



Information for Boat & Bike Ionian Islands








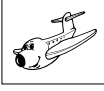



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Dear Guests,

Please note that these travel documents are a standard edition. It is possible that the guided city tours and excursions or transfers described within this document have not been purchased for your charter. Additional services can be added to your charter invoice up to 6 weeks before tour begin, or also arranged on site to be paid cash. Catering might differ from description.

Please read the updated information carefully as some alterations may have occurred recently and we want you to be optimally prepared for the trip.

The tour itinerary enclosed can vary to previously published tour information relating to this tour due to further developments, changes or implications between the time of publishing and the actual tour. The contents of these travel documents is subjective in relation to the actual tour experience, as the guides are authorized to change/modify the tour program on site in relation to weather, logistical or legal situations in the travel destination. Changes to the tour program will not be subsidized by a refund of the original tour price (see T&C's)

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DEAR GUESTS,

We are pleased to welcome you soon on one of our tours. In order to start your holiday well equipped and well prepared we have assembled some useful information and suggestions in this brochure.

We hope that you will enjoy reading the following pages in happy anticipation of your tour. We kindly ask you to pay special attention to the guest information where you will find the answers to many frequently asked questions. Should you still have questions about your tour or your documents we will gladly answer them by phone or email.

Please note that this brochure is your official travel document. You need no additional vouchers or documents from us for your trip.

The information in this brochure is based on long years of experience in organizing cycling and cruising tours. Nevertheless, we make no claim to perfection and always welcome hints and suggestions that help us to improve the information for our guests.

Wishing you already now a restful and relaxed journey.



IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- **Tour guide on site:** +30 6940428842
- **Emergency call in Greece:** 112



TELEPHONING WITH YOUR CELLULAR PHONE

You can use your cellular phone almost everywhere in Greece. When calling a Greek number, dial only the number of your party without the international code 0030.

When phoning to a country other than Greece, dial the respective international code of the country and then the number of your party without the 0.

If your family or friends would like to call you during your journey on your cellular phone they may just dial the regular number without any country code.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- **Embassy of the USA in Athens**
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- **Embassy of Canada in Athens:**
+30 210 727 3400
- **Embassy of Australia in Athens**
+30 210 870 4000
- **New Zealand Consulate in Athens**
+30 210 6924 136

TRAVEL INSURANCES

The travel insurance is not compulsory. However, you will certainly feel more at ease if you have insured yourself against cancellation, accidents, theft and illness even if it is only for this trip. Radurlaub ZeitReisen cannot offer any compensation for the situations listed above.

i Participants take part at their own risk. You should ask your health insurance company about insurance coverage and request an overseas medical certificate.

ENTERING THE COUNTRY

Valid identification documents/ passports are indispensable for entry into Greece. Please make sure that you have these in your possession.

i We advise you to contact the responsible authority in your home country to inquire about current entry regulations (possible visa requirements) as we cannot take responsibility for any incorrect information.

Please note that provisional passports and replacement documents are generally not recognised. Children (regardless of the age) must always present a child identification card or passport.

CURRENT SITUATION

Since 2021, travelling has been characterised by changing regulations, and countries frequently change their entry requirements. We always provide up-to-date information about these on our website. This can be found with the following link:

<https://www.inselhuepfen.com/en/good-to-know/entry-requirements>



SUBSTITUTE ID DOCUMENTS AFTER MISPLACEMENT

Please contact the responsible authority of your home country for further information on entry regulations (especially in case of lost/substitute documents).



CURRENCY

The valid currency in Greece is the Euro. There are EC teller machines in Corfu as well as on nearly each visited island. The drinks on board must be paid in cash, credit cards will not be accepted.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT ON BOARD

We do not accept credit cards on board of our boats. Payments such as drinks, tourist taxes, parking spaces etc. can be made in cash only. The accepted currency on board is CASH, either in the countries local currency or in Euro.

Your local guide will point you in the right direction of the nearest ATM or currency conversion office. We suggest not to bring any traveler cheques.

VACCINATIONS

Please inform yourself independently of the vaccination requirements/ recommendations for your travels with your local authority/GP.

We generally recommend that you consult your family doctor in plenty of time before your trip to Greece and to get any necessary inoculations.

MEDICATION

We highly recommend consulting your general practitioner about possible precautions against allergies and other illnesses you may be susceptible to.

i Please also remember any personal medication, especially in case of diabetes mellitus requiring insulin as well as an emergency kit in case of a bee or wasp allergy. You should under all circumstances have these drugs with you on the bike trip, because left on board they are useless. Therefore make sure that your luggage contains an appropriate container.

i Should you use medicine that requires specific storage conditions, we ask you to inform us of this **before the trip** because we cannot always guarantee such conditions on a boat.

i If you need specific medicine or suffer from specific ailments, we ask you to inform your tour guides without failure **at the beginning of the trip** so that they can take appropriate measures in case of an emergency.

Also please remember to bring your vaccination records. You will be asked to provide them should you need medical attention.

IN PREPARATION FOR YOUR JOURNEY

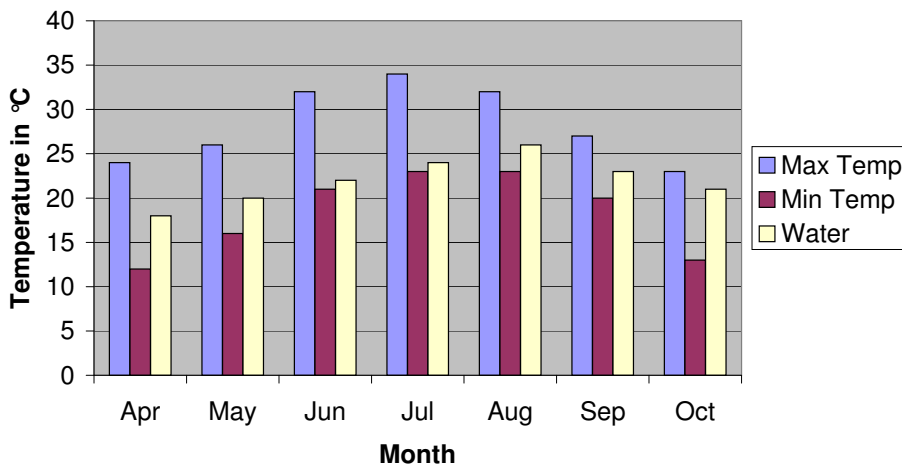
Participants with a pre-existing condition are able to reduce risks by considerate prearrangements.

Your own health and capability as well as your expectations should be rated on a realistic basis.

To do an exercise echocardiography might be reasonable. Be prepared to handle with care. (see Medication & Vaccinations)

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IN CORFU

Average Temperature in Corfu town



CLIMATE

What you will need to pack depends of course largely on the weather you can expect on your holiday. The average monthly air and water temperatures that have been measured during the last few years are illustrated in the diagram.

Please be aware that this graph is based upon average readings taken in the last few years and that the temperatures listed in the table cannot be guaranteed for the respective months.

PACKING LIST

<p>CYCLING CLOTHES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short & long cycling pants (possibly padded) • Sport shirts (quick drying material protects against catching colds; pure cotton is not suitable: although it absorbs sweat, it does not let it evaporate) • Windproof jacket • Trainers or trekking sandals • Bicycle helmet • Bicycle gloves • Rain wear • Sunglasses <p>Tip: For cold and wet days: the onion-principle, i. e. several thin layers of clothes worn on top of each other, which can gradually be taken off.</p>	<p>MONEY & DOCUMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign currency/money card/credit card • Identity card and/or passport (make copies and store separately, so that in case of loss substitutes can easily be obtained) • Travel documents • Health insurance for abroad and/or travel insurance • Vaccination records • Cellular phone/telephone card (save or write down important numbers)
<p>USEFUL THINGS FOR ON THE WAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cereal bars & glucose for bicycle tours • Sunscreen & after sun products • Bathing suits & Bathing shoes/sandals • Bathing towel • Snorkeling equipment • Long pants and pullovers for cold spells • Possibly own saddle (without seat post) and click-on pedals • Camera to record the most beautiful holiday events <p>Tip: On our bike tours we supply panniers for storing everything you need on the bike tours.</p>	<p>VARIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toiletries (body wash, shampoo etc.) • Personal medication • Small first-aid kit including band-aids, insect repellent and, if necessary, travel pills • Travel literature • Charging cable for camera and cellular phone • Adapter for European sockets • Multiple plug • Everything else you usually take on trips

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

For embarkation there are different options in Corfu city:

Exactly where the ship will be moored is always decided the evening before your journey. On the day of embarkation, you will find your boat either in the Corfu yard port Nauk below the Old Fortress (see p.15; below the old fortress No. A) or in the Corfu city ferry port (No. C), in the Café Giali yard port (No. B) or in Marina Gouvia (about 10 km north of Corfu city).

Please call our tour guide on site, if you did not book a transfer. She/he will tell you, where to find your ship.



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HOW TO GET TO CORFU

Travelling by plane is the fastest, cheapest and most comfortable way to get to Greece. All flights are non-smoking flights. There is a time difference (Greece is an hour ahead of Central Europe and two hours of UK).

Your flight can be organized once we have confirmed that your journey is taking place.

For flight bookings we recommend the use of the common flight search engines, i. e.

- www.skyscanner.net
- www.opodo.com
- www.flightsearch.com
- www.momondo.com

If at all possible, please choose a return flight that does not depart until early or late afternoon, to ensure a stress-free return to your home country.

TRANSFERS BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND THE BOAT

We organize fee-based collective group transfers between Corfu airport or a hotel in Corfu town and the ship (only on day of embarkation/ disembarkation):

- **between Corfu airport and the boat: 20€ per person/way (minimum 40€)**

- **between boat and a hotel in Corfu city: 15€ per person/way (minimum 30€)**

- Customized transfers are on request.

Please note that Greece is on Eastern European (Summer) time, i.e. GM(S)T + 2 hours.

For the organization of all transfers a **reservation is requested**. Please use the attached form to provide your exact

- travel dates
- flight routes
- airline
- flight numbers
- estimated arrival & departure times

or your hotel address in Corfu town.

If there are belated changes of your flight times you are kindly requested to inform our office immediately.

At the airport you will be welcomed by a person holding an "Islandhopping" panel or a panel with your name on. We generally organize small buses or taxis for the transfer, so you may incur a wait for guests from other destinations.

Note: If you have not already paid the transfer booked through us with the invoice and have to pay it on site, please pay the outstanding amount to your tour guide and NOT to the transfer driver!

BOARDING

Check in takes place from 2 pm. You will come across one of our tour guides - wearing a blue T-Shirt with „Islandhopping“ written on it - next to the boat. The tour begins officially with a first communal dinner on board.



MY PANAGIOTA

The Panagiota is a wooden two-masted motor-powered sailing yachts. The boat is not a luxury steamer, but a motor-powered sailing yacht with its own charm.

If, for whatever reason, one of the boats we chartered was to fall out of action, the tour operator will arrange a worthy replacement and will duly inform the participants about this change. You will find the name of your boat on your booking confirmation.

Please be aware that the captains may have completed some additional alterations to their boat over the winter so that the following descriptions may no longer be completely accurate.

Some of our boats are equipped with sails. They are an impressive adornment recalling old tradition. Sailing is a unique experience for many guests. If weather conditions are good, the captains may hoist the sails once a week. However, sailing is slow and in order to make quick progress the captain will usually rely on the engine.



DESCRIPTION OF THE PANAGIOTA (SHOWER/TOILET IN EACH CABIN)

The Panagiota is an affectionately restored two masted motor yacht, which is 23 ft. (7m) wide and 75 ft. (23 m) long. It was built in 1990, modernized in 2001 in conformity with the requirements of cruises and restored in 2019.

There is room for all guests in the spacious saloon to have the meals, to regenerate or to spend some time with new friends. When the weather conditions are fine the guests can have the meals outside on the shaded rear deck. Two spacious sun decks, equipped with cozy mats, invite to have a sun bath and to relax.

i Please do not forget that the is your hotel as well as a machine, which has to be maintained and operated - day and night. A certain level of noise is therefore inevitable.



AIR-CONDITIONING

Most of the boats have air-conditioning in the saloon as well as in the cabins. Usually they will work while the generator is running (during taxi) or while connected to onshore power supply. Please be aware that your cabin door has to be closed in order to run the air-conditioning. If there is no power supply available during nights air-conditioning will stay switched off, also regarding night time peace.

THE CABINS

6 cabins below deck and 4 cabins above deck are at the guests' disposal. All cabins are air-conditioned and equipped with a double bed (4,6 ft. wide) and in some cabins there is also one single bunk bed located above the double bed. To each cabin belongs a private shower and toilet.

Due to the shape of the boat's hull the cabins vary in size. Price differentiation are only made with respect to "below deck" and "above deck" cabins. Cabin allotments are the responsibility of the tour operator and cannot be influenced by guests or tour guides. The beds will be made before you arrive. You should definitely bring your own towels for the beach (even though a small and large cabin towel will be issued to you).

Please do not smoke in the cabins or the saloon of the boat. Keep in mind to bring travel bags instead of hard protective suitcases for easier storage. If you are sensitive to noises (especially in unfamiliar surroundings), we recommend the use of noise-reducing products, as wall insulation is not comparable to houses.



CABIN SERVICE

There is ordinarily a daily cabin service on board which takes place during the bicycle tours. It includes the bedding (personal belongings should be removed) as well as emptying of the wastebin. The towels will be changed once in the middle of the week.

Tip: Please remember to bring your own bathing towel, if you would like to use one ashore. The towels provided by the boat are for on board use only.

In case you do not prefer cabin service or it has not been done please contact the travel guides.

Should the group not be able to leave the boat due to environmental forces it may be that the cabin service does not apply.

INTERNET AVAILABILITY

The Panagiota does not offer a WiFi connection. If you need to connect to the internet during the tour, we recommend to take your portable electronic device to a cafe or bar somewhere in the harbour. Free WiFi is on offer almost everywhere. If you order something to eat or drink, then you are able to use the WiFi to your hearts content.



ELECTRICITY & WATER ON BOARD

Electricity and water are of course provided on board but not in unlimited amounts. The water tanks are filled according to the number of people on board. There is enough water available for washing and showers even if the tanks cannot be refilled for several days. However, we presuppose that all passengers use this valuable resource sparingly. The boats also use a central heater for the showers. This also means that there is only enough warm water if people use the showers only for as long as it is really necessary (for example: turn off the water while soaping up).

The boat uses a 220 V generator which is not run constantly - amongst other reasons in order to keep the peace at night.

The power supply on board is accessible with Euro-wall-sockets (as customary in Germany). Guests from UK and other countries with different socket systems are kindly requested to bring their own appropriate adaptors.

When leaving the cabin please make sure to turn off the taps properly, switch off the light as well as any other electronic devices.

USE OF THE TOILET

The sewage system on board is very narrow and cannot cope with any debris. Please do not throw anything into the toilets, not even toilet paper. Each toilet, like most on the Greek mainland, has a waste basket that is emptied daily - please throw the paper in the basket.



BOAT PLANKS & STAIRS

Please keep in mind that the wooden decks can become slippery in rain and morning dew. Also be aware that stairs on board are more narrow and steeper than those you are used to.

Please take into account that some of our boats are completely made of wood and that during longer droughty periods the wood contracts. This means that after a heavy rainfall the water could get into tiny spaces as a result of the wood contracting and might even drip into the cabins. Should your linen get wet it will be exchanged immediately. The wood will expand again and the opened spaces will close within a couple of hours.



SHOES ON BOARD

Please bring a pair of shoes with you that you wear only on board in order to avoid damage to the teak wood decks. Your street shoes can be left in a shoe cupboard or basket at the entrance of the boat.

SLEEPING ON DECK

Many guests feel that spending a night outside in the fresh air is a unique experience. There is enough space on deck for that purpose. However you should bring your own sleeping bag and an insulated mat as it is not permitted to take the mattresses and sheets out of the cabins.



CATERING ON BOARD

The on-board chef is a member of the crew and prepares the breakfast and one or two warm meals a day.

Meals included in the price of the tour consist of 5 x half board and 2 x full board on the boat. In general meals are served in the morning and for lunch, whereas lunch may also consist of a lunch packet or a picnic. On two evenings dinner is served on board - the other evenings dinner takes place individually in a restaurant of your choice.

Catering starts with dinner on embarkation day and ends with breakfast on disembarkation day.

The food served on board is traditional and characteristic for the country. Higher nutritional demands of cyclist are taken into account. Breakfast on board generally includes bread, butter, cheese, ham, coffee and tea. For lunch the chef generally serves light fish dishes or vegetarian meals. For dinner traditional Greek food is served, e. g. fish and meat.

i If you wish to eat vegetarian food or have distinctly different eating habits please inform us in time before your arrival. Please keep in mind that special food requirements cannot always be met in all details.

i If you have extensive food allergies we ask you to give us a list of the food that you can eat. This should be done before your arrival so that the cook can be instructed to plan and shop accordingly.

i In the case of a glutenfree diet, we request that you bring along your own basic foodstuffs such as bread and cereals for the duration of your tour with us, as it is extremely difficult to attain these products from Greek vendors.



BEVERAGES

The salon on the boat is a restaurant, lounge, and bar all in one. Here you can always get cool drinks – with or without alcohol. Generally, the crew keeps track of your drinks in a list that is tallied up for payment at the end of the trip.

An exception is the mineral water, which is not added on the tally list, but is charged at a flat rate for drinking water (25 euro/adult or 15 euro/children up to age 16). This flat rate includes all still drinking water you consume during your stay on board and on your bike tours. Please note that soda water is not included.

Naturally, the drinks on board are slightly more expensive than in the supermarket around the corner but after all you are in a small „floating restaurant“. Just as in every bar or restaurant it is NOT allowed to bring your own drinks on board.

We do not accept credit card payment on board of our boats. Payments for drinks etc. can only be made in cash.

TOUR GUIDES

There is at least one tour guide with you on board. With more than 20 participants two tour guides accompany the group. You can always join them on any bicycle trips.

As often as possible the guide rides at the tail end of the group to make sure that you get help in case of a mishap. On difficult routes the guide leads the group. Both tour guides carry a first-aid kit as well as tools and the most important replacement parts for the bicycles. At least one of the guides speaks fluent English.



We believe it is important that each guest has sufficient time for resting, enjoying the landscape and taking photographs; but still this tour is primarily a guided group tour. Upon consultation with your tour guides, the possibility to cycle on your own along recommended, suitable routes, may present itself.

In addition each participant receives maps showing the route of the day. On a cruise the exact daily schedule always depends on the weather. This means that sudden changes in the itinerary may become necessary. With this aspect in mind the tour guides mark the itinerary on the maps as late as possible and then discuss the day's program with you.

LANGUAGE ABOARD

Due to our international audience all Islandhopping tours are conducted bilingually, in English and German.

TIPPING - GRATUITIES

Towards the end of an Islandhopping tour you will have the chance to leave your guide team and crew a tip as a token of your appreciation. We are regularly asked by our guests what the expected amount to tip is. This really depends on the individual and his/her appreciation for the provided services and efforts given. We suggest – providing you are pleased with the service – a sum of minimum 10 € per guest/tour for each tour guide and the same amount for each crew member on board the boat.

Most commonly tour participants will organize the tips amongst themselves, once for the guide team and once for the crew, presenting these during a celebratory last evening on board. Your transfer driver and city tour guides also appreciate a small token of acknowledgement for their efforts.

INSTRUMENTS

If you play an instrument (guitar, flute, accordion, etc.) you are welcome to bring it with you on board. We often gather together in the evening to make music and the more instruments take part the merrier it is.



LEVEL 2 - 3

We have rated the physical demands of this cycling tour with level 2 - 3 because the Ionian Islands are relatively mountainous. This tour is among the more demanding in our Greek program.

The cycle routes require an advanced level of fitness from the participants. The daily routes have a length of 12 - 25 mi (20 - 40 km). They lead through hilly or mountainous areas and will be completed without any time-constraints. The cycle tours will have an altitude of 1,000 - 2,970 ft. (300 - 600 m). There are also some extended climbs where walking your bicycle is of course permitted. Most of the roads are asphalted and rarely frequented.

Your tour guide informs you each day about the tour details. This tour is primarily a guided group tour. Upon consultation with your tour guides, the possibility to cycle on your own along recommended, suitable routes, may present itself. Helmet use is mandatory on all cycle tours. You are strongly encouraged to bring your own (well-fitted) helmet. Cycle helmets are available on board in limited number (on request).

You are free to set aside a half or full day to swim or spend on board the boat, instead of taking a planned bicycle-tour.

BRINGING CHILDREN

We believe that only children in a good physical condition and with a minimum age of 10 and previous bicycle tour experience are able to master the cycle tours on their own strength. Please note that the minimum height for a rental bike is 1.00 m (3.2 ft.)

GOOD TO KNOW - GROUP RIDING PACE

On our **regular cycling tours**, the cyclists on regular bicycles determine the pace. We ask guests who have reserved an e-bike to be mindful of this and to acknowledge that the regular cyclists need time to rest and take longer to climb the hills. We thank you for your understanding.

RENTAL BICYCLES

i In order to supply you with the bicycle that fits you, we need to know how tall you are.

Should you not have given us this information along with your booking, we ask you to pass it on to our office team.

Unfortunately there is no possibility to reserve one particular bicycle brand in advance.

Hybrid bicycles



We use high quality, reliable and low maintenance hybrid bikes with sturdy aluminium frames in varying frame sizes for our tours.

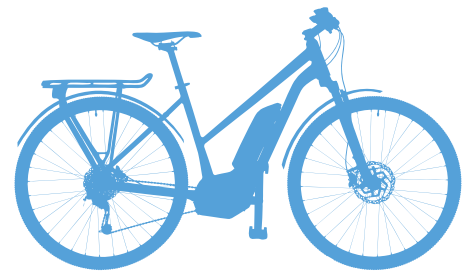
They are equipped with 28" hollow chamber rims, with puncture proof touring tires, high quality gear and brake systems, a sturdy bike stand, a pannier rack, a comfortable touring saddle and mud guards.

Twenty years of experience in bike tourism give us confidence in selecting the right components for the requirements of an Islandhopping tour to insure a carefree riding experience for our cycle enthusiasts.

Bicycle rental These high-quality hybrid bikes are rented for 80 euro/ week.

Please be aware that these rental bikes are only available for participants that are taller than 1.50 m.

E-Bikes



Our e-bikes are all high-quality Pedelects, mostly fitted with a Bosch motor and extra battery range.

Our e-bikes are also characterized by their relatively light weight and great components. Some of our fleet are also equipped with other motor systems. Standard components found on our e-bikes include 28" hollow rim wheels, puncture proof touring tires, high quality gear and brake systems, a sturdy bike stand, a comfortable touring saddle as well as mud guards. With an Islandhopping e-bike, you will climb almost any hill with ease.

They are a true declaration of independence for everyone who needs a little 'tail wind' in order to enjoy their ride.

Bicycle rental These high-quality e-bikes are rented for 180 euro per week.

i Only a limited amount of e-bikes is available on board (on request only).

BRINGING YOUR OWN BICYCLE

We urgently discourage you from bringing your own bicycles because the transport from your hometown to Greece by airplane is both costly and risky.

The bicycles often get damaged during the transport and transfer taxis are often unwilling to transport bicycle boxes. In addition to the above mentioned it is very difficult to store the boxes on the boat during the week.

If you still think about bringing your own bicycle, please keep in mind that a bicycle with a *gearshift in a sound technical condition* is required for this tour because the area is mostly hilly to mountainous. If you decide to bring your own bicycle you should double-check the condition of your brakes, tires and chains before the trip and put together an appropriate repair kit with spare parts (such as an extra tire tube).

i We do **not allow private e-bikes** on board of our boats. This decision has been made due to health and safety regulations. *If you wish to ride an e-bike for the duration of your tour, please get in touch with us about the rental options.*

i **Liability disclaimer:** Radurlaub Zeitreisen GmbH will not be held liable for any damages caused to private bikes during loading, unloading or other logistical handling thereof.

BRINGING YOUR OWN SADDLE OR PEDALS

i Our rental bikes are equipped with flat pedals. Should you not want to be without your own click pedals (or own saddle – without the seat post), please bring them with you and let your tour guide attach them to your rental bike.

ISLANDHOPPING PANNIERS

All rental hybrid or e-bikes are accompanied by a high quality Ortlieb bike pannier for the duration of your tour, a practical way of carrying drinks, bathing gear etc.

The bags are attached onto the bicycle rack with two hooks, which clip comfortably onto the frame. In order to secure the bag to stop it from leaving its position, Ortlieb have patented a **Quick-Lock-System** which grips tightly to the frame: in the locked position the hooks close in a firm hold around the bike rack. **Only when you pull the pannier handle upwards do the hooks open up and loosen their hold on the frame.**

i To ensure that the bike panniers remain as water proof as possible they have to be closed tight (frontroller system). Please ask you guide on site for assistance.

i **Liability disclaimer:** Although panniers are manufactured from waterproof material Radurlaub Zeitreisen GmbH cannot be held liable for any damage that might be caused to any personal belongings like mobile phones, cameras etc.



BICYCLE INSURANCE

i We are offering a bicycle insurance against theft and damage for **our bicycles** (not insured: grossly negligent damages).

hybrid bicycle, childrens bike, trailer bike or childrens seat: 10 euro/week
e-bike: 20 euro/week

If you would like to book an insurance for your rental bicycle please contact our office (in case you did not already include it into your actual booking).

i Kindly take care of your rental bicycle/bike. Park it at safe places - not next to the sea to keep it away from salt water. Please keep in mind that you are responsible to compensate for any damage caused.

OBLIGATORY SAFETY HELMETS



As of 2021, cyclists are required to wear helmets by law in Greece. In order to guarantee optimum protection we request that you bring your own well fitted helmet and - for your own safety - wear it on all bike tours.

Bike helmets can be provided free of charge if reserved prior to arrival (limited amount).

EXTEND YOUR HOLIDAY IN CORFU TOWN

Corfu's island capital of the same name is considered the most beautiful city in the whole of Greece. Strolling through the lively, Venetian-style old town alleyways in Corfu is a truly authentic way to experience the city.

The Old and New Fortress are impressive to observe, and just as popular for photographers is the Vlacherna Monastery set on a small island, connected to the mainland by a dam. Directly neighbouring the monastery island is Pontikonissi, Mouse Island.

We would be happy to arrange additional nights in our partner hotels in Corfu before or after your Islandhopping trip at seasonally varying prices.

If you would like to book one of the recommended hotels you are kindly requested to contact our office team.

i In case that both hotels have no rooms available, Radurlaub Zeitreisen GmbH will, of course, try to book you into an equivalent hotel.

Please note too: There is a special teax on hotel rooms in Greece.

This is graduated between 50 cents and 6 euros depending on your hotel category and is valid per room per night.

The amounts are to be paid directly to the hotel on arrival and not to be charged to the booking agency.

HOTEL BELLA VENEZIA (3 STARS)

Should you decide to spend a few extra days on Corfu in the island's wonderful capital, then we recommend staying at the Hotel Bella Venezia. This boutique hotel is located in a neoclassical style building in the old town of Corfu, very close to the main square, Esplanada, and the Old Fortress (marked as „H1“ in the city map on p. 15).

The hotel's 31 rooms are stylishly furnished and were designed by the well-known interior designer Marilou Dolianite. All rooms come with a private bathroom and are equipped with telephone, internet, TV, safe, minibar, balcony, and air conditioning. Additionally, there is a snack bar in the hotel garden, where breakfast is also served in good weather.

Please note: You can book the Bella Venezia only with a minimum stay of 3 nights with us.



HOTEL ARCADION (3 STARS)

The Arcadion Hotel is located directly on Corfu's main square Spianada, opposite the Old Fortress (marked as "H3" in the city map on p. 15).

Each of the spacious rooms at the Arcadion is furnished with handmade furniture and fine fabrics, and also offers satellite TV and free Wi-Fi. You can enjoy dinner overlooking the city and the Ionian Sea at the seasonal rooftop bistro.



CORFU CITY MARINA (3 STARS)

The Hotel Corfu City Marina is located directly at the Old Port (Cafe Giali) in the old town of Corfu (marked as "H4" in the city map on p. 15).

The air-conditioned rooms and suites at the Marina City are decorated in pleasant pastel colors. They feature flat-screen TVs and en suite bathrooms with hairdryers. Free Wi-Fi is also available.



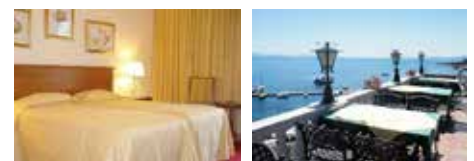
HOTEL CAVALIERI (4 STARS)

An alternative to Hotel Bella Venezia is the excellent Hotel Cavaliere, also located in the centre of Corfu's old town. (marked as „H2“ in the city map on p. 15).

The completely renovated, neoclassical hotel building from the 17th century accommodates up to 120 guests in comfortable double and single rooms.

From the terrace, there is a wonderful, clear view of the sea and the Old Fortress.

All rooms come with a bathroom, minibar, telephone, TV, and air conditioning.



ENJOY CORFU ACTIVELY

Would you like to stay longer on Corfu? Are you looking for a program that offers you both pre-organised activities and enough free time to experience this renowned island on your own? Then we recommend our three-day extension program on Corfu, which can be booked either before or after your Islandhopping tour. This includes transfers and two nights' accommodation with breakfast (3-star or 4-star hotel, depending on your preference). You can also choose from one of three guided activities: A culinary city tour through the UNESCO World Heritage old town of Corfu, a kayak tour on the east coast of the island, or a sunset hike on the west coast of the island. Additionally, you will receive a detailed information booklet with a number of tips for individual leisure activities during your stay on the island.

GREEK ISLAND WITH ITALIAN FLAIR

Corfu lies off the west coast of Greece. This beautiful island inspired the Austrian Empress Sisi to have her own palace, Achilleion, built there. Corfu is a very green island and home to incredible scenic contrasts. While the north is extremely mountainous, the south is flat and dotted with countless olive trees and the west boasts a spectacular steep coast. Corfu Town, the island's capital, is located on the east coast of the island

and is considered one of the most beautiful cities in Greece. Strolling through the lively old town streets of Corfu town, characterised by the centuries of Venetian rule, engenders a delightful holiday feeling.

YOUR HOTEL

During your extended holiday on Corfu, you can choose to stay in a 3-star hotel (Arcadion, Corfu City Marina, or similar) or a 4-star hotel (Siora Vittoria, Caval-ieri, or similar). All hotels are carefully selected, located in Corfu Town, and characterised by their fantastic, central location, stylish furnishings, and utmost comfort. The famous old town of Corfu with its magnificent fortresses and picturesque alleyways can easily be reached on foot. Hotel bookings are subject to availability.

Included services

- 2 nights' accommodation in Corfu Town with breakfast (choice of 3-star or 4-star hotel, booking subject to availability)
- Taxi transfers between Corfu Airport/ Corfu Port and hotel at the beginning and end of the extension program
- Choice of one activity: Guided culinary-cultural city tour, kayak tour along the east coast, or sunset hike along the west coast (all tours are guided exclusively in English)
- Information booklet on active leisure activities on Corfu

Not included

- Journey to/from Corfu
- Lunch and dinner
- Entrance fees to sights and attractions
- Activities other than those mentioned under included services

Additional bookable services

- One additional activity from the three mentioned above, surcharge of 100 euro/person

VOUCHER HANDOVER

After booking the program, you will receive a simple confirmation, your hotel and activity vouchers, and the information booklet about Corfu.



ENJOY DISCOVERING CORFU TOWN WITH OUR INSIDER TIPS

Whoever has visited Corfu once will not easily forget this town. Characteristic is the Venetian influence in the townscape, the traffic-free centre and the splendid pastel-coloured buildings. The historical centre is full of interesting sites and there are many ways in which to combine a stimulating walk through the pretty lanes with a pleasant time in one of the sidewalk cafes along the beautiful town squares.

★ One of the main attractions is Corfu's Old Citadel ("1" on the map) guarding the old town centre since the 16th century. Only the outer fortification walls are still as built by the Venetians. The interior buildings, such as the barracks, the administration building, and the church of St. George modelled after a Doric temple, date to the time of British rule in the 19th century. Inside the citadel there is a wonderful cafe that offers a unique experience, especially to late night revellers. At the north side of the citadel, the town's yachting harbour is located which is also the site of a restaurant with excellent cuisine. Look out for the lovely little beach!

★ The New Citadel, on the other side of the historical centre ("2" on the map), also dates to the 16th century. The harbor gate, decorated with the lion of St. Mark, is very impressive. The citadel also houses an interesting collection of Corfiote ceramics dating from antiquity to the present.

★ The Esplanade, the main square of historical Corfu ("3" on the map), is more reminiscent of Italy than Greece. It was constructed in the 17th century by the Venetian military. Today it is lined by one cafe next to the other – a good place for watching the world go by.

★ At the town hall square (Plateia Dimarchion, "4" on the map) there are located, aside from the town hall, the catholic episcopal church of St. Jacob (San Giacomo), and the former episcopal palace. All buildings date to the 17th century. The relief of the Phaeacian boat – the emblem of the town – decorating the town hall is also interesting.

★ The neighbourhood of Campiello (Kambieli, "5" on the map) is the heart of the historical town centre - and there you really feel as if you were in Italy. Nowhere else has the Venetian rule left a stronger imprint on the architecture. Strolling through the sometimes lively, sometimes quiet narrow streets is the highlight of any sightseeing tour through the town of Corfu.



EXTEND YOUR HOLIDAYS IN GREECE!

If you would like to see even more of Greece while enjoying the benefits of guided multi-day or day tours, why not take a look at the website of our partner company, Cycle Expeditions Greece, which specialise in outdoor activities of all kinds.

At <https://blumovo.com> you will find a variety of exciting tours on which you can experience Greece actively and authentically. Be it on foot or by kayak, on a culinary discovery tour, a rafting or canyoning tour or a combination of everything!



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Adventure Holiday Peloponnes

Our adventure holiday on Greece's largest peninsula transports you to a world of myths and legends, of rugged mountain landscapes and charming coastal regions, of remote traditional mountain villages and colourful, vibrant harbour towns.

On this trip you can look forward to a different outdoor activity every day: We hike and raft through the breath-taking Lousios Gorge. On the pristine Mani Peninsula, we spend a day kayaking through crystal-clear waters along a beautiful and varied coastline.

In the Neda Valley, you have the opportunity to experience canyoning. Cultural highlights of the trip include visits to the legendary Mycenae and ancient Olympia.

All about the trip:

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Cyclades Island of Milos by kayak

Milos is world-famous thanks to the Venus of Milos statue exhibited in the Louvre in Paris yet is one of the least known of the Cycladic islands. Milos is therefore the perfect holiday destination for anyone wishing to have a truly authentic island experience.

Milos is an island straight out of a picture book! Bright red rocks, bizarre white tuff formations, numerous caves, azure sea, and hot springs fill the island's visitors with wonder time and time again.

Could there be a more spectacular location for a multi-day kayak experience? During the week you paddle to numerous beautiful bays, into hidden caves, and can watch the house fronts of the coastal villages drift by as you glide through the shimmering sea. Look forward to swimming in secluded bays and picnicking on dreamlike beaches.

Alles about the trip:

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Cooking holiday on Andros

Greece, with its rich variety of local produce from fruit and vegetables to seafood, provides all the ingredients for an entirely new culinary experience. Forget everything you knew about cooking and join us in preparing nutritious, healthy, and colourful dishes.

We invite you to cook, learn, laugh, experience, and travel with us. Whether you are an experienced foodie or an avid amateur cook, there is plenty for you to discover on this trip to Andros, which is one of the most authentic of the Greek islands.

Enjoy the great Greek hospitality and the culinary diversity of the island! In addition to the cooking course, you can enjoy short hikes, visit the beautiful island capital of Chora, swim in the sea, and optionally take a trip to the neighbouring island of Tinos, which is also well worth a visit.

All about the trip:
<https://blumovo.com/tour/cooking-holiday-on-andros/>

Hiking on Mt. Olympus & in Zagori

Our hiking tour to Mount Olympus and Zagori leads through this unique and mythical mountain world. According to Greek mythology, Mount Olympus is the home of the twelve Olympian gods. Over the course of three days, we explore the incredible mountain wilderness of Mt. Olympus on spectacular hiking tours.

Afterwards, we spend a further three days in Zagori, one of the most fascinating regions in northern Greece. On the way there, we visit the royal burial site at Vergina.

In Zagori, forested mountains, crystal clear rivers, and deep gorges, as well as picturesque mountain villages, are waiting to be explored. Here it feels as if nothing has changed in hundreds of years, as if time simply stood still and the modern world passed the region by.

All about the trip:
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Sail & Yoga Greek Isles

If you love the endless blue of the sea, sailing to new harbours, and finding inner balance and relaxation through yoga, then this Sail & Yoga tour to the Greek islands is the perfect choice for you!

With a small group of like-minded people, you sail from Athens to either the Cyclades or the Saronic Islands, depending on the wind and weather.

Accompanying you is the highly experienced skipper Elias, who knows the Aegean like the back of his hand.

A trained yoga instructor is also part of the team and leads relaxing yoga sessions on the most beautiful beaches and onboard the boat. They are always happy to cater to the individual experience and wishes of the guests.

All about the trip:
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INTRODUCTION

Odysseus' Homeland

On the Ionian Islands off the west coast of Greece, Hellas shows her greenest side: Pure nature, the crystal clear blue shimmering Ionian Sea and centuries of Venetian influences dominate the archipelago of the Ionian Islands.

From Corfu, which was the dream island of the unforgettable Austrian empress Sissi, this journey leads us to regions which are not very well known abroad.

Discover by bike & boat the famous island of Ithaca which is said to have been the home of Odysseus, the unforgettable green bird sanctuary island of Lefkas, the fantastic mountain world of Cephalonia and the beautiful olive woods of the small island of Paxos.

Enjoy the stay on board of the wooden motor yacht and let yourself be pampered by the excellent Greek cuisine and the coziness of the ship!



1ST DAY (SAT) CORFU TOWN/CORFU CITY (EMBARKATION)

Individual arrival by plane and subsequent transfer to the ship. Check in on the Panagiota from 2 pm on. Dinner on board. Overnight stay in Corfu city

2ND DAY (SUN) CORFU ISLAND – SIVOTA – PARGA – LEFKAS ISLAND (APRX. 18 MI./28 KM)

Cast off! In the morning we cross over to Sivota on the mainland of Greece. There our first cycle tour starts and leads us to Parga beautifully situated below a Venetian fortress which towers over the old town. Here the boat awaits us to take us on a long cruise to Nidri on Lefkas Island. On our way we pass a witty swing-bridge which connects Lefkas with the Greek mainland. You spent the night in the lively harbour of Nidri.

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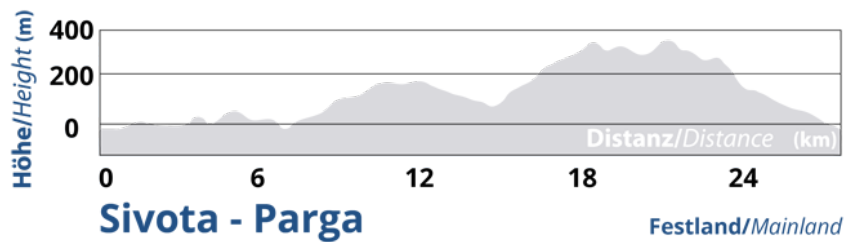
• **Inhabitants:** aprx. 1,600

• **Location:**
Main town of Epirus at the Greek west coast and only touristic centre of the region

• **Special features:**
Venetian citadel, built in 1570, rising

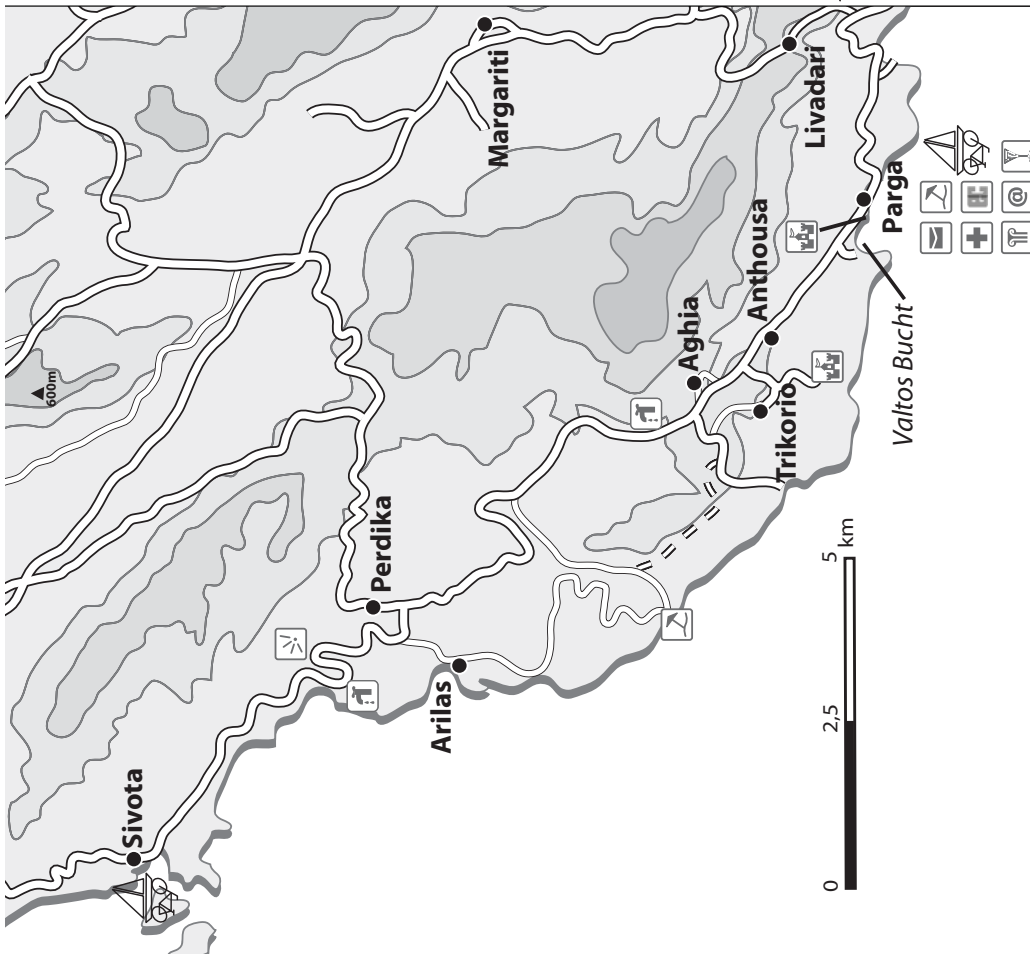
above the beautiful historical centre of the town

Located south of Parga, there is the ancient town of Ephyra with the so-called Nekromanteion (oracle of the dead and entrance to the underworld = Hades in Greek mythology)

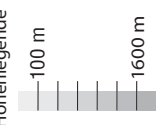
















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3RD DAY (MON) LEFKAS ISLAND
(APRX. 21 MI./35 KM)

After breakfast we start with a short tour to a waterfall nearby Nidri. With a bit of luck enough water will tumble for us to have a refreshing swim.

Afterwards we continue on quiet roads over the hills via Sivos to the picturesque harbor town of Sivota. Here we board the boat and cruise to Fiskardo on the Island of Cephalonia. Situated on the northern tip of the island, the harbor town enchants with its colorful houses and many cafes and bars along the lively waterfront promenade.



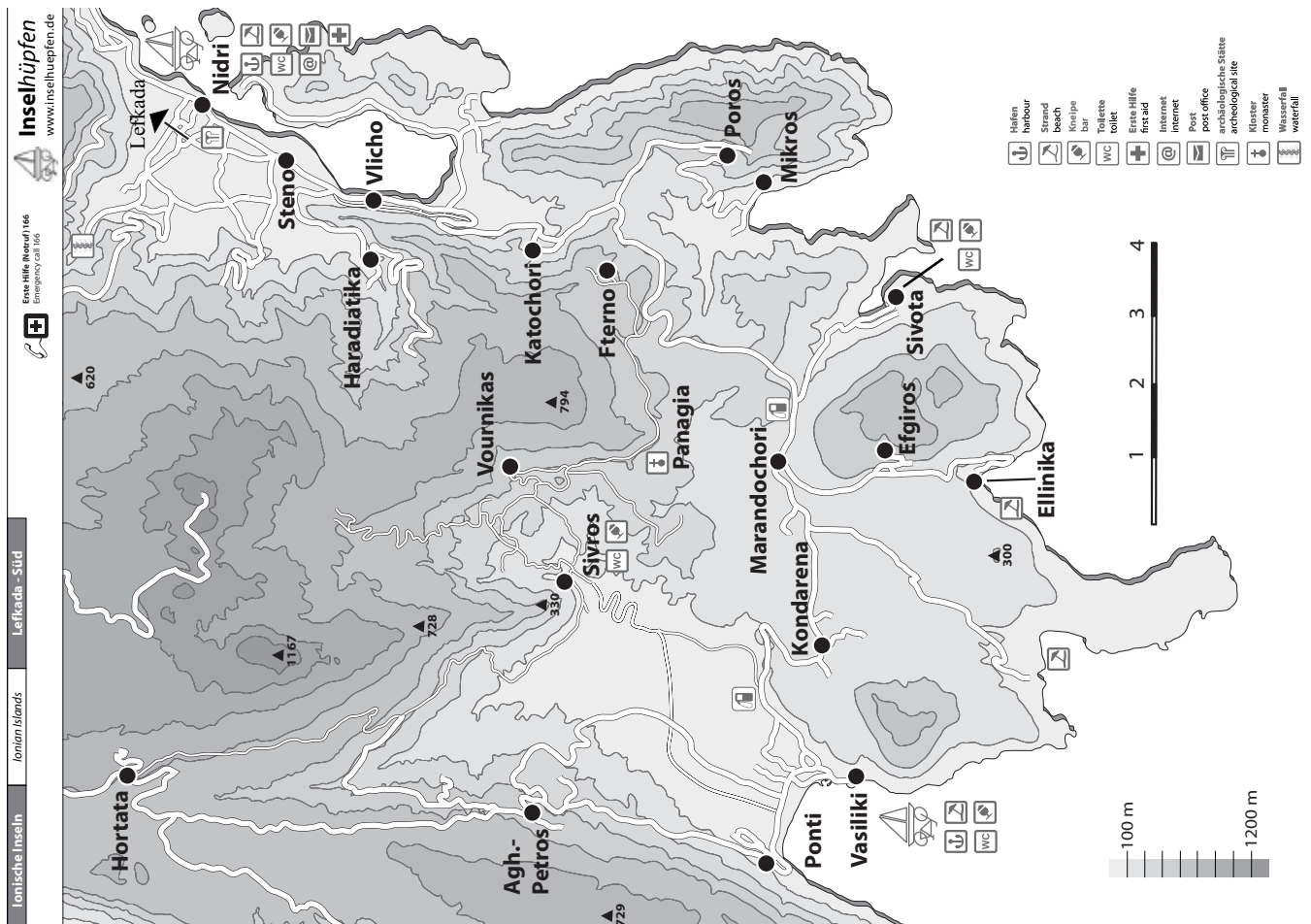
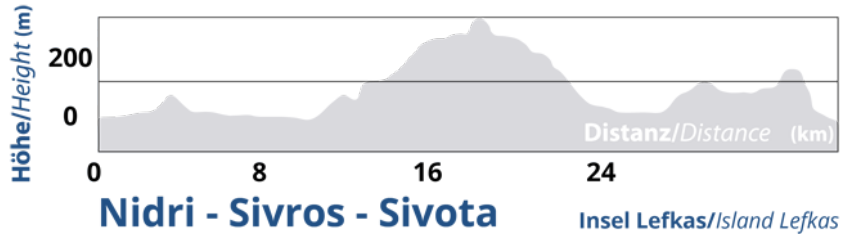
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BRIEFING LEFKAS ISLAND

- **Size:** 303 km²
- **Population:** aprx. 22,000
- **Special features:**
At the northern tip, the island has since the 6th century been separated from the mainland by an artificial canal. the canal is nowadays spanned by an ingenious swing-bridge

Lefkadian Rock at the west coast is allegedly where the love-lorn poetess Sappho leaped to her death

Across from the main tourist hub of Nidri lies the small island of Skorpios, which belongs to the family of the famous shipowner Onassis and is now rented to the Russian billionaire Dmitri Rybolowlew.



4TH DAY (TUE) CEPHALONIA ISLAND
(APRX. 25 MI./39 KM)

We leave Fiskardo by bike and climb an impressive mountain road on the west coast of Cephalonia, from which we are met by awe inspiring views over the Assos peninsula and the famous Myrtos beach. After the climb we turn inland and cross the island.

Shortly before the end of the bike tour we visit the Melissani stalactite cave on board a small row boat and marvel at the incredible blue tones created by the unique cave formations, sun and water.

In Sami the boat welcomes us and once on board, sets off for Vathy on Ithaka.



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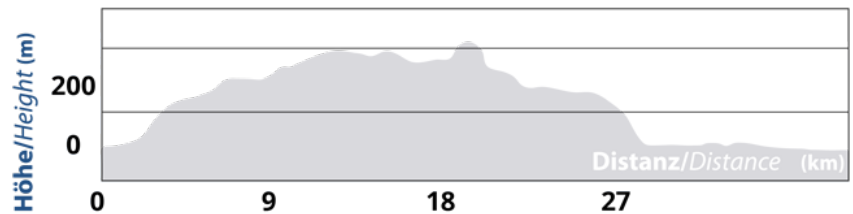
BRIEFING CEPHALONIA ISLAND

- **Size:** 781 km²
- **Population:** aprx. 40,000
- **Special features:** Island is named after the mythical hero Cephalus.

Highest elevation is Mt. Ainos (1,628 m); in 1962 the area was declared a national

park, because the slopes are home of the unique black fir growing only here and therefore named Cephalonian fir.

The northern part of the island is a refuge for the only Mediterranean seal species, the Mediterranean monk seal.



Fiskardo - Myrtos - Sami

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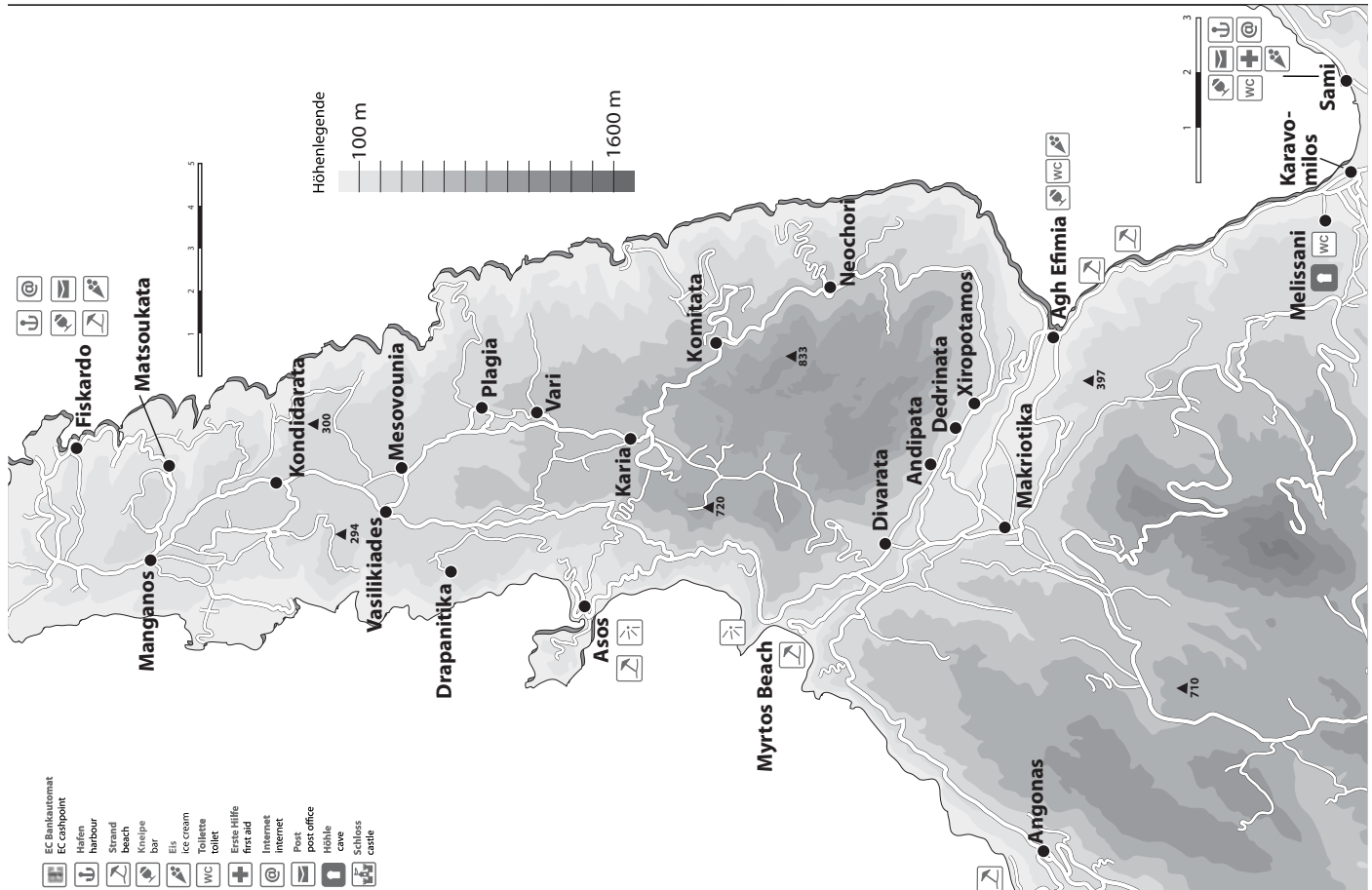
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5TH DAY (WED) ISLANDS OF ITHACA
(APRX. 13 OR 17 MI/20 OR 28 KM)

In the Morning we cycle on the Ithaca Island. The homeland of the mythical king Odysseus, is a hilly island with a beautiful landscape. On today's cycle route we can enjoy the typical character of the Ionian Islands away from the beaten tourist track: gnarled olive trees, crystal clear water and friendly islanders – time appears to stand still on Ithaca.

Decide for yourself, if you are up for the challenge of a true hill climb, or, if you would prefer the leisurely alternative of a panoramic ride at half the height. The Panagiota awaits our arrival in Frikes before setting off to the small island of Meganisi.



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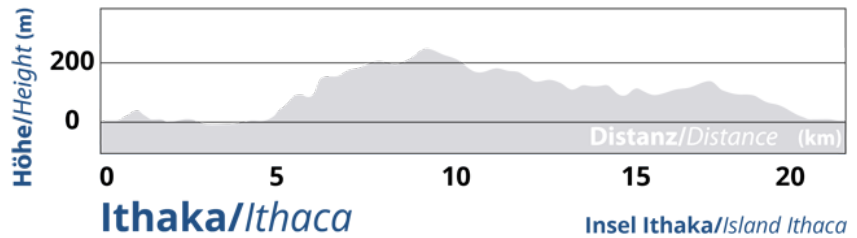
BRIEFING ITHACA ISLAND

- **Size:** 96 km²
- **Population:** aprx. 3,000
- **Special features:**
Rocky, mountainous island

According to Greek mythology the home of the Homeric hero Odysseus. In the 12,000 verses of the epos „Odyssee“,

Homer recorded his ten years of wandering after the Greek victory at Troy.

In the main square of the village of Stavros, a large bust commemorates King Odysseus, Ithaca's most famous inhabitant.



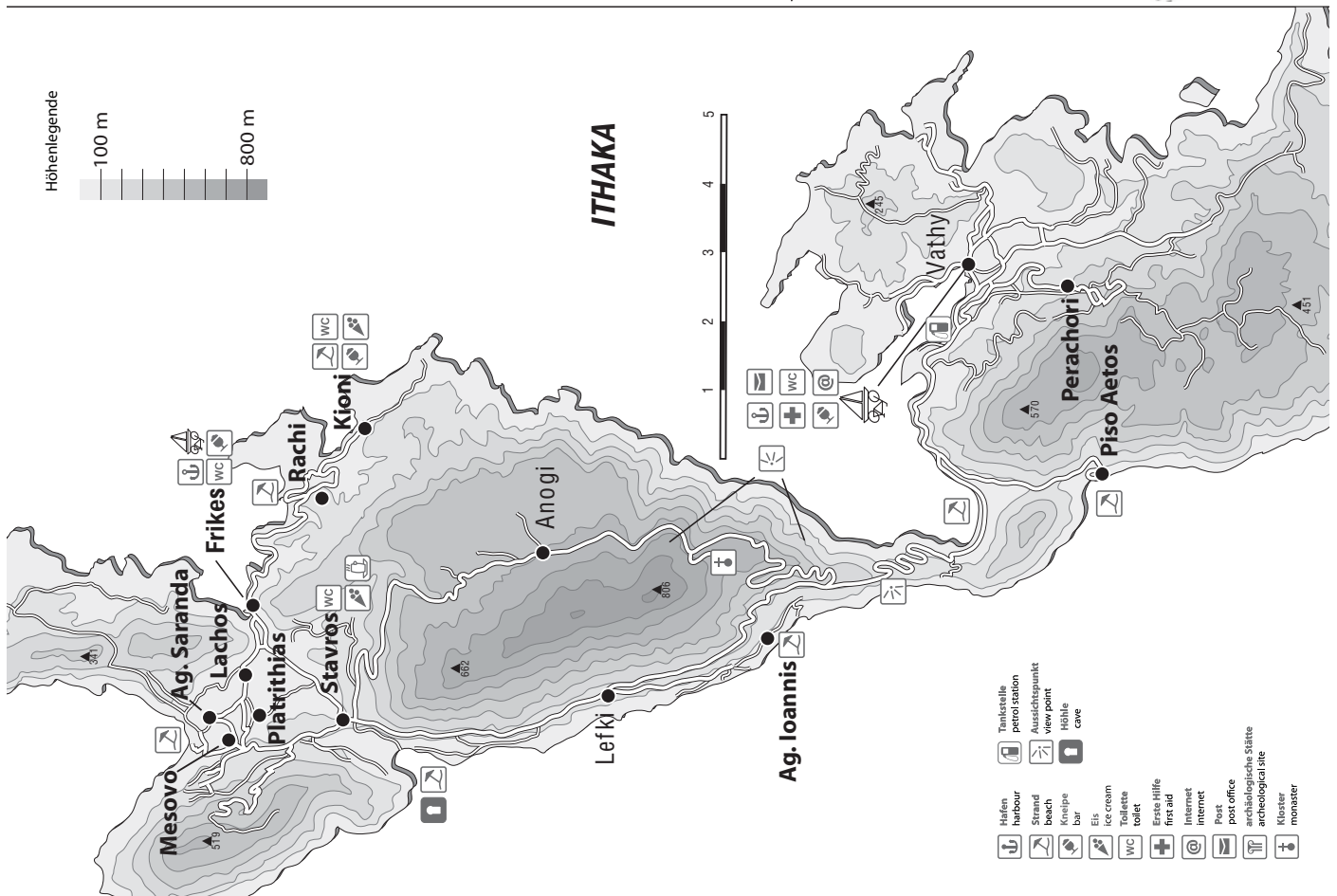
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**6TH DAY (THU) ISLAND OF MEGANISI
(APRX. 10.5 MI./17 KM)**

Meganisi is a tiny island with lots of charm, which we explore in the morning by bicycle. The panoramic tour takes us along lonely island roads and through the three villages of the island, which give us a good impression of the traditional island life of the Greeks. At Spartochori beach we can enjoy a coffee and a swim in the sea.

In the afternoon we sail to Paxos Island, whose unique natural harbor in Gaios creates a special island atmosphere. We can spend the evening in one of the cozy taverns of Gaios.



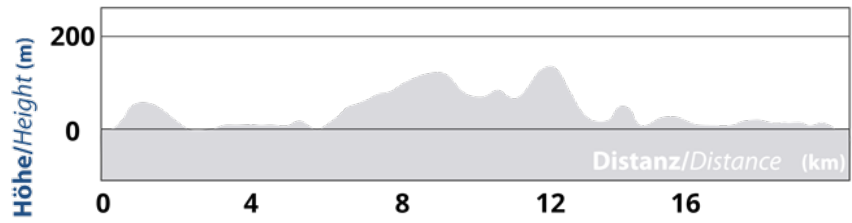
WORTH KNOWING & SEEING

BRIEFING MEGANISI ISLAND

- **Size:** 20 km²
- **Population:** aprx. 2,000
- **Special features:**
The name means „big island“ and, although Meganisi is relatively small, it is nevertheless the largest in a group of islands to which Skorpios and Madouri belong as well.

People live mainly off fishing, olive cultivation and small-scale tourism

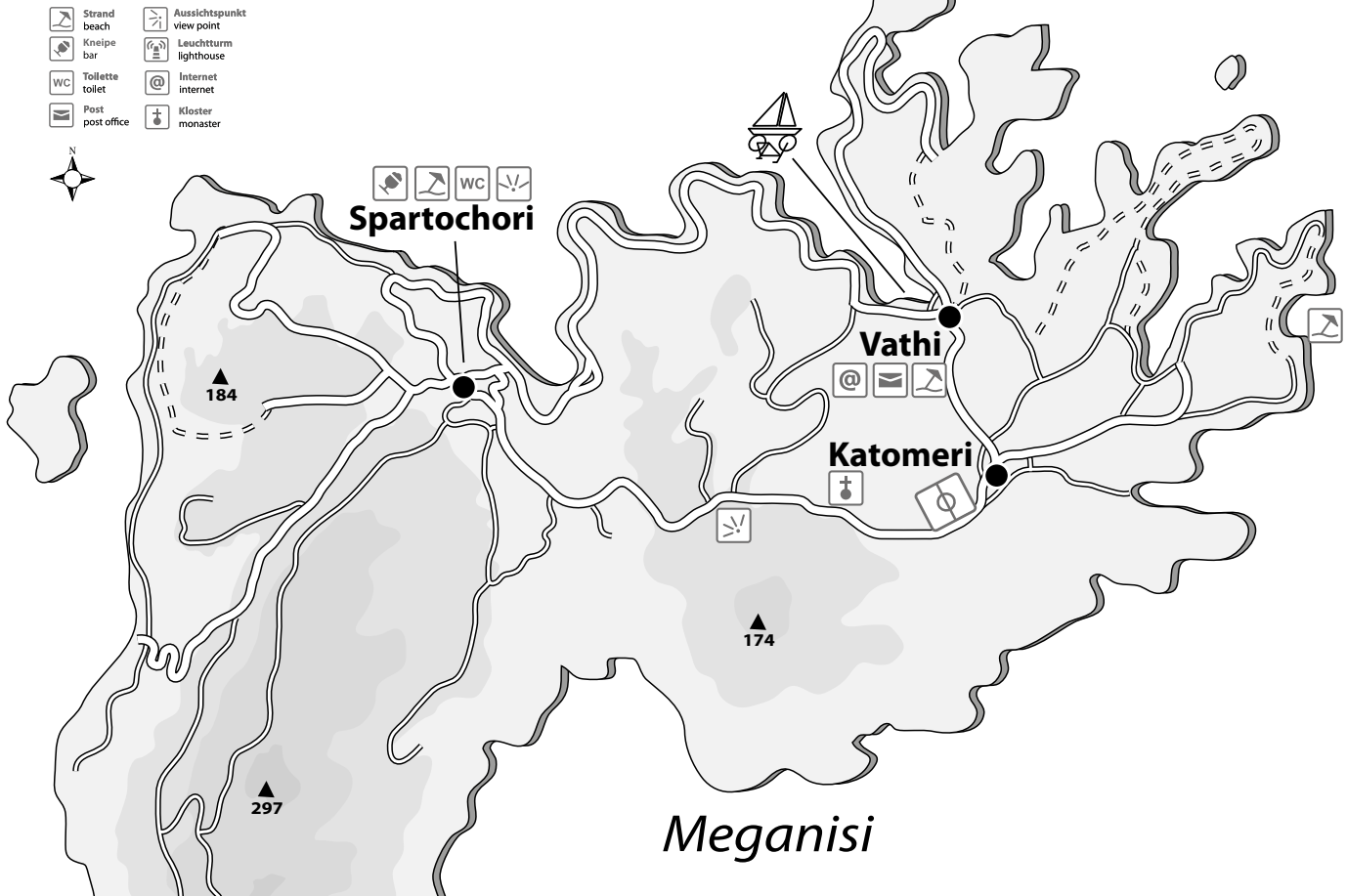
The large grotto of Papanikolaos is located at the SW coast.



Meganisi

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7TH DAY (FRI) ISLANDS OF PAXOS AND CORFU (APPROX. 14 MI./23 KM)

Paxos, the smallest of the seven Ionian Islands is a grove of olive trees, which gives the island its wonderful silver green color. On today's cycle trip we circle the island. We can have our last swim in the Mediterranean on one of the many beaches.

After lunch, the Panagiota will take us back to Corfu, where we will end our journey with a dinner and a cosy get-together on board.



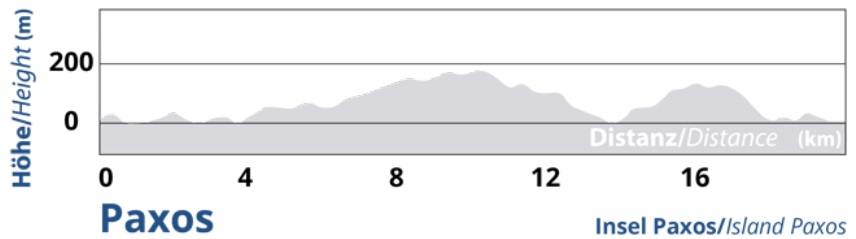
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BRIEFING PAXOS ISLAND

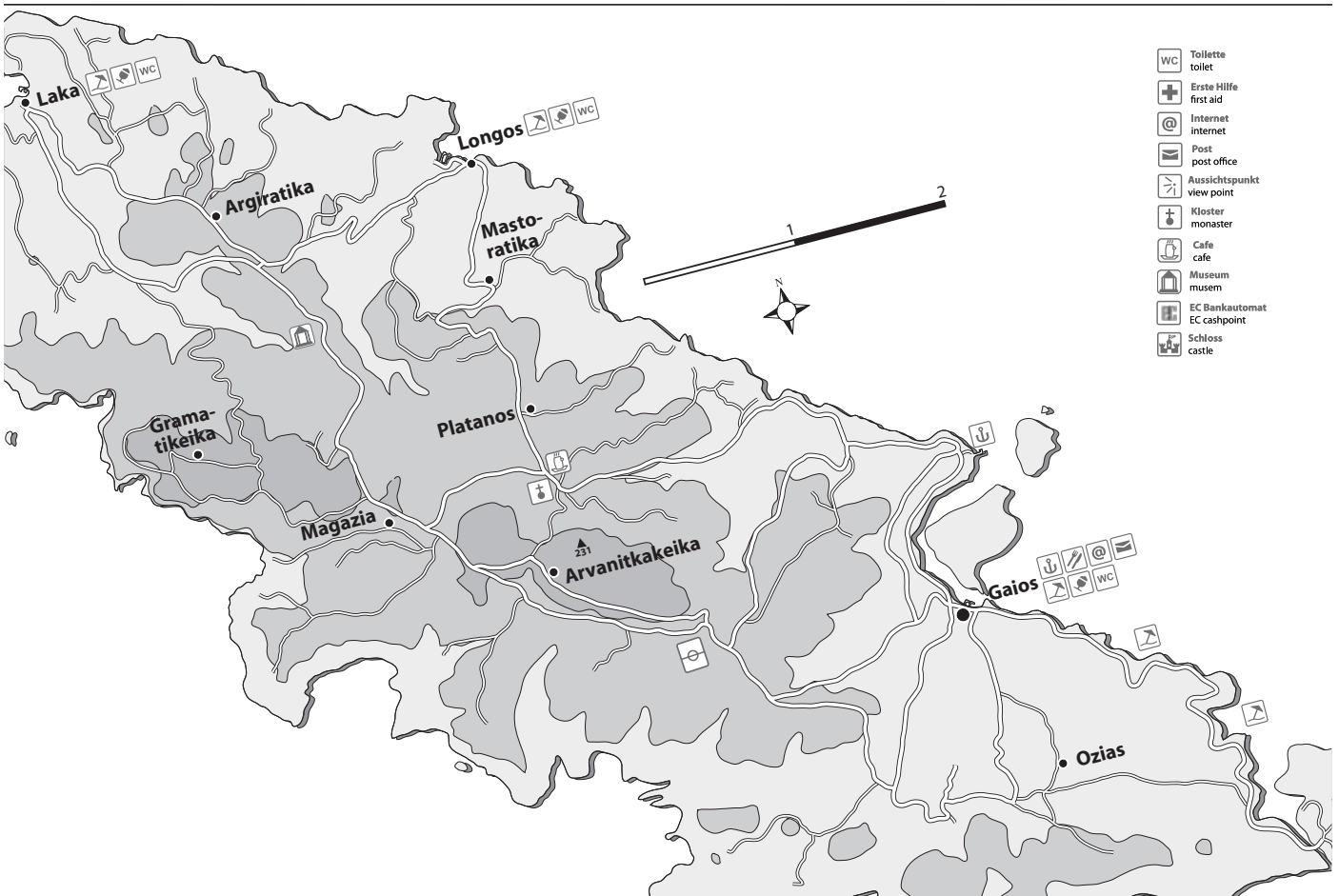
- **Size:** 19 km²
- **Population:** aprx.3,000
- **Mythology:**
Poseidon allegedly severed the island from the southern tip of Corfu with his trident in order to create a love-nest for himself and his beloved, Amphitrite.

- **Special features:**
Paxos is famous for its small but very aromatic olives from which an excellent oil is extracted; olive groves very much determine the island's character.

The west coast is characterized by steep cliffs and grottos.



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8TH DAY (SAT) CORFU TOWN/CORFU CITY (DISEMBARKATION)

After breakfast, check-out and individual return home or extended stay in Greece.

Corfu town



Myrtos-Beach on Cefalonia

