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## MIX LEISURE&CULTURE PACKAGE (8D/7N)

Larnaca– Nicosia – Paphos - Famagusta– Trodos  
**(Minimum 2 Persons)**

Valid from September 01<sup>st</sup> , 2024 till March 31<sup>st</sup> , 2025



### Included

- Private Round trip transfers: airport – hotel – airport
- Meet & assist at the airport
- 6 Full day with English speaking guide tours
- Entrance fees at monuments as per below itinerary and additional silent guide for occupied areas.

### Excluded

- Round trip ticket
- Airport taxes
- Hotel Accommodation in Larnaca
- Visa charge
- Travel insurance
- Drinks & meals
- All other expenses
- Winery visit during the tour cost:€8 per person extra the wine tasting
- Tips

### Prices are per person in EUROS : (Minimum 2 persons)

	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	7 Pax
<b>PACKAGE RATE</b>	€ 1960	€ 1490	€ 1150	€ 950	€ 865	€ 765

- Rates are subject to change without prior notice
- Rate for One person & Child are on request

### Detailed Itinerary:

#### Day 1: Arrival Larnaca Cyprus

Arrive in the Republic of Cyprus. Meet and assistance upon arrival, transfer to your hotel in Larnaca. Check into hotel, free on leisure.

#### Day 2: Choirikitia – Lefkara – Larnaca

Visit, **St. Lazaros famous church**, Larnaca Palm tree road, **Hala Sultan Mosque**: one of the most important holy places for Muslims, ranked after Mecca, Medina in Saudi Arabia and Al Aksha in Jerusalem. - **Choirokitia Archaeological Site**: Listed in UNESCO World Heritage Site. The site provides an insight of human live during Prehistoric times. **Angeloktisti** – Byzantine church dating to the 6th Century, visit the Lefkara Village, Famous for its silverware and intricate handmade lace, known as "Lefcaritika".

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## **Day 3: Nicosia & Mountain villages ( UNESCO Churches )**

We will visit Nicosia city the capital of Cyprus which is divided to North part of Nicosia occupied by Turkish army since 1974 and the South which is under the control of Republic of Cyprus. We will visit Laiki Ytonia and old narrow streets of the old town. Next we will visit the Archaeological Museum giving us an insight into the island's rich history. Later the tour takes us to the Green Line The Green Line divides the two parts of the countries and is always manned by UNO forces. Our Nicosia tour takes us to the Archbishopric and we also visit the famous Cathedral of St. John. Then we will drive to Kakopetria Village Kakopetria is a beautiful, traditional village located 55 kilometers south west of the capital, Nicosia, on the foothills of the Troodos Mountain. It stands at an altitude of 667 meters and it is the highest village in the Solea Valley. You will visit the old Kakopetria area, with the stone paved roads and the well-maintained traditional Cyprus houses. Then we will visit Panayia Podithou church ,built in 1502, this 15th century church is located near the village of Galata and the church of Archangel Michael at Galata village, then will continue to Panagia Assinou Church ,this 12th century church is located in the village of Nikitari and features excellent examples of wall paintings.

## **Day 4: Paphos - Curium - Aphrodite Birth place**

You can discover the legends and history of one of the most beautiful areas in Cyprus. The day begins with a visit to Curium, an impressive Greco-Roman site, which includes mosaics and a superb theatre. Petra tou Romiou, the very spot where the legendary goddess of love emerged from foaming waves in our next stop. Once in Paphos we will take you to the 3rd century Houses of Dionysos where you can admire the excellent mosaics depicting familiar scenes from mythology. We then pass by the catacombs of Ayia Solomoni, the Byzantine castle of forty columns and St. Paul's pillar. After stroll round the picturesque harbor we begin our return journey.

## **Day 5: Famagusta & Salamis ( occupied areas)**

A trip that gives you the chance to visit the beautiful coastal town of Famagusta and to go as near as possible to the fenced and sealed-off part of the town that is known all around the world as the 'Ghost Town of Varosha'! The first stop is the Monastery of Saint Barnabas, the founder of the Cypriot Orthodox Church. There you will also have the chance to visit the Icon Museum of the Monastery as well as the tomb of Saint Barnabas who martyred in the area in 52AD. Our trip continues with a visit to the ancient city-kingdom of Salamis, founded right after the Trojan War by the archer Teucer who came from the Greek island of Salamis. Time will be given there for a guided tour around the archaeological site which includes a beautiful ancient Greek theater and marble columns, Roman Baths and a Gymnasium. We then drive back to Famagusta Old Town Center, where free time will be given for lunch (optional extra) and sightseeing. During your free time there, we highly recommend a walk around the Venetian Walls that surround the old part of the town and a visit at the Gothic Church of Saint Nicolas and Othello Castle (optional extra) which is mentioned by William Shakespeare in his play "Othello". Your last stop will be the beach located right next to the 'Ghost Town of Varosha'. There, you will have the chance to swim in the crystal clear blue waters of the beautiful golden sand beach of Famagusta, whilst taking in the eerie sight of the abandoned buildings which have been desolate since the Turkish invasion in 1974. On our way back we drive right next to the "Ghost Town of Varosha", where you can see exactly how the area, that was once the best tourist resort of the island, now looks like! Passports or European Union ID Cards are needed on the day of the excursion. Overnight in Larnaca. *(passports needed to cross borders to occupied areas by Turks since 1974)*

## **Day 6: Discover Kerynia ( occupied areas)**

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We will drive from the island's capital and the last divided city in the world where, we will cross the green line and head towards the Kerynia & Pentadaktylos (five fingers) mountains at the North side of Cyprus. Our first visit will be at Agios Hilarion castle dating back to 8th – 10th century AD. An impressive castle built on the top of Pentadaktylos mountain range overlooking Kerynia. Its enchanting historical background and the wonderful views will take you back to bygone times. Then we will visit the Bellapais Abbey. The monastery, one of the unparalleled samples of Gothic Art, is situated on the flanks of the Pentadaktylos – (Kerynia) Mountains. The first settlers of the monastery were the priests of the Augustinian order who had migrated from Jerusalem. The first monastery building was constructed between 1198-1205. Ample will be given for lunch at a nearby restaurant. Then we shall drive to Kerynia with its horseshoe- shaped harbour, its medieval castle, snow- white houses between archways which open on to narrow streets, it resembles a coastal town in the south of France. We will go on to visit the Kerynia Castle. The castle is thought to have been constructed to protect the town against the Arab raids in the 7th century. Inside the castle is located also a museum, which contains the original cargo and equipment from the ancient ship of Kerynia. A merchant ship dating from 300 BC rose from the sea bed of the Mediterranean near Kerynia castle. The ship is probably the earliest trading vessel yet discovered. Ample time will be given for coffee or to stroll in the picturesque harbour of Kerynia. Overnight in Nicosia. *(passports needed to cross borders to occupied areas by Turks since 1974)*

## **Day 7: Troodos Mountains & Kykkos Monastery\***

Discover Troodos mountains – the Green Heart of Cyprus. A memorable off the beaten track through idyllic mountain villages unchanged from generations. Our first stop will be just below ( close to the peak ) Mount Olympus - the highest point in Cyprus with a peak of 1951 meters and take in the panoramic views in Troodos Square. We then proceed to “Throni” to see the Tomb of Archbishop Makarios III, the first president of Cyprus. Enjoy the spectacular view of the countryside and the pine forest. We then drive to the famous Kykkos Monastery, which was built in 1080 and dedicated to Virgin Mary. It houses one of the three surviving icons painted by St. Loukas. On our return we visit the village of Omodos and the Holy Cross Monastery.

## **Day 8 – Day on Leisure - Journey Back Home**

Free Time on Leisure. Departure transfer for Larnaca airport.

## **REMARKS**

**1-For the Transport during the tours will be used:** for 1-2 pax ( 4 seated vehicle) & for 3-6 pax ( 6 seated & 07-10 pax(10 seated Mini bus) .

**2- Day 7 can be replaced with any of the below full day guided tours that mostly suites to our clients at same cost as above.**

**TROODOS MOUNTAINS VILLAGES TOUR** Discover Troodos mountains – the Green Heart of Cyprus. A memorable off the beaten track through idyllic mountain villages unchanged from generations. Our first stop will be at **Lania village**, walk around the narrow roads and enjoy village architecture of an ancient stone houses and cottages, visit the old wine press, then we will continue tour via **Platres village** to the **Troodos Square** ( close to the peak ) Mount Olympus - the highest point in Cyprus with a peak of 1951 meters and take in the panoramic views in Troodos Square. Continuing our way we visit a local winery. we will move on to one of the most beautiful villages in Cyprus: **the village of Omodhos**, which is famous for its true Cypriot architecture, the **Monastery of the Holy Cross**, well known for its collection of interesting ecclesiastical objects. Then return back to hotel.



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## **BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

### **PAYMENT CONDITIONS:**

- 50% down payment upon reservation (non-refundable in any case)
- Full payment is required for all bookings done within 25 days prior to departure

### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

- Deposit of 50% paid upon reservation: NON-REFUNDABLE
- 20 days or less prior to departure: FULL AMOUNT IS NON REFUNDABLE

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