

Samos Island

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About Samos Island:

- It is a **Greek island** located in the **eastern Aegean Sea**.
- It is one of the largest and **most easterly Greek islands**.
- It lies close to the Turkish coasts. It is located just **1700 m from the Asia Minor Turkish Coast**.
- The area of the island is 478 sq.km.
- It is characterized by steep mountain ranges, sandy beaches, azure sea water, olive groves, and green pine forests.
- **Mount Kerketeus, the highest peak** (1,433 metres), forms the western tip of the island.
- **Climate:** It has a **Mediterranean climate** with long, hot summers and relatively short, mild winters.
- It is **home to the Pythagoreion and the Heraion of Samos**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, which includes the **Eupalin Aqueduct**, a marvel of ancient engineering.
- Samos is the **birthplace of** the Greek philosopher and mathematician **Pythagoras**, for whom the **Pythagorean theorem** is named.
- It is also the **birthplace of** the **famous astronomer** of ancient times, **Aristarchus**, who **first suggested a heliocentric solar system at 500 B.C.**

Q1: Which is the largest Greek Island?

Crete is the largest island in Greece, and the fifth largest one in the Mediterranean Sea.

News: [Tragedy at Sea: Migrant Boat Sinks Near Samos](#)

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