

Line Dancing in Rhodes with Maggie G - 7 nights

Delight in the Greek Island of Rhodes in its peak season and enjoy line dance fun with Maggie G and her fantastic team. When you're not dancing, chill out on the beautiful beach or enjoy the amazing facilities of your five star deluxe hotel.

Dates and Prices 15 October to 22 October - £649.00

Unique Features Maggie Gallagher Line dance star: The highlight for most people are the evening Line Dance Socials, with the explosive teaching and entertainment team led by Maggie Gallagher. You can rest assured that with all of the activities they'll be cooking up, you'll have the time of your lives!

Five star hotel: A special feature of this trip is the five star Hotel Deluxe Paradise Royal Mare. This hotel has a beautiful beach and fantastic five star facilities.

Fancy dress night: On one of the party nights there will be a fabulous fancy dress party with a Blue and White theme - the colours of the Greek flag. Start preparing your costume now! Prizes will be given to the best fancy dress!

Your Holiday Rhodes, the beautiful island of roses, has a unique climate with more sunny days than any other place in Europe. By day enjoy the situation and endless facilities of your five star Hotel situated on a golden sand beach, with spectacular views over the endless blue waters of the Aegean Sea. The excellent five star Delux Hotel Paradise Royal Mare offers you luscious gardens, two swimming pools (one with pool bar), jacuzzi, sauna, water sports, hair Salon, Beauty Shop, Jewellery Shop and boutiques.

By night let Maggie Gallagher and the first class entertainment team stimulate you every evening. There are workshops and line dance Socials with parties, fancy dress, animation, karaoke, competitions and much more! All the line dancing conveniently takes place in the hotel, which is spacious and has good facilities.

What's Included

- | Return flights from a London based airport (Other flight options available)
- | Meet & Greet upon arrival at the airport
- | Return airport transfer for all arrivals and departures coinciding with the standard Dance Holidays flight
- | 7 nights half board accommodation at the five star Deluxe Hotel Paradise Royal Mare
- | 10 hours dance tuition from Maggie Gallagher and her team
- | Fantastic Line Dance Socials at night
- | Club Dance Holidays Host
- | Welcome Drink and Orientation Pack on arrival

**Your Destination,
includes
sightseeing**

The Island of Rhodes: Rhodes is famous for being the island of sun, sea and sand, the ideal place for holidays. It is the third largest Greek island and officially, the sunniest place in the Europe. The island draws hot summer rays like a magnet, so it's no wonder that Rhodes is called the island of the sun. There are many interesting places to visit while in Rhodes island! You can take your time exploring this shimmering island, the sandy beaches, all the villages and many historical sites on the island as well as its deep green forests, aromatic orange and lemon groves and pretty gazing meadows. It is an island steeped in the Mythology and Antiquity. The island was given by Zeus to the Sun God Helios. Helios named the island after the daughter of Aphrodite, who was called Rhode. The statue of the Colossus, (31 metres high), one of the seven wonders of the world, once stood over the harbour of Rhodes. It was destroyed in 226BC by a violent earthquake.

Rhodes Town A tour of the medieval town is quite a lengthy business, given the number of monuments there are to see. The walls with their bastions, battlements, towers, gates cause one to gasp in wonder. The imposing buildings, with their coats-of-arms, majestic gateways, decoration in relief, Gothic windows, paved courtyards and old lamps take one centuries back in time, as do the narrow streets and old churches. The Knights of St John lived in this city during the period 1309 - 1522. They had a major architectural influence on Rhodes, deciding to reconstruct the ramparts to better fortify the town against the Turks. Even today the Old Town on a warm balmy night can awake the feeling of the Medieval Crusader Knights who constructed these buildings. The old town continues today to be divided into the two parts: Castello (where the Knights lived and worked) and Chora (home of the Greeks and Europeans who were not member of the Order). These two parts of the town were separated by a wall running approximately parallel to the line of Socrates street, the old Bazaar. This street, once patrolled by Crusaders, is now lined with shops and stalls. It's a shopper's paradise with jewellery, pottery, clothes, embroidery, bags, coats and just about everything else you can think of. Countries which have occupied Rhodes have left their marks in form of Turkish Baths and mosques, Italian architecture, museums and a palace. The number of historical sites are almost endless.

Lindos (44km from your Hotel): What visitors of Rhodes would leave without having visited Lindos. Not merely the jewel of Rhodes, legendary Lindos is the jewel in the Dodecanese crown, undoutly one of the nicest spots in Greece. It is well worth braving the extra degrees to visit this picturesque village which is stepped in history St. Pauls bay is a

beautiful sandy beach which gently shelves into the sea laze on the beach and glance up the village on the hillside with its white washed houses and on the top it is crowning glory the Acropolis which rules over the village.

Koskinou (Your nearest resort): Between Rhodes and Faliraki, on the coast road, you'll find the village of Koskinou, a popular and international resort. The magical combination of a colorful village, impressive old houses small winding streets and a lively nightlife. It has a lovely sandy beach, offering sun beds and umbrellas for you, to relax. Along the beach there are excellent tavernas, snack bars. For those seeking for sports, there are all kinds of water sports, along the beach and the clear inviting sea. The rocky coastline next to Kallithea, is indented by small coves. It's here, where some of the islands largest and finest hotels have been built. The beach is less than 500 m from the road and might be reached, by tuning in one, of that small streets, running in its direction. At a distance of 2 km there is the picturesque village of Koskinou. The traditional village is well known for the narrow winding roads, the church at the square, built 1873 and the large number of houses, which have interior decoration, in the traditional Rhodian style, with cobblestone floors. One you can visit - ask for more information in Jannis Taverna. The village is surrounded by courtyards full of flowers.

Climate and
weather

Rhodes enjoys a mild Mediterranean climate, with sunny summers and mild winters. The sun rules the island for about 300 days every year. Early spring until late-autumn is almost an unbroken chain of sunny days and balmy nights.

Average temperatures are as follows:

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| Jan | 12 degrees celsius |
| Feb | 14 degrees |
| March | 15 degrees |
| April | 18 degrees |
| May | 22 degrees |
| June | 25 degrees |
| July | 28 degrees |
| August | 30 degrees |
| Sept | 30 degrees |
| Oct | 26 degrees |
| Nov | 19 degrees |
| Dec | 14 degrees |

Your
Accommodation

Paradise Royal Mare - Hotel***** (Half Board) (Included)

Located on Koskinou Beach just 6km from Rhodes Town and 200m from the resort of Koskinou, the five star Delux Hotel Paradise Royal Mare will fulfil your every need. Delightful gardens and a cosmopolitan atmosphere looking out over the Aegean Sea allow guests to enjoy their stay. Hotel life is made more pleasant by the attractive lounges, spacious and fully renovated indoor areas, a wide range of rooms and an incredible program of recreation activities. The concept of the Aldemar resorts is to provide both adults and children with live and endless entertainment.

Rooms have en-suite facilities and include television, minibar, airconditioning, hair dryer and fridge. Tea and coffee making facilities are not available.

The facilities that the Hotel boasts are:

° Spacious outdoor pools (five/fresh and sea water)

- ° Children's pool (two)
- ° Indoor heated pool
- ° Giant waterslide
- ° Sun umbrellas & loungers
- ° Loungers at the beach
- ° Showers
- ° Sandy beach
- ° Beach towels (with deposit) it)
- ° Tennis courts (three - floodlit)
- ° Tennis school
- ° Table tennis
- ° Mini-golf
- ° Billiards
- ° Sauna
- ° Hammam
- ° Jacuzzi
- ° Fitness centre
- ° Afandou Golf course (18 hole, 10 km from the hotel)

There is wheelchair access to public areas.

Classes and Workshops

There will be ten hours of line dance workshops over the week, two hours a day over five days. All the tuition will take place within the hotel during the mornings. The workshops will be directed at dancers of at least elementary line dance experience.

Daily Itinerary

Sample Itinerary

This is a provisional itinerary aiming to give you an idea of what your holiday will look like. There will be some elements which will change:

DAY 1

Arrival and transfer to hotel

Afternoon - Activity suggestion: We suggest that you spend your first afternoon settling into the hotel or discovering the village of Koskinou.

Evening - Overview of the week; Dinner included; Welcome Drink and Warm up night Line dance Social with Maggie G

DAY 2

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 3

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 4

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 5

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 6

Morning and afternoon - (OP) Free day to go on a Rhodes Day Excursion to see some of the Island

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 7

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G! Fancy dress Party!

DAY 8

Transfer to Airport

Nightlife

The Line Dance Socials will be filled endless fun, laughter and line dancing with best country and modern line dance music, animation, fancy dress, competitions, karaoke and much more!! Leading the fun in these Line Dance Socials will be our guest line dance teacher Maggie G. She loves to mix with the crowd and will cater their party games and music for

everyone there.

Your Teachers We are pleased to offer a truly first class teaching and entertainment team comprised of choreographers, djs and live music led by Maggie Gallagher.

Maggie Gallagher: Spectacular entertainer Maggie Gallagher is one of the top line dancing instructors in England. She travels the world extensively hosting workshops and she was honoured to teach in Texas at the 1999 World Line Dancing Championships and at the Tarheel Festival in USA in September 2000. Subsequent trips across Europe, Japan, Singapore and Australia have confirmed Maggie's firm foothold in Linedance across the Globe. Maggie has appeared in the video 'Lionel Dancing' with Lionel Blair along with other dance instructors and can be seen instructing dances that she has written, including the very popular dance "Magatina Cha Cha" which was choreographed by Maggie and Tina Neale and danced to music by the Dean Brothers. Maggie has seen a large number of her own choreographed line dances hit the "Line Dance Charts", with dances "Just a Memory", "Hot Love" and "Na Mara" all huge smash hits, still filling the floor at most socials in the UK and abroad. Her mammoth, award winning 2001 dance "Mony Mony" was the first ever line dance to enter the charts at No 1. Maggie was honoured with being voted by Linedancer Magazine readers "Female Linedance Personality of the Year" 1999, 2000 and 2001 and was totally thrilled to also collect "Crystal Boots" for "Beginner Dance Of The Year " (Just A Memory), "Choreographer Of The Year", "Overall Dance Of The Year" (Mony Mony), and also "Instructor Of The Year". Maggie has been involved in many forms of dance throughout her spectacular career including tap, ballet, modern and Irish dancing (where she toured alongside Colin Dunne and Jean Butler, who later went on to star in River Dance). She began her love affair with Line Dancing over seven years ago in Coventry and true to form Maggie has been very successful in this field.

Tim Ruzgar (dj): Tim Ruzgar's passion for country music has made him one of the top DJs in the linedance world. Starting out small, he began DJing once a week at a local radio station (which he helped set up) and then began to receive invitations to DJ at various linedancing events. Since then, he has risen to the top of the field, DJing for example, at the Linedancer Magazine Crystal Boot Awards, of which he is now the Event Director. He has also been honoured to be the CD Reviewer and a features writer for Linedancer Magazine, DJing at the Millenium Dome World Record Attempt and at the BHF attempt in 2001. Tim has also been very involved with SuperStar Productions, hosting, DJing, compiling CDs, and acting as Managing Director, which has taken him to DJ at many of the European UCWDC (United Country Western Dance Council) championships. Through all of these high-profile events, Tim's main goal as DJ is still simple: that the dancers enjoy themselves, which is why he's known as "the Dancers' DJ"!

Alan Birchall: Alan began line dancing around 1997/8. Up until that time he had never danced, (in his wife's words he had and still has two left feet). He began writing dances shortly afterwards - mainly because at the time he wasn't able to do any of the more complicated steps. Learning dances directly from the script as they appeared or were printed, it wasn't long before he and his wife Ann were teaching. Alan's first major success came in 2001 with a dance he co-wrote with Pat Stott (Forever And A Day) called Devil In Disguise, which went on to become a dance floor favourite both here in the UK and worldwide. From this beginning Alan has gone from strength to strength teaching for and working with the following names in Line dance: Sue Weston (Bossy Boots), Tim Ruzgar, 'Big Dave, Maggie 'G'. 'Don't Stop Movin' went on to earn Alan his first 'Crystal Boot' becoming Linedancer magazines Advanced Dance Of The Year 2001. In 2002 he wrote what was to become one of the first modern 'classic' country line dances of the new millennium - 'Somebody Like You' to a Keith Urban track of the same name. These ingredients proved a winning formula with Alan once again winning Linedancer magazines Advanced Dance Of the Year 2002. The dance remained so popular throughout 2003 that the dance once more took the Advanced Dance Of The Year. In addition to writing dances he works closely with Maggie G helping to create the fun show times at her popular events. Alan is not afraid to write to all music styles, he is more comfortable with up tempo music – he has a love of rock music and 'clever' lyrics and he continues to write only to - 'top' drawer music (in his opinion).

Duo Diamond Jack: There are some highly successful family partnerships on the Country music scene today. These tend to be mostly male or female siblings or husband and wife duos, but one double act enjoying enormous success at the moment is father and son duo, Diamond Jack. The talented twosome, Dave and Warren Conway, father and son respectively, hail from Blackburn in Lancashire. Although they have only been singing together professionally for eighteen months, the pair have already established themselves on the Country music scene as one of our most popular and talented duos. Dave Conway is no newcomer to the music business having been involved in Country music for some twenty years. Meanwhile his young son, Warren, was growing up and learning to love the kind of music that his dad sang and enjoyed. It wasn't long before young Warren began to emulate his father and it quickly became evident that the young man had a very real talent himself. Here was a double act just waiting to be born. Both of these guys are accomplished guitarists, Dave playing rhythm and Warren featuring on lead, while the two of them share lead vocals. At only eighteen years of age, Warren Conway has a vocal ability to be envied. The strength, quality and pitch of this young man's beautiful voice belies his tender years. With his whole life and career still ahead of him, this Lancashire lad is sure to make his mark on the Country music scene both here and abroad. From the moment these two set foot on the stage, and right through to their closing song, the one word that comes to mind is professional. Every aspect of their act is polished, precise and extremely well presented. Immaculately turned out in their Maverick style suits and ties, they deliver a wide selection of songs catering for the listener and dancer alike. From a dancer's point of view, it is always appreciated when a band is able to suggest current dances to the songs they perform. In this respect, Diamond Jack certainly know their stuff and are right on the ball with all the latest and most popular dances as well as the old favourites. Besides being one of the most popular duos on the British Country music/line dance scene today, Diamond Jack are two genuinely nice guys who thoroughly deserve their current and continuing success. At the dawn of this new year they already had a packed agenda to look forward to. There's no disputing it, these guys are hot property and guaranteed to fill floors at every venue they play.

Food and Meals Your holiday is half board. Dinner is served as a self-service buffet in the dining room where there is an area reserved for Dance Holidays guests.

Eating out on Rhodes, as well as throughout Greece, is a great pleasure, a way of life. It's much more than only moussaka, tsaziki and Greek salad. Try the mouth watering selection of Rhodian dishes and specialties. Nowadays Rhodes offers a multitude of different eating options, to suit all tastes and pockets and to satisfy even the most demanding tastes and cosmopolitan clients. From top class, deluxe restaurants serving international cuisine to simply furnished, but nicely decorated, basic Greek Tavernas to small coffee shops serving light snacks, you'll find all the kinds of dining establishments that you could dream of. There are also 'ethnic' restaurants serving Chinese, Indian, Scandinavian, German and Italian food. For those who want something quicker or simpler there are plenty of fast-foods, selling Souvlaki- and Gyros Pitta (the number one Greek fast-food), Chips and burgers.

No matter what you do during your holidays on Rhodes, to try the local cuisine is an absolute must. Eating out is one of the biggest pleasures for Greek people. Breakfast is light, lunch is eaten in the early afternoon. Dinner usually doesn't start until 10pm. Eat out either at an Ouzerie (a mixture of bar and Taverna where you share a selection of dishes), a Taverna or Estiatorios (restaurant slightly more formal and expensive than tavernas).

Food safety: The tap water is natural spring water. That means you can drink it without stomach trouble. Food hygiene on Rhodes is generally excellent. However, preparing food yourself, it is advisable to wash raw fruits and vegetables thoroughly as chemicals are often used in the cultivation process

Optional Extras What are optional extras? In addition to your holiday we also offer you a variety of optional extras to make your holiday even richer and add some local colour. You can buy your optional extras at the welcome meeting at the beginning of your holiday. We will ask you to pay in cash and fill out a form. These are the optional extras that we anticipate running – actual details and prices will be confirmed on arrival. Some may require minimum numbers.

The Rhodes Old Town daytrip : A daytrip to the Old Town of Rhodes to visit the markets, shops, monuments and museums of this city where the Knights of St John lived for three centuries.

**Single Room
Supplements,
Upgrades and
Budget Options**

Option 1 - Included

Paradise Royal Mare - Hotel***** Half Board - (15/10/2005 to 22/10/2005 - 7 nights)

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| Triple Room (Per Room) | -10.50 GBP |
| Twin Room (Based on 2 sharing) | Included |
| Twin Room (Single Occp.) (1 Person) | 84.00 GBP |
| Twin Room Sea View (Per Room) | 49.00 GBP |
| Twin Room Sea View (Sing occp) (Per Room) | 133.00 GBP |
| Extra Nights | |
| Triple Room (Per Room) | 122 GBP per night |
| Twin Room (Based on 2 sharing) | 82 GBP per night |
| Twin Room (Single Occp.) (Based on 1 sharing) | 61 GBP per night |
| Twin Room Sea View (Per Room) | 90 GBP per night |
| Twin Room Sea View (Sing occp) (Per Room) | 70 GBP per night |

**Flights and
Transfers**

Flights: Published prices are based on flights from UK airports and there is usually a choice. Our customer care team are happy to price you a flight from any airport and you can also buy the holidays without a flight and make your own way there. If you live outside of the UK you can travel directly to the resort. There could be substantial "Early Bird" prices available so please see our special offers page on our website or ring us to find out what these are.

Transfers: We are normally able to meet you at the airport and take you by private transfer at no additional charge to your hotel. Sometimes you may have to wait a short while at the airport to connect with this transfer. Occasionally depending on your arrival time there may not be a group transfer available and we may ask you to make your own way to the hotel by taxi or public transport. In these circumstances we would give you easy to follow instructions.

Making your own way to the hotel for ground only package

For those whose flights don't coincide with our Airport coach transfer, we suggest taking a taxi from the Airport to your Hotel which costs about 20/30 euros and takes 25 minutes.

What to Expect in terms of Organisation

On Arrival: You will receive a detailed itinerary and details of any optional extras. We also include information on the local sights, recommended restaurants and other helpful tips.

Club Dance Holidays Host: Your holiday tour host is there to make your holiday as enjoyable as possible. Club Dance Holidays Tour Hosts are a cut above your typical Holiday Rep with a lightness of touch that enables you to get the best out of your holiday without being in the least bit interfering. We make sure you get the best out of the destination even though you are there for a relatively short time and we do this through our local knowledge and our knowledge of dance. Club Dance Holidays Tour Hosts normally offer much more of themselves than you would expect including making sure your nights are sociable and fun often well into the small hours if that is your whim. During the daytime the level of participation and presence of Club Dance Holidays tour hosts varies according to the nature of each holiday and its destination.

Overview of the Week and Welcome Drink: At the beginning of the week there is an Overview of the Week where your tour host will tell you about all details of your holiday. At the Overview of the Week you can buy your optional extras (see below). Also at the start of the week, Dance Holidays will invite you to be our guest to a drink.

Getting Around: You are responsible for making your own way to the dance classes and meeting points on the itinerary. We will point out those times when it is sensible to take a taxi.

Free time: We encourage you to explore the local area and make use of the excellent hotel facilities. This can be done when you please around the activities and dance classes that we have organized for you. Your tour host will be on hand for any queries you may have about the local area.

Before Your Go

Books on Rhodes

It may be worth your while reading up on your destination before you go:

- *The Rhodes Globetrotter Travel Guide
- *Rough Guide to Rhodes and the Dodecanese Plus the East
- *Insight Compact Guides Rhodes
- *Rhodes : An Ancient Medieval Modern Island of the Sun

Budgeting for your holiday: Your holiday is half board. For budgeting you will need to consider your third daily meal in the hotel, what optional extras you fancy, drinking socially and souvenirs.

Health and Fitness: There are no particular health requirements for a dance holiday. However you should be able to dance for at least two hours a day in order to be able to enjoy the workshop/socials.

Vaccinations are not required for E.U. citizens.

Insurance, Visa and Passport Requirements: Refer to the brochure for full details. In brief, Insurance is a condition of booking. Visas may be required for non EU citizens. British nationals need a full passport. Normally, for all non E.U. citizens willing to travel to Greece, valid passport if required. For your convenience, regarding the currency, custom formalities etc, all visitors are advised to contact the nearest Greek Embassy or Consulate.

Travel Documents: You receive these when you have paid for your holiday in full and we have received your airline tickets. In some cases the airlines do not release the tickets until five days before the departure date. We also confirm the address and phone number of the hotel and the emergency contact numbers.

Essential equipment and clothing to bring

Useful Things to Bring

Camera
Shoes suitable for walking around the streets
Summer clothing for day
Light jacket for evenings
Swimming costume and suntan lotion
This fact sheet and Joining Instructions
Passport, money, plane ticket.

What to wear for dancing: We recommend that you bring comfortable leather sole shoes, dance trainers or cowboy boots for the classes and Socials. Your shoes should be comfortable and supportive. Wear lightweight cotton socks to avoid sweaty and blistered feet! It is probable that you may get through quite a few clothes in the workshops and dancing at night (you can get quite hot!) so bring a variety of outfits. Wear comfortable loose clothing for the classes

and the evenings. The dress code at night is pretty informal. Some of you may wish to dress country and western style.

Fancy dress: On one of the party nights there will be a fabulous fancy dress party with a Blue and White theme - the colours of the Greek flag. Start preparing your costume now! Prizes will be given to the best fancy dress!

At Your
Destination

Banks and Money: The currency on Rhodes is the Euro. Banks are normally open Monday to Friday 8.00am - 2pm but closed on Saturday, Sunday and public holidays. You'll find banks in all towns and main resorts and all of them change money, travelers cheques and euro cheques supported by an euro cheque card. Some banks also give cash on major credit cards. There are also plenty exchange offices around the island (in rent a car, hotels, travel agencies). When changing travelers cheques don't forget to take your passport along. Most major credit cards are accepted in many shops, taverns and banks, but it is advisable to check first.

Time: The Greek time is two hours ahead of the British time, so when it is 8.00am back home, on Rhodes it's 10am.

Language: The language of Rhodes is Greek. You will find in the Resort areas that a lot of English is spoken.

Tipping: We feel our tour hosts work hard to give you an exceptional holiday and sometimes you may find that they add some special touches which are beyond the call of duty. If you agree with us, you might wish to show your appreciation by way of a tip. You can do this by putting money in an envelope on your own or by getting together with other guests. This evidently is entirely at your discretion.

Making friends with the Locals and people not on the holiday: The dance classes and dance evening events in the hotel at night are exclusive to Dance Holidays clients. Generally, we discourage people who are not on the holiday from joining our activities and we ask for your discretion in this respect. By all means, outside of the itinerary, do mix with other holidaymakers staying in the hotel.
