



TAROT, ORACLES AND MYTH GREECE

20-29 MAY 2010

With Rachel Pollack and Linda Marson

DAY ONE: Thursday 20 May

Arrival in Athens

Free to explore – tour starts with a welcome dinner in a taverna in or near the Plaka, the traditional old city, famous for its winding streets, shops with traditional jewellery, and lively atmosphere.

Overnight: Athens (Museum Hotel) (D)

DAY TWO: Friday 21 May

Olympia

Olympia in the west of the Peloponnese was the sanctuary of Zeus, the father of the Gods, and the site of the ancient Olympic Games. The ancients believed that the meaning of events, of all our destinies, lay hidden in the mind of Zeus. We will begin our own explorations here, in sight of the massive Zeus's Temple, built between about 470 and 456 BC.

Overnight: Olympia (Neda Hotel) (B)

DAY THREE: Saturday 22 May

Journey to Delphi

We travel from Olympia to Delphi, about 180 kms north west of Athens.

Overnight: Delphi (Amalia Hotel) (B)

DAY FOUR: Sunday 23 May

Delphi

For the ancient Greeks, Delphi was the centre of the world and the abode of the god, Apollo. Pilgrims and rulers all came to consult the great Oracle on her three-legged stool deep in the temple. Here we will consult our own oracles, as well as invoke the powerful figures of this beautiful place—Apollo himself, but also



Dionysos, God of ecstasy (who ruled Delphi in Winter), Demeter, Mother Goddess of the Grain, and Gaia, the Earth herself, present in a massive boulder, and in the stunning rock wall of Mount Parnassus, home of the muses. Further down the hill we will invoke Athena, Goddess of Wisdom, in the elegant temple of Athena Pronaia.

Overnight: Delphi (Amalia Hotel) (B)

An initiation into our own power as oracles

Join Tarot master, writer and artist **Rachel Pollack** on her third journey leading people to sacred places. This is her fourth trip to Greece, a place she considers a spiritual home. Rachel says:

“Through encounters with these places of great beauty and ancient mystery we awaken our own deep senses. We learn to see the world and ourselves in a way we’ve never experienced.

With Tarot, this seeing becomes personal, and constantly dynamic as we use the cards, through carefully planned readings and rituals, to track our own journey and the journey of the group as a whole.

The combination of Tarot, the stunning



temples, and the landscapes and islands that have stirred people for thousands of years, become an initiation into our own power as oracles.”

Spiritual activities include:

- discussions which make connections between the Tarot and what we learn about ancient Greek culture
- Tarot readings featuring the specially designed *Journey Spread* and impromptu tutorials
- rituals and meditations.

Tour organised in association with



DAY FIVE: Monday 24 May

Journey to Mykonos

From Delphi we travel back to Athens, arriving at the port of Piraeus in time for an afternoon ferry to the island of Mykonos, famous for its lovely towns and stunning beaches.

Overnight: Mykonos (Viennoula's Garden Hotel) (B)



DAY SIX: Tuesday 25 May

Delos

This morning we take an early ferry to the nearby island of Delos, the birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. Uninhabited, Delos is entirely given over to its sacred precincts, which include, along with the Artemision, shrines to Apollo, Demeter, Aphrodite, Goddess of Love, Hera, the wife of Zeus, and even Isis, the Egyptian Goddess of a Thousand Names. This will be a day of discovery and sacred journeying. The island is closed to visitors after 3pm, so we travel back to Mykonos.

Overnight: Mykonos (Viennoula's Garden Hotel) (B)

DAY SEVEN: Wednesday 26 May

Journey to Naxos

A relaxing day as we island-hop between Mykonos and Naxos.

Overnight: Naxos (Naxos Holidays Hotel) (B)

DAY EIGHT: Thursday 27 May

Naxos

Naxos, the largest of the Cycladic Islands and known for its natural beauty of mountains and beaches, occupies a special place in Greek myth. Here Ariadne, mistress of the Labyrinth, was abandoned by Theseus, the slayer of the Minotaur (who was Ariadne's brother). And here she encountered and then married Dionysos, God of Ecstasy (whom we first invoked at Delphi). This is a story of many levels, allowing us to open up our own truths and oracular powers.

Overnight: Naxos (Naxos Holidays Hotel) (B)

DAY NINE: Friday 28 May

Return to Athens

On our last day we celebrate the end of our journey together with a final dinner in a taverna in or near the Plaka.

Overnight: Athens (Museum Hotel) (B,D)

DAY TEN: Saturday 29 May

Optional visit to the Acropolis and the new Acropolis Museum which opened to the public in 2009 (www.theacropolismuseum.gr).

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Cost

The following prices are subject to minor variation due to currency fluctuations.

Twin share: \$AUD 3,816

Single: \$AUD 4,139

Price includes:

- spiritual activities facilitated by Rachel Pollack and Linda Marson
- 9 nights accommodation in comfortable 3 or 4 star hotels in rooms with private facilities
- 9 breakfasts (B) and 2 dinners (D)
- land transport in mini bus with English speaking driver
- ferry transport to islands
- entrance fees to sites at Olympia, Delphi, Naxos and Delos with English speaking guides.

Linda Marson



Linda Marson is a former President of the Tarot Guild of Australia and author of *Ticket, Passport and Tarot Cards*. She also produced a TV series for community television based on the book.

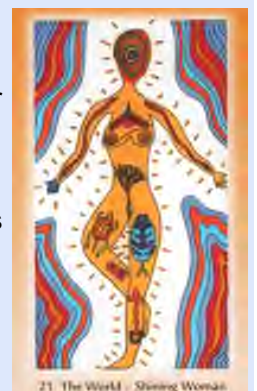
The Tarot tells the story of the universal human journey, so it's

no wonder that travelling and Tarot go together in Linda's mind.

"I always travel with my Tarot cards, because, over the years, they have shown me the significance of each stage in the process of personal transformation. By combining Tarot and travel, I have understood how stages in my inner journey run parallel to my outer journeys. Something about the countries I have visited reflect the meaning of Tarot cards, whose energy I am experiencing at the time."

Rachel Pollack

A multi-award winning author, poet, and artist, Rachel has explored the wonders of the world in 31 books, including *78 Degrees of Wisdom*, described around the world as "the Bible of Tarot readers" Her book *The Body of the Goddess* looked at the origins of religion—especially Ancient Greece—in the human body and the landscape. Rachel also is the creator of the *Shining Tribe Tarot*, for which she did the art as well as the book, and such novels as *Godmother Night*, a contemporary story based on fairy tales, and winner of the World Fantasy Award.





Tour Reservation Form



Tour	Spiritual Adventure Tour of Greece – Tarot, Oracles and Myths		
Date	20 – 29 May 2010		
Cost	\$3,816 AUD per person twin share LAND ONLY (international airfares and taxes are additional). Single supplement: \$323 AUD		
Name (as written on your pass- port)	Title: _____ Surname: _____		
	First name(s): _____		
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Medical conditions	_____		
Dietary requirements	_____		
Emergency contact	Name: _____		Tel: _____
	Address: _____		

Completed form and \$500 AUD deposit due by Friday 12th February 2010

Payment can be made by cheque, credit card (1% fee), cash or internet bank transfer

Bank details for Reho Travel are:

NAB Bank BSB: 083004 Account number: 590514406

Please put your surname in reference field.

Cheques should be made payable to Reho Travel.

Receipts will be issued directly by **Reho Travel**.

Please charge **\$500 AUD** to my credit card as deposit on this tour:

Type of card: Visa Mastercard Card No: _____

Name on card: _____ Expiry date: _____

I would like to reserve (tick one) _____ twin share accommodation _____ a single room.

Final payment:

You must pay the full balance of your tour cost by **Friday 12th March 2010**.

Please fax your completed reservation form to **03 9827 0373** (from outside Australia+613 9827 0373)

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