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TRAVEL

**GREECE, CURATED LONGSTAYS 2024 3.5* ALBATROSS APARTMENTS ,
AMADOURA HERAKLION, CRETE PLUS ATHENS**

**GROUP DEPARTURE *Mar 1, 2024 DEPARTS TORONTO 22 nights from \$3,995*
p.p.**



Discover the charm of Greece and spend 20 nights exploring the fantastic beaches, traditional villages and amazing attractions! Learn about its history and ancient civilizations and discover the local Greek culture and cuisine. Start in Athens, the Cradle of Western Civilization, and explore the markets, restaurants, and visit the spectacular Akropolis and the stunning Parthenon, an architectural masterpiece.



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Then continue to Heraklion, Crete and stay at the Albatross Apartments In the popular resort area of Amadoura known for its 5 km long golden sandy beach and crystal blue water lined with shops, restaurants, bars and cafes. You are just 7 km from the centre of Heraklion where you can discover the many museums and the fantastic archaeological sites in the region, the vineyards and the famous Heraklion open market where you can buy fresh fish and local specialties.

INCLUSIONS:

- Round-trip airfare from Toronto
- Round-trip domestic flights from Athens-Heraklion, Crete
- Plaza Premium airport lounge pass (Toronto gateways only)
- Airport transfers in country
- 18 nights accommodation in Crete at the Albatross Apartments in a one bedroom apartment with a kitchenette , refrigerator, kettle, living room with a flat-screen tv, a private bathroom and balcony.
- free WiFi in rooms and public areas, air conditioning, washing machine
- 200 meters from Amadoura Beach, 7km from Heraklion
- 2 nights accommodation in Athens at the **A for Athens** or similar with breakfast and city tour
- Services of a local representative

ITINERARY:

Day 1: Mar.. 01, 2024 DEPART TORONTO-ATHENS, GREECE (VIA FRANKFURT OR LONDON)

Flights are scheduled on Air Canada or British Airways . Note: Flights are subject to confirmation and 2024 airline schedule.

Day 2: Mar. 02, 2024 | ARRIVAL ATHENS, GREECE

Arrival at Athens International Airport, meet and transfer to your hotel for check in. The remainder of your day at leisure. For your first taste of Athens, discover Plaka, the oldest district of Athens, located



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under the Acropolis, the only district a visitor may see the Greek capital as it was 100 years ago or enjoy your shopping at Ermou, Kolonaki and Voukourestiou streets.

Accommodations: 4* for Athens Hotel or similar.

Address: -4, Miaouli street, Monastiraki, Athens, 10554, Greece

Right next to Monastiraki Metro Station, A for Athens offers a rooftop bar with a stunning view of the Acropolis. Nightlife districts of Psirri, Monastiraki and Plaka are a 5-minute walk.

Rooms feature a modern bathroom, a flat-panel TV and designer furniture as well as free WiFi. .Guests can take their breakfast on the panoramic terrace with Acropolis views. The rooftop bar is open until the early morning hours serving refreshments and cocktails.

Day 3: Mar 3, 2024 | ATHENS, GREECE ATHENS CITY TOUR(B)

After breakfast you will join a city tour of Athens to visit the Acropolis and the Museum of Acropolis.

This tour gives you an opportunity to observe the striking contrasts that make Athens such a fascinating city. Your expert guide will take you to see the **Panathinaiko Stadium** where the first Olympic Games of modern times were held in 1896 (short stop). Continue with a panoramic drive passing by the Roman Temple of Olympian Zeus, the Hadrian's Arch, St.Paul' s church, Zappion Hall, the Parliament (ex. Royal Palace) and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Schliemann' s house, Catholic Cathedral, the Academy, the University, the National Library and the Constitution Square (Syntagma).

Later make your way to the **Acropolis**, a UNESCO World Heritage monument to visit the Architectural Masterpieces of the Golden Age of Athens: The Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion with its porch of Maidens and finally "the harmony between material and spirit", the monument that "puts order in the mind", the famous Parthenon.

Continue with a pleasant short walk passing by **Herodion and Dionysus Theater** and visit a modern architectural building, the place where at last the statues found their home and admire the wonders of the classical era: The new Acropolis museum. Overnight at your accommodations in Athens.



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Day 4 Mar. 4, 2024 | DEPART ATHENS – HERAKLION, CRETE

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Heraklion, Crete. Upon arrival your local representative will meet you at the arrival area at the airport and transfer you to your accommodations.

Accommodations: Albatross apartments (one bedroom apartment) for 18 nights.





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Days 5-21: Mar. 5 -21 2024 |AMADOURA, HERAKLION, CRETE (B)

Spend your time exploring Amadoura, Heraklion and the surrounding areas of Crete, the gorgeous beaches, traditional villages and fantastic local restaurants. You will have ample time to become acquainted with the local culture!

**Day 22:Mar. 22, 2024| DEPART HERAKLION, CRETE – ATHENS- TORONTO (VIA
FRANKFURT)(B)**

Transfers will be organized for you to the airport for your flight home..

Flights are scheduled on Air Canada or British Airways. Note: Flights are subject to confirmation and 2022 airline schedule.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

In ATHENS: 2 NIGHTS A For Athens Hotel or similar

In Heraklion, Crete:

Albatross Apartments: Address: 5 Naxou Street., Amoudara Herakliou, 71414 Greece –Spend 18 nights at the Albatros Apartments offering self-catering accommodation with free Wi-Fi and a balcony. A pool with sun terrace and a poolside snack bar are featured amidst its fragrant garden. Overlooking the Cretan Sea, the pool or the mountain, the apartments of Albatross have a seating area and a kitchenette with dining area. Each unit is equipped with a fridge, cooking hobs and a TV. Bathrobes and a hairdryer can be found in the bathroom.

Guests can relax at the swimming pool area that has sun loungers The hotel offers table tennis facilities. Staff can offer information on nearby sights such as the ancient Palace of Knossos at 9 km. The Aquarium of Heraklion and other popular attractions,..Parking is available nearby.



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General booking conditions: A deposit of CAD\$1500 per person is required to confirm your booking. Balance of the payment is due 90 days prior to departure. 90 days or more prior to departure: Loss of total deposit. 89 – 60 days prior to departure: Loss of 50% of total tour cost. 59 -0 days or less prior to departure: Loss of 100% of total tour cost. Deposit and final payment are non-refundable. If the government bans gatherings and travel your money paid will be transferred to a future travel credit. Cancellation and medical insurance are recommended.

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