

GROUP TOUR PROGRAMME

Rhodes Study Tour

Rhodes Old Town · Lindos · Filerimos · Valley of the Butterflies · Kamiros · Symi · Monolithos

DURATION	GROUP SIZE	REGION	BEST SEASON	TOUR THEME
8 Days · 7 Nights	**10+ Pax**	**Rhodes & Dodecanese**	**Apr–Oct**	**Ancient & Medieval**

Three ancient acropoleis, a medieval city of the Knights and one day on a neighbouring island – all from one hotel. The Rhodes Study Tour is built for culture and study groups: the UNESCO-listed Old Town of Rhodes and the Palace of the Grand Master, the Acropolis of Lindos above the sea, Ialyssos on Mount Filerimos and the Hellenistic city of Kamiros, Byzantine frescoes in village churches, and a boat day to Symi and the monastery of Panormitis. Seven nights in one hotel and a free morning before the farewell dinner. BenLeToni Tours has handled groups across Greece since 1992 – this programme is tailored for travel agencies and tour operators.

Made for your planning

Every day has a notes field, and the planning sheet on the last page collects what we need for a tailored proposal. Type into this PDF on screen or print it and write on it – then send it back to us.

Tour Route



Included In Our Offer

INCLUDED IN YOUR PROGRAMME

- ✓ 7 nights accommodation in one hotel in Rhodes, in a 3- or 4-star hotel (5-star on request)
- ✓ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ✓ Private air-conditioned coach throughout the full itinerary
- ✓ Licensed guide for the entire programme
- ✓ All entrance fees to the sites and museums listed in the itinerary
- ✓ Airport transfers on arrival and departure days
- ✓ 24/7 local support contact during your group's stay in Greece
- ✓ Boat day Rhodes – Symi – Panormitis – Rhodes
- ✓ Farewell dinner in a traditional taverna, with house wine

NOT INCLUDED

- International flights
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenses and gratuities
- Single room supplements (available on request)
- Optional excursions not listed in the itinerary
- Climate resilience fee, payable locally at the hotels

Full Programme

YOUR NOTES

1

Arrival in Rhodes

Arrival at Rhodes airport, where your BenLeToni guide meets the group. Transfer to the hotel. Welcome dinner. Overnight Rhodes.

2

Rhodes Town — Acropolis — Old Town

Drive along the coast to Monte Smith and the ancient Acropolis of Rhodes: the Temple of Apollo and the stadium. Along the city walls to the medieval Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On foot through the Knights' quarter: the Palace of the Grand Master and the Street of the Knights with the inns of the different nations of the Order. Overnight Rhodes.

3

Kallithea — Asklipio — Lindos

The east coast. The restored Italian-era spa buildings of Kallithea. In Asklipio, the Byzantine church of the Dormition with its wall paintings. In Lindos, the Acropolis high above the sea, with the Temple of Athena Lindia and the view over St Paul's Bay, then the painted church of the Virgin in the village. Free time to walk the lanes or swim in Lindos Bay. Overnight Rhodes.

4

Filerimos — Valley of the Butterflies — Kamiros

The west coast. Mount Filerimos and the remains of ancient Ialyssos, with a wide view over the island. The wooded Valley of the Butterflies, where thousands of Jersey tiger moths gather in summer. Ancient Kamiros, one of the best-preserved Hellenistic towns in Greece, with its streets, houses and water system. Overnight Rhodes.

5

Boat day to Symi

Morning boat to Symi (about 2 hours). Walk through Gialos, the harbour town lined with neoclassical captains' houses. Continue by boat to Panormitis on the south of the island and its monastery of the Archangel Michael, an important place of pilgrimage. Back in Rhodes in the early evening. Overnight Rhodes.

6

Monolithos — Agios Nikolaos Fountoukli

The quiet south-west of the island. The castle of the Knights at Monolithos on its rock above the sea. Past Mount Attavyros, the highest peak on Rhodes, and the pine forests of Profitis Ilias. On the way back, the small Byzantine church of Agios Nikolaos Fountoukli and its frescoes. Overnight Rhodes.

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7 Free morning — Old Town — Farewell dinner

Free morning at the hotel. In the afternoon, a last walk through the Old Town and time for shopping. Farewell dinner in a traditional taverna, with house wine. Overnight Rhodes.

8 Departure

Transfer to Rhodes airport for departure.

Useful Information

Best time to travel

April to October. The butterflies fill their valley from about July to September; outside those months the valley is a quiet woodland walk. Spring and autumn are best for walking the sites.

Group size

Minimum group size for this programme is 10 passengers. Coaches and guides are planned around the size of your group.

Dress code

Modest dress is required in the churches and at the monastery of Panormitis – covered shoulders and knees for all visitors. We advise all groups of this requirement in advance.

Walking difficulty

Moderate. The Acropolis of Lindos is reached by a steep path and steps (about 15 minutes up), and the Old Town is cobbled. Comfortable closed-toe shoes are recommended.

Hotel category

One hotel for all seven nights – no hotel changes. The programme uses a 3- or 4-star hotel in or near Rhodes Town, selected for location and group handling. 5-star hotels are available on request.

Customisation

Study groups can add an expert lecture, a visit to the Archaeological Museum in the Knights' Hospital, or the Jewish quarter and Kahal Shalom synagogue. A day trip to Kos or to Bodrum in Turkey is possible by boat.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can our group get to the Acropolis of Lindos without the climb?

The path up is steep, and the donkey rides are not something we offer. Participants who prefer not to climb can stay in the village, where the guide arranges a walk through the lanes and the church of the Virgin.

Is the boat day to Symi weather-dependent?

Yes. In strong wind the crossing can be cancelled. We then swap it with another day or replace it with a visit to the Old Town museums.

Is this programme suitable for study and school groups?

Yes. It is built as a study tour, with three ancient cities, a medieval city and Byzantine art. We can add lectures, worksheets for students and longer museum visits.

Do we need licensed guides at the archaeological sites?

Yes. Licensed guides are required at the major archaeological sites in Greece. BenLeToni Tours arranges all guides as part of the programme – multilingual guides are available in German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch and Japanese.

Can the programme be customised?

Yes. Duration, hotel category, pace and included sites can all be adapted. Contact us with your requirements and we will send a tailored proposal.

YOUR NOTES

Planning sheet

Fill in what you already know and send this page to contact@benletoni-tours.gr. We reply with a tailored proposal within 48 hours.

AGENCY / TOUR OPERATOR

CONTACT PERSON

EMAIL

PHONE

GROUP NAME / CLIENT

TRAVEL DATES

NUMBER OF GUESTS

ROOMS: DOUBLE / TWIN / SINGLE

ARRIVAL FLIGHT

DEPARTURE FLIGHT

GUIDE LANGUAGE

HOTEL CATEGORY

☐ 3-star ☐ 4-star ☐ 5-star

CHANGES TO THE PROGRAMME

SPECIAL REQUESTS (DIET, MOBILITY, CELEBRATIONS)

We look forward to welcoming your group to Greece.

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