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Maya: Good morning, Santorini. It is Tuesday, October sixth, and this is your Santorini Morning Briefing. I am Maya.

Devon: And I am Devon. Tuesday on the caldera, and autumn is settling in nicely.

Maya: We have a gentle week ahead. Today, Tuesday, highs around seventy-three, lows around sixty-six, mostly clear skies, with a breeze near twelve miles per hour.

Devon: Wednesday is overcast but still mild. High of seventy-three, low of sixty-six, and the wind eases to about nine miles per hour. Thursday looks like a copy of Wednesday, overcast, seventy-three for the high, sixty-six for the low, winds calming to around six miles per hour.

Maya: Friday brings the sun back out. Mostly clear, high of seventy-three, low of sixty-six, with winds near nine miles per hour. Then Saturday is partly cloudy and a touch warmer, high of seventy-five, low of sixty-eight, just a small chance of a shower, and very light winds around six miles per hour.

Devon: Sunday turns cooler. Overcast skies, high of seventy, low of seventy, with only a slight chance of rain and light winds near five miles per hour. And next Monday stays cool and pleasant, partly cloudy, high of seventy, low of sixty-eight, winds around four miles per hour. So the picture is settled and mild through Friday, with a cooler, cloudier weekend ahead.

Maya: A note for the water this week. The Aegean is calm. Wave heights are around three feet today, easing toward about two feet by midweek, and down to near one foot by Thursday. The water is a very swimmable seventy-two degrees.

Devon: That is a smooth October sea, if I have ever heard one. Now, tonight's sky?

Maya: Tonight is a treat for stargazers. The sun sets at about six fifty-four this evening, and it is fully dark by about eight twenty. The moon is a waning crescent, only about twenty percent lit, and it sets in the late afternoon, so the evening sky is beautifully dark with no moonlight washing things out.

Devon: Dark skies over the caldera, that is hard to beat.

Maya: It really is. After dark, look southeast for Saturn, riding about thirty-six degrees above the horizon. No bright space station passes expected tonight, but the early week is mostly clear, so viewing conditions are good from anywhere dark, like the Akrotiri lighthouse road or the quieter paths above Imerovigli.

Devon: Let us turn to what is on around the island this week. October listings are still on the quiet side, but there are a few standbys worth your time.

Maya: First, the exhibition called Kykladitisses, Untold Stories of Women in the Cyclades, is on in Santorini through the thirtieth of November, according to the national tourism listings. It is a rare look at women's lives across the islands through the centuries.

Devon: Second, the Greek Wedding Show plays nightly in Fira. It is an immersive

on the island with heavy fines after a dockside crackdown. Inspectors examined twenty-six day-trip boats and catamarans at the port of Vlychada and other docking points, and found tax violations on twelve of them, a violation rate of forty-six percent. The identified infractions totaled ninety-two thousand euros, and the revenue agency issued fines of forty-three thousand euros against the noncompliant operators.

Maya: That is a striking share of boats falling short, and it follows a summer of heavier enforcement on the water. The inspectors ran unannounced checks as catamarans and day boats returned to shore from their morning and afternoon cruises around the island, auditing ticketing and transaction records.

Devon: Story two. Santorini has been flying the Greek flag far from home. The island represented Greece at the twenty twenty-six World Island Fair in Yeosu, South Korea, an international event on island culture, sustainability, and the future of island communities, expected to draw around three million visitors. Santorini operated its own pavilion from September fourth through October fourth, presenting the caldera, the volcanic landscape, the wine tradition, and the gastronomy and cultural heritage of the island.

Maya: The fair's theme is Islands, Connecting Oceans and the Future, and Santorini was one of just four European island destinations taking part. A good piece of outreach for the island as it reckons with overtourism at home.

Devon: Story three, on visitor numbers. New industry figures show Santorini recorded about five hundred six thousand international air arrivals from January through August, essentially flat against last year. August alone came in at about one hundred fifty-five thousand arrivals, down slightly from August of twenty twenty-five. Nationally, travel receipts rose twelve percent in the first seven months of the year to thirteen point five billion euros, so visitors are spending more per trip even where arrival numbers hold steady.

Maya: So to recap. Mild and settled through Friday, cooler and cloudier for the weekend. Seas around three feet and calming through the week. Dark moonless evenings, perfect for Saturn. The Kykladitisses exhibition runs through late November, the Greek Wedding Show plays nightly in Fira, and the Megaro Gyzi museum season ends this month.

Devon: That is your Santorini Morning Briefing for Tuesday, October sixth. I am Devon.

Maya: And I am Maya. Make it a great day, Santorini. We will be back tomorrow morning.