

E-BIKE & BOAT

Peloponnese & Saronic Islands PLUS · Greece

Route

from Athens / to Athens

Duration

8 days / 7 nights

Distance

approx. 165 km

Level 1 & #40;E-Bike)

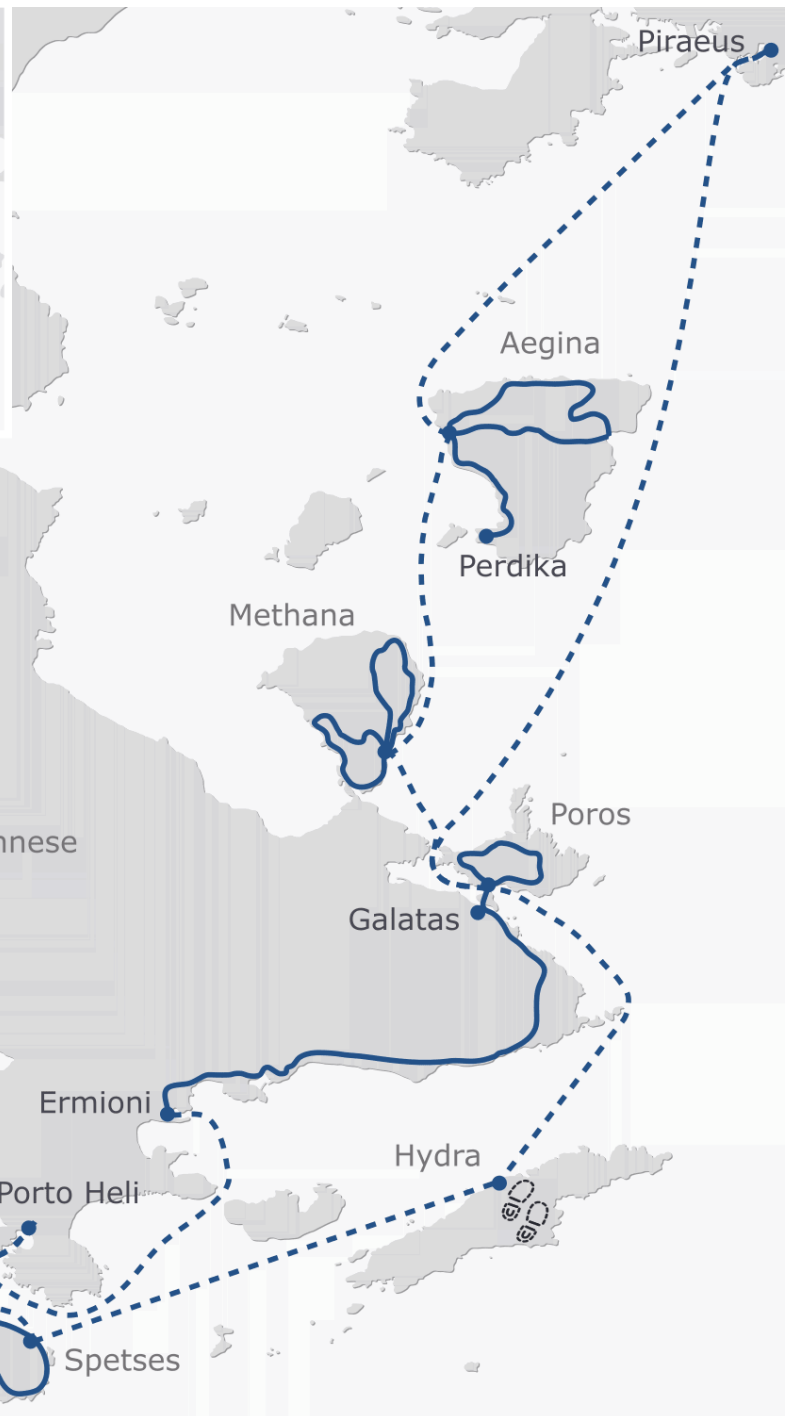
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Unique cultural sites in an island paradise

The Peloponnese is a Greek region steeped in history. Ancient Greeks, Romans, Venetians, Ottomans, and Albanians have all left their mark on the “Island of Pelops”. Discover this unique, culturally rich region as well as the diverse islands of the Saronic Gulf by boat and bike! An elegant deluxe ship will be your floating home as you travel on this one-of-a-kind journey through 2,500 years of Greek history.

Discover the enchanting islands of the Saronic Gulf. Explore the pistachio island of Aegina and marvel at the totally traffic-free island of Hydra. The islands of Poros and Spetses are home to spectacular panoramic roads while the volcanic peninsula of Methana will lead you on a geological journey through time.

This tour is part of our Islandhopping PLUS program. The PLUS tours offer our guests a PLUS all-round: a comfortable motor yacht, unlimited e-bike availability, as well as some pleasant surprises along the way.



Itinerary

1st Day Athens(Embarkation)

Individual journey to Athens (Marina Alimos). Check-in on the ship is possible from 2 pm onwards. Dinner on board and overnight stay in Piraeus.

2nd Day Island of Poros (aprx. 14 mi./23 km)

In the morning we make a crossing over to the island of Poros. Before we reach the island's main port, we enjoy a swimming stop where we have the chance to dive into the sea directly from the ship. In the afternoon and starting from the island's capital of Poros, we almost completely circumnavigate the island. In ancient times, Poros was dedicated to the sea god Poseidon. Shortly before the end of the tour we arrive at Russian Bay, a sandy beach with turquoise blue waters, the perfect place for a relaxing swim! Back in the enchanting harbour of Poros, with its iconic clock tower soaring above the rest of the town, we end our eventful day in an authentic Greek atmosphere.

3rd Day Galatas – Ermioni – Porto Heli(aprx. 25 mi./40 km)

After breakfast a small car ferry takes us from Poros to Galatas in the Peloponnese. Here we start our cycling tour which leads us along the sea and through fertile agricultural land towards the small coastal town of Ermioni. Here the boat awaits us for lunch onboard during a leisurely afternoon crossing to Porto Heli. If the weather permits, we can enjoy an extended swimming stop along the way. Overnight stay in Porto Heli.

4th Day Island of Spetses (aprx. 11 mi./18 km)

In the morning we make a short crossing over to the island of Spetses with a long swimming break in a picturesque bay along the way. Before enjoying lunch on board there is some time to explore the charming old town of Spetses on foot. The island of Spetses got its name from the Venetians, who named it "Isola della spezie", the island of herbs. The aromatic scent of wild herbs accompanies us during our afternoon bike ride along the almost traffic-free panoramic road that circles the entire island. Almost throughout the entire ride we are treated to beautiful views of the turquoise sea. At one of the spectacular beaches, we enjoy a longer break for a swim and a coffee. Afterwards we explore the old harbour of Spetses by bike before returning to the ship.

5th Day Island of Hydra – Methana Peninsula (aprx. 10 mi./17 km)

After a two-hour morning crossing, we reach the island of Hydra. Since ancient times, donkeys have been the only means of transport on this uniquely wonderful island, which during the Middle Ages came into great wealth thanks to seafaring. After the Greek War of Independence between 1821 and 1830, the island fell into a slumber of more than a hundred years. It was not until Hydra became the filming location for the 1957 film "Boy on a Dolphin", starring the memorable Sofia Loren, that the island was given new life and became an artists' mecca. After exploring the port of Hydra on foot, we continue on to the Methana peninsula. The volcanic origin of the peninsula is immediately noticeable thanks to the smell of sulphur and the iridescent colours of the rocks. The peninsula is characterized by more than 30 volcanoes, a number of which are still active, and sulphurous thermal springs, some of which are used for medicinal purposes. In the late afternoon we enjoy a panoramic round trip with a pleasant coffee break in the enchanting fishing port of Vathy. Overnight stay in Methana.

6th Day Methana Peninsula – Island of Aegina (aprx. 16 mi./25 km + optional 12 mi./20 km)

After breakfast we make another round trip on Methana with plenty of incredible views along the way. In the afternoon, we sail to the island of Aegina, well known beyond the borders of Greece for its excellent pistachios. In the old town of Aegina, there are plenty of pistachio products to purchase as well as numerous small boutiques lining the lively shopping streets. Should you not wish to walk through the town, you can also opt for a bike ride along the coast to the fishing village of Perdika. Overnight stay in Aegina town.

7th Day Island of Aegina – Piraeus/Athens (aprx. 22 mi./35 km)

The island of Aegina is famous even beyond the borders of Greece for its excellent pistachios. Today's bike tour takes us up to the sanctuary of the goddess Aphaia. The beautifully preserved temple towers high up above the blue sea, the only place on the island from where the Aegean Sea can be seen on both sides. On the ride back we will cycle through the centre of the island passing the great monastery of Saint Nektarios to Aegina city where the ship awaits. We then sail back to Athens and our exciting Greek cruise comes to an end with a final, celebrative evening on board.

8th Day Athens(Disembarkation)

After breakfast on board it is time to disembark to return home or to extend your holiday a few days longer in Athens.



Thalassa · Deluxe

Port of Embarkation

from Athens (Piräus)

Size

36 m x 8 m

Capacity

9 cabins, 18 beds

Special Features

Year of construction

2002
Complete Reconstruction: 2020 - 2022

Cabin size

9 - 12 m²

Cabin features

teak cladding, A/C, hairdryer, bathroom with a mirror, shower, washbasin and WC

Beds

double: 200 x 140 cm,
single and twin: 200 x 80 cm

Service

cabin service, mid-week towel change

Extras

stern access, quiet generator, sunning mats on the sundeck, upholstered benches at the stern, large tables with chairs on deck in the shade

Thalassa

Thalassa is a beautiful three mast motor sailor where elegance and comfort combined result in one of the most majestic ships of our fleet. The tall masts make the Thalassa an eye catcher in every harbor.

The saloon and the cabins are spacious and the wood finish give a noble touch. The vast deck provides plenty of comfortable sitting areas with tables and chairs available in the shade and sunning mats on the sundeck. Fitted ideally for maximum relaxation during the crossings from island to island.

The crew spoil their guests at mealtimes with a delicious selection of local specialties prepared in the ships own galley. No wonder that the favorite sound of our guests is the ringing of the mealtime bell!



Erato · Deluxe

Port of Embarkation

from Athens (Marina Alimos)

Size

27.5 m x 7.1 m

Capacity

6 cabins, 17 beds

Special Features

Year of construction

2001

Cabin size

10 - 12 m²

Cabin features

Air-conditioning, tiled bathroom with hairdryer, mirror, shower cabin, washbasin & WC

Beds

double 200 x 140 cm
single and twin: 200 x 80 cm

Service

Daily cabin service, mid-week towel and bedding change

Extras

Two masts with sails, noble wooden interior, deck with cushioned benches, deck chairs, large tables and chairs on deck in the shade, WiFi

Erato

The elegant motorsailer Erato offers all the comfort and luxury you could desire during your bike and boat adventure. The Bordeaux-red yacht, named after the ancient muse of lyric and love poetry, immediately captures the eye.

The cabins are clad in fine wood while the saloon offers a warm and cosy atmosphere creating a homely ambience onboard. Each of the six guest cabins below deck offers ample space, en-suite bathrooms with a shower and WC, as well as storage for your luggage.

The salon boasts a well-stocked bar and plenty of space for socialising. The outdoor area has a variety of comfortable seating and space for you to relax under the sky. The friendly, attentive crew have spent most of their lives on the water and are dedicated to helping fulfil your holiday dreams. Not to be forgotten, the Erato offers a delicious range of traditional Greek cuisine, lovingly served at every meal.

Dates, Prices & Services

Included services 2024

- 8-day trip on a motorized yacht with crew
- 7 nights in a twin cabin below deck with shower/toilet
- 2 x full-board and 5 x half-board on board
- Bottled mineral water on board and during all activities ashore
- Guided bicycle tours and sightseeing as described in the itinerary
- Entrance fee to museums and archaeological sites (group visit only)
- Bed linen and towels
- English-speaking tour guide

Not included in the basic tour price 2024

- Journey to Athens
- Beverages on board (tally sheet; to be paid to the captain)
- Meals and beverages ashore
- Entrance fee for sights not included in the tour price
- Beach towel for ashore use (if needed)
- Tips for tour guides and crew

Additional Optional Services 2024

Shared twin cabin (limited)	Available on request
Surcharge for a double cabin for single (limited)	Thalassa - 1200 euros Erato - (on request)
Rental bike with Ortlieb pannier	Hybrid bicycle: 80 euros/week E-bike: 225 euros/week (limited)
Insurance against theft and damage of the rental bike (not insured: grossly negligent damages)	Hybrid bicycle: 10 euros/week E-bike: 25 euros/week
Transfer between Athens airport and the boat (available on embarkation or disembarkation days only)	40 euros/persons Additional fees may apply for the transfer of private bicycles
Transfer between a hotel in Athens city and the boat (available on embarkation or disembarkation days only)	25 euros/person Additional fees may apply for the transfer of private bicycles
Exclusive transfers	Prices on request Additional fees may apply for the transfer of private bicycles
Additional nights (B&B) in Athens	Prices see additional nights Athens
3-day extension module – Athens; available pre and post tour	Prices see extension program Athens

4-day extension module – Santorini

Prices see [extension program Santorini](#)

4-day extension module – Mykonos

Prices see [extension program Mykonos](#)

Discounts

- Children up to age 16 receive a discount of 25 % on the basic tour price (not combinable with any other discount).
- With three persons sharing a cabin, we allow a 50 % discount on the basic tour price for the third person, regardless of age (not combinable with other discounts). When booking an above deck cabin, the above deck surcharge will not be charged for the third occupant.
- If this is your third or more Islandhopping tour booked directly with us, you will receive our SEA-YOU-AGAIN discount for your next tour in 2025.

Dates

Date	Accommodation	Start City	End City	Base Price
04.10.2024 – 11.10.2024	Erato	Athen	Athen	2.990,00 €
11.10.2024 – 18.10.2024	Erato	Athen	Athen	2.990,00 €
18.10.2024 – 25.10.2024	Erato	Athen	Athen	2.990,00 €
12.04.2024 – 19.04.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
28.06.2024 – 05.07.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
05.07.2024 – 12.07.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
12.07.2024 – 19.07.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
19.07.2024 – 26.07.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
26.07.2024 – 02.08.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
02.08.2024 – 09.08.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
09.08.2024 – 16.08.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
16.08.2024 – 23.08.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
04.10.2024 – 11.10.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
11.10.2024 – 18.10.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
18.10.2024 – 25.10.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €
25.10.2024 – 01.11.2024	Thalassa	Athen	Athen	2.790,00 €

Arrival

Port of Embarkation in Athens:
Marina Alimos (Palaia Faliro)

For our ships Erato and Thalassa the port of embarkation is ☐ [Marina Alimos](#), which is a part of the Athens suburb of Palaia Faliro. Usually the ships will dock here at Pier E. You can check in on board from 2pm on embarkation day.

If you arrive without a pre-booked transfer with us and have difficulty finding your ship, please call your local tour guide (number provided in your travel documents).

Arrival by airplane

A flight is the fastest, easiest and cheapest way to get to Greece. Piraeus, your port of embarkation is only 15 mi./25 km away from Athens Airport named [El. Venizelos Airport \(ATH\)](#).

Please choose an outbound flight departing in the afternoon to ensure a stress-free journey home.

From the Airport to the harbour

Transfer

Exclusive airport transfers between Athens Airport or a hotel in Athens city and the boat are available on request. Prices can be found under “additional bookable services”.

If you would like an exclusive airport transfer, please contact our office by email or phone:

[Contact us](#)

Taxi

You are of course welcome to take a taxi or bus from the airport to the harbour. Should you choose to do so, please insist that the driver turns on the taximeter to avoid unpleasant surprises regarding the fare.