

Some Greek Easter traditions

1. The Easter lamb



The Easter lamb is one of the most famous dishes in the Greek tradition. We eat it on Easter Sunday starting its preparation and grilling it over coal-fire since very early in the morning.

There all the family members gather to help and enjoy it after.

We eat it with potatoes, rice, salad and kokoretsi and hard-boiled eggs. We drink soft drinks, wine

or beer.



Every year I can't wait the moment that I to taste this mouthwatering delicious this beauty of nature.

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2. Rocket War

Rocket war is a tradition observed every year in Chios Aegean island. The two “viral”



parishes, Agios (St.) Markos and Panagia Erittiani, launch thousands of improvised rockets on the bell tower of the opposing church on Saturday night on Easter Liturgy, creating a unique spectacle. The following morning the number of rockets found at each belfry is counted to determine the winner. A few days ago, the buildings of the two churches and the neighboring houses were covered with a protective metal mesh.

The origin of the custom of the rocket war is not clear, but it is believed to have begun during the Turkish occupation. According to tradition, cannons were originally used for the celebration of Easter. When the Turks banned the cannons, fearing they might be used against them, the locals replaced them with improvised rockets.

Rocket war continues nowadays every Easter without interruption but with increased protection measures.

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