



LUXURY EXPEDITION CRUISES

Cruising the Greek Isles 2020

10 days from \$23,995 per person

Limited to 148 guests

Sail on A&K's bestselling cruise to Greece and explore fascinating ruins and natural marvels from aboard exclusively chartered 'Le Bougainville.' Joined by A&K's Expedition Team, visit both iconic sites and lesser-known gems that span Santorini, Mykonos, Knossos in Crete, Rhodes, Symi, Delos and Syros.

Included With This Luxury Expedition Cruise

- An Exclusively Chartered, All-Inclusive Voyage Led by A&K's Expedition Team
- Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Stays at Stylish, Ideally Located Hotels and A&K-Led City Tours
- Airport Meet and Greet and Transfers
- Private Balcony with Every Onboard Accommodation and Butler Service with Every Suite
- Maximum Personnel-to-Guest Ratio of 1 to 1.3
- Culinary Program Featuring French-Inspired Cuisine, Including House Drinks, Afternoon Tea and Pastries
- 24-Hour Room Service and Breakfast in Bed
- Complimentary Expedition Parka, Backpack and Water Bottle, and Use of Waterproof Pants, Boots and Trekking Poles
- Zodiac Excursions Led by Expert Naturalist Driver-Guides
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- All Gratuities, Port Charges and Taxes
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on Board and in Hotels
- Onboard Service from an English-Speaking Staff, Including an Accredited Physician
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support

A&K Advantages

- Cruise for seven nights on luxury 'Le Bougainville,' enjoying all-balcony accommodations and a capacity limited to just 148 guests, including additional suite accommodations with butler service
- Begin with a two-night stay in Athens at the glamorous Hotel Grande Bretagne
- Sail with a remarkable team curated by A&K, featuring our award-winning Expedition Team and local guides, a skilled service staff and crew, and one of the best personnel-to-guest ratios at 1 to 1.3
- Enjoy all-inclusive cruising with included gratuities, unlimited house drinks, every onboard meal and most meals ashore, port charges, complimentary Wi-Fi, and Traveller's Valet laundry service
- Design your days on land exactly as you wish, choosing from included, expertly curated excursions or bespoke experiences arranged just for you — an offering you won't find anywhere else
- Experience the benefits of small-ship cruising in Greece, with access to lesser-known Symi, Delos and Syros
- Enjoy an exclusive A&K evening event in Athens featuring a unique venue, local cuisine and live entertainment
- Privately visit a picturesque organic farm in Crete, where you participate in a cooking demonstration and sample fresh ingredients at their source
- Sample celebrated Santorini wines during an exclusive excursion led by a wine expert

Itinerary

SEP 23 ARRIVE ATHENS, GREECE

Arrive in Athens, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Join fellow guests for a welcome reception this evening.

Hotel Grande Bretagne

SEP 24 ATHENS | ANCIENT MAJESTY

Wake in the world's ancient capital, a veritable open-air museum filled with iconic architecture. Choose to begin your day at the Acropolis, where you discover its Hellenistic ruins, among them the majestic Parthenon. Take in stunning views over the Plaka Quarter; the ancient Agora; and the Theater of Dionysus, where the tragedies of Sophocles and Euripides were performed. Alternately, set out on a scenic drive to the Peloponnese peninsula, pausing at the 19th-century Corinth Canal, an engineering marvel. Continue to the Argolis region, the land of Homer's Golden Mycenae. Admire the Cyclopean Walls, the Lion's Gate and the Royal Tombs, including the Treasury of Atreus and the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Epidaurus, where you stand in awe of its ancient, acoustically impressive theater. Should you prefer to experience Athens' art scene instead, meet your art-focused guide and walk to a nearby gallery, learning about local, contemporary artists. Proceed to the Benaki Museum, the oldest in Greece, where you discover its eclectic, extensive collection of works from the Bronze Age. This evening, join your Expedition Team and fellow guests for a festive, private event on an Athenian street, featuring a scenic view of the Acropolis, live music and dancing with folkloric entertainment.

Hotel Grande Bretagne | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 25 ATHENS | SETTING SAIL

After breakfast at your hotel, spend the morning at leisure or join a guided visit to the renowned Acropolis Museum, seeing its antiquities that span the Bronze Age to the Roman and Byzantine eras. Regroup with fellow guests for lunch at a beloved restaurant overlooking the Acropolis and Parthenon. After some time at leisure, enjoy a guided panoramic tour of Athens and head to the port of Piraeus to board stylish 'Le Bougainville,' your exclusively chartered home for the next seven nights.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 26 CRETE | CULTURAL IMMERSIONS & MINOAN TREASURES

Disembark in Heraklion this morning and join one of three expert-led shore excursions. Choose to visit the famous Archaeological Museum, discovering its Minoan art and artifacts from the Neolithic period to Roman times. Proceed to Knossos for a guided visit to King Minos' imposing Minoan palace, which dates back to the 15th century BC, then sit down to an authentic Cretan lunch. Alternately, visit the Historical Museum of Heraklion, which showcases the cultural heritage of Crete from Byzantine through modern times. Soak in living history during a walking tour of the city, seeing fabled Lion Square and 25th of August Street with its stunning neoclassical architecture. After some time at leisure, set out on a scenic drive through the island and enjoy a lunch of local specialties. You may also choose to visit Heraklion's renowned Archaeological Museum, followed by a scenic drive to a hilltop farm. Learn how to make cheese and grow olives; attend a hands-on cooking demonstration, kneading bread and making local dishes; and then enjoy lunch on the terrace overlooking the fields and sea. Each excursion concludes in the port town of Rethymnon, where you may take a leisurely stroll through the charming streets.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 27 SANTORINI | VOLCANIC VISTAS

Arrive in Santorini and take in magnificent views of the caldera. Choose to participate in a guided visit to the Bronze Age settlement of Akrotiri, exploring its meticulously preserved houses, streets, squares and workshops, all preserved in volcanic pumice since the 16th century BC. You may alternatively opt for a short boat ride to the island of Nea Kameni, overlooking the towns of Oia and Fira, which are dotted with white homes and blue-domed structures. Ascend the still-active crater on a vigorous guided hike, learning about the volcano's history as you go. Then, sail to the thermal springs of Palea Kameni, where you may enjoy a swim. Oenophiles may otherwise opt for a scenic drive through hilly Santorini, learning about the particulars of vine cultivation on the windy, dry island. Visit a local winery to experience Santorini's winemaking process firsthand. Later, sit down to a wine presentation and sample an array of specially selected local vintages. Each excursion ends in picturesque Fira, where you may enjoy time at leisure.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 28 RHODES | MEDIEVAL MARVELS

Spend a full day on the island of Rhodes, perhaps exploring its medieval past and fortifications on a guided walk. In the Old Town, visit the Grand Master's Palace, inspired by the Papal Palace of Avignon, France. Stroll the Avenue of the Knights, where knights once lodged, and then visit the Archaeological Museum, a knight's hospital in the 15th century. For a more active experience, take a drive toward the ancient Doric town of Lindos. You may hike to the acropolis, seeing the temple of Athena Lindia and the Byzantine church. Next, drive to a ceramic workshop, where you watch local artists create pottery before attempting to make pottery yourself. Alternately, pay a visit to the Grand Master's Palace and take a walking tour of Rhodes' Old Town before transferring to a rustic, beloved restaurant for a hands-on cooking experience.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 29 SYMI | VIBRANT HOMES & BREATHTAKING VIEWS

Arrive at the mountainous island of Symi, where you may explore at leisure or join an expert for an educational walk. See its brightly painted neoclassical homes and scenic waterfront before returning to your vessel. This afternoon, enjoy cruising along the magnificent Mediterranean isles.



'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

SEP 30 MYKONOS | COSMOPOLITAN PARADISE

Today, choose to take a private boat ride to the small, uninhabited island of Delos, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore its remarkably preserved ruins, including government buildings, homes, the cistern and the amphitheater. Should you wish to stay in Mykonos, set out on a guided walk along its narrow, whitewashed streets, their meandering layout designed to confuse pirates. Otherwise, choose a panoramic drive through the island, taking in its unique landscape with vistas to sun-drenched beaches, quaint villages and nearby islands. Stop in the village of Ano Mera, where you visit the Monastery of Panagia Tourliani. Weather permitting, you may relax this afternoon on a wind-sheltered beach, where lounge chairs, towels, snacks and beverages await.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OCT 1 SYROS | CYCLADES TREASURE

Cruise to Syros this morning, arriving after lunch, when you disembark for a guided walk of the island. See the impressive Cathedral of St. Nicholas, the Vaporia Quarter with its neoclassical mansions and the Monument of the Unknown Soldier. End your exploration at the Apollo Theater, where you witness a rousing private performance. Enjoy a little time at leisure or opt to visit the Church of the Assumption to see an original icon by El Greco. Tonight, attend a festive farewell dinner aboard your luxury vessel.

'Le Bougainville' | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OCT 2 DEPART ATHENS

Arrive in Piraeus and disembark 'Le Bougainville' after breakfast. Transfer to the Athens airport and board your return flight home.

Note: Itinerary is for guidance purposes only and may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances including weather, medical emergencies and other conditions beyond A&K's control at the sole discretion of the Captain.

Extensions



Treasures of Northern Greece Post-Tour Extension

Discover Thessaloniki and its treasures, a monastery in Meteora and ancient Pella on this experience back in time.

4 days from \$2,995 per person
Single Supplement from \$595 per person

✈ Athens/Thessaloniki

One-way internal air included

OCT 2

Arrive in Thessaloniki. After lunch, take a panoramic city tour that reveals the iconic White Tower, Galerius' Arch and the Rotunda.

Electra Palace Thessaloniki | Meals: Lunch

OCT 3

Explore the ancient city of Dion or experience a full-day tour of the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Meteora, where you visit a monastery.

Electra Palace Thessaloniki | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

OCT 4

Enjoy time to relax at your hotel spa or set out on a full-day excursion to Pella, birthplace of Alexander the Great.

Electra Palace Thessaloniki | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

OCT 5

Transfer to the airport for your independently booked flight home.

Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Availability
Sep 23 - Oct 02, 2020			
Classic Stateroom - Category 1	\$11,495	\$8,625	Waitlist - Call A&K
Deluxe Stateroom - Category 2	\$12,495	\$9,375	Waitlist - Call A&K
Prestige Stateroom - Category 3	\$13,495	\$10,125	Waitlist - Call A&K
Deluxe Suite - Category 4	\$17,995	\$15,145	Waitlist - Call A&K
Privilege Suite - Category 5	\$19,995	\$17,045	Waitlist - Call A&K
Prestige Two-Room Suite - Category 6	\$23,995	\$20,845	Call for Availability
Grand Deluxe Suite - Category 7	\$29,995	\$26,545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Owner's Suite - Category 8	\$31,995	\$28,445	Waitlist - Call A&K

Optional [post-tour extension](#) available on this departure.

Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 7 years.

Categories 4-8 include upgraded accommodations at the hotel and butler service on board the ship.

First group event: welcome briefing and reception at 6:30 p.m. on Sep 23.

Last group event: ship arrival and disembarkation at 9:00 a.m. on Oct 2.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).