WONDERGREECE

Gastronomy, culture and unsurpassed beaches with starting point Calm Wave Villas.

Plan Dates 2017-07-01

A "ritual" trip, starting with the magnificent Calm Wave Villas. Indulge in local flavors, learn about Lefkada's culture, enjoy some of the best beaches in the world and let yourshelf in the Calm Wave hospitality.

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Day 1

WONDERGREECE

1. Lefkada

About region / Main cities & villages

Note: Welcome to the island of Agia Mavra! Arriving on the island you can't do otherwise than having a first walk in the city of Lefkada. The capital of the island with the beautiful alleys, the Venetian churches and the colorful "tin" houses awaits you...

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.82988950638336, W20.70038766767584

2. Museum of Lefkadian Culture Orpheus

Culture / Museums

Note: You have the opportunity to visit the first museum! The Museum of Lefkadian Culture, Orpheus awaits you in a beautiful building near the central square. Here you will admire traditional Lefkadian costumes, musical instruments, you will see the traditional houses on the island, and you will learn about various Lefkadian occupations and their peculiarities.

Location:
Lefkada

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 22778

Απόσταση:
on foot 1.0km
Χρόνος:
12΄

GPS: N38.83415816614758, W20.708463799019682

3. Phonograph Museum

Culture / Museums

Note: A very special museum is that of the Phonograph and Folkloric Remembrance. A collection of very old objects, including the photos of Maria Callas from her visits to Lefkada, a music album made of papyrus and many more. Mr. Takis will present you with love all the exhibits one by one, playing for you laterna (barrel organ).

Location:
Lefkada

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 21088, 6997493010

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.1km
Χρόνος:
01΄

GPS: N38.83329108270459, W20.70838601495825

4. Porto Nikiana

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Note: On the way to the hotel, you have to make a stop for a meal at Porto Nikiana. A beautiful tavern in the village of Nikiana next to the sea, with delicious seafood dishes as well as traditional Ionian island dishes. Try Moussaka of Mrs. Agni as well as the seafood souvlaki!

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 71746

Απόσταση:
by car 9.1km
Χρόνος:
12΄

GPS: N38.76055753773744, W20.71986933030246

5. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 29.9km
Χρόνος:
37΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Arrive at Calm Wave Villas! Ms. Irene smiling as always will welcome you in villas of "calm" sea! After exploring the comforts of your villa and admiring the view from there, unpack your stuff and get ready for the first dive in the sea!

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6. Vassiliki

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
on foot 1.2km
Χρόνος:
16΄

GPS: N38.630692954625275, W20.600791207348607

Note: Visit the beautiful Vassiliki beach, which is very close to the Calm Wave! Enjoy your first dive in the enchanting waters of the island.

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7. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
on foot 1.2km
Χρόνος:
14΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: After your swim, return for relaxation and enjoy the comforts of the Calm Wave. Charge your batteries and get ready for your acquaintance with the city of Lefkada by night.

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8. Thymari

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Location:
Lefkada

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 22266

Απόσταση:
by car 38.8km
Χρόνος:
49΄

GPS: N38.835159, W20.708766999999966

Note: Enjoy your afternoon walking in the alleys and if you are lucky you will hear songs from the rehearsal of kantades or melodies of the Philharmonic. The walk will take you to Thymari, one of the best restaurants on the island, with fine dishes and a unique atmosphere. Try steak with onion, capers and smoked eel accompanied by Assyrtiko Boutari Kallisti Reserve, as well as hand-made lasagna with reddish ewe accompanied by Vlachico Rossiu di Munte Domaine Averoff. Make sure to book because otherwise you are most likely won't find a table in the yard.

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Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 22205

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.5km
Χρόνος:
05΄

GPS: N38.83249540625008, W20.705586933868403

Note: After dinner, the city will keep you a little longer. Continue your night at the beautiful Octopus's Garden. The enchanting garden of this wine bar is so hospitable that you will lose sense of time enjoying your wine or cocktail. If you are lucky you will have the chance to enjoy one of the wonderful musical night that take place there.

10. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 39.4km
Χρόνος:
52΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: After a busy day, return to the Calm Wave comforts that will offer you a wonderful night sleep in order to rest for the next day's excursion on the island.

Day 2

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1. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Your morning is accompanied by the amazing view in the crystal clear waters of the Ionian Sea. Your gaze south reaches Kefalonia and Ithaca!

2. Gialos

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 15.6km
Χρόνος:
30΄

GPS: N38.669186813761456, W20.557029382434052

Note: Head for one of the famous beaches of the west of the island. Today, pass Porto Katsiki and Egremni and drive to Gialos! Gialos is not as well known as the previous two in the southwest of the island, but it is the beach that the locals recommend as the best!

3. Lefkatas

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 33149, 6932611106

Απόσταση:
by car 3.6km
Χρόνος:
1h00΄

GPS: N38.66469157027161, W20.570903012758663

Note: Leaving Gialos, ascend to enjoy your lunch in an amazing tavern. Lefkatas will enchant you with its unique view while its dishes are delicious. Try the traditional lentils and the mussels scented with wine, among the other delicacies that you will taste.

4. Kavalikefta - Megali Petra - Avali

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 16.7km
Χρόνος:
27΄

GPS: N38.75221189372701, W20.58852114696049

Note: Leaving Lefkatas with the best of impressions, head to the beautiful village of Kalmitsi. From there, go down to visit one of the three beaches: Kavalikefta, Megali Petra or Avali. Enjoy your swim in the late afternoon, and then head to the village of Exanthia.

5. Exanthia

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 11.7km
Χρόνος:
20΄

GPS: N38.7573995, W20.618978800000036

Note: A first visit to one of the mountainous villages on the west side of the island. Exanthia built amphitheatrically, beautiful and serene. It is worth walking to the church of Agios Stephanos, where you will admire the beautiful stone church and the wonderful view.

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6. Fly me Sun & Stars Bar

Food, Shops & Rentals / Drink

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.4km
Χρόνος:
07΄

GPS: N38.75804370877038, W20.616511167706335

Note: Of course you can't leave from Exanthia without visiting the most famous spot of the village, the back of the mountain with the homonymous restaurant. We suggest you the brand new Cafe-Cocktail Bar, Fly me, which is created with the same love and passion and the same enthusiasm by the same owners. Fly me is located in a magnificent location where you will feel like you can touch the clouds while enjoying wonderful cocktails and more

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7. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 19.2km
Χρόνος:
26΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: After a busy day in the west of the island, return to your villa where you can enjoy a glass of wine next to your pool before your sleep.

Day 3

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1. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Today the day includes a visit to the south-east of the island.

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2. Archery: Falcon Lefkas

Interests & activities / Entertainment Venues

Contact:
T: (+30) 6985673728

Απόσταση:
by car 6.1km
Χρόνος:
12΄

GPS: N38.64533105956385, W20.642352478482053

Note: Traditional archery. A sport that is not very widespread, but for sure special and exciting. Let yourself in the hands of experts who will introduce you to the secrets of the sport, and will make you love it. An original proposal for a memorable experience.

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3. Lefkas Earth

Local Products & Gastronomy / Wineries

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 95200 E: info@lefkaditikigi.gr

Απόσταση:
by car 6.3km
Χρόνος:
10΄

GPS: N38.648272960422965, W20.675684006268284

Note: Heading to Mikros Gialos stop at the best winery on the island, Lefkada Earth. There you will have the chance to learn about the wine production and try the winery labels. Don't forget to take a piece of "Lefkadian Earth" with you.

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4. Mikros Gialos

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 12.1km
Χρόνος:
21΄

GPS: N38.6394759, W20.695643399999994

Note: Choose for your first dive for today Mikros Gialos, a beautiful beach that is not affected by the winds like in the west. You will love it's blue waters, here you can eat in one of the best restaurants of the island!

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5. Zolithros

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Contact:
T: (+30) 6972318385

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.4km
Χρόνος:
04΄

GPS: N38.63878623838679, W20.699509796372922

Note: At Mikros Gialos beach, you will find Zolithros a lovely family restaurant. A great choice having your lunch after your swim. The menu includes fresh fish and delicious Lefkadian recipes.

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6. Ammousa

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 17.7km
Χρόνος:
29΄

GPS: N38.60239360334126, W20.626428461532555

Note: Passing Marantochori you will end up on one of the "secret" beaches of Ammousa! Small, with pebbles, ideal for moments of relaxation and carefree.

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7. Vasiliki

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 10.8km
Χρόνος:
20΄

GPS: N38.62760859999999, W20.608601799999974

Note: Leaving Ammousa, return to your villa. But do not miss a walk in Vasiliki.

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8. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 2.0km
Χρόνος:
04΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Day 4

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1. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Today you will enjoy the beauties of the island on board!

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2. Vasiliki

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 2.1km
Χρόνος:
05′

GPS: N38.62760859999999, W20.608601799999974

Note: Start your day with a swim in Vasiliki, where the speedboat cruise ship of Speed Boat Cruises will be awaiting for a unique private tour of the island's most beautiful beaches.

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3. Speed Boat Cruises

Interests & activities / Selected tours

Location:
Lefkada

Contact:
T: (+30) 6947938040

Απόσταση:
by car 36.3km
Χρόνος:
43′

GPS: N38.83035745093867, W20.711352727508483

Note: Get on board on the Speed Boat Cruises, where your experienced captain will take care so that you will have an unforgettable experience in the turquoise waters of the Ionian Sea. First you will head west, passing by Cape Lefkatas and lighthouse of Kira.

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4. Porto Katsiki

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 46.5km
Χρόνος:
1h14′

GPS: N38.60216831458878, W20.549465462426724

Note: First stop Porto Katsiki. The most famous beach of Lefkada and certainly, one of the most beautiful, will leave you astonished. Swim in the magnificent waters, from where you will not want to leave.

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5. Egremni

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 11.6km
Χρόνος:
23′

GPS: N38.6365984, W20.55855310000004

Note: Second stop Egremni. Larger than Porto Katsiki, also famous and also beautiful. The beach is sandy, while the colors

of the water combined with the green of the pine trees and the cliffs are like a palette of a great painter.

6. Agiofilli

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 25.8km
Χρόνος:
50΄

GPS: N38.60547901950881, W20.612840365429747

Note: The last of the three beaches is the beautiful Agiofilli. South East and not as well known as the previous two, but certainly just as beautiful. Cold, crystal clear and deep waters, with stunning colors, you will not want to leave from there too!

7. Vasiliki

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 2.7km
Χρόνος:
11΄

GPS: N38.62760859999999, W20.608601799999974

Note: Return to Vasiliki. After swimming, it is definitely time to eat. Very close to Vasiliki, 3 and a half kilometers by car away, you will find "The Old Plane Tree"

8. The Old Plane Tree

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 31926

Απόσταση:
by car 3.6km
Χρόνος:
05΄

GPS: N38.62803301790754, W20.62740543849793

Note: The old plane tree, is a wonderful place offering delicious meal! This tavern is a fairly certified as Ionian Island restaurant. Do not miss Pastitsada and Lefkadian Sofigado.

9. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 5.5km
Χρόνος:
10΄

GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Last night in your villa. Relax and enjoy the view from your balcony with a glass of Lefkadian wine.

Day 5

1. Calm Wave Villas

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.631993, W20.592740999999933

Note: Before you say goodbye to Calm Wave Villas, take a morning dive in the pool. Finally, once again admire the magnificent view you had these days and capture the moment with unique pictures on your balcony!

2. Karya

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 26.5km
Χρόνος:
39΄

GPS: N38.758225, W20.64908939999998

Note: After the check out, the trip does not end here! Change your route and visit Karya, a beautiful picturesque village on the mountain of the island.

3. Folklore Museum of Lefkadite Embroideries "Maria Koutsochero"

Culture / Museums

Location:
Karya

Contact:
Tl: (+30) 26450 41590, 6942010554

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.2km
Χρόνος:
02΄

GPS: N38.75886083510542, W20.649003569311503

Note: Start your acquaintance with the village with a visit to the Folklore Museum of Lefkadite Embroideries "Maria Koutsochero". Mr. Vasilis is always willing to talk about the history of the karsanikis stitch, the characteristic Lefkadian embroidery, but also about other cultural and folklore elements of the place. This Museum is the gem of Karya!

4. Museum Gramophone, Radio Phonograph & Music

Culture / Museums

Location:
Karya

Contact:
T: (+30) 6932731892, 6937958304 El: info@lefkadamuseum.gr

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.4km
Χρόνος:
04΄

GPS: N38.76163836414048, W20.646793429083232

Note: Also visit the Museum Gramophone, Radio Phonograph & Music with the private collection of Mr. Vlachos. Among other exhibits, you will admire collectible discs, juke-box, etc.

5. Eleni

Food, Shops & Rentals / Food

Contact:
T: (+30) 26450 41083

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.3km
Χρόνος:
03΄

GPS: N38.7599024211621, W20.648713890737895

Note: Wander a little further in the village and admire the stone houses before you end up in the picturesque square with the perennial plane trees. Under the shade of the plane trees, enjoy the homemade delicacies of the Eleni tavern, a place where the tradition marries the delicacy and the result is amazing! Try goat with oregano and papoutsakia! Before you leave this village, buy traditional Karsanika embroidery.

6. Lefkada

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 15.2km
Χρόνος:
22΄

GPS: N38.82988950638336, W20.70038766767584

Note: Go down to the city of Lefkada and just before crossing the iron bridge, do not miss a last stroll in the city for your shopping. Buy traditional Lefkadian salami, Eglouvi lentils, traditional sweets such as oil pies, pastels and mandolata, local soumada drink and thyme honey. Take with you as many flavors and flavors of Lefkada as... the next time you come back!

Lefkada

Access

By car: Lefkada is the only island which can be visited by car without ferry boats fares by using the floating bridge connecting the island with Akarnia. KTEL buses offer daily services (5 hours) from and to Athens (378 km) and from to Thessaloniki (420 km), everyday bus services (5 hours).
The underwater tunnel of Preveza- Aktio create an easy access to the island from northwest Greece and the Port of Igoumenitsa (100 km) forming a great entrance gate from West and Central Europe.
The operation of the bridge Rio Antirio makes easier the connection of the island with the rest of Greece and with the port of Piraeus (170 km) which is the second great entrance gate from Europe.

By plane: From Athens are performing daily flights from the international airport of Aktion (18km from the town of Lefkada) and from Thessalonica 2 flights weekly. Corfu, Kefalonia and Zakynthos are connecting stations. Also there are 2 connecting flights weekly with Crete (Sitia). From April until October, direct flightsare performed from Aktion and Europe.

By boat: From Nydri to Vassiliki you can find daily ferry boats services for Meganissi, Kefalonia (Fiskardo), Ithaka (Frikes). Also there are tours with tourist boats for all the surrounding island and beaches.

Useful telephone numbers

Health Services
Emergency call: 166
General Hospital Lefkada: (+30) 26453 60100-300
Municipalities
Municipality of Lefkada: (+30) 26453 60500-8
Municipality of Sfakiotes: (+30) 26453 61400
Municipality of Apollonia: (+30) 26453 61000
Municipality of Ellomenos: (+30) 26453 61100
Police Authorities
Emergency Police call: 100
Police station Lefkada: (+30) 26450 29370, 29375
Tourist police: (+30) 26450 29379
Port Authorities
Port authority Lefkada: (+30) 26450 22176, 22322
Port authority Nydri: (+30) 26450 92509
Fire Services, Forestry
Emergency Fire Service: 199
Fire service Lefkada: (+30) 26450 22555, 22199
Forestry Lefkada: (+30) 26450 24434
Transportation
Bus station: (+30) 26450 22364
Taxi Lefkada: (+30) 26450 21200 24600
Taxi Nydri: (+30) 26450 92000