

# VIKING DAILY

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

**Weather:** Mostly Cloudy. 57° F / 14° C  
**Sunrise:** 8:11 AM | **Sunset:** 5:23 PM



## ATHENS (PIRAEUS), GREECE

Athens has been called the “birthplace of democracy.” Its legacy looms large from atop Acropolis Hill, the pinnacle of ancient Greece. This open air museum is an astonishing repository of once-mighty structures. From its colonnaded Parthenon—more than 2,600 years ago—revered Greek philosophers like Plato and Aristotle formulated new ideas of government and debated its role in civic life to captivated audiences. Remnants of spiritual life are also here in the several temples to Athena and Zeus. Athens offers plenty of culinary temples too. Its Plaka District, full of cafés and restaurants, is an inviting cluster of historic buildings on the slopes of Acropolis Hill, the ideal setting in which to enjoy traditional small plates of mezes and a sip of ouzo.

*Viking Star*

*Please take me back to the ship: Παρακαλώ να μου πάρει πίσω στο πλοίο.  
 Phonetic: Parakaló na mou párei píso sto ploío.*

### Contacts

Agent: +30 695 676 6964  
 Ship: +1 323 723-3801

### Ship Location

P3 West

### Arrival Time

Overnight

### Back on Board

5:00 PM

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# Today on *Viking Star*

## MORNING

*Viking Star* remains docked in **Piraeus (Athens), Greece**. Guests are required to carry their **Stateroom Keycard** when proceeding ashore today.

### 8:00–8:50 AM

**Mindful Stretching (50 min):** Join us for a stretch that will increase your range of motion and improve flexibility. Additional fee of \$10. Limited space; please sign up at Spa Reception.

### 8:00 AM–8:00 PM

**Hydrafacial:** Enhance skin health using hydradermabrasion, fruit acid peels and hyaluronic acid that resurface, hydrate and plump. This powerful treatment will leave your skin lifted and glowing. Treatment charge applicable. Reserve at Spa Reception.  
*Nordic Spa (1)*

### 9:00 AM–6:00 PM

**Sports Deck is Open:** Golf, Shuffleboard and Skittles are available for use (*weather permitting*).  
*Sports Deck (9)*

## AFTERNOON

### 4:00–5:00 PM

**Afternoon Tea:** Enjoy this classic tradition accompanied by our Classical Duo Andrey and Volodymyr.  
*Wintergarden (7)*

### 4:15 PM

**Port Talk—Crete (Heraklion), Greece:** Discover the heritage, culture and history of Crete (Heraklion), Greece. You may access port talks via your stateroom TV shortly after the presentation. Viking Enrichment>Port Talks/Enrichment Lectures  
*Star Theater (2)*

### 5:30–7:15 PM

**Explorers' Acoustics:** Our Guitar Entertainer Indra performs acoustic favorites alongside sweeping views.  
*Explorers' Lounge (7)*

## 5:30 PM

### Guest Emergency Announcement:

Viking takes your safety and the safety of the ship very seriously. Once all guests are on board, we will announce a series of important safety messages. While no guest action is required, we kindly ask guests to listen carefully. Onboard services will be curtailed during these announcements.

## EVENING

### 6:00–6:45 PM

**Munch Moments:** Christophe, our Resident Pianist, performs traditional Norwegian music while Munch's most famous works grace the Atrium screen.  
*Atrium (1)*

### 6:30 PM

**Viking Resident Historian Iconic Lecture with Neil Taylor: "Greek Civilization."** Learn about the remarkable achievements of the ancient Greeks and their legacy for later centuries. Viking Enrichment>Port Talks/Enrichment Lectures.  
*Star Theater (2)*

### 6:30-11:00 PM

**Welcome Onboard Meet your Fine Jewellery Specialists:** Sip a complimentary glass of champagne with our special guest Kallati ambassador Babriel, along with fine jewelry specialists Tanvir & Faiz — experts in their field. Enjoy an invitation to view timeless jewellery that keeps your cruise memories for a lifetime.  
*Juveler (2)*

### 6:30-11:00 PM

**Dale of Norway:** Discover the makers of the original Norwegian ski sweater. Dale of Norway, like Viking, is deeply rooted in Nordic ways and tradition. Its quality sweaters have been produced since 1879 in the fjord village of Dale.  
*Nordic (2)*

### 7:00–8:45 PM

**Evening Serenade:** Settle in for some calming melodies brought to you by our Classical Duo Andrey and Volodymyr.  
*Atrium (1)*

## 9:00 PM

**The *Viking Star* Vocalists proudly present "Duets."** Celebrating the tunes and tales of music's most popular partnerships. Featuring the sounds of pop, musical theater and classical crossover.  
*Star Theater (2)*

### 9:00–10:45 PM

**Magical Melodies:** Join our Resident Pianist Christophe for ivory melodies in the comfort of the soaring Atrium.  
*Atrium (1)*

### 9:30–10:30 PM

**Torshavn Acoustics:** Join Guitar Entertainer Indra for an acoustic session in an intimate environment.  
*Torshavn (2)*

### 10:00–10:45 PM

**Explorers' Elegance:** Sit back and enjoy the tunes performed by our Classical Duo Andrey and Volodymyr.  
*Explorers' Lounge (7)*

### 10:30 PM–Close

**Torshavn Nightcap:** Take to the dance floor while enjoying the sounds of Resident Vocalists Shie, Ronel and the Viking Band.  
*Torshavn (2)*

## Local Currency

The local currency in Greece is the Euro. The approximate exchange rate is EUR 0.95 to \$1.00 USD. We regret to inform you that Euros cannot be purchased on board.

## A Taste of Greece

Capture a taste of Greece in the perfect evening setting of the World Café, with a splendid display of fresh local dishes created by our Executive Chef and his culinary team. 6:00–9:00 PM.  
*World Café (7)*

## Atrium Board Games

Relax in the heart of the ship and enjoy a variety of board games like Chess, Scrabble, Mahjong and more. Sanitized game pieces and playing cards are available at Guest Services for your convenience.  
*Guest Services (1)*

## Shore Excursions

The following shore excursions meet directly in the parking lot, ashore:

Group	Excursion Name	Meeting Time	Duration	QuietVox
1-2	Delphi & the Oracle	6:20 AM	11 hours	QV
3-4	Beautiful Coastline & Ancient Wonders	6:50 AM	9 ½ hours	QV
5-7	Acropolis & Plaka District by Foot	7:50 AM	5 hours	QV
12-14	Cape Sounion	7:50 AM	4 ½ hours	QV
8-10	The Full Acropolis Experience	7:50 AM	5 hours	QV
11	Athens by Electric Bike	7:50 AM	4 hours	--
15	The New Acropolis Museum & Plaka District	8:05 AM	4 hours	QV
16-19	Panoramic Athens & Archaeological Museum (Included)	12:05 PM	4 hours	QV
21-25	Panoramic Athens & Archaeological Museum (Included)	12:35 PM	4 hours	QV
26-29	Panoramic Athens & Archaeological Museum (Included)	12:50 PM	4 hours	QV
30	Panoramic Athens & Archaeological Museum (Included)	1:20 PM	4 hours	QV

- Please meet for your shore excursions exactly at the time and place indicated above. We request that you do not come ashore early, as guides and coaches may not yet be available to receive you.
- Remember to bring your charged **Quiet Vox** device and **headset** as well as your shore excursion **ticket(s)**.
- Be mindful of your personal belongings (souvenirs, cameras, phones, wallets, purses, etc.) throughout your shore excursion. Please do not leave anything behind in your motor coach or at any sightseeing stop during your shore excursion. **Viking is not responsible for personal items**, which may have been lost, misplaced or left behind.
- Viking shore excursions operate on a “**rain or shine**” basis, unless cancelled by the local tour operator. Please note that **refunds will not be possible for “no shows” or unused tickets**.

## Shuttle Bus

Viking Star is pleased to provide a complimentary shuttle service today, from the port into downtown Athens, Greece. This service will begin at **8:00 AM** from the port. The drop-off/pick-up location is at **Dionisiou Street and Vasilisis Amalias Street, across from the Arch of Adrian (Hadrian's Gate) in the city of Athens**. The last shuttle from town back to Viking Star will be **4:00 PM**. Please note that space is limited, shuttles will depart prior to list times once the coach is full. The final schedule is subject to change, when due to local traffic conditions beyond our control. Local coordinators will be available both at the port and in town to assist you, if needed.

## Excursion Booking Deadline

The final deadline to change or cancel shore excursions for Thursday, December 19, 2024 – **Rhodes, Greece** – will be today before **6:00 PM** at Guest Services, deck 1. Please note that changes and updates cannot be made after this time.

## Mailbox

Mail can be dropped off in the boxes on Deck 1. Please write your stateroom number in the upper right-hand corner where the stamp will be placed. You may also drop off any cards or letters (with or without stamps) that you would like mailed; if postage is required, an equivalent fee will be applied to your shipboard account.

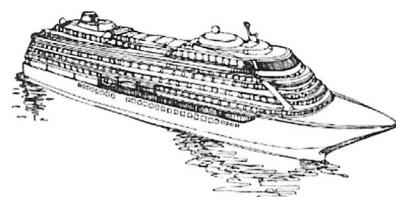


## NAUTICAL TERM

– *of the day* –

### TAKING THE WIND OUT OF THE SAILS

This refers to sailing in such a manner as to steal or divert wind from another ship's sails.



## Dining

### Early Risers

The Living Room	Deck 1	6:00–7:30 AM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	6:30–7:30 AM

### Breakfast

World Café	Deck 7	5:45–9:30 AM
The Restaurant	Deck 2	8:00–9:30 AM

### Late Risers

Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	7:30–11:00 AM
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### Lunch

Pool Grill	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
World Café	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM

### Teatime

Wintergarden	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
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### Dinner

Manfredi's*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Chef's Table*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Restaurant	Deck 2	6:00–9:00 PM
World Café ( <i>Taste of Greece</i> )	Deck 7	6:00–9:00 PM

\*Reservations can be made during opening hours for breakfast or lunch in the World Café or by calling Ext 6503. Dress code: elegant casual. Coffee and tea are available 24 hours from the World Café.

### Snacks

Pool Grill	Deck 7	2:30–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	10:00 PM–Midnight

### Lounges & Bars

Viking Bar	Deck 1	6:00 AM–Midnight
Torshavn	Deck 2	9:00 PM–Closing
Explorers' Lounge	Deck 7	10:00 AM–Midnight
Aquavit Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–10:00 PM
Pool Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–6:00 PM

### Directory

Boutique & Shops (1/2)	Ext 9321	6:30–11:00 PM
Guest Services (1)	Ext 9710	24 Hrs
Fitness Center (1)	Ext 9311	6:00 AM–10:00 PM
The Nordic Spa (1)	Ext 9311	8:00 AM–8:00 PM
Medical Center (a)	Ext 9206	8:00–9:00 AM / 5:00–6:00 PM
Room Service	Ext 6502	24 Hrs
Travel Consultant (2)	Ext 9710	By appointment
<b>MEDICAL EMERGENCIES</b>	<b>Ext 999</b>	<b>24 Hrs</b>

To make an appointment with our Travel Consultant, please call Ext 9710.

## SAUNA BOOST

Based on traditional Nordic bathing culture, we offer saunas and cold baths. Release muscular tension, eliminate toxins, improve circulation and strengthen your immune system.

See Spa Reception for details.



*Discover*  
**A FLAWLESS  
GLITTERING  
MEMENTO**

Treat yourself to an eternal keepsake. Silver, gold and diamonds from world-renowned designers are among the treasures you will find in Juveler.

Open when sailing. On Deck 2.



### Port Map

## Piraeus, Greece



To view the port map, scan QR code with your camera.