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**October 6-17, 2023**

**10 nights  
small group  
Price \$6995  
pp/double  
Deposit \$750**

**Crete, Santorini & Naxos  
Islands + Athens  
CHEF ALIZA GREEN  
Culinary &  
Cultural Tour**

# Greece October 2023: Aliza Green Culinary & Cultural Tour

## DAY 1: Friday, October 6, 2023, DEPARTURE

Departure from the US for Athens and onto Crete. *Airfare is not included.*

## DAY 2: Saturday, October 7, 2023, ARRIVAL HERAKLION, CRETE | D |

Assistance and transfer to **Enagron Eco-Hotel**, Axos for 2 nights. Welcome dinner at Enagron.

## DAY 3: Sunday, October 8, 2023, VENETIAN CRETE: RETHYMNON & CHANIA | B L |

Walking tour of Rethymnon and visit to traditional, **baklava bakery**. Wine tasting **Manousakis Winery**. Continue to Chania for a walking guided tour including historic **Etz Chaim Synagogue** and a **Cretan knife store** forging knives since 1938. Return to Enagron to spend the night.

## DAY 4: Monday, October 9, 2023, LOCAL HERBS & CERAMICS | B D |

**Botanical walk**, village of **Margarites famed for its ceramics**. Check-in to the eco-focused **Olive Green Hotel** for 2 nights, Dinner at local-focused **Peskesi** in Heraklion's walking district.

## DAY 5: Tuesday, October 10, 2023, MINOAN CIVILIZATION & HERAKLION | B L |

**Palace of King Minos at Cnossos**, the capital of Crete in the Minoan era. Visit to nearby Archanes where we will work with a **local chef to prepare our own lunch**. Visit the **Archeological Museum** in Heraklion followed by a guided visit through Heraklion.

## DAY 6: Wednesday, October 11, 2023, SANTORINI: PREHISTORIC CIVILIZATION | B L |

In the morning, 2-hour ferry ride to Santorini. **Guided tour of Akrotiri** archeological site. **Prehistoric Museum** with artefacts dating before the eruption of Santorini's volcano 3,600 years ago. Lunch at waterfront taverna. **Sunset in Oia**. El Greco Resort Hotel 4 ★, 2 nights.

## DAY 7: Thursday, October 12, 2023, | THE REAL SANTORINI | B L |

6-hour tour exploring Santorini: walk the narrow streets of **Megalochiri**, sample wines at a **family Canava (winery)**. **Cook local dishes** at Mrs. Maria's kitchen for lunch. Evening free.

## DAY 8: Friday, October 13, 2023, RELAX IN SANTORINI, FERRY TO NAXOS | B D |

Morning at leisure, **relax at the pool**, arrange for a **spa treatment**, or browse in nearby Fira. Free time for lunch on your own then take the **ferry to Naxos**. Dinner at a **typical local taverna**. Check-in to the centrally-located HOTEL XENIA, a local favorite, for 2 nights.

## DAY 9: Saturday, October 14, 2023, NAXOS: ISLAND CULINARY EXPERIENCE | B L |

**Naxian cooking class taught by local chefs** followed by lunch featuring local specialties prepared with ingredients from their gardens, flocks, and bakery. Afternoon guided **walking tour of Naxos**. Evening free to explore Naxos.

## DAY 10: Sunday, October 15, 2023, FERRY TO ATHENS & CITY TOUR | B D |

Morning departure to take the **ferry for Athens**. Arrival in the afternoon followed by a guided **panoramic tour**. Check-in at the **FRESH HOTEL 4\***, a modern hotel with **rooftop bar** and views of the Acropolis located in the city center, for 2 nights Dinner at a local restaurant.

## Day 11: Monday, October 16, 2023, EXPLORE ATHENS, GALA FAREWELL DINNER | B D

Athens highlights tour with the **Parthenon and the Acropolis**, Archaeological Museum, Spice Market. Farewell dinner at **VAROULKO**, Michelin-starred restaurant on the waterfront.

## Day 12: Tuesday, October 17, 2023, SAY FAREWELL TO GREECE | B |

Breakfast at your hotel and check out. Transfer to Athens International airport for your departure flight back to the US (*or extend your stay in Athens--we can help*).

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore enchanting islands of Crete, Santorini and Naxos with their diverse culture, history and cuisine
- Cooking classes on three islands world-renowned for simple, seasonally delicious and outstandingly healthy food
- Stay at an eco-hotel on Crete with its own farm and beautiful views of the mountains
- Guided visits to ancient archeological sites: Knossos, Crete's Minoan capital with the Palace of King Minos and Santorini's Bronze-Age Akrotiri
- Stroll the narrow streets of Megalochori to discover the charm of Santorini's past
- Taste local Santorini wines at the family Canava (winery)
- View the world-famous sunset at Oia on Santorini
- Highlights Tour of Athens with Parthenon, the Acropolis and the Archeological Museum
- Farewell dinner at Michelin-starred Varoulko on the waterfront in Athens

## SERVICES INCLUDED

- Expert commentary, culinary advice and background by Chef Aliza Green
- Professional English-speaking local guide for the visits in the program
- All culinary activities and excursions in the program.
- Three cooking classes (Crete, Santorini and Naxos) and wine tasting (Santorini)
- 5 dinners and 5 lunches (including cooking classes)
- English-speaking assistance for airport arrival and departure and port transfers
- All entrance fees to museums and archeological sites
- All ferry boat tickets according to the program
- Luxury, private coach for transfers and excursions
- All health and safety precautions taken, must be vaccinated to join the tour



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