Hellenic Enclosure Association's Chios trip – September 2027 announcement.

I am emailing you on behalf of the Hellenic Enclosure Association regarding our planned group trip to Chios in 2027. Whilst we originally discussed making the trip during the school summer holidays next year, on reflection it was felt that this could be too busy for securing flights, hotels and restaurants for a large group and potentially too hot for some. We also looked at next Spring, but then discovered that Chios' only airport has just been closed for several months to allow the runway to be extended, and whilst this work is scheduled to be finished by mid-March we are all aware that such building projects are prone to incurring delays and we don't want to risk people having to find last minute alternative routes to the island. After weighing up all of the pros and cons we have landing on the following dates and planned schedule of events. Please note that this is **not yet set in stone**, so take this as an indication of our intention rather than something that you should rely on at this stage – **so please do not book your flights or accommodation just yet!**

What we are hoping is to get an idea of who amongst you hopes or plans to join us. Once you have looked at your diary for next September and read the proposed schedule, it would be extremely helpful if you could give us an indication of your intention to be a part of this wonderful trip and how many people there might be in your party, so that we can make plans accordingly.

I should also point out that as we are not travel agents we will not be providing a package-style holiday with everything included, but simply arranging a number of events in Chios over the course of a week. Whilst the organisers are not looking to make any money out of this trip themselves, **some of the events will involve buying pre-paid tickets** to cover any third party costs, such as for venues, catering and tour guides, but you are totally at liberty to choose to buy tickets to attend some, all or none of these, as you choose. We have scheduled the core events to take place during the first few days so that those who can only fit a few days into their diary can still have a worthwhile trip, with further expeditions and socialising available to those who can stay longer.

For those of you who are interested, we will in due course provide details on how best to get to the island, good options for accommodation, transport and mobility considerations and how to book the events.

Planned schedule for Chios trip September 2027

Saturday September 18
Suggested day to arrive on Chios

Sunday September 19
19:00 Buffet dinner at the Calvocoressi mansion

Monday 20
From 9:30 to 11:30am - Venue: The Omireion cultural centre. Talks by various experts on the history of the island, Kampos Mansions and the Chios old families network.
12:00 Visit of the Castle and the Ottoman Baths
13:30 Lunch in the Castle
Afternoon free: Beach or other.

Tuesday 21

Morning: Guided tour of Kampos mansions and churches
Lunch at the Angenti Estate (not yet confirmed)
Afternoon: Continuation of guided tour
Dinner: possibly at Thymiana at Kapilio.

Wednesday 22
Morning. Commemorative mass at the Argenti church with drinks and Kolyva (a dish of boiled wheat used liturgically in the Eastern Orthodox Church for commemorations of the dead.) served afterwards.
Visit of Korai library/Museum
Free time for shopping in the centre and lunch
Afternoon: Further tours of Kampos Mansions.
Dinner: individual arrangements

Thursday 23
Morning: Excursion to the southern villages. Agios Minas, Mastiha muséum, Pyrgi, Mesta.
Lunch – various cafes to choose from.
Return in the late afternoon.
Dinner: individual arrangements

Friday 24
Morning: Visit Nea Moni and Anavatos
Lunch at Avgonima.
Afternoon: Free time
Evening: FAREWELL DINNER at the Chandris Hotel. Buffet. Music

Please come back to us as soon as possible with as much of an indication as you can at this early stage of the level of your interest, numbers in your party and any special considerations.

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