



CRETE ~ AN AEGEAN ODYSSEY

FRIDAY 5 JUNE – THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2020

FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER – THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2020

13 NIGHT/14 DAY SMALL GROUP TOURS OF CRETE

TRAVELLING WITH FRANCESCA TO CRETE WAS A LIFE-CHANGING
EXPERIENCE – HER KNOWLEDGE, PASSION, AND INSIGHT INTO
CRETAN LIFE MADE OUR TRIP ONE OUR FAMILY WILL NEVER
FORGET – Celia H.

THE TOUR

My small personal tour of Crete is an insight into the island, which lies at the heart of the Mediterranean Diet and is the cradle of civilisation thanks to the ingenuity of the Minoans.

My name is Francesca Muir and I will be your Tour Concierge for the duration of the trip. I lived here for many years and am delighted to be able to share with you all the things I love about the island. Things you'll never find as a tourist – which is why my tours are limited to eight people only. Join me for two weeks where we will immerse ourselves in the local life and culture, make wonderful Cretan friends, learn the secrets of the Cretan Diet, cook and eat the most delicious local delicacies imaginable, and swim in peacock coloured waters.

We will stay for seven nights in the port of **Agios Nikolaos** in Eastern Crete, and then travel across the island to stay in a 13th century Venetian hotel in the Old Port of Chania. Highlights include:

- Taking a local fishing boat to the island of Spinalonga for a tour of the last leper colony of Europe
- Visiting the ancient mountain village of Kritsa, where age-old traditions such as pottery, leatherwear, lacemaking, and weaving are still carried on today
- Enjoying a Minoan Feast cooked in Minoan pots with potter, anthropologist, and archaeologist Jerolyn Morrison
- Visiting the Minoan Palace of Knossos and the Knossos Museum
- A trip into the mountains to visit two of Crete's famous wineries
- A cooking class in an ancient olive press to learn the secrets of the Cretan Diet with Kiria Koula
- A monastery visit
- Eating where the locals eat
- A trip to a traditional Cretan olive farm
- And many surprises!



Please Note: Some tours on the itinerary may be swapped around in case of inclement weather, or to avoid clashing with large tour groups.

Tour inclusions:

- 14 breakfasts, 8 lunches, and 6 dinners (all with local wine)
- Accommodation for 13 nights
- Transfer from Heraklion airport, and all bus and taxi transfers across the island
- All guides and entry fees
- Cooking classes and tastings.

Tour exclusions:

- International and domestic travel, to and from Crete
- Travel and cancellation Insurance (a must)
- Local bus fares and taxis during free time
- Meals and alcohol other than those listed above
- Tips for meals, guides, bus drivers etc.

Tour Costs:

€5,200 pp for single/twin/double share

€700 pp non-refundable deposit

**For more information and booking form visit
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