

# Weekend before Easter (Palm Sunday) at Mesolongi

Plan Days 3

One of the most ideal times to visit Mesolongi. This weekend the representation of the heroic exit of Mesolongi take place.

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# **PLAN SUMMARY**



## Day 1

1. Athens

About region/Main cities & villages

2. Rio-Antirio Bridge

Culture/Monuments & sights

3. Messolonghi

About region/Main cities & villages

4. Stone Monument

Culture/Monuments & sights

### Day 2

1. Windmill

Culture/Monuments & sights

2. Lagoon of Mesolongi Nature/Lakes

3. Alykes

Culture/Monuments & sights

4. Garden of Heroes (Kipos ton Iroon) Culture/Monuments & sights

## Day 3

1. Garden of Heroes (Kipos ton Iroon)

Culture/Monuments & sights

2. Tourlida

Nature/Beaches

3. Ancient Plevrona

Culture/Archaelogical sites



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1. Athens
About region / Main cities & villages



**Απόσταση: Start** -**Χρόνος:** 

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GPS: N37.99345652844329, W23.747162483203056



amaze you!

2. Rio-Antirio Bridge Culture / Monuments & sights

Note: Whether you cross it or view it from the boat ... will



**Απόσταση:**by car 208.4km **Χρόνος:** 

2h19′

GPS: N38.32048046868646, W21.773026148437566



3. Messolonghi About region / Main cities & villages



**Απόσταση:**by car 36.9km **Χρόνος:** 

33′

GPS: N38.36961601109666, W21.429213370361367



over Greece.

**4. Stone Monument** Culture / Monuments & sights

**Note:** Welcome to the Holy City of Mesolongi! The town these days is honoring its history. Traditional costumes of unique beauty, heavy atmosphere and philharmonic bands from all



Aπόσταση: on foot 0.7km Χρόνος:

08′

GPS: N38.373984378288924, W21.433461691609978

Note: Mesolongi motto!





eruption took place.

1. Windmill
Culture / Monuments & sights

Note: Walking in port will see the windmill, where the historic



Location: Messolonghi

Απόσταση: Start -

Χρόνος:

GPS: N38.363635079777524, W21.42630317358021



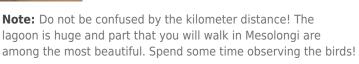
2. Lagoon of Mesolongi Nature / Lakes



**Απόσταση:**by car 21.2km **Χρόνος:** 

32'

GPS: N38.3640625, W21.344121200000018





3. Alykes
Culture / Monuments & sights

Note: A special attraction! Mountains of salt!



**Απόσταση:**by car 16.3km **Χρόνος:** 

GPS: N38.39612080920327, W21.38852430781253



4. Garden of Heroes (Kipos ton Iroon)
Culture / Monuments & sights



Cocation: Messolonghi

**Απόσταση:**by car 5.1km **Χρόνος:**08'

GPS: N38.374365453418285, W21.431588632540866

**Note:** Here ends the procession and the representation of the explosion on Saturday night take place. The procession starts in the afternoon and it is good to find your position early. The mournful pace and music from the philharmonic bands will amaze you.





1. Garden of Heroes (Kipos ton Iroon)
Culture / Monuments & sights



Location: Messolonghi

Aπόσταση: Start -Χρόνος:

GPS: N38.374365453418285, W21.431588632540866



2. Tourlida Nature / Beaches

Kapsalis is missing since he exploded last night.

Note: Morning procession (starts around 11:00) but this time



**Απόσταση:** by car 5.9km **Χρόνος:** 

**Χρονο** 1h11′

GPS: N38.32597162371721, W21.419004882850686



village of Tourlida.

3. Ancient Plevrona
Culture / Archaelogical sites

Note: After the parade, food by the sea in the picturesque



**Απόσταση:**by car 11.3km **Χρόνος:**19'

GPS: N38.4150700538817, W21.40983921213376

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{Note:}}$  One of the most beautiful sunsets with views across the lagoon!

# Πρόσβαση και Χρήσιμες πληροφορίες



### **Attiki Prefecture**

#### Access

#### By bus

**Bus station Kifissos (KTEL):** This is the central bus station connecting Athens with most cities of Greece. It is located at 100 Kifissou Avenue Str. and it can be accessed by the bus lines X93 from "Eleftherios Venizelos" airport, 051 from Omonia and 420 from Piraeus.

Tel.: (+30) 210 5124910-11, 5132601

**Bus station Liosion (KTEL):** The station is located at 26 Stratigou Dagkli Str. and there are several itineraries to neighboring prefectures of Attica. It can be easily accessed since there is a large number of bus lines passing by the station, such as X93, 420, 701, 704, A10, B10 et al.

Tel.: (+30) 210 8317186

You can call 14505, where recorded information for all the bus stations (KTEL) and the itineraries are provided.

#### By train

TRAINOSE and OSE: TRAINOSE is the suburban railway company and OSE is the traditional railway company. There are itineraries that connect Attica with central and smaller cities.

Tel.: 14511 (recorded messages) www.trainose.gr and www.ose.gr

**By boat:** The prefecture of Athens has three ports to service the passengers' wants. The largest one, the port of Piraeus, is located closer to Athens and thence depart most of the ships. Then follow the ports of Rafina (40km from Athens) and Lavrio (60km from Athens), which have less traffic and itineraries only to certain islands of the Aegean Sea.

Port of Piraeus: It can be easily accessed due to its close distance from Athens. Moreover, the easiest way to get there is by electric-powered train, whose terminal station is located across the port. The passengers can also take the Suburban Railway, whose terminal station is a few meters away from the station of the electric powered train. Moreover, a large number of buses connect the port with several areas of Athens and the suburbs, while it is connected with the airport via the bus line X96.

Tel.: 14541 (for itineraries, changes or delay information)

www.olp.gr

Port of Rafina: To the east of the prefecture of Attica, on the coast Andreas Papandreou is located the port of Rafina. The port can be accessed either by private means or by the itineraries of the bus station (KTEL) of Attica, from where ships depart for Andros, Syros, Tinos, and Mykonos.

Tel.: (+30) 22940 23605, 22840

www.rafinaport.gr

Port of Lavrio: Nearly at the southest part of Attica, shortly after Sounio, lies the port of Lavrio. It can be accessed either by car or by taxi or by bus (bus station (KTEL) Attica). The port of Lavrio is 60km from Athens and 25km from "El. Venizelos" airport. Moreover, this port has several itineraries to Kea, Lesvos, Limnos, Chios and some other islands of the Aegean Sea.

Tel.: (+30) 22920 27711, 22089

www.oll.gr

**By plane:** "Eleftherios Venizelos", the national airport of Athens, is located in Spata and is one of the most modern airports. It can be accessed by the following public means of transport: the Suburban Railway, the Metro (blue line), and the bus lines X95 from Syntagma Square, X96 from Piraeus, X93 from the bus station Kifissos and X97 from the metro station Dafni.

Tel.: (+30) 210 3530000

www.aia.gr

## **Domestic transportation**

Means of transport in Athens and Piraeus: The public transport in Athens and Piraeus accommodates almost every corner of the city. In particular, there are:

- The buses (ETHEL) and the trolley buses
- The Attic Metro, which is the fastest mean of transport in Athens
- The Electric-powered Railway, which connects the northern suburbs with the port of Piraeus and is also connected with the two Metro lines.
- Moreover, there are two tram lines that connect Piraeus with the center of Athens and the southern coastline from Piraeus till Voula.
- For itineraries information, you can contact the Urban Transport Organization of Attica in the telephone numbers 185 and (+30) 210 8200999

www.oasa.gr

**Bus station Attica (KTEL):** The destinations within the prefecture are accommodated by the point of departure in Athens and specifically at Mavromateon in Pedion of Areos (railway station "Victoria") and at the Agion Asomaton Square in Thissio (railway station "Thissio").

Tel.: (+30) 210 8808080

You can also call 14505, where recorded information are provided for all the bus stations (KTEL) and the itineraries.

Marinas: If you are traveling by private boat in Attica you will find several marinas

Marina of Flisvos: Trokantero area T: (+30) 210 9871000-2

Marina Zeas: Piraeus (+30) 210 4559000

Marina Vouliagmeni: 77 Apollonos Str., T: (+30) 210 8960012-5

Marina Alimos: Kalamaki area, T: (+30) 210 9880000

Marina Glyfada: 2 Saki Karagiorga, Glyfada T: (+30) 213 2025366, 2025200 Marina Olympic: 77th km Athens-Sounion, Lavrio T: (+30) 22920 63700

#### **Useful telephone numbers**

#### **Health Services**

The number you can call to learn on duty hospitals is the 166 and the 106, which you can also call in an emergency.

Emergency call: 166

Poisons Centre: (+30) 210 7793777

On duty hospitals/pharmacies/doctors: 14944

Municipalities

Municipality of Athens: 63 Athinas Str., Kotzia Square

T: (+30) 213 2082200, 5277000, 33108261

www.cityofathens.gr

Municipality of Piraeus: Korai Square & 1 Dragatsi Str., Piraeus

T: (+30) 213 2022000, 4127941, 4194000

Police Authorities Emergency call: 100

Tourist police: 171, (+30) 210 6977386

All police services: 1033

Traffic police: (+30) 210 5230111

Road service: 10400

Port Authorities

Port authority of Piraeus: Coast Miaouli 50, Piraeus: (+30) 210 4147800, 4226000

Port authority of Rafina: Coast Andrea Papandreuou 1, Rafina: (+30) 22940 22300, 28888

Port authority of Lavrio: (+30) 22920 25249, 26859

Emergency call: 108

Fire Service, Forestry

Emergency call: 199

Forestry: (+30) 210 60173290, 6395280

**Transportations** 

Urban buses: 185 www.oasa.gr

Attiko Metro: (+30) 210 5194001, www.ametro.gr

Suburban Railway: (+30) 210 5272000, www.proastiakos.gr

Tram: (+30) 210 9978000, www.tramsa.gr

Electric Railway: (+30) 210 3248311, 1440, www.isap.gr

Hellenic Railways Organization: (+30) 210 5297777, www.ose.gr

Suburban Buses: (+30) 1440210, 5124910, www.ktel.org

Athens Sightseeing Public Bus N.400: 185

Taxi

Kosmos: 18300, (+30) 210 5200020 Hellas: 801 1157000, (+30) 210 6457000 Enotita: 801 1151000, (+30) 210 6459000

Hermes: (+30) 210 4115200 Ikaros: (+30) 210 5152800 Europi: (+30) 210 5023783 Express: (+30) 210 9943000

Athina 1: (+30) 1203, 210 9212800

Apollon: (+30) 210 3636508 Asteras: (+30) 210 6144000 Protoporia: (+30) 210 2130400 Glyfada: (+30) 210 9605600

# Πρόσβαση και Χρήσιμες πληροφορίες



### **Achaea Prefecture**

#### **Access**

**By car:** Achaea is easily accessible by car. Patra, the capital of the prefecture refrains 210km from Athens, 227 km from loannina, 195km from Nafplio and 213km from Kalamata.

**By bus:** There are daily frequent departures from Athens bus station at Kifissou 100. Buses also connect Patra to other major capital cities and a dense bus network connects Patra with the villages of the prefecture. The frequency of service varies depending on the season. During the period of Carnival there are buses every 10 '.

Patra Bus station: (+30) 2610 623 888 Athens Bus station: (+30) 210 5136185 Thessaloniki Bus station: (+30) 2310 595 425 Larissa Bus station: (30) 2410 554 111 Lamia Bus station: (+30) 22310 22802

**By train:** Patra is linked by train with Athens, Pyrgos and Kalamata. The route starts from Piraeus / Athens by the suburban railway which reaches Kiato where there is correspondence with other trains that continue up to Patra or rest of Achea.

OSE (train station) of Patra: (+30) 2610 639108-9

OSE (train station) of Athens: (+30) 210 5131601, 5297777

www.ose.gr

www.trainose.gr (for tickets)

By boat: There is frequent connection from the port of Patra to Corfu, Igoumenitsa, Kefalonia, Ithaca as well as to Italian ports

Ancona, Bari, Brindisi and Venice. Patra Port Authoriy: (+30) 2610 341002

**By plane:** The airport Araxos, receives charter flights from abroad. 45km from Patra.

Araxos National Airport: (+30) 26930-54000

### **Useful telephone numbers**

#### **Health Services**

University Hospital, Patra: (+30) 2610 999111 Agios Andreas Hospital, Patra: (+30) 2610 227000

Aegio Hospital: (+30) 26910 22222 Akrata Health Centre: (+30) 26960 22222 Kalavrita Hospital: (+30) 26920 22366

Municipality

Municipality of Patra: (+30) 2610 966200 Municipality of Aegio: (+30) 26910 24444 Municipality of Akrata: (+30) 26960 22710 Municipality of Diakofto: (+30) 26910 41270 Municipality of Kalavrita: (+30) 26920 22390

**Police** 

Patra Police station: (+30) 2610 623061 Patra Tourist Police: (+30) 2610 45189 Aegio Police station: (+30) 26910 27457 Akrata Police station: (+30) 26960 22100 Diakofto Police station: (+30) 26910 41203 Kalavrita Police station: (+30) 26920 23333

**Port Authority** 

Patra Port Authority: (+30) 2610 341002, 341024, 341046

Aegio Port Authority: (+30) 26910 28888 Rio Port Authority: (+30) 2610 991203, 991679

**Transportation** 

Patra Bus station: (+30) 2610 273936 Aegio Bus station: (+30) 26910 22424 Patra Train station: (+30) 2610 639107 Diakofto Train station: (+30) 26910 43206 Kalavrita Train station: (+30) 26920 22245

Other

Kalavrita Ski center: (+30) 26920 22174

# Πρόσβαση και Χρήσιμες πληροφορίες



### **Aetoloakarnania Prefecture**

#### **Access**

**By car:** It is the largest prefecture of Greece with a relatively good road system and is about 4 hours away from Athens. To get there you have to go towards Patra and cross the bridge of Rio-Antirrio. Of course the distance from Thessaloniki is much longer as you need 405 kilometers to get there. Patra is 80 kilometers away, Arta 85 kilometers and Preveza 100 kilometers.

**By bus:** The buses of Aetoloakarnania with their often timetable can accommodate your needs for transportation to Athens, Patra and other big cities of the country. In addition, there are routes inside the prefecture.

Agrinio buses: (+30) 26410 57371 Thessaloniki buses: (+30) 2310 595432 Athens buses: (+30) 210 5120887

http://www.ktel-aitol.gr/

**By boat:** The prefecture has a small harbor in Astakos that is connected with the ionian islands of Ithaki and Kefallinia. The timetable is quite often, especially during the summer months, towards Kefallinia and Ithaki and the distances are short. http://www.ionionpelagos.com/el

**Marinas:** If you travel by your own boat, there are quite a lot safe harbors where you can tie your boat up and get supplies, like those in Astakos, Mytikas, Palairos and Vonitsa. Moreover, during the past few years, there is a modern marina operating in Messolonghi where you can also repair your boat.

www.messolonghimarina.com

### **Useful Telephone Numbers**

## **Health Services**

General hospital of Agrinio: (+30) 26413 61251 General hospital of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 27413 Health center of Thermo: (+30) 26443 60000 Health center of Amfilochia: (+30) 26420 23914 Health Center of Ano Chora: (+30) 26340 41344

**Municipalities** 

Municipality of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 55460 Municipality of Agrinio: (+30) 26413 60303/60300 Municipality of Xiromero: (+30) 26463 60536 Municipality of Astakos: (+30) 26463 60500 Municipality of Nafpaktia: (+30) 26340 27239 Municipality of Amfilochia: (+30) 26423 60400-1

**Police authorities** 

Police: 100

Police department of Agrinio: (+30) 26410 30184/59717/23143

Traffic police of Agrinio: (+30) 26410 13163

Police department of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 55715 Touristic police of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 55739 Police department of Nafpaktos: (+30) 26340 27258 Police department of Amfilochia: (+30) 26420 22222 Police department of Vonitsa: (+30) 26430 22100

Port authorities

Port authority of Astakos: (+30) 26460 22340

Port authority of Kefallonia (Sami): (+30) 26740 22031

Port authority of Ithaki: (+30) 26740 32909

Fire brigade, forestry

Fire brigade: 199

Fire department of Agrinio: (+30) 26410 28666, 57181, 57183 Fire department of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 28787 25095

Fire department of Nafpaktos: (+30) 26340 27618

Fire department of Amfilochia: (+30) 26420 22010 22013

Forestry of Agrinio: (+30) 26410 24804 Forestry of Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 28878 Forestry of Nafpaktos: (+30) 26340 22014

**Transportation** 

Agrinio bus station: (+30) 26410 57371 Thessaloniki bus station: (+30) 2310 595432 Athens bus station: (+30) 210 5120887 Patra bus station: (+30) 2610 623888

Taxi

Agrinio: (+30) 26410 61800 62000 Messolonghi: (+30) 26310 22655 39755

Nafpaktos: (+30) 26340 25111 Vonitsa: (+30) 26430 22200 22700