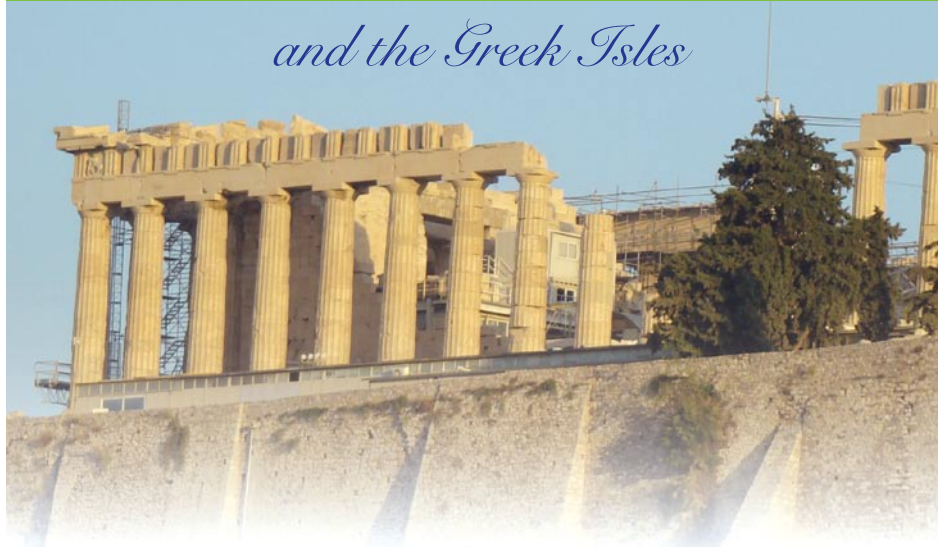


# Ancient Athens

## and the Greek Isles



Discover the mythological rich history of Athens with its prominent archaeological wonders of ancient times set in the midst of modern surroundings. Savor great food, enjoy abundant shopping and experience the lively atmosphere of this vibrant city. Venture out of Athens in style aboard the Monarch Ocean Countess. For three relaxing days, cruise the sapphire blue waters of the Aegean Sea to a variety of beautiful Greek Isles, as well as the fascinating ancient site of Ephesus in Turkey. In Greece, visit ever-popular Mykonos with its sophisticated nightlife, the beautiful Monastery of Saint John on the quaint island of Patmos, the mountainous island of Crete, and Santorini with its unique architecture and volcanic caldera, resting in Santorini for two days in a lovely resort overlooking the shimmering sea.

**Tour Offered September-October 2010 · Limited to 12 Guests**

**\$3650<sup>00</sup> USD Based on Double Occupancy · Single Supplement Charge \$975**

**DEPARTURE GUARANTEED WITH MINIMUM SIX PERSONS**

#### INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR

Most meals: Daily Breakfast, 3 Lunches, 5 Dinners and all local transportation

All entrance fees to guided sightseeing activities

Superior hotel accommodations and Outside Cabin on ship for two nights

Wine tasting and cooking class in Santorini

Regional wine with meals included on itinerary

Full-time tour leader and local professional guide

#### EXCLUDED

Alcoholic beverages except regional wine as described in itinerary

Personal purchases

Charges to hotel room such as phone, room service, laundry, spa services, Internet, etc.

Gratuity to local professional guide

International airfare

Travel Insurance

*See other side for detailed itinerary*

## ITINERARY

### Day 1

### Welcome to Athens

After settling into your lovely hotel, your guide will introduce you to the heart of ancient Athens and the lively Plaka shopping area. Get acquainted with your fellow travelers during a welcome reception and dinner. **D**

### Day 2

### Set Sail for Mykonos

After breakfast, board your beautiful Greek ocean liner, your aquatic residence for the next two nights. Your first stop will take you to the colorful island of Mykonos where you will have plenty of time for sightseeing, shopping or soaking up rays on the beach. **B, L, D**

### Day 3

### Step Back in Time

In the morning, your guide will introduce you to ancient life (believed to date back 5000 years) as you visit the spell-binding archaeological site of Ephesus. You can also shop for Turkish treasures such as beautiful hand-made rugs by local villagers. Cruise onward to Patmos for a relaxing afternoon exploration of this picturesque island. **B, L, D**

### Day 4

### Welcome to Crete

Get a glimpse of the largest and southernmost Greek island of Crete. This visit is sure to entice you to return one day to see more of this beautiful and varied island! Your last stop on the Princess will take you to Santorini where you will have plenty of time to explore during your two-day sojourn at a luxurious hotel with breath-taking views of the sea below. **B, L**

### Day 5

### Sensational Santorini

Discover the secrets of this popular island in the morning with your guide. In the afternoon, enjoy a cooking class and regional cuisine for lunch, then tour a small winery tasting its local production. You will have ample time to enjoy the abundant shopping and beautiful beaches on this stunning island, thought to be by many the most beautiful in all of Greece. **B, D**

### Day 6

### Santorini Sun & Shopping/Athens

Take time to relax and spend this day as you wish to fully enjoy Santorini's plentiful beaches, shops and sights. Fly back to Athens late in the afternoon, returning to your hotel for the next two nights. **B**

### Day 7

### Athens ~ More Sights & Shopping!!

Re-join our knowledgeable guide in the morning to visit more of Athen's fascinating venues. Your afternoon will be free to shop the popular Kolonaki area or perhaps visit the newly relocated Acropolis Museum. Wrap-up your Grecian adventure with lively music and a farewell dinner in the heart of Athens. **B, D**

### Day 8

### Journey Home!

After breakfast, transfer to Athens Airport for your departure home. **B**

*B = Breakfast / L = Lunch / D = Dinner*

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