

Painting in the Greek Islands With Jan Kellaway

Leros (4 nights) Lipsi (6 nights) Patmos (3 nights) Samos (6 nights)
With Optional Day Trip to Ephesus, Turkey

(12th Sept. - 1st Oct., 2023)

Day 1/ LEROS (Tues. 12th) FREE DAY

Depart Athens for Leros Passing along the peaceful bay of Agia Marina with its villages set amongst olive and almond trees, we reach our hotel with its panoramic vista of the distant fortress. **Welcome cocktails. Dinner included.**

Day 2/ LEROS (Wed. 13th)

Our hotel with its pretty garden filled with urns is a lovely spot with a fabulous vista for our first painting workshop.

Day 3/ LEROS (Thurs. 14th)

Pandeli is an iconic Greek fishing village filled with fishing boats and lively tavernas strewn along a pebbly beach.

Day 4/ LEROS (Fri. 15th)

Agia Marina. This white-washed village with its harbour lined with colourful wooden boats and tangled nets is an artist's dream. **Lunch included. Afternoon review.**

Day 5/ LIPSI (Sat. 16th) FREE DAY

Depart Leros 13:00(1pm) Arrive Lipsi 14:00. We will be staying in lovely studios, overlooking a small cove and blue-domed churches nestled amongst rolling hills. **Optional evening at the local ouzeri - a ritual amongst the locals. Dinner included.**



Day 6/ LIPSI (Sun. 17th)

Plati Yialos. This stunning bay is surrounded by olive trees and wandering geese and is an idyllic location for our painting session.

Optional wine and cheese tasting at award -winning winery.

Day 7/ LIPSI (Mon. 18th)

Katsadia: Small farms and orchards grace the countryside dotted with blue-domed churches leading to the protected cove of Katsadia, sheltered by bamboo reeds.

Day 8/ LIPSI (Tues. 19th) FREE DAY

Optional boat trip to the tiny hidden gems of Arki and Marathi. These two lovely islands are inhabited by a handful of fishermen. On the way, we will pull up at secluded turquoise bays, where we will have the chance to swim off the boat.

Day 9/ LIPSI (Wed. 20th)

The main village, with its colourful boats and church is an iconic Greek island scene. **Dinner included.**

Day 10/ LIPSI (Thurs. 21st)

Enjoy capturing the vista of the turquoise bay with its blue-domed churches. **Afternoon critique.**

Day 11/ PATMOS (Fri. 22nd)

Depart Lipsi 10:00. Arrive Patmos 10:30. Our hotel is right in the centre of town surrounded by all the fabulous shops, tavernas and beaches. The late afternoon light illuminating the Old Town crowned by its monastery, is magical. **Dinner included**

Day 12/ PATMOS (Sat 23rd)

Chora: The world-wide fame of the Cave of the Apocalypse and the Monastery of St. John attract pilgrims from all over the world. **Chora,** the Old Town, with its' labyrinth of narrow meandering laneways crisscrossed by stone arches , is superb!



Day 13/ PATMOS (Sun. 24th)

Skala: The garden of our hotel with its vibrant bougainvillea is a pretty painting spot. Afternoon review.

Day 14/ SAMOS (Mon. 25th) FREE DAY

Depart Patmos 10:00. Arrive Samos 14:00 with its' steep cliffs, deep ravines and forest-covered mountains, Samos is a magical island. Our hotel overlooking Kokkari is a peaceful haven - the perfect place to chill, unwind and paint. **Dinner included.**

Day 15/SAMOS (Tues. 26th)

Kokkari: This pretty village with its white-washed houses and pots of colourful geraniums is stunning! The waterfront is lined with tavernas right on the water's edge.

Day 16/ SAMOS (Wed. 27th)

Manolates: This peaceful mountain village overlooking vineyards and the sea is an absolute delight with its beaked chimneys and terra -cotta roofs.

Day 17/ SAMOS (Thurs. 28th) FREE DAY

Optional trip to Ephesus, Turkey. Ephesus is one of the most famous classical cities of the Mediterranean and one of the Seven Wonders of the World, dating back to 550 B.C

DAY 18/ SAMOS (Fri. 29th)

Pythagorio: With its cobbled-stoned harbour lined with yachts, it is a great spot for an afternoon painting session followed by free time to browse the shops and perhaps enjoy an optional sunset drink. Dinner on the waterfront. **Dinner included**

Day 19/ SAMOS (Sat. 30th)

Lemonakia: The little bay of Lemonakia, surrounded by pine trees is idyllic. Afternoon review & farewell drinks. **Dinner included**

Day 20/ DEPARTURE (Sun. 1st)

Morning transfer to Samos Airport for flight to Athens (time to be advised)



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