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GREEK ISLANDS QUEER TRIP

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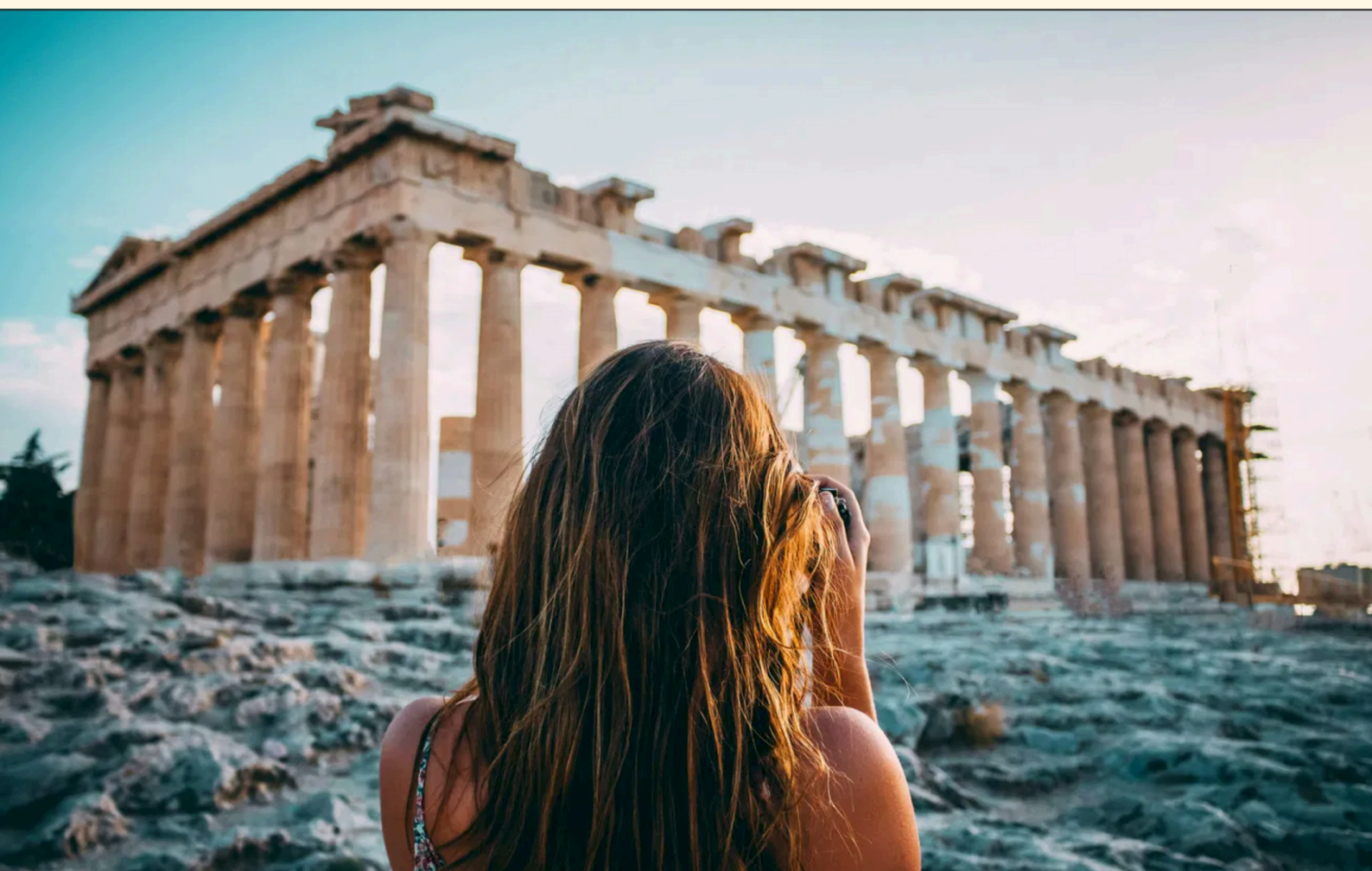
13th September - 21st September 2026 (9 days)

Price

£1,695 (Secure your spot with just a **£49 deposit** - Payment plans available)

Operator

The trip will be run by @gap360official, the UK's leading independent specialist travel company for 18-30s.



Trip Highlights

- Travel with other members of the LGBTQ+ Backpackers community
- Chill at the beach clubs in Mykonos and ancient wonders in Athens
- Have a prosecco picnic on a secluded beach
- Take in the white and blue architecture of Santorini
- Watch the sunset in Oia



What is Included in the price

- 8 nights accommodation
- 8 breakfasts
- All on tour transport
- Athens Walking Tour
- Acropolis Parthenon Visit
- Mykonos Old Town tour
- Paradise Beach Club
- Ios Pub Crawl
- Ios Boat Trip
- Secluded Beach - Prosecco Picnic
- Santorini Wine Tasting
- Oia Trip - Santorini's most famous View Point
- Local tour guide
- 24 hour emergency support



WHATS NOT INCLUDED: INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS, TRAVEL INSURANCE, VISAS (IF NEEDED), SOME MEALS, SNACKS AND DRINKS, OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Coming Solo?

Awesome! All Gap 360 trips are designed for travellers to meet and make new travel friends. A dedicated group leader will accompany you throughout the entire trip, ensuring everyone is mixing and having a fun time. Plus, Gap 360 will create a WhatsApp group a month before the trip so you can break the ice before you even arrive! On both our trips to Thailand and the Philippines, several travellers ended up getting matching tattoos - which really shows just how close you can expect to become by the end of the trip!



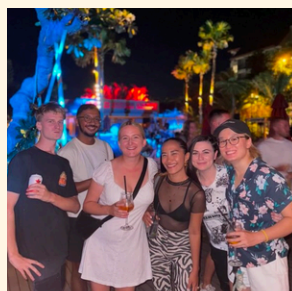
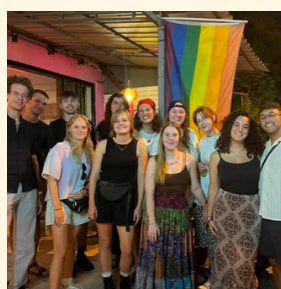
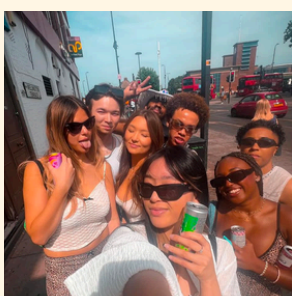
Tattoo time on the Thailand Trip!





Who is the trip open to?

LGBTQ+ Backpackers aged 18-35. Our insta gives a good glimpse into the kind of lovely people you can expect to be travelling with! (@lgbtq_backpackers)



Reviews

As all our trips are operated by trusted partners, we don't collect direct reviews ourselves, and this is one of our first ever Greece trips! However, below you'll find reviews from travellers who joined the queer Thailand & Philippines trip operated by Gap 360!

MJ ★★★★★

I had an incredible time on the LGBTQ Backpackers Thailand trip. Everything was very well organized and planned, and I loved the group activities we did as well as the freedom to go off and explore a bit on my own, which I had a great time doing. I loved the hill trek and the night in the jungle village as well. I do wish we could have spent more time in Bangkok and Chiang Mai, though - it would have been nice to get to explore the city and learn about the culture. As a vegan, I was amazed at how well gap360 accommodated my dietary needs for all of the included meals. I never found myself in a situation where I felt like there wasn't anything I could eat; and often, a separate vegan meal was prepared for me without even having to ask! Our tour guide Mr Patrick was an absolute delight. He did an amazing job and made the trip so fun. He helped us so much on the trip and it wouldn't have been the same without him!



W8468CWsamanthad

★★★★★ Reviewed 2 May 2025

Perfect trip

An amazing experience with such a wonderful group. I joined the LGBTQ+ backpackers group and had Sheena as our tour guide. Sheena was just a joy to be around. She made us all feel safe and welcome in the beautiful Philippines. Sheena has amazing knowledge regarding the areas we travelled to and made every minute very special. I recommend this trip so much and want to send all my thanks to Sheena for such a special and memorable trip.

Date of experience: April 2025



Aisling H ★★★★★

I was very nervous leading up to the queer trip to Thailand but once I got there, I felt so at ease. Travelling around Thailand with a beautiful bunch of people was an unforgettable experience. I have made some lifelong friends and will always be grateful for this trip. Mr. Patrick was amazing. He knew everyone's names from the start and joined in on our fun when he was able to. His communication was excellent, we always knew what the plan was and timings etc, he was always there with the anti-sickness tablets too. Mr. Patrick was the perfect person to show a bunch of queers around Thailand. Would do it all again in a heartbeat.

Daisy ★★★★★

Solo travel is always an exciting yet intimidating prospect and sometimes, as someone who is a part of the LGBTQ community, it can feel more intimidating than exciting. That's why I was so excited to be able to go on a fully queer trip and I have never been so glad that I did. What a fantastic, vibrant and beautiful group of people I got to spend time with, all while discovering a new country. We really got to see the wide variety that Thailand has to offer: from beautiful beaches, expansive jungle and bustling cities. Throughout the trip, the organised experiences gave us the chance to become extremely close as a group and there really was something for everyone. There was also the chance for additional activities such as rock climbing. It is impossible to leave a review for this trip and not mention the incredible Mr Patrick. It's safe to say that we would have been lost without him and that he made this trip the best it could possibly be for all of us. Mr Patrick led us all through the experience with jokes, hugs and anti-sea sickness medications and we never were unsure about our next move. I cannot recommend him more highly as a guide and fully express what a wonderful person he is. Everyone in their life needs a Mr Patrick ❤️ thank you for making such an inclusive and safe trip possible for all of us.

Samantha ★★★★★

What a life changing experience. I had the absolute pleasure joining the LGBTQ+ backpackers trip and had the most heartwarming experience. This was my first time traveling solo which going with Gap360 allowed the comfort of traveling with a group alongside gaining the feel of backpacking. We saw the most beautiful locations with a mix between chilled beach time, adrenaline pumping activities and learning a lot about the culture! Highlights were definitely the elephant sanctuary and the hill village stay. I have came out of this trip with so many beautiful new friends and memories that I will cherish forever. I was very worried about going to Thailand with a peanut allergy but the tour provided safe meals and our amazing tour guide helped every step of the way with communicating and pointing me in the right direction of safe alternatives. We had the absolute delight of Mr Patrick's company on our tour. Patrick was the perfect tour guide for our LGBTQ+ tour. He has a strong knowledge of cultural history and had many suggestions for places/activities for us to do in each location during free time which were always welcomed. Mr Patrick deserves a full five stars. He is such an inspiration and joy to have met! For a diverse group who struggle to sometimes feel safe in different locations, Mr Patrick made us all feel safe every step of the way. Thank you Mr Patrick ❤️



ellie m
★★★★★ Reviewed 2 May 2025

INCREDIBLE

We've all had the most incredible 2 weeks in the Philippines!! Jam packed trip seeing so many cool things, making so many friends and most importantly - our queen SHEENA!!!!!! She MADE the trip, so much fun!!! We won with our tour guide ❤️

Date of experience: April 2025



Maddy R

★★★★★ Reviewed 2 May 2025

Someone give Sheena a raise!

A wonderful jam packed trip with enough time to relax in between :) Sheena was more than incredible, she made us feel a part of each place we visited, be that at the town level or a bar level. I didn't have to think about anything other than what I wanted for dinner - 12/10 recommend

Date of experience: April 2025



eringm9

★★★★★ Reviewed 2 May 2025

Best trip ever

We've just finished the best holiday to the Philippines with the most amazing destinations and wonderful organisation. Had the best time ever and I cannot thank our tour guide Sheena enough for making the trip as perfect as it was, she was genuinely the best ever - 20/10. Cannot recommend enough!!!

Date of experience: April 2025

Jen ★★★★★

Wow - what an incredible experience! I haven't got a single bad word to say about this tour and our wonderful, caring and fun guide Patrick! From day one he helped bring our group together ready to see his country not with strangers, but with new friends. This activity packed tour was so well organised: I always felt safe, knew what our plan was and could easily ask for suggestions for our free time. Patrick put so much work into making our time together memorable and worry free, it really wouldn't have been anywhere near as good without him and I am so grateful for him! I couldn't recommend doing a Gap360 tour as part of the LGBTQ+ backpackers group enough! It was so special and I now have a group of queer people from all around the world that I can call family - I will definitely be doing it again!



Rachel L

★★★★★ Reviewed 2 May 2025

Out of this world experience!

This trip was amazing! One of the best experiences I've ever had. It was full of so many different activities and everyone got on so well. I especially loved the cultural day, it was so informative and fun! I don't think this trip would've been as successful without Sheena (our tour guide). Sheena was absolutely fantastic! She made us all excited for everything, she was enthusiastic, planned really well and kept us safe and happy over 2 weeks especially with 22 people! It was honestly so great, highly recommend!! ❤️

Date of experience: May 2025

Post-Trip Chat Vibes

We believe there's no better way to get a sense of how incredible the trips are than by taking a sneak peek into the post-trip group chat messages!



From @saskf



From @jana_o4



From @lifeofrachel_x



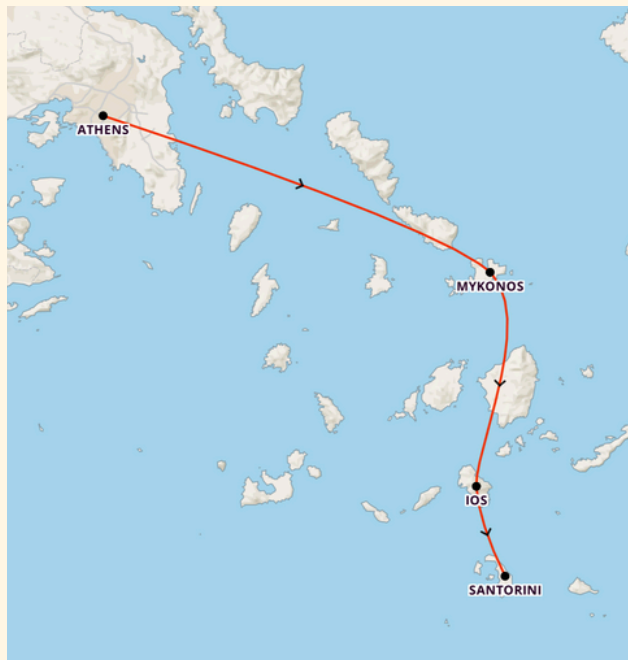
From @danncannon



From @hfarris

Itinerary

The following
information was
provided by Gap
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Day 1 & 2

Trip Overview

Get away to Greece this summer for 9 days of island-hopping paradise. From the ancient wonders of Athens to Santorini sunsets and Mykonos nightlife, this is the dreamy escape that you've been longing for. Discover the best of Greece's golden sandy stretches and vibrant beach clubs with a new group of friends on this LGBTQ+ Backpackers exclusive adventure.

Day 1: Arrival and Welcome Dinner

YAMAS you're in Greece baby! Fly into Athens International Airport where you'll start the next 9 epic days. Chill out, relax, and soak in the warm Greek heat. You're on holiday after all. Later on, we meet up for a big welcome dinner. Meet your group, get to know each other over an Ouzo shot (or 4).

Day 2: Explore Ancient Athens

Have a chilled morning before we head out to ancient Acropolis Parthenon, built to be home to Athena, Greek Goddess of the City. The Acropolis oozes in culture and history and is the epitome of Greek heritage today, it really is a Bucket List destination. Afterwards, we head to the artsy neighbourhood of Exarchia. The walls are filled with colourful murals, and the local shops have a cool, quirky vibe. We spend the evening here for some 10/10 greek food, fill yourself up on saganaki, and Tzatziki then wash the day down with a Mythos.



Day 3 – 5

Day 3: Mykonos Beach Club

We're up early, and we're off to Mykonos! We grab our transport down to the port where we hop on their ferry to our next destination. We check into the beach club and spend the day sunbathing and dancing ridiculously around to the sounds of the resident DJ sipping on mojito after mojito. Is this paradise? The sun goes down as we party the night away. We grab dinner and see where the night takes us!

Day 4: Mykonos tour

We have a free morning before we spend a chilled afternoon on the beach. We'll grab some lunch and head to the old town where you'll find plenty of traditional white cobbled greek streets, blue top domes, bars and restaurants. In the evening, we'll get a taste of Mykonos' lively nightlife.

Day 5: los Nightlife

We're up early and off to the famous island of los! It's time to let loose! We check into our party hotel. los is known as one of the best islands to visit in Greece, and we're about to show you why! Spend the afternoon wandering the white and blue alleyways of the cobbled greek streets, with every twist and turn you'll find more and more beauty. Whatever you fancy los has it. In the evening we freshen up before we head out to los' famous square, we're going on a bar crawl! We take you to the best spots with the best bartenders so dance on the tables and party till the sun comes up!



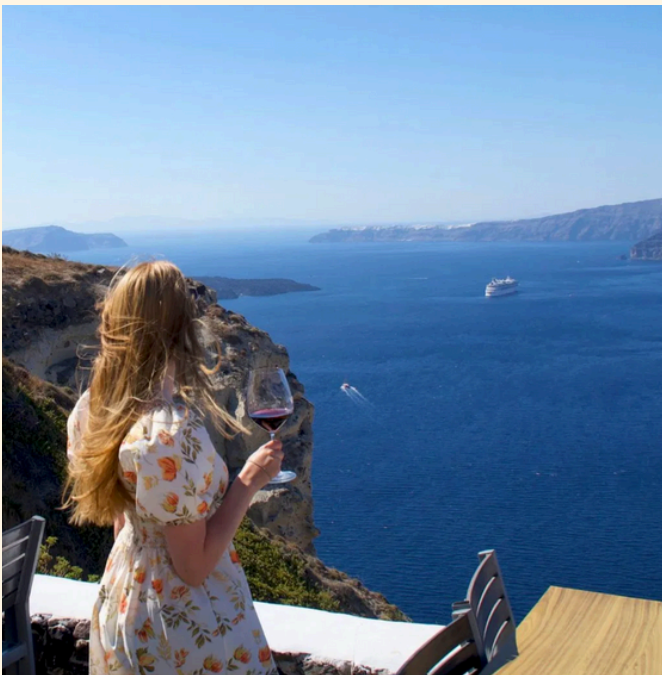
Day 6 – 7

Day 6: Prosecco Picnic

Do you know what fixes any hangover? Mimosas! We jump on a small boat and sail to a super secluded beach where we'll relax for the day. The beach is pristine and beautiful and one of the best hidden spots. At lunch time we'll grab a snack and spend the afternoon sunbathing, bubbly in hand, without a care in the world. Take a dip in the ocean whilst sipping a mimosa, what more could you ask for? The evening is ours to spend as we please, Ios has some of the best restaurants in the whole of Greece, so we hit up a personal favourite. After dinner, we can take the night any direction we'd like.

Day 7: Wine tasting in Santorini

Today we catch the ferry to Santorini where we stay in the beachfront area of Perissa. Chilled, zen backpacker vibes full of beach bars, cute restaurants and quirky shops plus...€3 Gyros. Winner winner. In the evening we take you wine tasting. Santorini produces some of the most delicious wine in the world, so it's only right we try it first hand. Watch the sun go down over the caldera as we become world-class wine connoisseurs. Then we'll head into Fira, the capital of Santorini where we spend the evening and have dinner and a few drinks. Check out the lively Fira nightlife, we are in Santorini after all.



Day 8 & 9

Day 8: World Famous Oia Sunset

Today we have a full day exploring Santorini and the day is yours to spend as you please. Hit up some of the local beaches, visit Perissa, or head on over to Black Beach. If you've got some extra energy, take a walk up to Ancient Thira ruins located just off Kamari. In the late afternoon, we get dolled up as we head off to Oia. Walk along the promenade as you watch the sun go down to the stunning view of the famous blue dome churches and whitewashed buildings. You haven't seen a sunset unless you've seen an Oia sunset. After a magical evening, we catch our ride back to Fira Town, where we party for our last night together!

Day 9: Checkout

All good things must come to an end, and after 9 days it's time to say goodbye. It's checkout day. We'll miss you, just like you'll miss us. Your guide is on hand for any help with onward travel plans or if you're staying on in Greece longer and need some advice.



More Info

Arrival Info

Your trip starts in Athens on day 1. An airport pick up is not included, we can arrange one, please speak with a travel advisor for more information. We recommend arriving before 5pm so you are in time for the welcome dinner. Your tour ends in Santorini on day 9, You can depart at any time.

Meals

8 breakfasts are included in the trip. You will have the opportunity to sample Greece's famous cuisine during other meals.

Minimum age & eligibility

This trip is exclusively for LGBTQ+ Backpackers ages 18-35. The trip is open to LGBTQ+ Backpackers from all countries. UK citizens can travel to countries in the European Schengen area (including Greece) for up to 90 days in any 180-day period without a visa. Visits to Schengen countries within the previous 180 days before you travel count towards your 90 days. Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months after your departure. All visa, passport and entry requirements are subject to change so we recommend travellers check the most up to date information with the relevant embassies before travel.

Group Size

Avg 10-15

Accommodation

8 nights of mixed gender twin share accommodation are included in this trip

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Interested?

To secure your space you just need to pay a £49 non-refundable deposit (if you're paying via a payment plan) or £199 non-refundable deposit (if you want to pay the rest just 12 weeks before)

As this trip is operated by Gap 360, all terms and conditions are with them.

To book, please visit <https://www.lgbtqbackpackers.com/group-trips>

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