WONDERGREECE

Coastal Petalidi of Messinia

Plan Days 3

A three days trip with beautiful beaches, hiking, magical castles and ancient cultures combined with accommodation in the traditional Stone Built Houses of Moorea Houses.

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Day 3

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3. Koroni Castle
   Culture/Castles
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   Nature/Beaches

Day 1

WONDERGREECE

1. Moorea - Christina & Gabriella Houses

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N36.960132529625945, W21.927522284130873

Note: Arriving at Petalidi, you will find the characteristic beauty of the Mediterranean coastal village with olive and fig trees giving a special charm.

2. Ancient Messini

Culture / Archaelogical sites

Απόσταση:
by car 38.3km
Χρόνος:
46΄

GPS: N37.17531525140723, W21.920112358789083

Note: How an inhabitant lived in Ancient Messini? Where did he walk? Which buildings was looking on when was coming out of his house? These one will feel when visiting the ancient Messina. This really is a feeling, not a mere visual impression.

3. Archaeological Museum of Ancient Messene

Culture / Museums

Location:
Ancient Messene (Mavromati)

Contact:
T: (+30) 27240 51201, 51046

Απόσταση:
by car 1.0km
Χρόνος:
10΄

GPS: N37.18152235244687, W21.917387528419567

4. Pamisos

Nature / Rivers

Απόσταση:
by car 22.0km
Χρόνος:
28΄

GPS: N37.049820371130465, W22.020174419665523

Note: Walk the beautiful trails along the river and enjoy the tranquility offered by the quiet waters.

5. Archaeological Museum of Kalamata

Culture / Museums

Location:
Kalamata

Απόσταση:
by car 9.9km
Χρόνος:
16΄

GPS: N37.04371431824535, W22.113370017057832

Note: The Museum is located in the heart of the historic center of Kalamata, where was the old Municipal Market of the city, flooded daily by the noisy crowd of merchants and customers.

6. Tzanes

Nature / Beaches

Note: On the beach of Tzane you will find golden sand and small pebbles. On the coast you will find showers and changing rooms as well as umbrellas and sun beds.

Απόσταση:
by car 26.6km
Χρόνος:
33΄

GPS: N36.972419708011074, W21.927294448858675

7. Moorea - Christina & Gabriella Houses

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 2.3km
Χρόνος:
28΄

GPS: N36.960132529625945, W21.927522284130873

Day 2

WONDERGREECE

1. Moorea - Christina & Gabriella Houses

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N36.960132529625945, W21.927522284130873

2. Pylos Castle (Niokastro)

Culture / Castles

Απόσταση:
by car 17.3km
Χρόνος:
26′

GPS: N36.91205478555123, W21.690800391757193

Note: Near the entrance of the port of Pylos is Niokastro, or else New Navarino, which stands as a vigilant sentry guarding the area from the vulnerable sea side.

3. Voidokilia

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
by car 35.5km
Χρόνος:
42′

GPS: N36.96315274205683, W21.66263282933346

Note: The pride of the region, the beach in Messinia winning the looks and the attention of visitors coming from every corner of the earth. A bay - artwork of nature with white sand like powder and unique waters, will make your visit here a lifetime experience that you will carry with you forever!

4. Methoni Castle

Culture / Castles

Απόσταση:
by car 27.9km
Χρόνος:
37′

GPS: N36.81495495889459, W21.704520813214117

Note: One of the best castles in Greece. Entering, you know that something very good you will see! As you go along, you realize that this is a very large and impressive castle. Where you are really fascinated, is when you get near Bourtzi. The interior of the Bourtzi is impressive. Incredible views, incredible feel! Whether young or old in the castle will feel knights, princess and heroes of the time.

5. Polylimnio

Nature / Waterfalls

Απόσταση:
by car 34.5km
Χρόνος:
44΄

GPS: N36.990357264062624, W21.8625692154053

Note: An enchanting landscape surrounded by greenery and running waters. Very nice place for walking and swimming and dives in the waters of the lakes formed by the waterfalls. The route is relatively easy and friendly to younger children in families. The climb is a bit tedious but it is only a few meters so, not frighten you. What you see will compensate you!

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6. Moorea - Christina & Gabriella Houses

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
by car 16.3km
Χρόνος:
23΄

GPS: N36.960132529625945, W21.927522284130873

Day 3

1. Moorea - Christina & Gabriella Houses

Accommodation

Απόσταση:
Start -
Χρόνος:
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GPS: N36.960132529625945, W21.927522284130873

Note: Last day do not forget to buy the delicious figs of the region!

2. Vrahakia

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
on foot 1.4km
Χρόνος:
17΄

GPS: N36.95046166168441, W21.934453112225356

Note: A few kilometers from Petalidi, those who prefer a quiet day at sea, they will find the beach Vrahakia where you will enjoy their swim in the crystal clear waters of the Messinian Gulf. On the beach you will find shadow to avoid the hot summer sun in the hottest hours of the day.

3. Koroni Castle

Culture / Castles

Απόσταση:
by car 23.0km
Χρόνος:
30΄

GPS: N36.794786516663265, W21.962206694473252

Note: Worth a walk that starts from the small port of Koroni, crossing the castle and ends at the beach of Koroni. Below the castle is the beautiful church of Panagia Eleistria with spectacular view.

4. Koroni

Nature / Beaches

Απόσταση:
on foot 0.2km
Χρόνος:
02΄

GPS: N36.79596569101235, W21.961643430580125

Note: The beach of Koroni, known as Zaga is located just below the castle of Koroni. It is a long beach with sand, extending over a length of hundreds of meters. Here you will find several cafes, taverns and sunbeds (a part of the beach) for your comfortable stay on the beach.

Messinia Prefecture

Access

By car: The prefecture of Messinia with its capital Kalamata is located in the southern part of Peloponisos. It is surrounded by the prefectures of Arkadia, Lakonia and Ilia. Messinia is 240 kilometers away from Athens and 690 kilometers from Thessaloniki. Patra is 215 kilometers away, Pyrgos 120 kilometers, Tripoli 85 kilometers and Sparta 60 kilometers. Your trip by car will be relatively comfortable as the road network is in a very good condition.

By bus: You can also use the bus as the Messinia buses connect the prefecture with other large cities of Peloponisos, Athens and Thessaloniki. It is also possible to use the buses to move inside the prefecture.
Messinia buses: (+30) 27210 28581
Athens buses: (+30) 210 5120887
www.ktelmessinias.gr/?module=default&pages_id=3&lang=el

By plane: If road trips are too tiring for you, Kalamata has its own airport that is connected with Thessaloniki, Iraklio and Rodes with flights that vary according to the season.
T: (+30) 27210 69696-7

By train: The prefecture is also connected with Athens by train. The itinerary goes through Patra while there is a local railroad that connects cities and villages of the prefecture with each other.
www.ose.gr
www.trainose.gr for ticket purchase

By boat: The port of Kalamata is the only port of the island and is connected with Kithira, Antikithira, Githio and Chania.
Port authorities of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 22218

Local transportations

Marinas: In case you have your own boat, the modern marina in the city of Kalamata can accommodate your needs. Its capacity is 250 ships and is 3 meters deep.
Marina of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 21037, 21054

Useful telephone numbers

Health Services
Ambulances: 166
Hospital of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 46000
Health Centre of Meligala: (+30) 27240 22222, 22844
Health Centre of Messini: (+3) 27220 24751-2
Health Centre of Pilos: (+30) 27230 22315
Health Centre of Filiatra: (+30) 27610 33333
Municipality
Municipality of Kalamata: (+30) 27213 60700
Municipality of Messini: (+30) 27223 60100, 60113, 60161
Municipality of Pilos-Nestoros: (+30) 27233 60200, 60242
Municipality of Trifilia: (+30) 27613 60700, 60790
Municipality of Ichalia: (+30) 27243 60300, 60321
Municipality of Messiniaki Mani: (+30) 27210 73976
Police Authorities
Police: 100
Police department of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 44600, 44654

Tourist police of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 44680-1
Police department of Gargaliani: (+30) 27630 22210
Police department of Meligala: (+30) 27240 22201
Police department of Messini: (+30) 27220 22211
Police department of Pilos: (+30) 27230 22316
Police department of Filiatra: (+30) 27610 34189

Port Authorities

Port Authority of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 22218

Fire Services, forestry

Fire Service: 199
Fire service of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 92100, 28585
Forestry of Kalamata: (+30) 27210 22510
Forestry of Kyparissia: (+30) 27610 22400

Transportation

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Pilos: (+30) 27230 22555
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