

# TRAVELER OF THE QUARTER

Epidaurus Theater -  
Greece



Naxos - Greece



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Hello everyone,

If you like to travel, have fun, and eat well, traveling with Women of the Midwest is the way to go. From the 1st call I made to schedule my trips to the hugs goodbye at the airport, I have felt welcomed and cared for.

The Zoom Meetings to review the travel documents are organized and allow you to meet your fellow travelers and get your questions answered. The airport process runs smoothly and you are met on the other end by your local travel guide. The local travel guides are full of knowledge and so proud of their country and heritage. You learn the country's history in an exciting way, and the sites you visit build on the history from beginning to end. The Itineraries are full of activities and keep you moving, making for a well-paced day. (Speaking of activity, bring your best walking shoes; you will need them)!

But the thing that has impressed me the most has been the friendly welcoming people you meet. You don't just feel like a tourist wandering around; you are immersed in the culture and customs. Just recently, on our Greece trip, we were lucky to be there on the Greek Orthodox Easter and able to participate in the local celebrations. The trips have included cooking lessons on local dishes, visits to local artisans who proudly demonstrate their talents, and often a workshop to create your own souvenir. And not to be forgotten are the tasting workshops (honey, olive oil, and wine, to name a few).

The scenery is breathtaking, and the companionship is even better. I brought along my blue traveling gnome for company but didn't need him because I always had plenty of people to pal around with. The Women of the Midwest Ambassador you journey with are so friendly and fun-loving, always checking on you to see if you need anything and ensuring that you feel safe and well looked after. The friendships you develop with your fellow travelers after sharing such a wonderful adventure create deep ties.

Oh, and don't forget to bring your sense of adventure and a positive attitude, because, with these three things, you will have the trip of a lifetime.

Warm regards,

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Germany - Passion Play



Lisbon - Portugal



Portugal - Castle Hotel