

Painting in the Greek Islands With Craig Penny

Kalymnos(6 nights) Patmos (3 nights) Samos(5 nights) Ikaria(5 nights)
With Optional Day Trip to Ephesus, Turkey

(24th May. - 12th June 2023)

Day 1/ KALYMNOS (Wed.24th) FREE DAY

Depart Athens for Kos Airport. Kos is only a 20minute ferry transfer to Kalymnos with ferries running from 7am till 10pm. Flight time to be advised. Myrties boasts one of the most spectacular sunsets in the Aegean! **Welcome sunset cocktails.**

Day 2/ KALYMNOS (Thurs.25th)

Myrties. Perched on a wide bay overlooking the isle of Telendos, the tiny jetty with its colourful boats is an idyllic spot for our morning session. **In the late afternoon,** we head over to **Telendos.** With its tangled fishing nets, bright wooden boats & seaside tavernas, it is lovely spot to paint and linger on for dinner.

Day 3/ KALYMNOS (Fri. 26th)

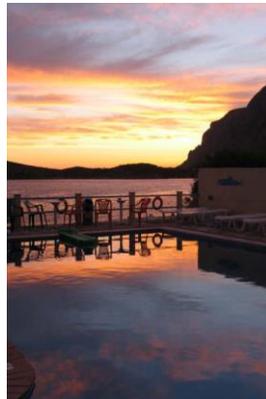
Vathy: This fertile valley with its great groves of mandarins is an unforgettable sight as it also has one of the deepest, most beautiful fjords in the Aegean. **Lunch included.**

Day 4/ KALYMNOS (Sat. 27th)

Arginontas. Driving along the spectacular coastal road we pass wild thyme and oregano covered mountains, arriving at the deep inlet of Arginontas. We set up in the olive grove to paint these ancient trees with sinewy trunks and silver-flecked leaves.

Day 5/ KALYMNOS (Sun. 28th)

Emborios: A boat trip to Harrys taverna, set in the most beautiful garden with its ceramic urns, colourful geraniums and olive trees. **Lunch included**



Day 6 KALYMNOS/ (Mon. 29th)

Archaeological Museum: A chance to sketch some beautiful antiquities and ancient statues followed by a visit to the island's beloved monastery.

Aghias Savas: The rich terra-cotta domes of this beautiful monastery contrasted with the cobalt blue sky and sea, is truly spectacular. **Afternoon Critique. Dinner included.**

Day 7 /PATMOS (Tues. 30th) FREE DAY

Depart Kalymnos 11.00. Arrive Patmos 13:00. Our hotel in Patmos is right in the centre of town, surrounded by all the fabulous shops, tavernas and beaches.

Day 8/ PATMOS (Wed. 31st)

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 criss-crossed by stone arches, is stunning!

Day 9/ PATMOS (Thurs. 1st)

Skala: The garden of our hotel with its vibrant bougainvillea is a superb painting spot. **Dinner included.**

Day 10/ SAMOS (Fri. 2nd) FREE DAY

Depart Patmos 10am. Arrive Samos 14:00. Transfer to our hotel with its panoramic vista overlooking the picturesque seaside village of Kokkari.

Day 11/ SAMOS (Sat. 3rd)

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. **Dinner included.**

Day 12/ SAMOS (Sun.4th)

Manolates This traditional mountain village with its beaked chimneys and terra -cotta roofs overlooks terraced vineyards to the sea.

Day 13/ SAMOS (Mon. 5th)

Lemonakia: The little bay of Lemonakia, surrounded by pine trees, is idyllic. **Afternoon critique. Dinner included.**



Day 14/ SAMOS (Tues. 6th) FREE DAY

Optional excursion to Ephesus, Turkey. This day trip to Ephesus visits this beautifully preserved ancient city and one of the Seven Wonders of the World, dating back to 550 B.C. An unforgettable excursion!

Or visit Pythagorio, with its shops and cobbled-stoned harbour filled with yachts.

Day 15/ IKARIA (Wed. 7th) FREE DAY

Depart Samos 14:00. Arrive Ikaria 16:00 With its' steep cliffs, deep ravines and forest-covered mountains, Ikaria is a magical island. Our hotel overlooking the windswept beach is a peaceful haven - the perfect place to chill out, unwind and paint
Dinner included

Day 16 /IKARIA (Thurs. 8th)

Armenitsa with its little bay comprised of a handful of tavernas is backdropped by majestic mountains. **In the late afternoon, we will head to Nas**, for a chance to capture the afternoon light followed by a breathtaking sunset.

Day 17/IKARIA (Fri. 9th)

Xristos Rahes is a lovely mountain village with shady cafes and colourful umbrellas and is perfect for our morning painting session.

DAY 18/ IKARIA (Sat. 10th)

Evdhilos , with its' picturesque circular harbour, is flanked by elegant neo-classical homes. After lunch, we will continue onto the tiny village of **Akamatra**, overlooking green valleys. **Lunch included**

Day 19/ IKARIA (Sun. 11th)

The blue-domed church of Analipsi guarding the little port is surrounded by bleached blonde rocks and fishing boats. **Afternoon critique & Farewell drinks.**

Day 20/ DEPARTURE (Mon. 12th)

Transfer to Ikaria Airport for flight to Athens. Time to be advised.



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