

At the heart of the Greek islands

From **25/08/2027**
to **01/09/2027**

Ship: *Le Lapérouse*

From **Athens**
to **Athens**



The **Greek Islands, from the Peloponnese to the Cyclades via the Dodecanese**, are fascinating, bewitching and captivating. These jewels of the **Aegean Sea** exude **striking beauty, their scenery like a painting**: jagged coastlines edged with paradisiacal turquoise water, secret coves, white sandy beaches, limestone cliffs, mountains covered by blue-shuttered whitewashed houses, century-old olive trees... However, going beyond the picture postcard landscapes, the **entire ancient soul of Greece** reveals itself here. Each island whispers myths, unveils forgotten sanctuaries, temples facing the wind and traditions passed down from generation to generation. **A timeless odyssey**, which will end on a high in Athens, city of the gods and the eternal symbol of the **Mediterranean of antiquity**.



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YOUR STOPOVERS :

ATHENS

Embarkation 25/08/2027 from 16:00 to 17:00

Departure 25/08/2027 at 18:30

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PATMOS

Arrival 26/08/2027 early morning

Departure 26/08/2027 early evening

Patmos is one of the legendary must-see islands in the Dodecanese. This is where Saint John resided, presumed author of the last book in the Bible. The **cave of the Apocalypse** and the **Saint John Monastery** are dedicated to him. These sites, which are listed by UNESCO as World Heritage, are located at the top of a hillside planted with vines and orchards. On the shore, the crystalline coves of Kambos and Lampi offer absolutely gorgeous swimming areas.

SYMI

Arrival 27/08/2027 early morning

Departure 27/08/2027 early evening

A simply ravishing gem in the Dodecanese, Symi is located north-west of Rhodes. This island of cypress forests, vineyards and olive orchards, possesses a capital city of the same name that is as colourful as the surrounding countryside. The charm of the port district of **Gialos** is not to be missed: its quaysides are lined with picturesque houses with multi-coloured facades. You can get to the upper town by car or climb the 500 steps up the **Kali Strata** ramp. The second option offers superb viewing points of the coast and gorgeous turquoise waters.

AMORGOS

Arrival 28/08/2027 early morning

Departure 28/08/2027 mid afternoon

It's no accident that the island of Amorgos was chosen as a shooting location for Luc Besson's film, *The Big Blue*. You too will fall under the charm of this island as your ship edges closer. Amorgos is the most easterly island in the **Cyclades** and stands out for its **rocky inlets** with crystal-clear water and its small, **picturesque villages**. This port of call will be your chance to visit one of the prettiest villages in the Cyclades, Chora, and discover its cobbled streets and whitewashed houses overlooked by a castle. **Byzantine churches**, windmills and courtyards brimming with flowers complete this typical tableau of timeless Greece.

SAILING IN THE SANTORINI CALDERA

Arrival 28/08/2027 late evening

Departure 28/08/2027 late evening

Sailing in the waters of **Santorini caldera** is breathtaking. The gigantic scale of the unique setting, the majesty of the high cliffs surrounds this **ancient crater** that was flooded in 2000 years before Christ, is one of the highlights of the cruise. From your ship, the colourful whites, greys, reds of the volcanic rocks, the blue of the Aegean Sea and the immaculate perched villages form a unique and marvellous spectacle.

ADAMAS, MILOS

Arrival 29/08/2027 early morning

Departure 29/08/2027 late afternoon

Although Milos is especially renowned for the famous **statue of Venus** found in a field there and now displayed in the Louvre in Paris, this **mineral island** is also a geological treasure. Its volcanic origin is evident in its breathtaking landscapes and the colours of its cliffs, ranging from pure white to deep red. You'll discover the **wild beauty** of the shorelines lined with the most beautiful beaches in Greece from a ship deck, and you'll enjoy privileged access to **emerald-green coves**. Tiny **fishing ports** like Adamas hide there, with brightly-painted doors and terraces. Milos is a charming port of call in the heart of the Cyclades.

DELOS

Arrival 30/08/2027 early morning

Departure 30/08/2027 midday

This legendary Cyclades island of Delos stands just a few miles southwest of Mykonos. The ceremonial solemnity of this **ancient holy sanctuary** will not leave you indifferent. The sheer size and importance of this UNESCO World Heritage site which covers over half of the island is thrilling in itself. From the Stoa of Antigonos, the **Terrace of the Lions**, to the carved marble animal statues, you will make discovery after discovery, against a backdrop of the Aegean stretching to the horizon. The theatre steps on the hillside are a particularly good place from which to enjoy the expansive view.

PAROS

Arrival 30/08/2027 early afternoon

Departure 30/08/2027 evening

Famous for its white marble, the island of Paros is located in the Cyclades. Along the quays of **Parikia**, its main town, you'll see Byzantine churches and neoclassical buildings. To make the most of the turquoise waters, you can stop over in **Naoussa**. This little fishing port is bounded by a very beautiful cove.

HYDRA

Arrival 31/08/2027 early morning

Departure 31/08/2027 late afternoon

This unusual gem belonging to the Saronic islands is located to the east of the Peloponnese. There are no cars here. Named after the island, the harbour town is layered up the slopes of a mountainous bay. You may be surprised to see beautiful **stone mansions**. These are traditional here, as are the multi-coloured *caïques* along the quays. Further along the shore, you will discover the Historical Archives Museum. Collections from Athens National History Museum are exhibited in the elegant **villa Koundouriotis**.

ATHENS

Arrival 01/09/2027

Disembarkation 01/09/2027 at 08:00

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