
GREECE EXTENDS BY A YEAR VISAS FOR TURKISH NATIONALS TO VISIT ISLANDS

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Greece has extended by a year a visa scheme for Turkish nationals wishing to visit 12 islands in the Aegean Sea for up to a week, diplomatic sources said, continuing a programme that represented a slight thaw in often fractious ties between the neighbours.

The agreement for automatic visas allowing Turks and their families to visit some Greek islands without having to apply for full access to the European Union's passport-free travel zone was signed in December 2023, when Greece and Turkey agreed to turn a page after years of tensions and drafted a roadmap to usher in a new era of closer ties.

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