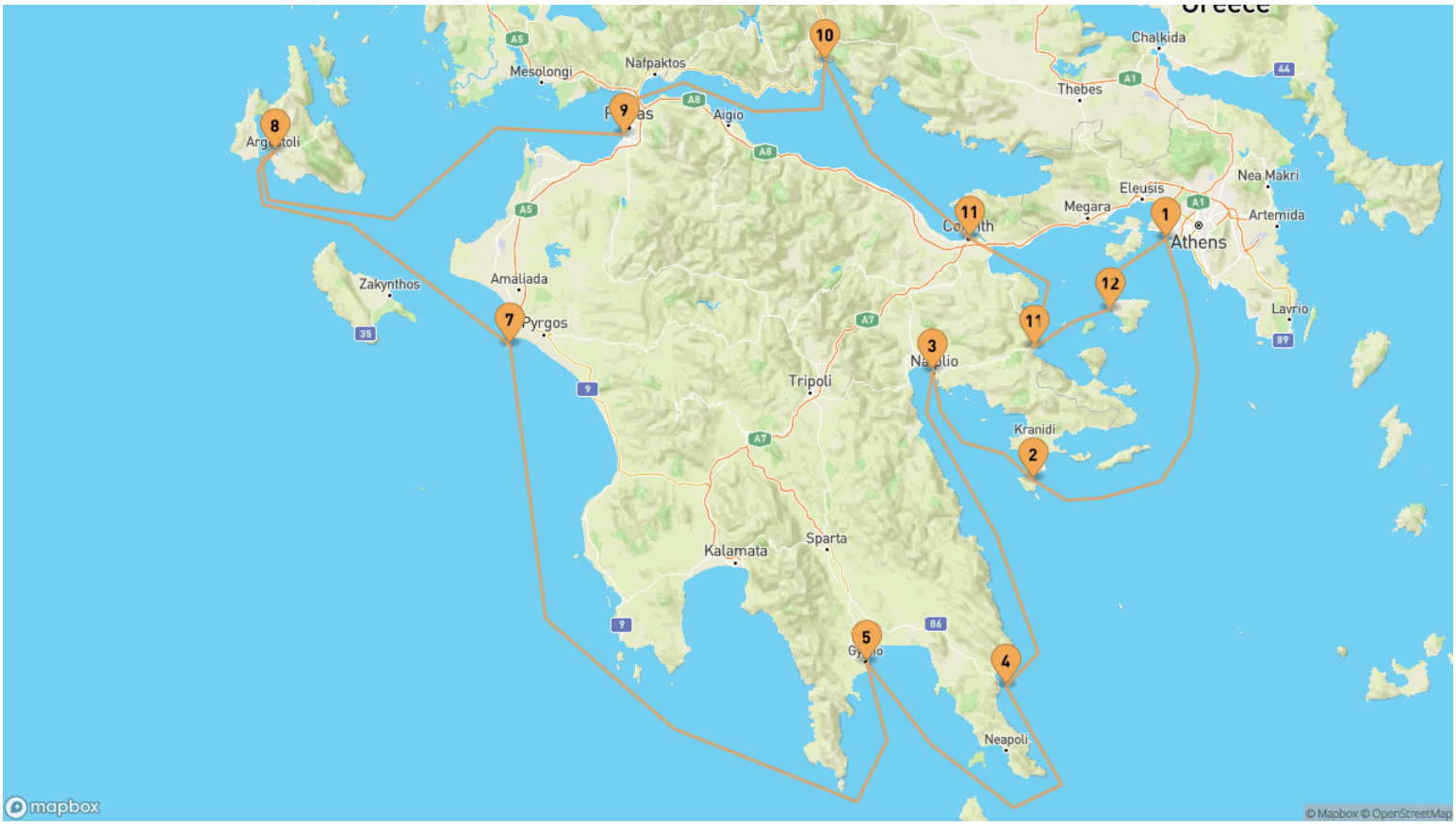


Authentic Greece cruise. Peloponnesus 2024

ATHENS-SPETSES-NAFPLIO-MONEMVASIA-GYTHEIO-PYLOS-KATAKOLO-KEFALONIA-NAFPAKTOS-ITEA-CORINTH CANAL-EPIDAURUS-AEGINA

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Day 1



Greece / Athens-Piraeus

Mainland port

City where you can find a Roman tomb in the basement of the clothing store and a metro station where you can walk through the remnants of an ancient necropolis.



Gikas Winery

Wine

Wineyard is located between the city of Athens and Athens Airport. With almost 150 years of winemaking that spans four generations, the Gikas family has been creating outstanding variety of wines. Grape varieties: Asirtiko, Malagouzia, Savatiano, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignion, Syrah, Bradiano, Grenach Rouge, Augoustiatis.

Strofilia Wines

Wine

Indulge in the flavors of Greece with a visit to Strofilia Winery, just a short drive from the port of Athens-Piraeus. Taste the best wines of Greece and learn about the history and tradition of winemaking in the region. The winery offers tours and tastings that will delight wine lovers and connoisseurs alike. A visit to Strofilia Wines is the perfect way to experience an authentic taste of Greece.





Melissinos sandals

Workshop, Craft, Shopping

Power up your walks of ancient sites. Make your own unique custom leather sandals right at the spot within minutes.

Day 2



Greece / Spetses

Island

Spetses is where superyachts pop up and out next to traditional wooden fishing boats and where the super-rich rub shoulders with the locals in quayside tavernas. All are drawn to this pine-covered island for its clear waters, coves and Spetses Town, untainted by package tourism.



Spetses food

Spetses is known for its delicious cuisine. Spetses' restaurants serve a variety of Mediterranean and traditional Greek dishes. From fresh seafood caught off the coast of the island to locally produced fruits and vegetables, Spetses has something to satisfy every taste bud. Don't forget to try their famous almond sweets called amigdalotes!

Day 3



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.



Nafplio food

Food, Restaurant, Traditional

Try delicious seafood, trachanas soup, and artichokes salad from famous Nafplio artichokes, at the seaside taverns

Ancient Argos

Architecture, Culture, Historic, Museum

One of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in the world



Day 4



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.



Church of Agia Sofia

Church

Climb to the highest point of Monemvasia to see 12th century Church of Agia Sofia rising above a dizzy cliff.

Day 5



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



Gytheio food

Food

Laconia region is famous for its citrus trees, figs, and tomatoes, as well as wine, ouzo, and tsipouro. Try ham in Mani and xoriatiko loukaniko in Sparta, which is a type of sausage.

Ancient Sparta

Historic, Architecture

Witness many ruins of legendary Sparta - once the dominant military power in Ancient Greece with effective but frightful laws, social system and constitution



Day 6

AT SEA

Day 7



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 8



Greece / Kefalonia

Greenery, Island, Popular

Kefalonia welcomes you with the world's best beaches, rare Caretta-caretta turtles and wild Black Mountain. Mystery seems to live everywhere here: in caves with underground rivers, with sacred snakes coming to Lagouvarda monastery, and at archeological findings.



Kefalonia food

Food, Restaurant

Test cultural delights with Kefalonia delicious wines, local meat pies, kreatopita, and olives

Sclavos Winery

Wine

Long family history of farmers and traders. Amazing range of wines. Among others, produce a wine that was eponymous product of the Venetian Republic. Internationally renowned wines.





En Kefallinia

Food, Restaurant

Savour the best organic food on the island in En Kefallinia Farm Restaurant

Myrtos beach

Beach

One of the 10 most beautiful beaches in the world





Melissani Cave

Cave

Underground lake filled with brilliant blue water from an underground current which mysteriously flows right under the island

Day 9



Greece / Patras

Mainland port, City

Patras boasts one of the world's longest multi-span cable-stayed bridges, Roman odeon, medieval castle and keeps the relics of Apostle Andrew.

Day 10



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 Dephi 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 11



Greece / Corinth

Mainland port, Popular, City

Touch a legend, witness Corinth canal, a man-made miracle, and Ancient Corinth – whilom immensely wealthy and powerful city, a highly desirable conquest.



Corinth Canal

Special

A historic canal that connects the Gulf of Corinth with the Saronic Gulf, located near the port of Athens. Visitors can take a boat tour to see the canal up close and appreciate the impressive engineering feat that created this important waterway.



Greece / Epidaurus

Mainland port, Town

Epidaurus is a cradle of ancient Greek drama and medicine. It is renowned for the abundance and high density of historical artifacts.



Epidaurus 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.

Stadium of the Asclepieion of Epidaurus

Historic, Architecture, Sports

Jog on the 5th century BC Stadium which hosted athletic games in honor of Asclepius.





Sanctuary of Asclepion

Historic, Architecture

Visit 4th century BC Sanctuary of Asclepion – the greatest therapeutic complex of antiquity.

Sunken city of Epidaurus

Diving, Historic

Dive to explore the sunken Ancient Epidaurus city at a depth of 2m.



Day 12



Greece / Aegina

Island

Finest pistachio of the world, olive groves, and some of the most significant monasteries and temples of Greece. Aegina is unspoilt by tourists and represents genuine life without the extra buzz.



Mesagros

Traditional, Workshop

Touch traditional crafts at the pottery workshops in the village of Mesagros

Aegina pistachio

Nature

Feel the exceptional flavor and aroma of Aegina pistachio. Orchards are spread throughout the island.





Temple of Athena

Historic, Architecture, Culture

Take the chance to look out to the distant Acropolis of Athens and Temple of Poseidon in Sounio from the hill at the Temple of Athena Aphaia, which is one the angles of this Sacred Triangle.



Greece / Athens-Piraeus

Mainland port

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