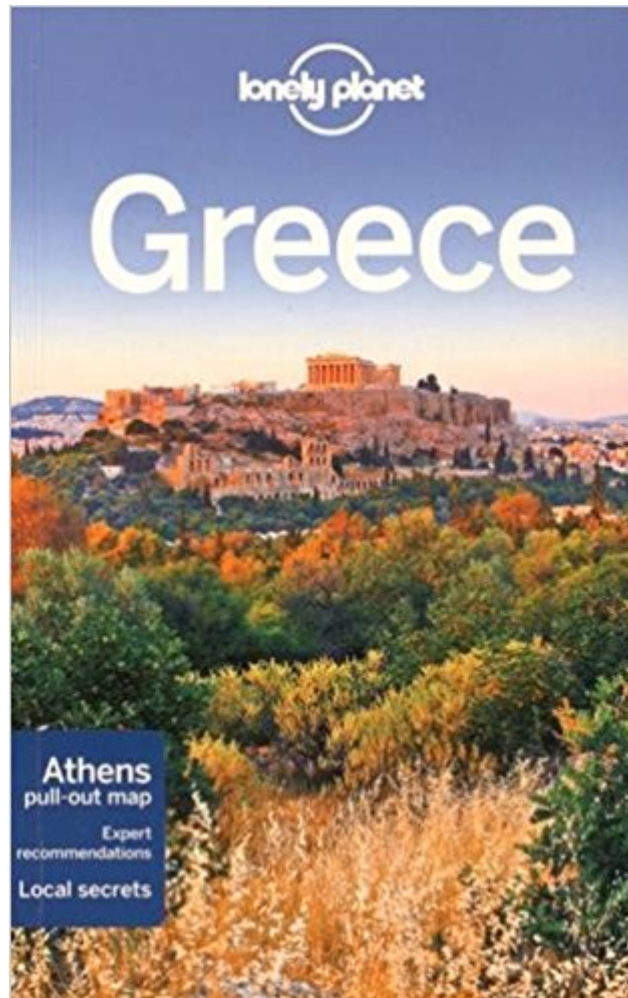




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Customer Reviews

I have recently purchased this guide that was published in March 2016 (12th edition). I'm now in Athens. Many of the restaurants/bars/entertainment locations listed in the book have been out of business for years. It seems the only thing that was updated in this guide is the publication date. It's so upsetting to go to a place recommended in the guide and finding out that it was shut down 5 years ago. Don't buy it!

Normally you come to accept that a traveler's guide will be outdated by the time it reaches your hand, and most surely even before going to print. The main problem I found with this guide is that almost everything appeared to be outdated, and it wasn't just because of the instability in Greece, since some things I was told have already changed quite some time ago. Out of my head I remember reading that going from Eleftherios Venizelos (spelling?) airport to Athens it would be cheaper taking suburban rail then transferring to public transport, but that isn't the case anymore, both suburban rail and metro tickets both cost 10€ and allow transfers for a 90 min period since validation, there's neither need to revalidate your suburban rail ticket. Return tickets are also valid for only 48 hours and not 2 (or 1) week for suburban rail. There is only just one train leaving Thessaloniki to Sofia in the early morning and not 3 as stated. Prices on trains, on the other hand, were spot on, which you should always take over buses if your budget and itinerary permits it, since the latter are normally much less comfortable and drivers, despite being forbidden, might smoke during the trip. Also on the map of Thessaloniki they misplaced hostel Thess' location. There is no mention of Peloponnese's fires in 2007, which may not be of much importance to some tourists but I believe it's a good thing to have information on recent events, if only as a sidenote on the more affected areas that a visitor might encounter. So that's it for the things I didn't like or found less than stellar, on the other hand I found most of the text well suited for the task, it makes for a nice, compact guide, and despite its flaws, I found myself carrying it around almost every time I was out, which makes it my ultimate seal of approval since I have visited there before and I have a strong dislike of carrying things I do not find useful around.

Great! Bought this and another guide along on a trip to Greece (Crete, Athens, Mykonos, Santorini) and it provided all the information I needed (and more!). Highly recommended.

I love the recommendations of what to do if you have 1, 2 or 3 days in an area -- very helpful in Lonely Planet guides for many cities. Also, hotel info is always spot on.

Really like Lonely Planet products. Bought this for my son for his first trip to Greece. Seemed like a great resource. He loved it!

Great guidebook with excellent coverage of all the best places to visit in Greece

The book and delivery were both perfect. Thank you.

Basic and a bit outdated, could include more options

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