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Central America, South Africa and Zimbabwe!

Growing up in Brisbane I had very little to do with Greek culture and with blonde hair, blue eyes and a name like Katelyn James it was easy to pass myself off as Australian. As I grew older my appreciation for Greek culture slowly grew and I realised that my heritage should not be forgotten. My new inspiration saw me take up Greek language classes and soon had me on a tour of Greece along with Greeks from Oceania, Latin/

We hit the ground running in Greece with classes in singing, dancing and language. With tour guides that opened our eyes to the wonders of Ancient Greece we saw how our common heritage had influenced all of our lives, whether we were from Australia or Argentina. With our tightly packed schedules we weren't expecting to get much done in the way of sightseeing, but a few days in we were lucky enough to visit the Temple of Poseidon.



In awe we stared at Ancient wonders like the Parthenon and marveled at the new museum of the Acropolis, which is undoubtedly amongst the finest in the world. If we're talking comparisons it's hard to beat the Athens nightlife. By night we hit the bouzoukia nightclubs and I can honestly say I've never experienced anything like it! They had everything! Atmosphere, passion and kefi!

One of the highlights of the tour came about two weeks in, in the

form of a visit and high tea with the President of the Hellenic Republic! He told us that no matter where we are living today we are all children of Greece.

Finally, a piece about the Greek cultural tour can't be complete without mentioning the strong and lasting friendships that we made with our fellow Greeks from around the world. I will never forget the good times we had and can't wait to travel the world to catch up! Thank you Greek Government and thank you Greece, for giving us all the time of our lives!!!

Katelyn James



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Want to write in the next HERMES?

The HERMES is open to any and every young Greek Australian who believes he or she has something to share!

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| 23 Aug | 24 Aug UTS BBQ ACU Culture Night | 25 Aug SUGS Poetry Night | 26 Aug | 27 Aug | 28 Aug | 29 Aug |
| 30 Aug ACU BBQ | 31 Aug | 1 Sep | 2 Sep | 3 Sep | 4 Sep | 5 Sep |
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