VISIONS OF GREECE

Shot in high definition from a helicopter-mounted camera, VISIONS OF GREECE showcases the mainland of Greece and the Greek islands from a vantage point only the gods on Mount Olympus have had before! The program premieres nationwide on PBS in December 2002 (check local listings).

VISIONS OF GREECE is a virtual postcard vivid with a palette of pure white-sand beaches and the essential blue of island coastlines and church domes, set to a soundtrack of traditional and modern Greek music with a poetic narrative that celebrates Greece’s history and mythology. Lifting off from Athens, viewers embark on a modern odyssey as varied and dramatic as Greek history, exploring exotic islands scattered like stones in the Aegean sea; storied ruins; verdant hills; rocky coastlines; and timeless tradition.

Like many Greek epics launched from the port of Pireus, VISIONS OF GREECE sets off island-hopping in the Aegean through the Cyclades - over Naxos, Santorini, Thira, and others in that circular cluster. Circling over to Crete - almost a country in itself - the dramatic and startling contrasts created by volcanic eruption offer plausible proof that this is, as many believe, the lost city of Atlantis. In Meteora, on the Greek mainland, inaccessible monasteries built into the mountains seem eternally suspended between heaven and earth. The helicopter’s flight path marks an itinerary to please world travelers, historians, and Greek-Americans alike – soaring around the mainland and islands from Corfu to the Corinth Canal, Mount Olympus to Mikonos, Delphi, Rhodes, Thessaloniki, and every glorious destination along the way - until the Aegean beckons again for one last look.

VISIONS OF GREECE is the sixth program in WLIW New York’s popular VISIONS aerial series, which also includes VISIONS OF ITALY: Northern Style, ITALY: Southern Style, SICILY, From the Bronx to Bridgeport, and VISIONS OF LONG ISLAND.


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