

Florida State University OLLI
Study Abroad with Dr. Arleen Pabon...
Ancient Greece and Its Islands

featuring Classical Greece, Santorini & Crete
with optional 3-Night Istanbul Post Tour Extension

May 21 – June 4, 2021



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15 Days • 21 Meals: 13 Breakfasts, 8 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Athens, Taverna Dinner Show, Acropolis, Cape Sounion at Sunset, Delphi, Olympia, Olympic Stadium, Greek Dance Class, Mycenae, Epidauros, Nafplio, Tiryns, Santorini, Ancient Akrotiri, Crete

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Electra Palace Hotel Athens, Athens
Day 5	Domotel Anemolia Resort & Conference, Arachova
Day 6	Amalia Hotel Olympia, Olympia
Day 7	Amalia Hotel Nafplio, Nafplio
Day 8	Crowne Plaza Athens City Center, Athens
Days 9 – 11	Volcano View Hotel , Santorini
Days 12, 13	Aquila Atlantis Hotel , Crete
Day 14	Holiday Inn Athens Attica, Athens

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

Day 1: Friday, May 21, 2021 Overnight Flight Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. This fascinating tour of Greece begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Saturday, May 22, 2021 Athens, Greece - Tour Begins -

Lecture: Hellas Forever Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at Cape Sounion. After, bask in the Temple of Poseidon at sunset. (D)

Day 3: Sunday, May 23, 2021 Athens - Lecture: Greek Temple

Architecture Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Olympic Stadium. Take a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis and embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including Pnyx – where democracy was formed in Greece – and the Temple of Hephaestus. Visit the Ancient Agora of Classical Athens, the best-preserved example of a Greek agora. Ancient Athenians once assembled in this public space to discuss everything, from the weather to politics to philosophy. (B)

Day 4: Monday, May 24, 2021 Athens - Lecture: The Athenian

Acropolis Your deep dive into ancient Greece continues with a trip to the National Archaeological Museum, home to the most important collection of ancient Greek artifacts in the world. In a traditional *taverna*, feast on local cuisine and wine while enjoying Greek entertainment. (B, D)

Day 5: Tuesday, May 25, 2021 Athens - Delphi - Arachova - Lecture:

Greek Temene This morning, as you leave Athens behind and head to Delphi learn about the regions history as the Attic Peninsula. Arrive in Delphi one of Greece's most important religious centers during Classical times. En route, visit the Leonidas Monument. This monument celebrates the small band of Spartan soldiers that were largely outnumbered by the Persian Army, yet still managed to defend Athens. Upon arrival in Delphi, a local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, the ancient theatre, the Sanctuary of Athena Pronaia and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of Man. (B, D)

Day 6: Wednesday, May 26, 2021 Arachova – Olympia - Lecture:

Being Greek Travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium – where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. – and the museum. Next, visit the Archaeological Museum of Olympia. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Thursday, May 27, 2021 Olympia - Mycenae - Tiryns –

Nafplio - Lecture: The Iliad, Schliemann and Evans Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the ancient city of Mycenae for a guided visit of the excavations featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate. Visit the tomb of Agamemnon. Make a stop at Tiryns, a hill fort from seven thousand years ago. At its peak, Tiryns was one of the most important centers of the Mycenaean world. Next, visit the Cyclopean walls at your leisure. Your day ends in the picturesque seaside resort of Nafplio. (B)

Day 8: Friday, May 28, 2021 Nafplio - Epidauros - Corinth – Athens -

Lecture: The Greek Theater This morning, transfer back to Athens. En route, visit the Epidauros Open Air Theater. Make a stop at Corinth where St. Paul wrote two epistles, lived and preached for two years. Explore ancient Corinth on a guided tour of the Agora and the Bema. Enjoy an evening at leisure in Athens. (B)



Per Person Rates*:

Double \$7,329; Single \$9,629; Triple \$7,229

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Tallahassee Municipal, Inter-flights from Crete (Heraklion), Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$399 per person

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Additional rate of: Business Class \$3,690

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 9: Saturday, May 29, 2021 Athens – Santorini - Lecture: Like frogs around a pond – Greek City States Cruise to the most spectacular destination in the Mediterranean, the fabled island of Santorini. Upon arrival, travel through a fascinating landscape of vineyards, whitewashed chapels and volcanic cliffs to the spectacular town of Oia, where the best views of the crater are found. End your day with a visit to a local winery that produces the unique and famous wines of Santorini. (B, D)

Day 10: Sunday, May 30, 2021 Santorini - Lecture: Architecture and Devastation Begin your day with a visit to the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the most important prehistoric settlement found anywhere in the Eastern Mediterranean. Known as the "Minoan Pompeii," the flourishing town was at once destroyed and preserved by a volcanic eruption around 1450 B.C. Afterwards, experience the tallest peak on the island, Profits Ilias Mountain, topped with a monastery. Named for the Prophet Elijah, the mountain offers spectacular views of the entire island. Then, explore the village of Pyrgos and its labyrinth of medieval streets and buildings. Complete your day with a dinner cruise, where you'll dine as your ship takes you around the Santorini Caldera, the ocean remnants of an ancient volcanic eruption. (B, D)

Day 11: Monday, May 31, 2021 Santorini Your day is at leisure to relax or independently explore Santorini, considered one of the most stunning landscapes in the world. Shop in the charming town center,

take in the breathtaking scenery, visit a local museum or simply enjoy the amenities of your hotel. (B)

Day 12: Tuesday, June 1, 2021 Santorini – Crete - Lecture: Mycenae: The First Superpower Spend the morning at your leisure exploring Santorini. Next, take a ferry to Crete where you'll stay for the next two nights. On the way, bask in the beauty of the Aegean Sea. (B, D)

Day 13: Wednesday, June 2, 2021 Crete - Lecture: Our Sea Start your day in Crete by venturing to the Heraklion ruins of Knossos, often referred to as the "most ancient city in Europe." This is the largest, and most intact, Bronze Age archeological site on Crete, and the place where the legendary Minotaur was supposedly imprisoned in a labyrinth. Spend the rest of your day exploring the island of Crete how you wish, with free time for the rest of the day. You could visit sites like the Venetian Fortress, Chania Cathedral, the Rethymno Fortezza Mosque, or simply relax and bask in the Mediterranean sun. (B)

Day 14: Thursday, June 3, 2021 Crete - Athens Bid farewell to the Greek Islands and fly back to Athens for your last night in Greece! (B, D)

Day 15: Friday, June 4, 2021 Athens - Tour Ends Your historic tour ends today. (B)

Experience It! Santorini

Santorini came to be after a massive volcanic eruption that destroyed the earliest settlements on what was originally a single island located in the southern Aegean Sea. The history of the island can be seen at the Minoan site of Akrotiri. Santorini is also known for their modernistic wineries, breweries, Cyclades dining, accomplished artists, and multicolored beaches.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1039002>

Extend your vacation with

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Istanbul Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$1,309.00 USD per person, double, land/air inclusive

4 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

Day 15: Athens – Istanbul, Turkey

Lecture: Roma Nova & The Fall of Constantinople

Depart Greece and make your way to Istanbul, Turkey's most popular city. Considered to be the bridge between the East and the West, Istanbul is a central hub for intermingling cultures, complicated history, and legendary architecture. The city was the former capital of the Byzantine and Ottoman empires – which is seen through its blend of times-gone-by nostalgia and ever-evolving modernity. Arriving in Istanbul, you will transfer to your hotel and the rest of the day is at leisure to start exploring on your own.

Day 16: Istanbul

Discover the city with a local guide. Start your morning at the famous Hagia Sophia,* the Church of the Holy Wisdom. At the time it was built, this massive cathedral was the largest in the world. Continue on to the Blue Mosque,** where vibrant blue tiles line the building's opulent interior walls. After free time for lunch, continue exploring Istanbul with your local expert. Make your way through the lively Grand Bazaar and Spice Market, surrounding yourself with artisan crafts, buzzing energy, and exciting vendors. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Today breakfast will be included.

Day 17: Istanbul

Continue checking off the must sees of Istanbul today. Spend time at the Basilica Cistern in addition to the Topkapi Palace. This afternoon is at your leisure to explore as you wish before you join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 18: Istanbul - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

Alternate hotels may be used.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available at other times.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

*The Hagia Sophia is closed on Mondays. Should your visit fall on a Monday, the order of sightseeing will be rearranged in order to accommodate your schedule.

**No shoes are allowed when entering any mosque. Shoes are to remain outside and socks are recommended during this visit. Women will also be required to wear a head scarf; these are available at each Mosque at no charge.

A minimum of 15 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

Air inclusive rate is valid for guests who have purchased our air package for the full tour. Rate will vary for those who have purchased their own air.

A visa is required for travel to Turkey and needs to be obtained in advance in E-Visa form at <https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/>. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. Other nationalities need to consult their embassies/consulates for proper documentation.

This extension requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestone streets.

PLEASE NOTE:

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Due to the nature of this itinerary, both 3- and 4-star hotels that may be located in the vicinity of historic centers will be utilized.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, ferries, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

In order to access the Acropolis archeological site, you will be required to climb about 30-40 uneven steps and walking over rugged terrain with loose stones and without railings. You will be travelling by public ferryboats between Santorini and Crete. In addition to handling your own luggage on and off the ferries, you must be prepared to climb 1 or 2 flights of steep steps to access the passenger section of the ferryboats. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may find these transfers challenging and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our travel counselors can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of December 15, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by March 22, 2021. Deposits are refundable up until December 22, 2020.

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TOUR: Ancient Greece and Its Islands *featuring*
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DEPARTURE DATE: May 21, 2021

GROUP NAME: Florida State University OLLI

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Athens



Athens Local Food Tour

\$110 USD

Experience Athens as a local! Join a local guide for a walking tour highlighting the cuisine of Athens. You'll make your way through three neighborhoods in the city, full of hidden gems that few travelers ever get to see. Be welcomed into several local restaurants, bakeries and markets to sample some of the area's best culinary specialties and wine. Your guide will explain the significance each dish serves to the culture and region. You'll learn about common grocery items found in the markets and the importance of spices used in Greek cooking. Along the way, view the traditional architecture and see historic artifacts from ancient Athens that were recently discovered. This option doesn't operate on national and religious holidays when most venues are closed. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



Walking Tour in Megalochori and Santorini Dinner

\$95 USD

Travel to the southern side of Santorini to the small traditional village of Megalochori, one of the most picturesque villages on the island dating back to the 17th century. Embark on a walking tour through the narrow alleys and peek into the small shops, markets and churches for a taste of the local life. After your walking tour, make your way to a local restaurant. Savor regional cuisine during your delicious 3-course dinner in an open setting with breathtaking views of the rich, blue Aegean waters. Sit back and relax as you toast to your incredible experience. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

PASSENGERS NAME: (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____ Nickname: _____
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print **EXACTLY** as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
_____	Athens Local Food Tour <i>This option doesn't operate on national and religious holidays when most venues are closed.</i>	110.00
_____	Walking Tour in Megalochori and Santorini Dinner	95.00

Please make checks payable to Collette and send to:

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Attn: Debra Herman
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TRAVEL DATE: 5/21/2021 TERRITORY: S9
RES#: 1039002

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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) **as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.**

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____ Email Address: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) _____ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) _____

City, State, Country of Issuance: _____ Citizenship: _____

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you): _____ Phone: () _____

ROOMING WITH: ☐ Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

AIR GATEWAY: Departure airport for this tour: _____

Air Seat Request: () Aisle () Window () Next To Traveling Companion

Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times. Please be advised, when travelling as part of a group, many airlines do not provide seat assignments. Preferred seating may be available for an additional charge.

Please reserve an upgrade to Elite Airfare for an additional rate of: ☐ Business Class \$3,690

Service is limited and not available on all flights or carriers. Other restrictions may apply. Please note: if you purchase an upgrade we cannot guarantee the same flight schedule as the group. If Business class service has been purchased, it is for the international portion of the journey only.

Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? () Yes () No

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TRAVEL PROTECTION: () Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$399 () No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

EXTENSION: I wish to purchase "3-Night Istanbul" () Yes () No

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Collette

Waiver/Insurance Amount: \$ _____ Deposit Amount: \$ _____ Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED for acceptance of the below conditions:

Date: _____

I understand and accept the cancellation policy, terms and conditions. See <http://www.gocollette.com/about-collette/terms-and-conditions> for full terms and conditions of your purchase.

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