Ionian Explorers, a Corfu Family Adventure

Trip Code: FCF

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the desert like dunes of Issos, and discover the incredible wealth of creatures that call this landscape home.
- Swim in the azure blue waters that line the back to back beaches at Porto Timoni.

- Climb to dizzying heights on the walls of Dafnata before descending into the view and down to the beach at Benitses.
- Maraud like invading pirates through the streets of Corfu town on a discovery trail that sees the kids leading the way!

AT A GLANCE

- 6 days walking & activities
- Join at Casa Lucia (accommodation)

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

VIEW DATES, PRICES & BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY HERE

Introduction

Corfu is the largest and greenest of the Ionian Islands, the westernmost island chain in Greece. It is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Europe, attracting thousands of holiday makers a year, but just beyond the pristine beaches and all-inclusive resorts that dot the coastline, there is a whole other world to discover. We'll be enveloped by the warm hospitality of our hosts Zoe and her mother Val, and a whole host of Corfiot guides and experts, their knowledge and friendliness providing the warm hug of a home from home. During our trip we'll be transported through time from the ancient Greek myths and legends that shape the founding of these islands thousands of years ago, through to the many occupations of this strategically important island saddled between Greece, Italy and Albania. We'll have plenty of time to enjoy some of the beautiful beaches that line the coast here too, using the cool turquoise waters to swim in during our explorations.

Is this holiday for you?

Suitable for children from 8 years old

This a centre based family adventure holiday filled with walking and exploring. The walks are mostly on rocky limestone paths with limited gradient throughout. Occasionally we will be on roads or wide tracks where the main concern will be for adequate sun protection with several stretches of path offering limited opportunity for shelter. We will however make regular stops for snack or drink breaks, and even better, swimming opportunities ate plentiful!

Greece is a place full of ancient myths and legends, and Corfu particularly is steeped in borrowed culture from civilisations that have landed here over thousands of years. From Corinths to Venetians, Byzantines and the British, this island has seen it all, and we'll learn all about the impressions these cultures have had on the island as we travel. We have a climbing morning in the itinerary which doesn't require any prior experience, as we will go through all the basics, and supply all of the equipment. We will spend some time on a boat, and plenty of time dipping in and out of the sea (particularly in the warmer summer months) as we walk, but swimming experience isn't a necessity. If you like great walks, peppered with historic facts, myths and legends, and plenty of time in the water, then this is the holiday for you.

Itinerary

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Holiday Information

What's Included

- A professional and qualified tour leader
- All accommodation as described
- Meals as described in the Meal Plan
- All land transport required by the itinerary
- All activities/excursions/entrance fees mentioned unless specified as 'optional'
- Tourist accommodation tax

What's not Included

- Travel insurance
- Visas (if applicable)
- Airport transfers
- Some meals as described in the Meal Plan
- Any additional activities/excursions indicated as optional
- Tips
- Miscellaneous personal expenditure - drinks and souvenirs etc

Joining Arrangements & Transfers

TRAVEL TO YOUR DESTINATION

In some cases you may choose to take a ferry and/or train to your holiday start and end destination. Please see further information on Travelling by Train.

If flying from the UK there are low cost airlines available to the start and from the end of your holiday.

To benefit from full financial protection, ease your holiday planning, and avoid dealing with airlines, we can book scheduled flights from the UK as part of a flight inclusive package. Scheduled flights are usually more expensive than low cost alternatives, however potentially less stressful if your flight is cancelled or delayed. If you book flights through KE Adventure Travel we will offset the carbon of your flight.

Meal Plan

We'll start each day by making our own breakfasts at the cottages, supplies provided for us including: cereals, milk, bacon, eggs, bread, jam and butter. We'll have the option to visit supermarkets to purchase our own lunches, and on some days we will be stopping for lunch in villages with restaurant options, the guides will detail this in the welcome briefing. In the evening we have included three meals at the sister restaurant, Lucciola but on other evenings we will pay our own way either at Lucciola, one of the many restaurants in Gouvia, accessible by a short taxi ride, or the evening in Corfu Town where we stay out for an early meal before our return transfer at the end of the day.

Special Diets

Whilst we can cater for vegetarians, albeit sometimes with a more limited choice, we cannot always provide for special diets. Due to the nature of some of the trips that we operate and the countries in which we operate them, it can be very hard (and sometimes impossible) to cater for a wide range of dietary choices and you may have to supplement your meals with food/snacks from home. If you have specific dietary requirements please do speak to our sales team and they will be able to advise you whether or not we will be able to offer your specific choice. Please note that we are unable to provide separate menus and cannot accept liability for any problems arising from special dietary requirements or intolerances.

Food & Water

Water from the taps is perfectly drinkable on this holiday - please use this to fill your personal bottles for your daily activities. We do not encourage the purchase of single-use plastic bottles.

Corfu is known as the greenest of the Ionian islands, and as such is able to grow a high quantity of it's own produce. Fruits and vegetables are plentiful and ripe, grown in perfect sunny and breezy conditions across the island. Seafood is also bountiful here, mussels saganaki is common, cooking mussels in a tomato and crumbled feta sauce to give the common seafood dish a great Greek twist. You'll find olives, great bread and olive oil everywhere, also grown all over the island in massive quantities. Likely menu dishes will include souvlaki, and gyros, Greek kebabs of charred skewered meat dishes often served with tzatziki or taramasalata and fries. Alongside the ubiquitous fries you'll also find a whole host of commonly available western favourites to suit most diets and sensitivities.

Vegetarians and other dietary requirements should be widely catered for in most establishments.

Accommodation

Casa Lucia is our home for the week. Comprising of an old Venetian olive press and several workers cottages, with supplementary cottages built in more recent years, and a swimming pool nestled in the flower filled gardens, this collection of buildings is the perfect base for a week's exploring. Each cottage is complete with its own bathroom and kitchen areas, and depending upon availability all sizes of family should be comfortably catered for. There is no air conditioning, but the traditionally built thick stone walls are well insulated against the heat, plenty of windows and cool tiled floors and ceiling fans help keep the temperatures down in the hotter months.

Children under 12 will be accommodated within the same cottage as their parents. This might be a twin, triple or quad room, a double with an extra bed, or multiple rooms depending on the number of family members.
Children over the age of 12yrs may be in separate rooms or sharing twin/multi-bed rooms.
Interconnecting rooms are not available, however we do everything to ensure rooms are next to each other. An additional charge will be required if one family requires more than one cottage, and we can discuss full details during the booking process.

Within the olive press itself is a public space which one of the owners Zoe, uses to teach students of her yoga and meditation classes. Whilst the space isn't in use, we'll have the opportunity to use this space and her equipment, providing a perfect way to start your day, or perhaps some breakout space after a day's adventuring. Zoe will also put a class on in the middle of the week, and those keen in participating should express their interest on the first evening.

Altitude

This holiday does not involve any significant ascent to altitude and we would not expect any altitude issues with this trip.

Spending Money

Approximately €500 per family (based on 2 adults and 2 children) should be allowed for tips, soft drinks, snacks, non-included meals and miscellaneous expenses. Alcoholic drinks, souvenirs and optional activities are additional so you may wish to budget for these too.

There will be the opportunity to change money on arrival and there are banks and ATMs in the larger resorts in Corfu, and most readily available in Corfu Town. Credit cards are useful and it is a good idea to carry one in case of emergency.

Guidance on Tipping

Tipping is the accepted way of saying ‘thank you’ to your leader and local team. Tipping is entirely voluntary and should be dependent on good service. We recommend that you decide levels of tipping and give any tips as a group rather than from individual group members.

Baggage Allowance

This is a centre based holiday, therefore your only restriction should be based on that of your airline (or other mode of transport)'s allowance. Please also make sure to pack a daypack for essentials on your walks. Luggage with wheels is useful for this holiday, although there is some gravel and steps within the grounds of Casa Lucia.

Group Size & Holiday Status

For each holiday there is a minimum number of participants required to enable it to go ahead. Once the minimum number is reached, the trip status will change from 'Available' to 'Guaranteed to run'. You can check the trip status for each departure in the ‘Dates and Prices’ table. Other than in exceptional circumstances, we will not cancel a trip once it has achieved this guaranteed to run status so you are free to proceed with your international flight booking and other travel arrangements.

Joining instructions

Join at Casa Lucia, our accommodation for the week. Taxis are available from directly outside the front of the airport. If arriving by ferry, there is also a taxi rank by the port, and numerous ranks throughout Corfu Town, which you may choose to explore before making your way to the accommodation. Full address details will be provided in your booking confirmation.

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General Information

Passport & Visas

The information that we provide is for UK passport holders.

A passport with 6 months remaining validity at the end of your stay is generally required**,** and you should have at least 2 blank pages for each country that you visit.

For other nationalities, please refer to your own Government website for the latest information.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates *(see Health & Vaccinations below),* **and visas for your holiday.** Please ensure that you check the FCDO for the latest advice for **each country visited** before travel.

Health & Vaccinations

Vaccinations:

You should be up to date with the routine vaccinations recommended in the UK for overseas travel.

You must also contact your doctor or travel clinic to check if there are specific vaccinations or other preventive measures that you need for the area you are visiting, in good time before you are due to depart.

Please ensure you are looking at the recommendations for all countries visited on your holiday plus recommendations for any borders you cross.

On holidays to more remote areas you should also have a dental check-up.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates.

Please check the FCDO and Travel Health Pro. For all of your intended destinations for up-to-date advice.

Severe Allergies:

If you have a severe allergy please inform the KE office before you travel. We will do all we can to help, but we cannot guarantee an allergy free environment on KE trips.

Currency

The currency for part or all of this holiday is the Euro.

Climate

In May and October we can expect daytime temperatures of around 20 - 25°C , dropping at night to 15°C, but in the height of summer temperatures may be higher than 30°C, only dropping to around 20°C at night. We are unlikely to experience rain in May, July or August, but we may experience the odd heavy shower in October.

Travel Aware

As a reputable tour operator, KE supports the British Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's **'Travel Aware'** campaign to enable British citizens to prepare for their journeys overseas. The 'Travel Aware' website provides a single, authoritative source of advice for all kinds of travellers and we recommend that before travel, all KE clients visit the official UK Government website at travelaware.campaign.gov.uk and read the FCDO Travel Advice for their chosen destination. All other nationalities should check their government websites for relevant information.

KE treat the safety and security of all clients as the most important aspect of any trip we organise. We would not run any trip that we did not consider reasonably safe. Should the FCDO advise against travel for any reason, we will contact everyone booked to travel to discuss the situation. We receive regular updates directly from the FCDO and are in constant touch with our contacts on the ground. If you have any questions about government travel advice, please call our office.

Single Use Plastic

KE do not encourage the use of single use plastic items. We are ensuring that our agents all over the world are working together to reduce the problem and educate those around them. We are leading by example in our KE office by reducing our plastic use.

Private Groups Information

Make this KE family holiday your own!

- Choose your own departure date
- Travel on this holiday with just your family and friends
- Tailor your holiday by adding extra days for relaxation or upgrade your hotels

If our standard dates do not fit with your school holidays or you wish to travel with just your family or with your family and friends, we will be pleased to set up a private departure for any of our family holidays.

Depending on what you are looking for we can look at tweaking the itinerary to allow you some extra relaxation time or upgrading the hotels. Our personal service means you'll be fully involved as we make the arrangements for your perfect family adventure holiday.

Independence with Security

Travelling as a KE private family group allows you more flexibility and choice, but still with the peace of mind that everything is pre-planned and arranged for you and your family and friends by a reputable adventure travel company.

To take your first step to an amazing adventure with your family and friends complete the private group enquiry form, or call our **Sales Experts on: 017687 73966**

Travel Insurance

It is an essential condition of joining a holiday with KE Adventure Travel that you have a valid travel insurance policy to cover the cost of medical treatment and to protect the value of your holiday in the event of cancellation. When taking out insurance please ensure the policy you choose covers you for the activities and altitude included in your itinerary.

For appropriate insurance cover we recommend Campbell Irvine Direct. Please go to our Travel Insurance page for further information and to get a quote.

Equipment Information

Equipment List

Please try to keep the weight of your baggage to a minimum. See the 'baggage allowance' section for further details.

YOU SHOULD BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- Walking shoes or trainers

- Lightweight walking trousers / shorts / skirt
- T-shirts and/or casual shirts
- Loose-fitting, long-sleeved shirt with collar (for sun protection)
- Socks & Underwear
- Lightweight waterproof jacket & overtrousers
- Fleece jacket or warm jumper
- Sunhat
- Sunglasses
- Daypack 25-30 litres (depending on how much of the kids' stuff you want to carry)
- Sun protection (including total bloc for lips, nose etc.)
- Insect repellent
- Water bottles (approx 2 litre per person) (we encourage re-filling water bottles rather than single use plastic)
- Washbag and toiletries
- Antibacterial handwash
- Swimwear
- Swim towel
- Torch and batteries
- Basic First Aid Kit. Including: antiseptic cream, throat lozenges, diarrhoea treatment (Imodium), painkillers, plasters and blister treatment, and re-hydration salts (Dioralite).

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE OPTIONAL:

- Camera
- Walking poles
- Rash vest
- Goggles, snorkel & mask
- Flip-flops
- Reusable cloth bag for shopping (to avoid plastic bags)

NOTES:
All specialist equipment required for the activities on this holiday are provided.

Land Only Information

Please refer to the 'Joining Arrangements & Transfers' within Holiday Information for further details.

Flights and other transport to your destination should not be booked until you have received your booking confirmation and the departure is showing 'Guaranteed to Run' or 'Limited'.

Land Only Information

We sell this holiday on a Land Only basis allowing you the flexibility to choose the travel method which best suits you. The holiday starts at Casa Lucia, our accommodation for the week.

Why Choose KE

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No one else does a Corfu family adventure quite like this. Discover ancient myths, forgotten coves and conquering castles, enjoy a boat ride on the Ionian Sea and climb the cliffs at Dafnata. We've chosen accommodation set in a centuries old olive press, among flower filled gardens, a homely and family-friendly place that you'll want to return to again and again.

Please Note This document was downloaded on 11/11/2026 and the trip is subject to change