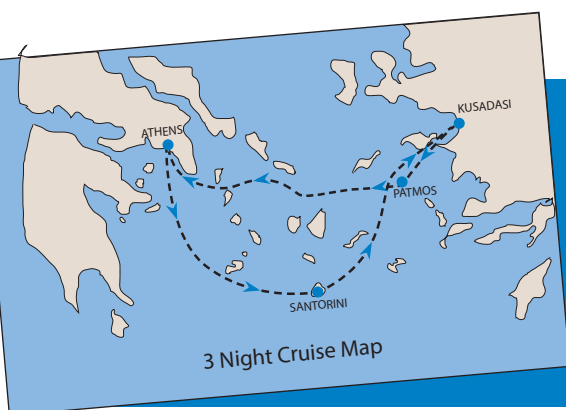




# In the **Footsteps of Apostle Paul** in Greece and Western Turkey

(Optional Holy Land add on)



**\$6695\*** Incl 3 night  
Cruise

Per person twin-share  
Single-room supplement \$1790\*

**Tour date:**  
**15-25 May 2026**

**Optional add on**  
**Holy Land \$2215\***

Per person twin-share  
Single-room supplement \$899\*  
**(11 -15 May 2026)**



## Your tour leaders:

### Graeme Lienert

Mr Graeme Lienert, APM, Assistant Commissioner of Police (retired). Frequent traveller to Israel and neighbouring countries. The son of a Lutheran minister, Graeme has led tour groups to Israel, the Levant and Europe since his retirement. He has established invaluable local knowledge and relationships that will enhance your Holy Land tour.



### Gale Mashiach

A Tour Manager and registered guide with Israel's Ministry of Tourism, Gale has been leading groups of pilgrims throughout the Holy Land for many years. Internationally recognised for her knowledge of cultural issues she is well acquainted with the history of modern and biblical Israel, dating back to the Greco Roman era. Gale travels widely, to share what this means to Christian pilgrims. We will be accompanied by experienced guides in Greece and Western Turkey.

## Tour Inclusions

- Meet and assist when travelling as a group
- Sightseeing and admission fees as per itinerary
- Specialist tour guides (English) – Whisper sets
- Accommodation quality hotels / cruise ship
- Ship Cruise - Aegean Sea 3 nights. Drinks with meals on ship (BLD)
- Meals indicated by (BD) or (BLD)
- Luxury air-conditioned motor coach
- Entrance fees – historical sites, Museums, Parks, boat ride on Galilee
- Taxes / tips for guides, coach drivers, ship personnel.
- Gift box – Greek local products

## Tour Exclusions

- Flights
- Visas
- Meals and drinks not mentioned.
- Travel Insurance. Mandatory. If not choosing an option offered by Olive Tree Travel, a copy of your policy is required.
- Individual airport transfers apart from the group
- Tipping for hotel porters
- Any other item not mentioned



# GREECE

## In the Footsteps of the Apostle Paul

### Day 1. Arrival Athens

Fri, 15th May 2026

Upon arrival to Athens Airport, transfer to our hotel for check-in. Free time in the city. Dinner and overnight stay (D).

### Day 2. Athens – Athens

Sat, 16th May 2026

After breakfast, we commence a guided tour taking in the historic and world-renowned sites, starting from Panathenaic Stadium known as Kallimarmaro (Olympics) which in antiquity was used for the celebration of Panathenaea in honour of Goddess Athena. Free time before departing to Zappeion Hall, the Greek Parliament and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We continue along Panepistimiou Street and see the triad of neoclassical buildings: The Library, the Academy and the University. We visit the Acropolis with magnificent monuments such as the **Parthenon**, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion, the Propylaea, the Ancient Agora, the theatre of Dionysus and the Odeon of Herodes Atticus. We see the Areopagus from where Apostle Paul preached (Ac 17:16-34). **The seeds Apostle Paul planted, became the start of Christianity in Europe.** Free time at the city centre and the traditional settlement of Plaka. The narrow cobblestone streets are lined with tiny shops selling jewellery, clothes and more. Sidewalk cafes and family run tavernas stay open until late. O/n Athens (B, D).

### Day 3 - Athens - Corinth- Nafplion - Athens

Sun, 17th May 2026

Today, we depart for Ancient Corinth dating back to the Neolithic Period (5,000 – 3,000). Our first stop is the Isthmus of Corinth, a narrow strip of land joining Central Greece with Peloponnese. We continue to the archaeological site of Acro Corinth and Ancient Corinth. We visit one of the largest museums in Greece in terms of the wealth and quality of the findings (Acts 18: 1-17, Acts 19:22). It is the Corinthians (1 Co) to whom the Apostle Paul wrote, exhorting them to be one in faith and love, and that they learn the chief thing, namely, that Christ crucified unites all who believe. We will see the bema of Gallio and the Erastus inscription where Paul stood before Gallio to defend his faith (Ac 18). Afterwards, we visit Cenchræe (Acts 18:18) and stop for lunch at a traditional olive oil mill. We depart for Nafplion, one of the most scenic cities in the country. We have free time to explore the picturesque streets of the city, then return for overnight at Athens (B, L, D).

### Day 4 - Athens – Meteora – Thessalonica

Mon, 18th May 2026

Drive to Meteora – one of Europe's most beautiful landscapes. Short walk of Agios Athanasios. We continue along the Aegean coast to Thessalonica. O/n Thessalonica (B, D).

### Day 5. Thessalonica – Philippi – Kavala – Thessalonica

Tues, 19th May 2026

Drive east to Philippi. Visit Paul's Jail (Acts 16), the Christian Basilica, the Greco Roman round theatre. Visit the Lydia Baptismal site at Zigakti River (Acts 16:15). Next, we proceed to Kavala for panoramic view of Port of Neapolis first place where Paul put his feet in Europe (Acts 16, 7-11). Return to Thessalonica for city tour taking in Saint Dimitrios, the White Tower, Upper Town area, and Modiano market (Acts 17, 1 Thes 1). O/n (B, D).

### Day 6. Thessalonica– Veria – Vergina – Larissa

Wed, 20th May 2026

After breakfast, visit Veria, walk along the Barbouta River, to the old Jewish quarter. Visit the ancient synagogue and see where Apostle Paul spoke to the Verians (Acts 17). Visit Vergina – the golden treasures of the ancient kings of Macedonia. Drive across the Macedonian rivers' delta to Mt Olympus. Nature walks near Stavros, enjoy panoramic views of Mytikas, traditional place of Palace of the Gods, visit Agios Dionysius the monastery named after the first Athenian converted by Paul (Acts 17:34). Depart for Larissa. O/n Larissa (B, D).

### Day 7. Larissa – Delphi – Athens

Thur, 21st May 2026

At Larissa, visit the Holy Monastery of Jerusalem (John 21:13). Take nature walk in the cedars forest to a hermit's cave Boeotia. Drive to Arachova a shepherd's village adjacent to the Ionian Sea. Proceed to Delphi. Visit the archaeological museum (Acts 18:12), the sphinx of Thebes, Temple of Athena, Goddess of Wisdom. Depart to Athens for overnight (B, D).

### Day 8. Athens – Piraeus Port – Cruise Embarkation

Fri, 22nd May 2026

After breakfast, we depart for Piraeus Port to embark on our cruise. Time to relax and soak up the glorious Mediterranean sun. Then the ship will arrive at **Mykonos**. The evening is ours to enjoy this beautiful iconic Cycladic Island. Overnight on Ship (B, L, D).

### Day 9. Santorini

Sat, 23rd May 2026

Early morning the ship arrives at Santorini. There is plenty of time at Fira to explore, stroll the marble-paved alleys, visit the adorable shops and capture the moments on camera. Early afternoon we return to the ship and depart to Kusadasi. Overnight on Ship (B, L, D).

### Day 10. Kusadasi Turkey, Patmos Greece

Sun, 24th May 2026

Early morning the ship arrives at the Port of Kusadasi. We begin our **Ancient Ephesus Bus Tour**, a journey through the golden ages which shaped a pivotal centre of commerce and spirituality. Built 3,000 years ago, Ephesus shaped the history of Greek, Turkish and Christian civilizations from its privileged location, chosen (according to legend) by the oracle of Delphi. A site of pilgrimage, due to its proximity to the Temple of Artemis, and the presence of major Christian figures the apostles Paul, John and the Virgin Mary. (Acts 19, 20, Ephesians, 1 Corinthians, and 2 Timothy). Ephesus a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is currently one of the largest Roman archaeological sites in the Mediterranean. In the afternoon we set sail for Patmos where we explore the Monastery of St John and the Grotto of Revelation - The Apocalypse. Overnight on Ship (B, L, D).

### Day 11. Piraeus - Cruise Disembarkation – Athens

Mon, 25th May 2026

After breakfast, we depart for Athens. We have free time in the city centre before we drive to the airport for our departure flight (B, L, D).

## HOLY LAND OPTION

### Day 1. Arrival – Jaffa – Jerusalem Mon, 11th May 2026

Arrive Israel – meet and greet at Tel Aviv airport, then commence our pilgrimage in Jaffa (Simon the Tanner, Ac 10:1-22, with the biblical setting of Jonah and the whale (Jnh 1-2) and then Tel Aviv. We continue to the Mount of Olives to take in the Panoramic vista of Jerusalem, walk down Palm Sunday Road to Gethsemane (Mt 26:36 - 46) and meet for prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane. We follow to the Room of the Last Supper (Mk 14: 12-26) then to our hotel. O/n Jerusalem (D).

### Day 2. Jerusalem Old City Day Tue, 12th May 2026

We visit the Old City, to marvel at the history, religiosity and eclectic atmosphere of peoples of varied traditions, cultures and beliefs. Includes Bethesda (Jn 5:2) via Dolorosa, Church of Holy Sepulchre, Western Wall (Mt 24:15-16), Temple Mount (Gen 22:1-19), and City of David (2 Kgs 20:20). O/n Jerusalem (B, D).

### Day 3. Bethlehem – Beersheva – Nova

Wed, 13th May 2026

We start our day in Bethlehem, at the Church of the Nativity, Jesus' birthplace (Lk 2:2-14). We drive to Beersheva, home of Abraham (Gen 21, Gen 26:23-33), visit the Australian War Memorial commemorating the ANZAC'S Great Light Horse charge (Oct 31, 1917) then to Nova to pay homage. O/n Jerusalem (B, D).

### Day 4. Galilee

Thur, 14th May 2026

Drive to Kibbutz Ginosar at Tiberias, to see the 'Jesus' boat, and sail the Galilee. We visit the Pilgrim Shrines (Mount of Beatitudes Mt 5:1-12) and Primacy of Peter (Jn 21:15-17). Then to Magdala, the crossroads of Jewish and Christian history, the hometown of Mary Magdalene and where Jesus taught. O/n Galilee (B, D).

### Day 5. Galilee – Caesarea – Tel Aviv - Departure

Fri, 15th May 2026

Following breakfast depart Galilee to Caesarea Maritima (Acts 23:34-35) where Paul was imprisoned, and Cornelius was converted by Peter (Acts 10). We continue to Sarona, a covered market in Tel Aviv. We then depart to the airport (B).

\*Terms & Conditions: Flights not included. Price is subject to a minimum of 25 full-paying adults, currency fluctuation-conditions apply. \*Please note: If you are not travelling with a companion and a suitable same-gender roommate is not available, you will need to pay the single-room supplement. Itinerary subject to change due to logistical reasons, or government directives.

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