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*Jim Gold International Folk Tours*

# **GREECE**

## **and the Greek Islands !**

**Includes 3 days on Island of Mykonos celebrating Greek Easter!**

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

**April 9-24, 2009**

**Led by Lee Otterholt**

**Santorini Extension: April 23-26**

- ★ **Athens, Olympia, Delphi, Meteora, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Naflia !**
- ★ **Greek Island Cruise to Mykonos, Crete, Rhodes, Patmos, Santorini, home of legendary Atlantis. In Turkey, visit Kusadasi and Ephesus !**
- ★ **Celebrate Greek Easter on the island of Mykonos!**
- ★ **International folk dancing with Lee Otterholt !**
- ★ **Folk dancing with local Greek teachers !**
- ★ **Price includes round trip air, transfers, hotels, private bus, guide, and sightseeing for land tour, all breakfasts and dinners (except Athens).**

### **ITINERARY**

**Day 1: Thursday, April 9:** Departure on Olympic Airway from JFK airport in New York City.

**Day 2-3: Friday-Saturday, April 10-11:** Arrive in **Athens**. Transfer to Herodion Hotel. Explore the ancient and modern city of Athens. Visit the Royal Palace, Temple of Olympian Zeus, **Acropolis**, and Omonia Square. Greek folk dancing.

### **FIVE-DAY CLASSICAL TOUR**

**Day 4: Sunday, April 12:** Morning departure. Visit the **Corinthian canal**, archaeological sites of **Mycenae**, and the theater at **Epidaurus**. On to Nafplia. **Folk dancing with Lee**. Dinner and overnight at Amalia Hotel.

**Day 5: Monday, April, 13:** Drive through central **Peloponnese** passing Megalopolis and Tripolis. Tour of historic Olympia. Dinner, **folk dancing**, and overnight at the Amalia Hotel.

**Day 6: Tuesday, April 14:** Morning drive through Nafpakto. Visit archeological sites at Delphi. Dinner, folk dancing, and overnight at Amalia Hotel.

**Day 7: Wednesday, April 15:** Morning visit to **Delphi Museum**. Drive through **Arachova, Lamia, and Trikala**. Dinner, folk dancing, and overnight Kalambaka: Amalia Hotel.

**Day 8: Thursday, April 16:** 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.

**FOUR-DAY GREEK ISLAND CRUISE and GREEK EASTER CELEBRATION !**

**Day 9-12: Friday-Monday, April 17-20:** Three glorious days on **Mykonos!** After breakfast, transfer from hotel to Piraeus for your four-day Louis Cruise departing at 11:00 a.m. Arrive in Mykonos at 6:00 p.m. This island, known for its fabulous white sand beaches, turquoise blue sea, exciting nightlife, quaint winding streets, whiteness of the homes, and picturesque buildings, is one of the most famous in the world! **Sunday, April 19, is Greek Orthodox Easter! You will enjoy being part of the festivities on Saturday night and on Easter Sunday, a unique experience in Mykonos. Greek folk dancing on Mykonos with Lilian Vlandis, and local dancers. Join the Easter celebration and Festivities!** Overnights at the K Hotels. Monday evening you will be transferred to the Mykonos pier to embark on your four day cruise. Sail at 11:00 p.m.

**Day 13: Tuesday, April 21: Visit Kusadasi in Turkey.** Optional excursion to **Ephesus**, best preserved Greco-Roman city in the world. Bazaar shopping tour of Kusadasi led by Jim. Sail to the beautiful island of **Patmos** where **St. John wrote the Book of Revelation**.

**Day 14: Wednesday, April 22: Sail to Rhodes.** Explore the medieval city. Optional excursion to **Lindos** with its ancient Acropolis and breathtaking views. Walking tour of Rhodes led by Jim. **Greek folk dancing with Nelly Dimoglou Dancers.**

**Day 15: Thursday, April 23:** Visit Heraklion, capital of Crete. Optional excursion to the Palace of Knossos. Then onto **Santorini**, home of the legendary kingdom of Atlantis.

**Day 16: Friday, April 24: Stay on cruise to arrive in Piraeus.** Transfer to airport for flight back home.

**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: \$3395    Land and Air: \$3895    Santorini Extension: \$520**

**REGISTRATION: I can't wait to go!** Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person, refundable until January 10<sup>th</sup>. Single Supplement: \$725. Cruise fuel charge: \$55. Optional cruise upgrade: add \$225 per person double occupancy. Santorini air tax: \$55. Single supplement: \$125. (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: \$365 app. 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 January 10, 2009**

Santorini Extension: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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