



14-DAY SAILING EXCURSION IN NORTHERN AEGEAN SUMMER 2010



Marine & Sailing Enterprises S.A. is again organizing a two-week marine vacation in the Greek Islands of the North Aegean. By joining this marvellous excursion you will have the unique chance to enjoy unusual vacation on a yacht -not another hotel room- and relish the numerous beauties of Greece such as discovering beaches and harbours that can only be reached by boat, swimming in crystal clear water, unforgettable sunsets, picturesque villages and enjoying the famous Greek hospitality. You will also

see the waterfalls on Samothraki, deer running free in woods on Limnos, dolphins and maybe seals, whales, sea turtles e.t.c.

Our well-trained and experienced skippers as well as our fully equipped yachts guarantee a safe and unforgettable vacation. Please bring your **children** along, the yachts will then be accordingly equipped. For **singles** or **couples** we will try to find a matching crew. If you know about sailing you are welcome to give the skipper a hand, if not, you might learn some basics about it. Or you can also just relax and let the skipper take care of everything. Our boats depart every Saturday at 8:00 a.m. from the Marina of Thessaloniki and return there on Friday evening, two weeks later.

The full programme of the excursion is as follows:

- **Friday** evening, we gather at our company's office, where you meet your skipper and get acquainted with the rest of the group. You all together organize the shopping-list regarding food and provisions and the skipper will give you all necessary information about the excursion. You may spend the night on board (if you are interested you should, please, inform us in advance).
- We depart on **Saturday** morning at 8:00 a.m. from the Marina of Thessaloniki. After having our first stop for swimming -lunch - rest at *Sani* or *Posidi* (very picturesque beaches of Chalkidiki), we arrive at *Porto Koufo* in the afternoon for dinner and rest.
- On Saturday night we depart for the island of *Samothraki* and arrive at the main village (*Kamariotissa*) on **Sunday** morning. There you could rent a car and visit for example *Fonias*, the fascinating gorge with its blue lakes and famous waterfalls, see the renown Statue of Victory in *Therma* (the original statue is displayed in the Louvre, Paris) and taste local specialties, such as stuffed goat or just stroll around and relax.



- On **Monday** you could visit the Archaeological Museum, the famous castle in *Paleopolis* that extends from the sea to the sides of Agios Georgios (the castle was constructed in the 6th century BC), the old town with its castle and very picturesque old houses, the Church of Panagia Krimniotissa e.t.c. We then set sail for the beautiful beaches of the island for swimming and at night we can enjoy the local nightlife.

- Later on we leave for *Myrina (Lemnos)*, where we expect to arrive on **Tuesday** morning. There you should visit the Castle of *Myrina* to watch the deer and roe that live freely there, explore *Poliohni*, considered to be the oldest organized European settlement, mentioned by Homer (4000 - 1600 BC), the sunken city east of *Cape Keros*, the numerous museums in *Myrina*, the Main Church illuminated at night, the cave of *Filoktitis*, e.t.c.
- On **Wednesday** we sail along the South-West side of the island where we visit the fascinating bays of *Plati*, *Thanos*, *Diapori*, *Íevgati*, *Nea Koutali* and spend the night anchored in one of the above locations where we have a barbecue.



- On **Thursday** morning we set off for *Lesvos* and arrive at *Molyvos*, home of the famous musician *Arion*, in the evening. *Molyvos* is blessed with endless beauty. The old village fascinates with its traditional houses made of stone. *Molyvos* also hosts festivals all summer long, so we may be able to watch something exquisite and unusual. A walk around the castle, which is the biggest in the Mediterranean, is a must. Then the young (and the young at heart) can enjoy the nightlife.

- On **Friday** morning we leave for *Mytilini*, but first we stop at the delightful *Tokmakia* islands for swimming and lunch. The town of *Mytilini* is constructed on seven hills opposite the Asia Minor coast, surrounded by a castle. In town, there are several museums and the well-kept Byzantine castle, well worth visiting. In the old town you can see some impressive villas built for the island's nobility at the turn of the century. You should also taste the famous «ouzo» and the sardines of *Kalloni*.
- On **Saturday** morning we set sail for *Gera bay* and stop at *Skala Loutron*. In the afternoon we sail to *Plomari* where we stay overnight. *Plomari* is the second largest town on the island with beautiful houses, narrow cable-stone streets, plenty of greenery and a very picturesque harbour. We can have our dinner under the old plane tree, planted in 1813.

- On **Sunday** morning we leave for *Eressos*, the country of the famous poet Sappho and stop for swimming and lunch. Afterwards we sail to *Sigri* arriving late in the afternoon. This place is ideal for a quiet vacation and is well known for its fossilized forest, which Greek and foreign scientists consider one of the most remarkable geological monuments in the world.
- After resting for a while we leave for *Agios Petros* bay on *Kyra- Panagia* Island, where we arrive on **Monday** morning. *Kyra-Panagia* is a small, uninhabited island that belongs to the Northern Sporades complex, with an extremely clear blue sea and many beautiful locations to explore. Upon arrival we can swim, fish or rest. Then we sail to *Steni Valla (Alonnisos)* which will take us approximately two hours. In *Steni Valla* we buy provisions from the supermarket situated on the harbour and then we could taste fresh fish and lobster at the local taverns and also visit the old capital of *Alonnisos*, admire the beautiful local architecture and the panoramic view.



- On **Tuesday** morning we set sail for *Skopelos*. On our way there we anchor in one of the beautiful bays of *Peristera*. In the afternoon we arrive at *Skopelos*, where we taste the local specialties (such as *Skopelos'* cheese pie), have fun at the local bars and clubs and go Greek dancing. Worth visiting are the famous little churches of *Skopelos* as well as its folklore Museum. Even a simple stroll through the narrow streets of *Skopelos* is a memorable experience.

- On **Wednesday** morning we sail around *Skopelos* and anchor at the most picturesque harbors of the island -*Stafylos*, *Agnondas* and *Panormos*. At *Panormos* we stop for lunch and enjoy the unique beauty of this natural harbor. In the afternoon we sail to *Skiathos*. A visit to the house of the famous writer Papadiamantis gives us an idea of the local tradition and culture. *Skiathos* is well known for its luxurious shops and the active nightlife with an international flavour.
- On **Thursday** morning we leave for the famous beach "*Koukounaries*" and then we continue on to *Agios Giannis* at the foothills of *Pilio* Mountain, where we rest and have lunch. We spend the night in either *Stomio (Tsagiezi)* or *Kamari (Pilio)*, both small well-protected harbors.
- On **Friday** morning we leave for Thessaloniki where we arrive in the afternoon, after having a short stop for swimming and our last meal on board at *Epanomy*.

The price of this excursion is **840,00 Euro** per person and includes: accommodation on board, fuel and water for the boat, skipper and moorings.

Concerning your luggage (please no suitcases but sport bags), we suggest you bring: a sleeping-bag, sheets and pillowcases (there are blankets and pillows onboard), rubber-soled shoes, warm clothes (just in case), oilskin clothes against the wind, sun-protection cream (high SPF), swim suits, shorts, T-shirts, towels and also some clothes for night clubbing. Please take as little as possible, because there is limited storage space on the boat.



In July and August the boats depart every Saturday from the marina of Thessaloniki and return there on Friday, two weeks later. The rest of the year boats may depart as long as there is a group of minimum 4 people.

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