



Lindos, Rhodes

# West Kent Medico-Chirurgical Society Trip to Rhodes

1 – 5 May 2024





The Castle of the Knights, Rhodes old town

Rhodes is one of the showpiece Greek islands, with an exquisitely preserved medieval city that was the legacy of the crusading Knights of St John, based here from 1309-1522. The largest of the Dodecanese Islands, it is blessed not only with historical riches, but with lovely beaches and a charming port town in Lindos.

Explore the medieval city of Rhodes, including the Street of the Knights, the Grand Master's Palace and the hospital of St John, now a museum. Take a day trip to Kos, the birthplace of Hippocrates, and visit Lindos, stopping

on the way at Butterfly Valley, a cool, green retreat for thousands of butterflies. Explore the old town of Lindos, with the option to visit the Acropolis, with lunch and the afternoon at your own pace.

There is ample time at leisure to relax on the beach, absorb the atmosphere of the historic old towns or while away an hour at one of the inviting local cafes or tavernas. This tour will delve into the rich history and culture of the island, with many opportunities to enjoy the wonderful cuisine and wine of the region.



The Asclepium, Kos



Explore the old heart of Kos

## Itinerary 1 – 5 May 2024

### Day 1: Rhodes (Weds, 1 May) D

- Pm:** Arrive in Rhodes and check into Hotel Acandia, located in the old town.
- Eve:** Listen to a brief background on the tour, followed by a welcome dinner.

### Day 2: Rhodes (Thurs, 2 May) B L

- Am:** Take a half-day walking tour of Rhodes old town with a specialist guide, visiting the Street of the Knights, the Grand Master's Palace and the hospital of the Knights of St John (now a museum).

- Pm:** Enjoy a delicious lunch with fresh ingredients at a local taverna. Afternoon at leisure.

### Day 3: Rhodes / Kos / Rhodes (Fri, 3 May) B

- Am:** Take the fast ferry to Kos and visit the Plane Tree of Hippocrates, the Asclepium and the International Hippocratic Institute of Kos.
- Pm:** Visit the Museum of Medicine. Afternoon fast ferry to Rhodes.

### Day 4: Rhodes (Sat, 4 May) B D

- Am:** Drive to Butterfly Valley. Continue to the lovely town of Lindos. Option to visit the Acropolis and the medieval village.
- Pm:** Afternoon at leisure in the old town of Lindos or at the beach before returning to Rhodes.
- Eve:** Farewell dinner in Rhodes.

### Day 5: Rhodes (Sun, 5 May) B

- Am:** Depart the hotel after breakfast.

**All itineraries are subject to change according to local conditions.**



A street in Rhodes old town



Rhodes Harbour gates and the Lighthouse St Nicholas

**The cost of the tour is £790 per person sharing.**

**The cost of the tour is £936 with a room to yourself.**

**The cost includes:**

- Four nights' accommodation in standard rooms at the 4-star Acandia Hotel with private facilities.
- Breakfast daily and two dinners with wine and one lunch.
- Specialist English-speaking local guide on the tour.
- All admission fees on the tour.
- Transport throughout the tour, including fast ferries to and from Kos.
- A programme of cultural sightseeing as per the itinerary including admission fees.
- Hotel taxes and all tips

**The cost excludes:**

- International flights and airport transfers.
- Meals not mentioned and additional drinks with meals.
- All optional excursions, tours and visits.
- All personal extras such as portorage, laundry, inoculation fees and drinks.
- Travel insurance.

**Accommodation preferences subject to availability.**

**Flights**

EasyJet flies daily to Rhodes from Gatwick and Luton. British Airways flies to Rhodes from Gatwick and Heathrow, but these are not daily flights. We recommend the flights below:

**OPTION 1 - Easy Jet**

**OUTBOUND**

Gatwick - Wed 1st May  
EZY8229 08:40-14:40 GAT-RHO

**RETURN**

Gatwick - Sun 5th May  
EZY8228 14:30-16:45 RHO-GAT

Once you have booked your flights, please advise us your flight times and we can assist with transfers.

# Acandia Hotel

Named after a harbour in ancient Rhodes, Acandia Hotel is a charming hotel with outstanding service. It enjoys a superb location close to Rhodes old town and the beach, making it easy to explore on foot. The rooms are spacious and very comfortable and the lobby is stylish and welcoming. The hotel also has a restaurant and a pool and all rooms come with Wi-Fi access, air-conditioning and the usual amenities, including mini bar and safe.

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