# Painting in the Greek Isles With Annie Herron

Kalymnos(5 nights)Lipsi(6 nights)Patmos(3 nights)Leros(5 nights )

11<sup>th</sup> June - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

# Day 1/ KALYMNOS (Thurs. 11th ) FREE DAY

In Athens, connect with domestic flight to Kalymnos or Kos. Kos is a 20 minute ferry transfer to Kalymnos with regular crossings. The picturesque fishing village of Myrties is backdropped by dramatic mountains facing the sea. Welcome sunset cocktails

# Day 2/ KALYMNOS (Fri. 12th)

Myrties. Perched on a wide bay overlooking the isle of Telendos, the jetty with its colourful boats is an idyllic spot to paint.

Optional evening with dinner, live music and local dances- learn to dance like Zorba !

# Day 3/ KALYMNOS (Sat.13th)

**Vathy.** The fjord is an unforgettable sight as it is one of the deepest and most beautiful natural harbours in the Aegean. The day will be spent facing this turquoise bay, surrounded by mandarin groves, rugged mountains, white-washed churches and goats. (Lunch included)

# Day 4/ KALYMNOS (Sun. 14th)

**Aghias Savas.** The rich terra-cotta domes of this beautiful monastery contrasted with the blue of the sky and sea is a scene to capture

In the late afternoon, we head off to the tiny isles of Telendos. White-washed lanes draped with crimson bougainvillea, tangled fishing nets and colourful wooden boats will entice you ! It's a magical place to linger on for dinner at a little taverna perched on the water's edge.

# Day 5/ KALYMNOS (Mon.15th)

**Emborios**. A boat trip to a secluded cove to Harrys taverna, set in the islands most beautiful garden with its splashes of vibrant bougainvillea and potted geraniums (lunch included) (afternoon critique) BBQ dinner at Babis Bar



# Day 6/ LIPSI (Tues.16th ) FREE DAY

Leave Kalymnos 12:30. Arrive Lipsi 14:00 We will be staying in lovely studios, overlooking a small cove with blue-domed churches nestled amongst rolling hills. Evening at the local ouzeri, a ritual among the locals !! A wonderful spot to sit back with a

glass of Ouzo while the owner brings out dish after dish of Greek appetizers! (dinner included)

# Day 7 / LIPSI (Wed. 17th)

**Plati Yialos.** Today we head off to the emerald - green inlet with its single taverna surrounded by olive trees and wandering geese.

# Day 8/ LIPSI (Thurs. 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.(lunch included)

# Day 9/ LIPSI (Fri.19th.) FREE DAY.

**Optional boat trip to Marathi, Arki and other small isles near Lipsi** with their little fishing hamlets and colourful boats. On the way we pull up at secluded turquoise coves surrounded by bleached ochre rocks where we have the chance to swim off the boat or sketch from the deck.

# Day 10/ LIPSI (Sat. 20th)

Lipsi Platia. The main square is filled with little blue & white cafes shaded under leafy trees. Evening wine and cheese tasting at award -winning winery.

# Day 11/ LIPSI (Sun. 21st)

Enjoy the vista of the turquoise bay with it's blue-domed churches (afternoon critique) (dinner included)

# Day 12/ PATMOS (Mon.22nd ) FREE DAY

#### Depart Lipsi 9.30am. Arrive Patmos 10.30am.

Transfer to our hotel by the harbour within walking distance of all the fabulous shops, tavernas and beaches.

# Day 13/ PATMOS( Tues.23rd)

**Chora:** The world-wide fame of the Monastery of St. John attracts pilgrims from all over the world. The main town clustered around the monastery, is filled with narrow winding medieval alleys, its white-washed cubic houses connected by impressive arches.

# Day 14/ PATMOS (Wed.24th)

Skala. The view of white-washed Chora cascading down the hillside, crowned by it's medieval castle is simply superb . (afternoon review.)





# Day 15/ LEROS (Thurs. 25th) FREE DAY

Leave Patmos 10.00. Arrive Leros 12:00. Passing along the peaceful bay of Agia Marina with its pretty villages set amongst almond trees, we reach our hotel in Alinda with its panoramic vista of the distant fortress.

# Day 16/ LEROS (Fri. 26th)

**Pandeli** This morning we head off to the sheltered fishing village of Pandeli, surrounded by windmills and colourful fishing boats .

#### Day 17/ LEROS( Sat. 27th)

**Agia Marina.** This white washed village with its fishing harbour strewn with colourful wooden boats and tangled nets is an artist's dream ! (lunch included )

#### DAY 18/ LEROS (Sun. 28th )

**To Kasto.** This morning we will head up to the castle, where you will have time to wander and take photos. We will then continue onto a café surrounded by windmills with a fabulous panoramic vista over the sea for our morning workshop.

#### DAY 19/LEROS( Mon. 29th)

Our hotel with its beautiful vista from our pretty garden filled with urns is a relaxing spot for an afternoon sketching session. (Afternoon critique) Sunset farewell cocktails followed by group dinner

# Day 20/ DEPARTURE (Tues. 30th)

Transfer to Leros Airport for return flight to Athens .

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