



Creativity Tours with Dr. Lucy Bartholomee

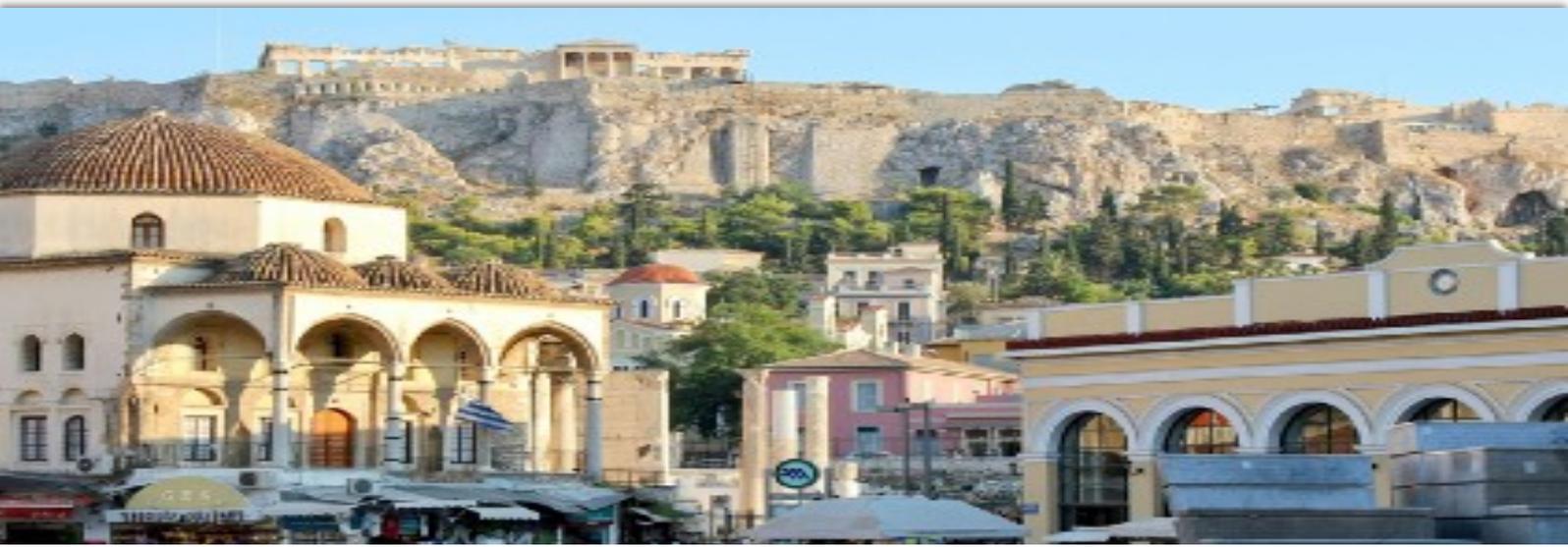
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June 23 - Jul 1, 2026

Group size: 10-16
Athens, Crete & Santorini
Greece

 Bay of Chania, Crete, Greece

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Greek Islands Creativity Tour with Dr. Lucy Bartholomee

June 23rd — July 1st, 2026

Day 1 overnight Athens:

Arrival in **Athens**. We will meet for our welcome session, hand out the Traveling Art Supply Kits, and start getting acquainted. Enjoy a chilled glass of *Assyrtiko* wine and some honey-soaked, cinnamon-spiced *loukomades* at our hotel as we review the tour before an orientation walk around **Plaka neighborhood**. Welcome dinner at a local restaurant.



Day 2 overnight Athens:

Guided sightseeing tour revealing the glories of ancient Greece. Ascend to the top of the Acropolis and visit the iconic Parthenon, dominating the city below. Visit to Acropolis Museum to see ancient treasures up close. The afternoon is free to explore the bustling Plaka area or perhaps visit the National Archaeological Museum. Greek cultural evening at a classic taverna with authentic cuisine, live music and dance. Optional meet-up for working in our art journals together after dinner.



Day 3 overnight Chania (Crete):

In the morning we will meet for a creative activity to design and paint traditional Greek gods eyes, a symbol of good luck and protection, on a wall hanging or necklace. After lunch, we'll

have free time until we leave for our flight to **Chania** on the island of **Crete**. Transfer to hotel in the old quarter of this sublime and charming town. Group dinner.



Day 4 overnight Chania (Crete):

Enjoy a Cretan breakfast with the speciality of *dakos* (barley rusks with tomato, feta and herbs) followed by a guided walking tour to uncover the layers of Venetian and Ottoman empires. Rest of the day free to explore the winding back streets of **Chania** with possible group visit to local glassblowing or wooden embroidery artisan (TBD). The 19th century Egyptian lighthouse at sunset is the perfect spot for inspiration and creative activities.



Day 5 overnight Heraklion (Crete):

Depart Chania and head to our next destination, **Heraklion**. Cooking class at a farm in the small village where vegetables, wild greens, aromatic herbs and olive oil all come from the garden and farm. Sample local cheeses, honey, oils and other local products before sitting down to authentic lunch. Short stop at seaside town **Rethymno** for before arriving late afternoon in Heraklion. Group dinner.



Day 6 overnight Heraklion (Crete):

This morning we will visit the palace at **Knossos**, to get to know the Minoans. This civilization predates classical Greece and was once of the most influential ancient cultures on the Mediterranean. Then enjoy a wine tasting with local delicacies (light lunch) at

Lyrarakis Winery in the scenic countryside. We have extra time booked here so you can explore and find a special viewpoint in the vineyard for making art. Late afternoon we will return to Heraklion & enjoy a group dinner.



Day 7 overnight Fira (Santorini):

Morning ferry to the island of **Santorini**, which some believe to be the lost continent of Atlantis. Transfer to our hotel in the main town of **Fira** to enjoy the truly stunning views of the island's iconic blue and white painted houses and the *caldera*, the sea-filled volcanic crater created by an ancient eruption. Full afternoon at leisure to explore, shop, chill or swim. Optional art activity in late afternoon. Group dinner.



Day 8 overnight Fira (Santorini):

Morning tour of the sights of Santorini including breathtaking views from **Prophet Elias Mountain**, picturesque alleys and iconic Cycladic windmills of **Emporia** and the stunningly situated village of **Oia**. In late afternoon we will embark on a sailing cruise that's just in time for sunset (dinner and drinks included). Take a dip, snorkel or just relax and enjoy the rugged cliffs, majestic caldera and beautiful backdrops on our last evening together.



Day 9: **TOUR ENDS** after breakfast today. We will be on hand to help you transfer to your transportation back to Athens (ferry or flights) or on to your next adventure.

Trip Overview

What's included

✓ Meals	8 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 7 dinners
✓ Lodging	8 nights accommodation
✓ Admission Fees	admission fees for all sights included in the itinerary
✓ Transportation	internal flight (Athens to Chania), ferries, transport by bus
✓ Guides	tour manager, local guides
✓ Tips	tips for hotels, tour guides, drivers, and included meals
✗ International Travel	travel to/from Greece is not included
✗ Travel Insurance	we strongly recommend that you purchase insurance
✗ Drinks	drinks at meals other than water and one glass of wine, beer or soft drink
✗ Meals	any meals not listed in the itinerary
✗ Airport transfers	we are happy to arrange for additional cost
✗ Free Time Sightseeing	activities and sights you choose to visit outside of the planned itinerary
✗ Visa and Passport Fees	any required visas for entry to the country unless specified in the tour

Art Educators and others seeking professional development credit can look forward to earning 30+ hours on this trip. Dr. Bartholomee will keep track of the hours we spend at museums, art history lectures on site, creative work, meetings and other relevant time on this program. After we return, she will send out a personalized certificate with your hours along with a detailed PD document for your administration.

See an example from previous years at: lucybartholomee.com/creativitytours

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Trip Costs & Options

Available Rooms

Double Occupancy Room

Price Per Person for traveler in a double occupancy room. Please select the number of guests that would like to join the tour.

Available until Apr 22, 2026

\$5,424

Deposit: \$600

Single Occupancy Room

Price per person for a single room. Please select the number of guests that would like to join the tour.

Available until Apr 22, 2026

\$6,299

Deposit: \$600

Triple Occupancy Room (By request. Email if interested.)

Price Per Person for traveler in a triple occupancy room. Please select the number of guests that would like to join the tour.

Available until Apr 22, 2026

\$5,424

Deposit: \$600

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