WONDERGREECE

Contact with nature and activities in Ano Chora

Plan Dates 2019-10-05

Stay in the traditional guesthouses "Petrina", hike the signposted trails and get in touch with nature.

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Day 1

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1. Ano Chora

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.5908346, W21.924188500000014



2. Petrina

Accommodation

Note: At the entrance of the village on the left you will find "Ta Petrina", traditional guesthouses with incredible views of Kravara! Dimitris will welcome you. Once settled in the guesthouse will give you all what necessary information about the area and all the activities organized in nature at that time.

Απόσταση:
by car 0.4km
Χρόνος:
05΄

GPS: N38.5881619, W21.92586670000003



3. Monastery of Panagia Ampelakiotissa-Agiou Polikarpou

Culture / Churches & Monasteries

Note: Visit the monastery of Panagia Ampelakiotissa and learn the history of the monastery perched above a spectacular canyon.

Location: Ampelakiotissa

Απόσταση:
by car 14.7km
Χρόνος:
33΄

GPS: N38.61351568002673, W21.883873697592207

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4. Ano Chora

About region / Main cities & villages

Note: Return to the village for food. Choose one of the 2-3 taverns and eat local goat stew and pies.

Απόσταση:
by car 14.3km
Χρόνος:
31΄

GPS: N38.5908346, W21.924188500000014



5. Ano Chora Folklore Museum

Culture / Museums

Note: In the afternoon we suggest a walk in the village, find the "Carnavalo" next to Agia Paraskevi, a visit to the folklore museum of the village and a walk to the waterfall!

Location: Ano Chora

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.1km
Χρόνος:
02΄

GPS: N38.59105892182332, W21.925416951728835



6. Petrina

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.5km
Χρόνος:
07΄

GPS: N38.5881619, W21.92586670000003

Note: Return to your room for a glass of wine by the fireplace!

Day 2



1. Petrina

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.5881619, W21.92586670000003

Note: Wake up in the morning and get your breakfast on the balcony! Get ready for a day of activities in nature. Walk in the forest located above the hotel and collect chestnuts and mushrooms or simply enjoy walking or cycling in nature.



2. Gorge of Kakavos (Kotsalos)

Nature / Gorges

Απόσταση:
by car 2.6km
Χρόνος:
46΄

GPS: N38.59970894516412, W21.923536001196226

Note: If you love hiking, follow the signs and walk the Kakavos Gorge. During the celebration of the Holy Spirit the Karavara Tournament is organized, a 20km hike to Kravara that begins and ends in the village where a feast of treats is organized.

3. Ano Chora

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 2.2km
Χρόνος:
33΄

GPS: N38.5908346, W21.924188500000014

Note: The hour after such a walk imposes well-cooked food in the village!



4. Petrina

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.4km
Χρόνος:
05΄

GPS: N38.5881619, W21.92586670000003

Note: Before returning to your room, try traditional pastries and buy local home-made products.

Day 3



1. Petrina

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N38.5881619, W21.92586670000003

Note: Last breakfast in Ano Chora. Enjoy nature with a last stroll.



2. Nafpaktos

About region / Main cities & villages

Απόσταση:
by car 51.4km
Χρόνος:
1h15΄

GPS: N38.39455836256658, W21.835387884130796

Note: Returning to your base stop at picturesque Nafpaktos. Take a stroll and enjoy your coffee at Lepanto Beach.



3. Nafpaktos Castle

Culture / Castles

Απόσταση:
on foot 1.8km
Χρόνος:
27΄

GPS: N38.39622327619726, W21.82532423590692

Note: Before leaving, climb the picturesque castle and enjoy the view from the top!!

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

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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