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Jim Gold International Folk Tours

GREECE

Crete and the Greek Islands !

Folk Dancing, Folk Music, Culture, Art, History, Adventure !

October 9-24, 2010

with

Jim Gold & Lee Otterholt

Four-day Greek island cruise extension! Oct. 23-29

(Includes two nights in Athens)

Santorini Extension: October 27-30

- *Athens, Mycenae, Sparta, Byzantine Mystra, Olympia, Delphi, Meteora !
- *5 days on the island of Crete !
- *International folk dancing with Lee Otterholt !
- *Folk dancing with local Greek teachers !
- *Five Day/Four Night Greek Island Cruise extension to Mykonos, Crete,
- *Rhodes, Kusadasi and Ephesus in Turkey Patmos, and Santorini, home of legendary Atlantis.
- *Four day Santorini extension (including Ochi Day)!
- *Price includes round trip air, transfers, hotels, private bus, guide, and sight seeing for land tour, all breakfasts and dinners (except Athens).

ITINERARY

Day 1: Sunday, October 10: Departure on Olympic Airway from JFK airport in New York City.

Day 2-4: Monday-Wednesday October 11-13: Arrive in Athens. Transfer to Herodion Hotel.

Explore ancient and modern city of Athens; visit the Royal Palace, Temple of Olympian Zeus, Acropolis, and Omonia Square. **One day cruise to island of Hydra (optional) Greek folk dancing!**

SIX- DAY CLASSICAL TOUR

Day 5: Thursday, October 14: See the **Corinthian canal**, visit archaeological site of **Mycenae**, and the theater at **Epidauros**. On to Nauplia. **Dinner folk dancing with Lee**. Overnight: Amalia Hotel.

Day 6: Friday, October 15: Visit Sparta and Byzantine Mystra.

Day 7: Saturday, October 16: Drive through central **Peloponnese** passing Megalopolis and Tripolis. Tour of historic Olympia. Dinner, **folk dancing**, and overnight at the Amalia Hotel.

Day 8: Sunday, October 17: Morning drive through Nafpakto. Visit archeological sites at Delphi. Dinner, folk dancing, and overnight at Amalia Hotel.

Day 9: Monday, October 18: Morning visit to **Delphi museum**. Drive through **Arachova, Lamia, and**

Trikala. Arrive in Kalambaka. Dinner, **folk dancing**, and overnight at Amalia Hotel.

Day 10: Tuesday, October 19: Visit breathtaking cliff monasteries of **Meteora**. Rising from gigantic rocks, they appear as nature's gift to the pious who chose solitude and a life of worship. Lunch and **Greek folk dancing in a local Kastraki restaurant**. Return to Athens, passing through historic **Thermopyle**.
Overnight: Herodion Hotel.

Day 11: Wednesday, October 20: Flight to Crete:

Island of CRETE !

Day 11-15: Wednesday-Sunday, October 20-24: Arrival transfer from **Chania** airport to hotel. PM Orientation with the tour guide, with a walking tour in the old quarters of Chania. Welcome dinner by the old port. **Folk dancing with Lee's teacher and friend, Giorgios Lelakis**. Explore the region of **Apokoronas**, considered by many the most beautiful province of the island. Visits to small traditional villages, a monastery, and a folklore art museum. Meeting with a local group and a lesson in the local dances in the **village of Douliana**. hotel . Visit **Kissamos**, the westernmost part of the island. **village of Vlatos**, and the retreat of **Milia**, a small agricultural settlement. Enjoy lesson of local Cretan dance lessons.

Day 15: Sunday, October 24. Fly back to Athens and home. . . or take the

FIVE-DAY GREEK ISLAND CRUISE EXTENSION!

Day 15-16: Sunday-Monday, October 24-25: Overnight in Athens.

Day 16: Monday, October 25: Cruise sails from the **harbor of Piraeus** to romantic island of **Mykonos**.

Day 17: Tuesday, October 26: Visit Kusadasi in Turkey. Excursion to the ancient city of **Ephesus**.

(Note: All cruise excursion are optional.) Sail to **Patmos** where **St. John wrote the Book of Revelation**.

Day: 18: Wednesday, October 27: Sail to Rhodes. Explore this exciting medieval city. Excursion to **Lindos** with its ancient Acropolis and breath-taking views.

Day 19: Thursday, October 28: Heraklion, capital of Crete. Excursion to the Palace of Knossos. Then sail to legendary **Santorini!** Return to the ship, or continue tour adventure with **SANTORINI EXTENSION**.

Day 20: Friday, October 29: Stay on cruise. Arrive in Piraeus. Transfer to airport for flight back home.

SANTORINI EXTENSION!

Days 19-22: Thursday-Sunday, October 27-30: Includes accommodations and daily breakfasts at Aressana Hotel. **Ochi Day** is October 28th celebrated with parades and dancing in the streets!

About Jim Gold

Jim brings his love of music, people, languages, humor, literature, ancient cultures, and new discoveries to make his tours , weekends, and dance classes a joy for all ages. A graduate of the University of Chicago, he taught music at Montclair State College and New York University. Jim is a classical and folk guitarist, author of eight books, and a folk dance teacher who makes dancing easy. As a professional guitarist and singer, he recorded his *World of Guitar* program which has been performed at schools, universities, on TV and national radio. This is his 23th year leading **Jim Gold International Tours**.

About Lee Otterholt

Lee Otterholt, born in USA of Norwegian-American parents, has lived and worked in Norway as a professional dancer, teacher, and choreographer. He founded Center for International Folk Dance in Oslo; and was professor of dance folklore at the Norwegian National College of Ballet, and University College of Oslo. Lee established folk dance and performing groups in Norway, taught at festivals and workshops throughout Europe, United States, and East Asia, authored folk dance and instructional manuals for Norwegian schools. He was a choreographer for the Opening Ceremony of the Winter Olympic Games in Lillehammer.

Land: \$2995 approx. Land and Air: \$3495 approx.
Five Day Greek Island Cruise Extension \$895 approx.

Santorini Extension \$480 approx.

REGISTRATION: I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person, refundable until June 30th. Single Supplement: \$525 approx. One-day Cruise from Athen to Hydra: \$95 approx. **Five Day Greek Island Cruise Extension:** \$895 approx 3-day Santorini extension: \$520 approx. Santorini air tax: \$55 approx. Single supplement: \$125 approx.. (Santorini extension participants forfeit cost of last night of cruise (including accommodation, dinner and breakfast.) Additional charges: \$65 hotel taxes and service, port taxes of \$138, air taxes/fuel charges: \$265 aspprox. **Gratuities, cruise visits to archeological sites, and Lee's pre-arranged visits with local folk dance groups, are not included in the price..** Cancellations 30 to 45 days prior to departure: Refund 50% of total price. Less than 30 days: No refund. Travel insurance recommended.

Total balance due July 10, 2010

One-day cruise from Athens to Hydra: Yes ___ No ___

5-Day Greek Island Cruise extension: Yes ___ No ___ Santorini Extension: Yes ___ No ___

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