between Patras and Piraeus is only included in the 6-day Greek Islands Pass.

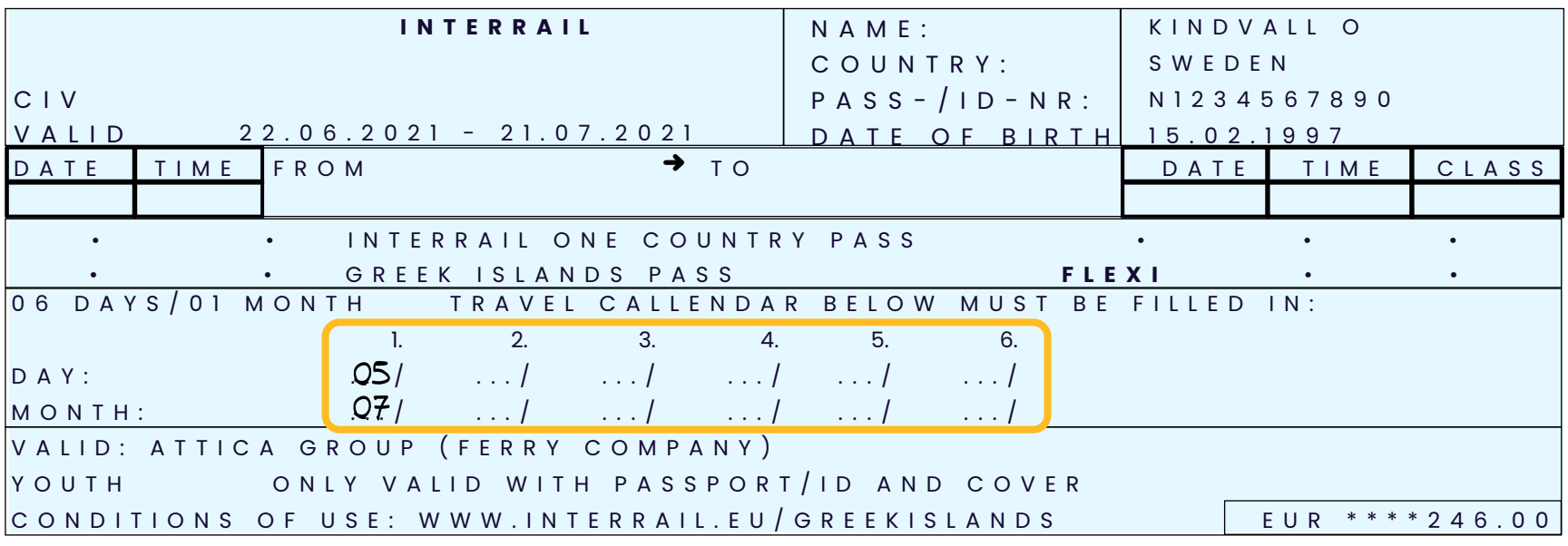
Practical Information

How to Use the Greek Islands Pass

Before you embark the ferry, it is extremely important to write the travel date in the Travel Calendar on your Pass. Your Pass is not valid for travel on days that are not marked on your Travel Calendar.

How to Fill in the Travel Calendar

The Travel Calendar will have a day and a month box for each of the days you are entitled to. The day and month should be written in the proper boxes under '1' for the first ferry day, '2' for the second ferry day, and so on. This should not be done with a pencil, but with blue or black ink.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Additional Trips

While using the Greek Island Pass, you are entitled to a discount of 30% on all additional trips. Making use of this discount does not require the use of a travel day in the Travel Calendar and can be done throughout the entire validity of the Pass. There is no limit on the amount of times the discount can be used.

Mistake in the Travel Calendar

You are advised to fill out the Travel Calendar with care. Mistakes cannot be corrected, since an altered travel date can be interpreted as attempted fraud. When a mistake is made in the Travel Calendar, it can only be corrected by entering the desired date in the next box. This means that you lose one travel day.

Do’s and don’ts for the Travel Calendar:

- Only use a pen with black or blue ink (non-erasable)
- Do not use a pencil
- Fill in the date before you start the trip
- Enter two digits per day/month (see example on the previous page)
- Please fill in the day of departure

Useful Greek phrases

Phrase	Pronunciation	Translation
Καλημέρα	Kalimera	Good morning
Ευχαριστώ	Efkaristó	Thank you
Παρακαλώ	Parakaló	You are welcome
Γεια σας	Ya sas	Hello & goobye (greeting)
Πόσο κάνει?	Póso kanei?	How much does it cost?
Στην υγειά μας!	Stin igiá mas!	Cheers!
Τι ώρα φεύγει το πλοίο?	Ti óra fevgi to plio?	What time does the ship depart?
Καληνύχτα	Kalinikta	Good night

Route Suggestions

With the Greek Islands Pass, you decide where and how you want to spend your holiday.

Syros, Paros & Naxos

This route takes travellers on a journey to three of Greece's most popular islands: Syros, Paros and Naxos. While Syros offers an outstanding culture, neoclassical buildings, and sandy beaches, Naxos enchants visitors with its impressively high mountains, fertile valleys, and traditional villages. On Paros, travellers can enjoy beautiful sunsets and discover the island's history and tasty food.

Itinerary > Piraeus - Syros - Paros - Naxos - Piraeus

Santorini, Kos & Rhodes

Travellers searching for a romantic experience and memorable adventure will surely never forget a trip to Santorini, Kos and Rhodes. These destinations not only offer beautiful beaches, spectacular scenery, and ancient cities, but also some of the world's finest wine.

Itinerary > Piraeus - Santorini - Kos - Rhodes - Piraeus

Syros, Patmos, Leros & Kalymnos

Travellers who want to explore the hidden gems of the Greek Islands definitely need to look no further than Syros, Patmos, Leros & Kalymnos. The endearing Syros merges traditional and modern Greece, whereas Patmos, Leros and Kalymnos offer an untouched nature, crystal beaches and a relaxing atmosphere.

Itinerary > Piraeus - Syros - Patmos - Leros - Kalymnos - Piraeus

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