
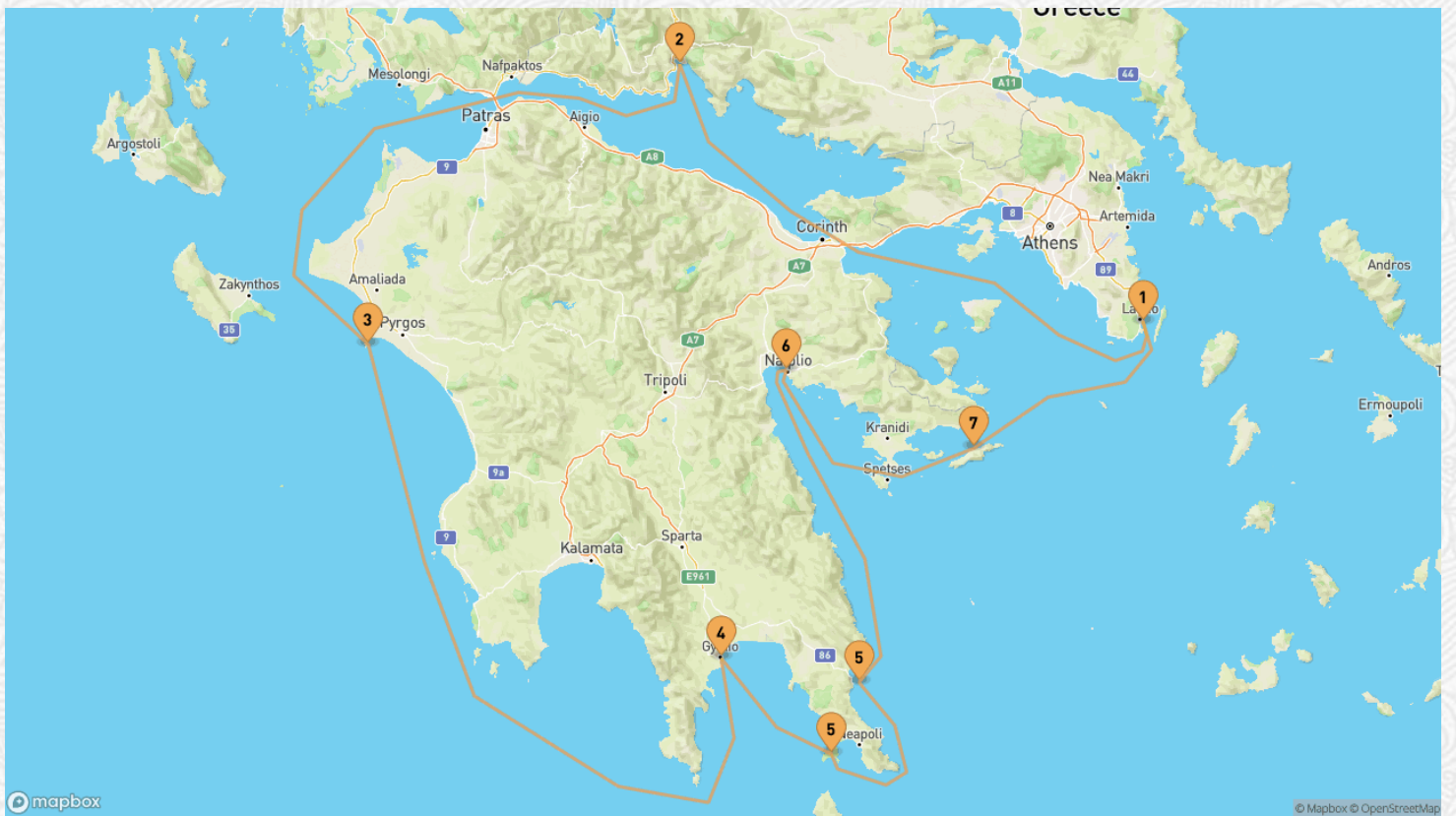




# UNESCO HERITAGE 2024 CRUISE

- REGIONS / COUNTRIES:  Greece
- DURATION: 8 Days / 7 Nights
- TAGS: Mainland port, Town, Island, Village
- URL: <https://embarq.travel/boats/elysium/unesco-heritage-2024-cruise/>



# Day 1



## Greece / Lavrion

📍 Mainland port, Town

Lavrion port is a major hub for ferries and cruise ships that connect Athens with the Cyclades islands. It is situated on the southeastern coast of Attica, and it offers easy access to popular destinations like Kea, Kythnos, and Serifos. The harbor is equipped with modern facilities and services, such as cafes, restaurants, and shops, as well as a marina for private yachts. Lavrion is also known for its rich history and cultural heritage, as it was an important center of silver mining and naval trade in ancient times.

# Day 2



## Greece / Itea

📍 Mainland port, Town

Delphi is the main goal of sailing to Itea's port. Delphi is the ancient sanctuary that grew rich and greatly influential as the seat of Pythia, the oracle who was consulted about important decisions throughout the ancient world.



## ANCIENT DELPHI

📍 Historic, Architecture, Culture

Imagine yourself in 4th century BC following the sacred path to Apollo temple.

Arriving to Itea port – it's where Apollo carried first Delphi priests. He took a shape of a dolphin and showed them the way. So maybe Delphi took its name after Apollo Delphinios. Another version is that Delphi comes from delphys (womb), indicating archaic veneration of Gaia at the site.

# Day 3



## Greece / Katakolo

📍 Mainland port

Katakolo is the port for the homeland of the Olympic Games.



## ANCIENT OLYMPIA

📍 Historic, Architecture

Discover ruins of ancient Olympia – the homeland of Olympic Games

# Day 4



## Greece / Gytheio

◆ Mainland port, Town

Nowadays Gytheio is a calm and secluded town that used to be a seaport for the legendary Sparta and Mystras



## MYSTRAS

◆ Historic, Architecture

Villehardouin's Castle, Despot's Palace and square, 14th century Church of Agia Sophia, Church of Saint Nicholas, Evangelistria Church, Brontochion Monastery with earliest frescoes, Hodigitria church, 13th century Metropolis of Mystras (St Demetrius), Peribleptos Monastery, Pantanassa Monastery

# Day 5



## Greece / Elafonisos

The port of Elafonisos is a picturesque destination located on the southern coast of the Peloponnese, renowned for its white-sand beaches, turquoise waters, and unspoiled natural beauty. With its laid-back atmosphere and range of activities and attractions, the port provides visitors with a unique and authentic experience of Greek island life. Whether you're interested in water sports, hiking, or simply relaxing on the beach, Elafonisos has something for everyone.



## Greece / Monemvasia

📍 Island, Mainland port, Town, Village

Monemvasia is a Medieval Castle Town, exclusively carved on a huge rock looking as if it came down from a fairy tale.

# Day 6



## Greece / Nafplio

📍 Mainland port, Town

Nafplio is famous for numerous fortresses, monasteries and the Medieval Old Town. It is a perfect start point to explore ancient Mycenae, Argos and Epidaurus.



## ANCIENT MYCENAE

📍 Historic, Architecture



# EPIDAUROS GREAT THEATRE

Historic, Art, Architecture

Observe the Great Theatre – best preserved and most beautiful in Greece, famous for incredible acoustics and symmetry. It was constructed in 4th century BC for ceremonies in honor of god Asclepius.



# Day 7



## Greece / Hydra

📍 Island

The first thing you see entering the harbor is plenty of white mansions and fortresses crowding up the mountain amphitheatrically. These are the 18th century houses of wealthy merchants, captains and shipowners from its glorified naval past.

# Day 8



## Greece / Lavrion

📍 Mainland port, Town

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