# THE GREEK ISLES BY LUXURY SAILING YACHT LEPONANT

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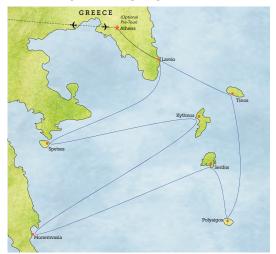
The Greek Isles by Luxury Sailing Yacht | Itinerary and Highlights (subject to change)

Day 1: EN ROUTE FROM U.S.

- Day 2: ARRIVE IN ATHENS, GREECE I LAVRIO EMBARKATION Upon arriving an Orbridge representative will be waiting to assist with your transfer to the private yacht in Lavrio. Stepping on board *Le Ponant*, you'll notice a welcoming atmosphere of tranquility. Take time to unpack and familiarize yourself with your stateroom and the yacht's public spaces. This evening, gather for a special welcome reception followed by your first dinner on board. Overnight: *Le Ponant* (R,D)
- Day 3: TINOS Our first port of call, Tinos, beckons with spiritual allure. Famed for the miraculous shrine of the Holy Church of Panagia, this island is a haven for those seeking an intimate refuge amidst unspoiled landscapes. Disembark and choose one of two included excursions. Set off on a guided hike along a rocky trail, passing by the ruins of a Venetian fortress and stopping at the quaint village of Volax to admire the traditional art of basket weaving before arriving at Agapi-one of the island's oldest villages-for a delicious lunch. Alternatively, join a village tour by motor coach, first visiting Volax and the basket weavers followed by a museum tour at Pyrgos to gain insight into the island's tradition of marble art. Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,D)
- Day 4: POLYAIGOS *Le Ponant* glides south towards Polyaigos, the uninhabited gem of the Cyclades, for a full day of water activities and blissful leisure time. Swim, snorkel and paddleboard in crystal-clear waters around the yacht. Or join a group to fish just off the bow. Set off on a Zodiac tour to discover the pristine paradise of Polyaigos. Swim and snorkel around the secluded beaches, reveling in the exclusive experiences in this private maritime sanctuary.

Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,D)

Day 5: SERIFOS The enchanting island of Serifos unfolds like a dream. Visit the Monastery of Taxiarches, view the well-preserved remains of a white marble tower dating back to the 4th century BC and visit Mega Livadi, one of the main loading sites for the island's mining industry. Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,D)



- Day 6: MONEMVASIA (PELOPONNESE) Next visit the medieval village of Monemvasia known as the "Gibraltar of the East." During a guided walking tour discover notable highlights of the lower and upper town. Afterward gain insight into olive oil production during a tour tasting experience at an olive oil estate in Liotrivi. Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,D)
- Day 7: KYTHNOS After breakfast on board, disembark in Kythnos, an arid and rocky island covered in thick evergreen underbrush. Bask in the tranquility of Loutra, known for its thermal springs, or explore the charming main town of Chora. Be tempted to nap beneath an umbrella on the beach, or swim, paddleboard or kayak before returning to the yacht early evening. Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,D)
- Day 8: SPETSES Step onto a pedestrian-only island of aristocratic elegance and maritime history. Board a horse-drawn carriage for a relaxing journey to the historic mansionturned-museum of Laskarina Bouboulina, a heroine of the Greek War of Independence. The museum offers a glimpse into her extraordinary life and achievements. Bicycles and e-bikes will also be available all day for independent exploration of Spetses. Overnight: Le Ponant (B,L,R,D)
- Day 9: LAVRIO DISEMBARKATION | ATHENS | DEPART FOR U.S. After breakfast on the yacht, disembark to connect with the complimentary transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner, R = Reception)



## What's Included

- 7 nights aboard private sailing yacht, Le Ponant
- All onboard hand-crafted meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners (served with wine, beer or non-alcoholic beverages) plus special welcome and farewell receptions
- Unlimited select complimentary beverages available 24/7 on board the yacht, including in the comfort of your stateroom
- All private tours and special small-group excursions as noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to ship crew, Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times





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Activity Level: Guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance.





### Le Ponant

Ignite your passion for sailing, travel and exploring new horizons. This legendary three-masted yacht is the ideal size to venture into secluded coves, bays and inlets—with navigation under sail the moment conditions allow. Refined gastronomy, spacious common areas, the availability of indulgent spa treatments for purchase, attentive crew, and environmentally friendly equipment encapsulate the grandeur of this exclusive tour.





#### SUN DECK



ZÉPHYR DECK



#### ALIZÉS DECK



MISTRAL DECK











#### Mistral

One king or two single beds, one porthole window, dressing room, private bathroom with shower (approx 150 sq.ft.).



Mistral Prestige

One king or two single beds, one porthole window, dressing room, private bathroom with shower (approx. 172 sq.ft.).



#### Alizés

One king or two single beds, dressing room, private bathroom with shower, glazed panoramic swing door, private balcony (approx. 172 sq.ft.).



Mistral Junior Suite One king or two single beds, two porthole windows, dressing room, lounge area with sofa bed and armchair, private bathroom with shower (approx 226 sq.ft.).





Alizés Prestige

One king or two single beds, dressing room, private bathroom with shower, glazed panoramic swing door, private balcony with two armchairs (approx. 204 sq.ft.).



#### Mistral Prestige Suite

One king or two single beds, two porthole windows, dressing room, lounge area with sofa bed and armchair, private bathroom with shower (approx. 290 sq.ft.).



#### Alizés Privilege Suite

Champagne and fruit basket upon arrival, sweet or savory canapés and fruit basket daily, one king or two single beds, lounge area with sofa bed and two armchairs, private bathroom with two showers, panoramic window and glazed panoramic swing door, private balcony with four armchairs (approx. 322 sq.ft.).



#### Owner's Suite

Champagne and fruit basket upon arrival, sweet or savory canapés and fruit basket daily, one-hour spa treatment (for two), premium drinks at the bar, room service for main meals, one king or two single beds, dining area for four, lounge area with sofa bed and armchair, private bathroom with two showers, panoramic glazed swing door and three porthole windows, private balcony with two armchairs (approx. 505 sq.ft.).

# Optional Pre-Tour Athens

Enjoy additional time in the ancient city of Athens, where history and modernity entwine. The city's warm hospitality welcomes you to explore its charming streets filled with quaint cafés, traditional tavernas and lively markets.

Day +1: EN ROUTE FROM U.S.

- Day +2: ARRIVE IN ATHENS, GREECE Upon arrival to Athens International Airport transfer to the hotel to enjoy the evening at leisure. Overnight: Athens Capital Center Hotel
- Day +3: ATHENS Following breakfast join your local guide for a tour of the Acropolis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Acropolis has a history dating back to the Mycenaean period and has been continuously inhabited and developed over the centuries. This afternoon peruse artifacts and interactive exhibits at the Acropolis Museum, which is an archaeological excavation site itself. Ascending through the museum's three levels, each step unveils a new chapter in Greece's illustrious past, from the Archaic period to the Roman era. Layers of history unfold through the exhibits: Gallery of the Slopes of the Acropolis, Archaic Gallery and Parthenon Gallery. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Overnight: Athens Capital Center Hotel (B)
- Day +4: ATHENS This morning join your guide for a combination bus and walking tour featuring a blend of exploration and immersion into Athens' vibrant tapestry. Visit a variety of local shops and cafés to sample an array of traditional coffees, pastries and finger foods. Continuing the journey, meet a dance instructor for a special lesson in Greek dance and interpretation.

Overnight: Athens Capital Center Hotel (B)

Day +5: ATHENS I CAPE SOUNION I MAIN PROGRAM BEGINS Today sojourn to Cape Sounion situated at the southernmost tip of the Attica Peninsula for a guided tour of the Temple of Poseidon. After lunch at a local taverna, transfer to Lavrio to join guests arriving for the main program and embarkation. (B,L)

# What's Included

- 3 nights at Athens Capital Center Hotel (or similar)
- 3 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Guided panoramic city tour
- Guided tours of the Acropolis and Temple of Poseidon
- Admission to the Acropolis Museum
- Guided culinary and cultural city tour
- Transportation for included tours
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guide, driver, porters, hotel staff and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving during the suggested times

