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Hello,

This is our third and final journal entry. This one is titled 'Aussie and Athens Redemption'.

So, we arrived in Athens and instantly realized that all the things we read about it being a crappy place were untrue. I mean if you want an Island experience then sure do not come to Athens, but if you want to experience Greek life and oh so delicious Greek food then you need more than a couple of days in Athens.

We arrived in Athens around 8ish at night. The ride to the hotel made us both frantic realizing that we had made a mistake in staying there less than 48 hours. The second we got to our hotel we left for the Acropolis. After that we ate at this really crowded and overall very delicious restaurant where we met another Australian couple. At first we were a bit leery. Neither of us wanted to hear about how horrible America is and certainly we didn't want to hear about Australian sheep. Australian Redemption happened. This couple - Trevor and Neth - seemed to have a love affair with the American South. And they were really nice people even if they hadn't liked the South. Oxford Mississippi in particular. We had drinks with them the following night overlooking the Acropolis and I even know a joke about New Zealanders and now kinda know about Australian rules Football.

The next day which was our first full day started with a food tour (Culinary Backstreets). Oh My God!!!! The food we tasted was so delicious. We started with Greek Yogurt - yes, Greek! We can never eat yogurt again. It was fresh and of course unpasteurized sheep's milk yogurt. Simply, it was the best yogurt we have ever had and ever will. As we finished our portions the Travel Channel showed up and interviewed us for the new Andrew Zimmern show (not about weird food) which will air in January. This was just the start, we also had delicious souvlaki and lamb patties and Oh MY God soft feta cheese. Basically, we cannot eat yogurt or feta cheese anymore. Anything else in anywhere else would be a disgrace to what we had in Athens.

Our food tour was best thus far and to add to it we met two guys from near Savannah, Georgia. So, the Australians had told us the previous night about the glories of the American South and the next day we met true Southern gentlemen. It is our Destiny to visit the South. Our new friends, Fred and Bobby, have promised us to guide us through the South that we've always been somewhat anxious of visiting, because Autumn is a lesbian and she would look out of place with her hair and Asian look that you can't really place but definitely know it's not white.

And so, after eating about a gallon of yogurt we are headed back to our beloved San Francisco.

Next year we will write from Shanghai and Tokyo and in between visit the American South. Attached are a few pictures of Athens - a beautiful place that deserves more than 48 hours. Hello San Francisco!!!

Marzia Zafar
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I [Redacted] on't have a whole lot to add to this one except to describe in more detail just how much yogurt we ended up eating. And to say that if you were thinking ya, great, you ate a bunch of healthy yogurt--not so. We had easily a cup of honey and 1/2 cup of walnuts each time. So after the first portion on the tour Marzia got another one all to herself and then we had to eat another double portion on camera repeating all of our yummy bites on command. We shall see what bits make it to TV but I'm pretty sure getting free extra yogurt and then getting interviewed about it was Marzia's dream come true. The rest of us including our amazing guide got a bit tongue tied trying to articulate the taste of yogurt beyond "creamy" "amazing" and "delicious"

It was so creamy, amazing and delicious that we went back for pre - dinner the same day as the tour, got some to - go and went back again for breakfast.