



Impact of Rising Sea Level on Delos Island

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Scientists caution that [climate change-induced rising sea levels](#) could cause **Delos**, a tiny [Aegean Sea island](#) near bustling Mykonos, to vanish within the next 50 years.

- **Delos** is described as one of the most important sanctuaries of the **ancient Greek and Roman world**.
 - It is a [UNESCO World Heritage site](#) and provides valuable insights into daily life during the **Hellenistic and Roman periods**.
 - Research indicates that **increasing temperatures and humidity** can **alter the chemical composition** of materials used in **cultural heritage monuments**.
 - The threat is exacerbated by **visible structural damage** caused by seawater erosion, particularly affecting areas like **trade and storage buildings** from the first and second centuries BCE.
- The **Aegean Sea** is an arm of the [Mediterranean Sea](#).
 - It is located in the **East Mediterranean Basin** with the Greek peninsula to its west and Anatolia (consisting of the Asian side of Turkey) to its east.
 - The Aegean is connected through the [straits of the Dardanelles](#), the Sea of Marmara, and the **Bosphorus to the Black Sea**, while the island of Crete can be taken as marking its boundary on the south.

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