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TOURIST GUIDE



Nafplio is one of the most romantic and historic cities in Greece and was the first capital of the newly established Greek state in 1828. The city stands out for its unique atmosphere, where history meets natural beauty. Venetian castles tower over charming narrow streets, neoclassical buildings adorn the old town, and the sea embraces the harbor with a view of the iconic Bourtzi. Nafplio offers visitors an ideal combination of culture, relaxation, and excellent local cuisine, making it a destination for all seasons.

Nafplio Tourist Train

The Nafplio tourist train is a fun and comfortable way to explore the city, especially for families and visitors who want to avoid walking up the steep streets. It usually starts from the harbor or Syntagma Square. It covers the most important points of the old town: Akronafplia, the Old Town, squares, old mansions, and monuments. The route lasts about 30–40 minutes, with short stops for photos.



Palamidi

Palamidi is Nafplio's imposing fortress and one of the city's most important attractions. Built by the Venetians in the 18th century, it offers stunning panoramic views of Nafplio and the Argolic Gulf. Access is either via the 999 steps—a rewarding experience with unique scenery—or by car. The fortress has significant historical importance, as it served as a prison for Theodoros Kolokotronis, making it a symbol of modern Greek history.

Akronafplia

Akronafplia is the oldest part of Nafplio and the historical foundation of the city. Built on a rocky peninsula, it offers unique views of the old town and the Argolic Gulf. It is ideal for a leisurely walk, combining historic walls, quiet paths, and striking photo spots, especially at sunset, when the landscape is bathed in warm colors.



Bourtzi

Bourtzi is one of Nafplio's most iconic landmarks: a small, picturesque fortress "rising" from the blue waters of the harbor. Built by the Venetians in the 15th century to protect the city, it is a unique historical jewel with breathtaking views of the sea and town. It is easily accessible by boat from the harbor, offering a pleasant ride on the water and excellent photo opportunities. Bourtzi is perfect for a short visit, combining history, the sea, and a sense of adventure.

Church of Saint Spyridon

The Church of Saint Spyridon is located in the heart of Nafplio's old town and is a historical monument of great significance to Greek history. It is the site where the first Governor of Greece, Ioannis Kapodistrias, was assassinated in 1831, making the church a place of memory and cultural heritage. The interior retains its traditional Orthodox character with intricate wood carvings and icons, while the atmosphere exudes both serenity and historical weight. Visiting here combines respect for history with the beauty of classical ecclesiastical architecture.



Bavarian Lion

The Bavarian Lion is a remarkable outdoor sculpture in Nafplio, carved directly into natural rock, and is one of Greece's most significant 19th-century works. It depicts a massive lion at rest, appearing to sleep on the rocky surface. The sculpture was created around 1840–1841 by the German sculptor Christian Siegel. Its creation is linked to the arrival of Otto as the first king of the newly established Greek state (1833).

The lion's calm, "sleeping" posture symbolizes death and the memory of fallen soldiers. Below the sculpture, there is an inscription in German and Greek stating that the work was dedicated by officers and soldiers to their comrades who died at the time.

Mycenae

Mycenae, about 30 km from Nafplio, was the heart of the Mycenaean civilization (1600–1100 BC). Highlights include the Lion Gate, the Acropolis, and tholos tombs, such as the Tomb of Atreus. The archaeological site reveals a powerful civilization referenced in the epics of the Iliad and the Odyssey, while the Museum of Mycenae houses gold objects, weapons, and pottery that testify to the rich life of the Mycenaeans.



Epidaurus

Epidaurus, about 30 km from Nafplio, is famous for its Ancient Theatre, one of the best-preserved in antiquity, renowned for its exceptional acoustics. The theater hosted ancient tragedies and comedies and continues to host cultural events today, especially during the Epidaurus Festival. The site is also associated with the Sanctuary of Asclepius, an important temple dedicated to the god of medicine, representing the therapeutic and religious practices of ancient Greece.

Ancient Tiryns

Ancient Tiryns (Tiryns) is an important Mycenaean archaeological site in Argolis, just about 8 km from Nafplio. Along with Mycenae, it is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site due to its historical and architectural significance. Syntagma Square & the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier



Syntagma Square

is the city's central square and a historic gathering place for the people of Nafplio. At its center stands the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, dedicated to Greece's fallen in wars, symbolizing sacrifice and patriotic memory. The square is surrounded by neoclassical buildings, cafés, and restaurants, and is the starting point for most tours of the old town.

THINGS TO DO

We offer a carefully selected range of authentic experiences designed to highlight the very best of Greek culture, gastronomy, and history, ensuring that every guest enjoys a memorable and well-curated stay. Guests can take part in a **Cooking Class & Wine Tasting** experience in a Nemea winery, where traditional Greek recipes meet modern culinary techniques in a beautiful vineyard setting. Guided by a professional chef, you will prepare local dishes and enjoy them paired with carefully selected regional wines, creating a refined and immersive gastronomic experience.



A **Nafplio Food Tour** invites you to explore the city's authentic flavors through a variety of local tastings, including honey, artisanal cheeses, cold cuts, souvlaki, loukoumades, and traditional Greek coffee. This experience offers a true insight into everyday Greek culinary culture while walking through the charming streets of Nafplio.

You can also enjoy a **Traditional Olive Oil Tasting**, where you will learn about the cultivation and production process while sampling different varieties of extra virgin olive oil, accompanied by local cheese and wine.

A **Traditional Cheese & Cold Cuts Tasting** further introduces you to selected products from local farms and specialty producers, offering an authentic taste of regional craftsmanship and quality.



The Wine Tasting & Winery Tour provides an in-depth look into Greek winemaking traditions. You will explore the winery, learn about both modern and traditional production methods, and enjoy guided tastings led by experienced professionals who will explain the characteristics of each wine.

The Bee Farm & Honey Tasting Experience offers a unique opportunity to discover the art of Greek beekeeping. You will visit a traditional honey farm and its museum, learn about the beekeeping process, and taste a variety of organic honeys with distinct aromas and flavors.

We would also be delighted to arrange **private, tailor-made tours** to some of Greece's most outstanding historical sites, including Mycenae, Epidaurus, Tiryns, Palamidi Fortress, and Bourtzi, as well as a guided walking tour of Nafplio Old Town.

These excursions are operated with the best of the best professional tour guides, ensuring high-quality storytelling, deep historical insight, and an engaging experience throughout. All tours can also be arranged with comfortable private transfers, providing a seamless, stress-free, and premium travel experience. We will ensure to design the best possible experience for you, fully tailored to your preferences, combining comfort, authenticity, and high-quality service to create unforgettable memories throughout your stay.

BEACHES



Arvanitia Beach

a rocky peaceful beach in Nafplio, is just a short walk from the old town. Surrounded by rocks and shingled with pebbles, this beach offers a relaxing getaway from the bustling city. It's the perfect place to soak up the sun, take a swim in the warm waters of the Argolic Gulf, and enjoy scenic coastal walks.



Karathona Beach

located just a few miles south of Nafplio, is a popular destination for travelers seeking a peaceful and family-friendly beach experience. The beach boasts a picturesque horseshoe shape and is composed of soft golden sand, making it an ideal place to lounge, soak up the sun, and take a refreshing dip in the calm and shallow waters.



Tolo Beach

is a popular destination for locals and tourists alike, located in the small village of Tolo, approximately 12 km southeast of Nafplio. It is only a 15-minute drive from Nafplio and is a hub for summer activities.



Plaka Beach Drepano

is a beautiful seaside destination located just a short distance from Nafplio. Known for its crystal-clear waters, soft sandy shores, and stunning scenery, Plaka Beach Drepano is quickly becoming a popular choice for travelers seeking a laid-back and picturesque beach destination. Getting to Plaka Beach Drepano is easy, with several transportation options available. If you prefer to drive, it is just a 10 km journey from Nafplio. Alternatively, you can take a taxi or catch one of the many buses that run from Nafplio to Drepano throughout the day.



Asini Beach

is a stunning, secluded beach located at the north east side of Tolo. The beach is renowned for its crystal-clear waters, pristine white sand, and breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains. It is a popular destination for travelers seeking a serene and tranquil beach experience. Located approximately 12 kilometers from Nafplio, Asini Beach can be easily reached by car or bus. There is also a small parking lot near the beach, though it can become quite crowded during peak season.



Kondyli beach

is a beautiful coastal area located just a short distance from Nafplio in Greece. With its crystal-clear waters and beautiful surroundings, Kondyli beach is a popular destination for travelers seeking a peaceful and relaxing seaside experience. The beach itself is situated on the eastern side of the Argolic Gulf and offers stunning views of the surrounding mountains and the clear blue waters of the Aegean Sea. One of the most convenient ways to get to Kondyli beach from Nafplio is by car. The journey takes around 15-20 minutes.



Kandia

is A long beach 20 kilometres from Nafplion, Kandia has something for everyone. There is a famous beach bar that is a magnet for a young, glamorous crowd at weekends with parasols and sunbeds on a pebbly shoreline, while further down families play in the sand, and after at the western edge there is seclusion and peace. The sea is clean but it can get wavy in the afternoon, a fact exploited by the watersport rentals who hire out windsurfing equipment.



Kiveri

is On the opposite side of the Argolic Gulf, Kiveri is a quite large beach in front of the similarly named village. Organised with small stones, the water shelves gently but can be cold in places due to underwater springs. There are cafés, tavernas and restaurants behind the beach and it is a favourite of families who love the view across to Nafplio.

RESTAURANTS



Greek Cuisine Tavernas

Draxmi	Akti Miaouli 69 T: +30 2752 027141
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To Telonio	Akti Miaouli 83 T: +30 2752 022665
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Feripin	Akti Miaouli 53 T: +30 27520 21581
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Karima Kastro	Papanikolaou 32 T: +30 2752 025279
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To Vizadio	Vas.Alexandrou 15 T: +30 2752 021631
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Aiolos Taverna	Vas.Olgas 30 T: +30 2752 026828
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To Omorfo Tavernaki	Epam. Kotsonopoulou 1 T: +30 2752 025944
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GastroNoulis	Moutzouridou 8 T: +30 27520 25541
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Gonia Tou Kavalari	Amalias 2 & Koleti T: +30 2752 500180
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Gyrokomeio Sidoras Merarxias 5 | T: +30 2752 023600

Stavropoulos Meat & Grill Bouboulinas 43

T: +30 2752 099333

Souvlomagkies Vas.Kostadinou & Kilkis 2

T: +30 2752 021700

Scuola Pizza Bouboulinas 39

T: +30 2752 099431

Il Porto Bouboulinas 43

T: +30 2752 096097

La Gratella Vas.Olgas

T: +30 2752 028350

ITRIA Cucina Italiana Akti Miaouli 81

T: +30 2752 026005



Fish & Seafood

Bounos / Psarosavouras Akti Miaouli 77
T: +30 2752 027704

Arapakos Akti Miaouli 81 | T: +30 2752027675

Savouras Akti Miaouli 79 | T: +30 2752 023704

Restaurants in the old town

Wild Duck Bouboulinas 67 | T: +30 2752 028562

Kollegas Staikopoulou 32 | T: +30 2752 022299

Kakanarakis 1986 Vas.Olgas 18 | T: +30 2752 025371

3SIXTY Vas. Alexandrou & Ferreou

Grill Dining Wine Bar

Valaora Restaurant & Bar Akti Miaouli
T: +30 6989600200 (Summer only)

Burger

Il Porto Bouboulinas 43 | T: +30 2752 096097

Quinn's Polizoidou 3 | T: +30 2752 110838

Anoka Burgers ThessaloniKIS 6 | T: +30 27520 25032



Restaurants Outside Of the Old town

Greek Cuisine

Pidalio 25 March | T: +30 2752 022603

Kallinis 25 Martiou 41 | T: +30 27520 24408

Thyme Restaurant Koimiseos Theotokou
T:+30 2752 027148

Ernesto Leoforo Asklipiou 98 | T: +30 2752 097995
(Fougaro)

Greek Tavernas

To Liotrivi Pirgiotika | T: +30 2752 026918

Ta Alonia Pirgiotika | T: +30 2752 024610

Kali Kardia Skafidaki | T: +30 2751 047421

O Voulis Kalamaki | T: +30 2751 047642

Fish & SeeFood

Tsakiris Nea Kios | T: 30 2751 051058

Psaropoulou tou Valsami Nea Kios
T: 30 2751 051162

Boreli Paraliaki Vivari | T: +30 2752 092855

Gorgona Vivari | T: +30 27520 92421

Ouna Fatsa Ouna Ratsa Vivari | T: +30 27520 92866



Sweet Treats

Pergamonto Komninou 1 | T: +30 27520 24570

Koustenis Ice Cream 16 Vasileos Konsta. Street

Nom - Pastry N' Ice Cream Farmakopoulon 6
T:+30 27520 97502

Glykos Pirasmenos Plapouta 10 T| 30 27520 97516

Coffee & Breakfast

Xenon Cafe Old Syntagma Square |T: +30 2752 097580

Aktaion Mare 3 Miaouli | T: +30 2752 027425

Teory Oldtown Bar Amalias Avenue 7
– Bistro Vasilissis T: +30 27520 25554



AR&KO Parko Kolokotroni | T: +30 2752 303051

Branco Nafplio Staikopoulou 4

yiayia brunch & more Aggelou Terzaki

T: +30 27520 23006

Skarpeta Nafplio Párko Staikopoúlou

T: +30 695 588 7497

Noa Verde Akti Miaouli 3 Port Naplio

T: +30 2752 028021

Coffee -Snack Bar's & Clubs in Nafplio

Suricata Vasileos Konstantinou 26

3SIXTY Vas.Alexandrou, Ferreou | T: +30 2752 028068

Xenon Cafe Old Nafplio Syntagma Square

T: +30 2752 097580

Αλλοτινό Coffee & Bar Vas.Kostadinou

T: +30 2752 096150

Guardian 1 Etnikis Antistasseos str., Nafplio

(Philhellenon square, Nafplio port)

Cavo Wine bar Restaurant Mpoumpoulinas 75,

T: +30 2752 023889



After Bars

Ydragogio

Akanthus Polizoidou 4

Sofroni & Mpoumpoulinas | T: +30 27520 70899

Bakery's

Charlys Bake House

Sidiras Merarchias 11

T: +30 27520 99271

Kosmos

Argous 78 | T: +30 27520 29100

Kostopoulos

25 Martiou 38



Cooking Class - Wine Tasting & Pairing in a Nemea Winery

You explore every destination discovering its flavors. Get to know Greek flavors through the unique experience of a cooking class in a winery, in a wonderful setting by a professional chef. You will enjoy the tour in the Winery and then our chef will transform your cooking class into a warm, joyful life experience. He will use his profound knowledge of traditions as well as the Avant Garde cuisine techniques to create with you a meal measuring up to a 5 Star Restaurant. All your experience will be accompanied with some of the greatest wines of the region at a perfect combination mastered both by the chef and the wine maker.



Nafplio Food Tour B (tastings)

Begin your tour with a honey tasting. Engage with the friendly vendor and learn about the local honey varieties. Head to a local deli shop to experience a Greek cheese tasting. Sample a variety of cheeses and cold cuts. Learn about the cheese-making process, the unique characteristics of each cheese, and how they are used in Greek dishes. Make your way to a traditional souvlaki restaurant. Souvlaki is a popular Greek fast food made with grilled meat, typically served with pita bread, tomatoes, onions, and a delicious yogurt-based sauce. Enjoy the authentic flavors of Greek souvlaki and soak in the local atmosphere. Visit a local cafe to try loukoumades, Greek donuts. These golden, deep-fried dough balls are often drizzled with honey and sprinkled with cinnamon or chocolate sauce. Wrap up your tasting tour with a Greek coffee and indulge in the sweet and comforting taste of traditional Greek pastries, while reflecting on the delightful flavors you've experienced throughout the day.

In the making of Greek Pastries

The art of making Greek pastries is deeply rooted in tradition and reflects the country's rich culinary heritage. Greek pastries are known for their use of simple, natural ingredients like nuts, honey, phyllo dough, and yogurt, as well as their unique flavors that come from spices like cinnamon, cloves, and orange zest. Put on your apron and immerse yourself in the making process of your favourite Greek traditional dessert. In a professional Greek pastry-making setting, the pastry chef plays a crucial role in guiding each step of the process. He offers hands-on instruction, ensuring you understand not only the techniques but also the traditions behind each pastry.



Olive oil Tasting

Enjoy a mouth watering olive oil tasting. Our host will explain the procedure of cultivating and harvesting and guide us through three different varieties of olive oil tasting. A cheese plateau along with a glass of wine is also provided.

Traditional Cheese & Cold Cuts Tasting

We will visit a traditional specialty shop for olives, cheese, ham, and other deli products, while also having the chance to taste traditional cold cuts and cheese produced by family farms.

Half Day Snorkeling Tour

Marvel the crystal clean waters and explore the sea life of secluded sunkissed beaches. Our expert diving crew will accompany you to an amazing experience. Snacks, fruits and water are included.



Nafplio Tasting Tour

This tour is about a culinary journey into the world of local flavors. You'll walk through the narrow streets of the city and discover unique tasty treasures.

Start your day with a traditional greek coffee overlooking the Syntagma Square. Then you'll visit a traditional specialty shop for olives, cheese, ham, and other deli products, while also having the chance to taste traditional cold cuts and cheese produced by family farms. Don't miss the chance to try the famous Greek loukoumades (Greek donuts).

Wine tasting & Winery Tour

Prepare to discover the winemaking tradition in Greece while you walk along the winery and observe the machinery. You'll get to know the philosophy behind modern wine- making and the traditional one, and learn the history of the Greek wine. On this experience, you'll also relish a tasting led by a professional who will show you the proper way to taste wine and will share knowledge about the making process.

Bee Farm Tour & Honey Tasting

Immerse yourself in the Greek honey making tradition on this 2-hour tour. Accompanied by an expert guide, you'll visit a honey farm and its museum before trying the flavor of local honey. Begin your experience with a comfortable ride from Napflion. Once arrived, prepare to enjoy a tour of a traditional bee farm, visit its museum and learn more about the art of apiary in Argolida. Your guide will share with you the process of maintaining bees and their hives.

At the end of the visit, get ready to taste different types of organic Greek honey and learn



Catamaran Cruises

Private & Semi-private options to meet your needs

Full Day Cruise

For all ages • Hours • Private Group

Duration:

Imagine being able to escape from the ordinary and embark on a journey of luxury and relaxation in the waters of the Argolic Gulf. With the catamaran Romvi, the fantasy becomes reality, and the journey begins. Departing from the picturesque port of Nafplio at 10:00, a day full of pleasure, tranquility, and unforgettable memories begins. Explore the serene beauty of the Argolic Gulf as you travel in comfort with Romvi. Create memories with your loved ones on a day cruise full of play and fun. With 3-5 anchorage points, we promise you that this trip will fill you with joy, beauty, and strong memories that you will remember forever.

Includes



- Handmade traditional delicacies:

Your journey begins with a delightful variety of handmade traditional sweets and savory snacks served at our first stop. Flavors of Greece to complement your enjoyment of the stunning coastal scenery.

- Lunch at your preference:

At lunchtime, you will enjoy a personalized lunch experience tailored to your preferences. Whether you desire freshly prepared seafood, rich Mediterranean dishes, or vegetarian delights, our chef will create a culinary masterpiece just for you.

- Fruit for hydration and sweetness:

As the day draws to a close, we refresh your senses with a selection of fresh fruit served at the last stop, letting the sweetness of nature complement the beauty of your surroundings.

- Additional fun:

For those seeking a more leisurely experience, passengers aboard not only revel in the tranquility of the Argolic Gulf's waters but also have the opportunity to engage in a variety of exciting activities with snorkeling gear provided onboard, paddleboards (SUP), and sugar-coated noodles. Whether you're seeking adventure or relaxation, there's something for everyone to enjoy as you embark on a journey of discovery and delight. Important to Know Passengers aboard are in for a treat! During your voyage, you are free to enjoy limitless coffee, beverages, beer, white and rosé wine. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the journey with a drink in hand, knowing that your enjoyment knows no bounds aboard. Cheers to unforgettable moments at sea!



Half Day Cruise

For all ages • 4,5 Hours • Morning or Sunset Cruise

Duration: 4.5 Hours

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MUSEUMS & CULTURE



Archaeological Museum of Nafplio

Regular ticket: €10.00

Reduced ticket: €5.00



Vasileios Papantoniou Foundation – Museum

Admission is free for all visitors



War Museum

General admission: €3.00

Reduced admission: €2.00



National Gallery – Nafplio Branch

General admission: €5.00

Reduced ticket: €3.00



Komboloi (Worry Beads) Museum Byzantine Museum of Argolida, Argos

Regular ticket: €10.00

Reduced ticket: €5.00



Kotsiomyti Museum of Natural History

27 Asklepiou Avenue,
Lygourio, Argolida

General admission: €3.00



Archaeological Museum of the Sanctuary of Asclepius at Epidaurus

Tickets: €20.00

Archaeological Museum
of Mycenae

Regular ticket: €20.00

Reduced ticket: €10.00



From Nafplio to Mycenae:

Mycenae is an ancient city located in the northeastern part of the Peloponnese peninsula in Greece. It was a major center of civilization during the Bronze Age and is considered one of the most important archaeological sites in Greece. Mycenae is famous for its impressive architecture, fascinating history, and stunning views, making it a popular destination for travelers from all over the world. To get from Nafplio to Mycenae, you can take a bus, taxi or drive.

Bus: There is a local bus service that runs between Nafplio and Mycenae. You can take the KTEL bus from the bus station in Nafplio to the archaeological site of Mycenae. The journey takes around 30 minutes and costs approximately 2-3 euros, depending on the time of day. **Drive:** Mycenae is located about 20 km from Nafplio, and it takes around 25 minutes to drive there. You can rent a car in Nafplio or hire a taxi to take you to Mycenae. It's worth noting that Mycenae.



is a popular tourist attraction, so it's recommended to visit early in the morning to avoid the crowds. Also, wear comfortable shoes and bring plenty of water and sunscreen, as the site can be hot and tiring to explore.

Archaeological Site of Ancient Nemea:

Your first stop should be the archaeological site of Ancient Nemea, located just outside the modern village. This historical site holds significant importance as it was one of the four sites of the ancient Panhellenic Games, hosting the Nemean Games, which were held every two years in honor of Zeus.

Museum of Nemea:

After exploring the ancient site, make your way to the Archaeological Museum of Nemea, located near the entrance.

Lake Doxa is a stunning freshwater lake located in the Corinthian Mountains, Greece. This picturesque lake is a popular destination for tourists who seek natural beauty and serenity. The lake is surrounded by dense forests, which makes it a great spot for outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, and picnicking. This article will provide travelers with an overview of what to expect when visiting Lake Doxa and how to get there from Nafplio. One of the most striking features of Lake Doxa is the small island in the center of the lake. This island is home to the historic Church of Agios Fanourios, which was built in 1940. The church has a unique architecture that blends traditional Greek style with Byzantine elements. Visitors can reach the island



by boat, which is available for hire at the lake's shore. A small fee is charged for the boat ride, which takes around 15 minutes. Getting to Lake Doxa from Nafplio is relatively easy. The most convenient way is to drive, which takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.

If you find yourself in Nafplio, and are craving a delightful day trip to soak in the sun, indulge in coastal beauty, and experience the laid-back Mediterranean lifestyle, Porto Heli awaits. Join us as we embark on a picturesque journey from Nafplio to Porto Heli, where pristine beaches, charming seaside villages, and azure waters create an unforgettable escape.



Exploring the Island of Spetses:

From Porto Heli, you have the option to embark on a short boat trip to the nearby island of Spetses. Known for its cosmopolitan flair, elegant mansions, and car-free streets, Spetses offers a unique blend of history and charm. Rent a bicycle or a horse-drawn carriage to explore the island's hidden gems, such as the picturesque old harbor, Dapia, and the historic Poseidonion Grand Hotel.



Cultural Excursion to Ermioni:

Another nearby destination worth exploring is the charming town of Ermioni, located a short distance from Porto Heli. Known for its authentic Greek atmosphere, Ermioni features traditional houses, narrow alleys, and quaint waterfront cafes. Visit the Church of Agios Emilianos, explore the local markets, and savor traditional delicacies at local tavernas.

Corinth, located in the northeastern region of the Peloponnese Peninsula in Greece, is a captivating destination steeped in history and surrounded by natural beauty. Renowned in ancient times as a prosperous city-state and a bustling center of trade, Corinth was known for its strategic location between the Aegean Sea and the Ionian Sea, as well as its remarkable architectural achievements. Today, visitors can explore the archaeological site of ancient Corinth, where they can marvel at the remains of temples, marketplaces, and other structures that stand as testaments to its glorious past. The imposing Acrocorinth, a hilltop fortress overlooking the city, offers panoramic views of the surrounding landscapes and serves as a reminder of Corinth's strategic importance. With its fascinating historical significance and its proximity to the stunning Corinthian Gulf and picturesque countryside, Corinth continues to enthrall travelers from around the world.



AGIA MONI

Wonderfully situated on a hillside about three km from Nafplio, near the village of Aria, rests the nunnery Agia Moni. Built close to a pond of natural spring water, and with lush plants and trees in the courtyard, this makes a wonderful excursion, whether you have a car or take the bus to Aria and walk from there.

Bishop Leo of Argos and Nafplio donated money for the construction of the monastery, build ca 1150, which today consists of a beautiful church (pictured above), small chapels and housing and living quarters for the nuns, who still live here. (Well, not the same ones as in 1150, obviously.)

The church is dedicated to Zoodochos Pigi, The spring or source of life. This spring is believed to be the mythological Kanathos, where the goddess Hera annually renewed her virginity. We wouldn't exactly encourage a bath when you visit Agia Moni, but you should drink the famous spring-water from the fountain near the pond (pictured right).

The taste is good, anyway!

A visit to the Monastery can easily be combined with a trip to A word of warning at the end: If you need to ask for directions, be aware that the name of the monastery is pronounced Aya Mohní. Moní (with ou-sound) is something you definitely should not ask directions for in Greece.



LERNA Lerna (or Lerni), near the village of Mili, southwest of Nafplio, is a unique little place, even in Argolis. Because chances are you have not seen many houses as old as this before - and certainly not made by clay tiles! Lerna has layer upon layer of settlements. People have lived here from the Neolithic period, around year 7000 BC, which is the time people first settled as farmers. We can see the remains of a wall from a Neolithic house in Lerna; it's at a considerably lower level than the rest of the buildings here. The most interesting for us is probably the so-called House of the Tiles (main picture). This was a two-storied palace from around 2500 BC, built partly of terracotta tiles and with tiles on the roof. The palace was destroyed in a fire sometimes in the 22. century BC, and later covered with a huge burial mound. We can see the remains of the wall (tumuli) that surrounded the burial mound, and two tombs, located inside the palace. This is actually a part of the largest areas of prehistoric burial mounds in Greece (a total of approx. 180 sq. m).

Furthermore, we can see the remains of a city, with small two- and three-bedroom houses, and the narrow roads that ran between them. Some big clay pits (bothroi, pictured above) are dug into the ground in several places. Archaeologists don't agree on what they used to be, perhaps they were made for food storage, perhaps they were baking ovens. Later they were used as rubbish bins.

For Kids & Families



Children, wherever they may be, even in the most spectacular city of the world, they have constantly one thing in mind: to play! Get them to play at the municipal playground located in “Endekati” crossroad, or in the smaller one, near the lighthouse in the harbor, at the end of the coastal road. More centrally, you may also go in the Kapodistrias’ Square Park, behind the imposing statue of the Great Governor.

Nafplio Waterfront Playground

A seaside playground with lovely views of the sea and the small island-castle. Safe and free to use, it’s ideal for kids of all ages and very convenient if parents want to relax at a nearby café. Playgrounds in the town centre & old town. There are several smaller playgrounds scattered around the centre of Nafplio. This makes it easy to combine a family stroll around the old town with a chance for the kids to play.



Playgrounds Public

(around you can enjoy coffee & food)

Agrotospita Country Houses

It's only about 5 km away from the centre of Nafplio. Kids can visit a small farm there: feed chickens/turkeys, pick fresh eggs, and walk through garden and orchards. It's family-friendly: a relaxed environment, fresh rural air, and an easy escape from the city — good for a half-day trip or even a stay.

In Tripoli (40 min from Nafplio) you can find The “Ta Papakia” Farm. A perfect day tour with kidsA little while ago, when I visited the Papakia Farm in

Arcadia – 2 km before

Karytaina – I was absolutely delighted by the facilities, the beautiful nature, and the flavors I tasted at the tavern of the same name. Papakia is an ideal place for children, as they will be thrilled with the animals, feed them, and even ride donkeys or horses with the help and guidance of the farm's staff. There is plenty of open space everywhere for them to play safely, but between the tavern and the café that operates on the farm, you will also find a playground that is a true oasis. The large activity area is made entirely of wood and rope, with the treehouse standing out and various climbing and balance games challenging all children to try them. The tavern at Papakia operates year-round, and the indoor area is even designed like a folklore museum, with exhibits of everyday life and tools dating back before 1700.

Winter Experiences



Greek Dance Class

Relish a live Greek dancing lesson with a professional instructor and learn the main steps of a traditional performance.

Wine tasting & Winery Tour

Prepare to discover the winemaking tradition in Greece while you walk along the winery and observe the machinery. Prepare to discover the winemaking tradition in Greece while you walk along the winery and observe the machinery. You'll get to know the philosophy behind modern wine-making and the traditional one, and learn the history of the Greek wine. On this experience, you'll also relish a tasting led by a professional who will show you the proper way to taste wine and will share knowledge about the making process.



Nafplio Tasting Tour

This tour is about a culinary journey into the world of local flavors. You'll walk through the narrow streets of the city and discover unique tasty treasures. Start your day with a traditional greek coffee overlooking the Syntagma Square. Then you'll visit a traditional specialty shop for olives, cheese, ham, and other deli products, while also having the chance to taste traditional cold cuts cheese produced by family farms. Don't miss the chance to try the famous Greek loukoumades (Greek donuts).

Nafplio - Taste & Discover Extra Virgin Olive Oil

In Nafplio old town, in an elegant place before a lovely park overlooking Palamidi castle, an organized Olive Oil Tasting experience can be arranged especially for you (emphasizing on the local production of the region of Argolis). In the Premium Olive Oil Tasting, discover the secrets of fine Extra Virgin Olive Oil and enjoy representative olive oil flavors and tasteful olives of Argolis and the wider area. A presentation in an easily accessible and most elegant shop, in the old town of Nafplio. This includes tasting of 3 olive oils, along with a glass of selected wine and a platter of cheeses & cold cuts. In the Exclusive Olive Oil Tasting, for those who are interested in something more, you will taste 4 different Extra Virgin Olive Oils, including 1 bio, accompanied and paired with 3 different glasses of wine, freshly baked bread and olives. In the end, you receive a gift pouch containing one soap and one miniature bottle of olive oil!



Beekeeping Art

A unique experience in the wondrous world of bees, through sight, touch, hearing, smell and taste, at the Museum of Beekeeping Art! The most intelligent and beneficial insect on the planet, the bee, generously offers us all its products, honey, pollen, royal jelly, propolis, wax -all beneficial for our good health- but also the life-giving power of pollination.

Explore the fascinating world of beekeeping with our immersive museum experience!

Join a comprehensive 20-minute guided tour through our museum space, followed by a hands-on beekeeping activity for another 30 minutes, donning authentic beekeeper suits to get up close and personal with these industrious insects. Cap off the experience with a delightful 45-minute tasting session featuring a variety of organic honey blends and other bee-derived products. Whether you're a curious adult or have young ones under 5 years old (who enjoy free entry), this beekeeping adventure promises a blend of education and sensory delight. Come and discover the sweet world of bees with us!

Cooking Class in Nafplio

You really explore a destination when you discover its flavors. Get to know Greek flavors through the unique experience of a cooking class in a special place by a professional chef. Our chef will transform your cooking class into a warm, joyful life experience. He will use his profound knowledge of traditions, as well as the Avant Garde cuisine techniques, to create with you a meal measuring up to a 5 Star Restaurant.



Fresh ingredients, excellent techniques and our Chef ready to meet all your wishes in front of you. Your special meal, your experience, will be accompanied by some of the best wines of the region.

That's what a great meal looks like to us. Enjoy every step in the city of Nafplio and then, give us the opportunity to offer you happy moments, that you will remember for a lifetime...

Hiking in Nafplio (Alone)

Hiking in Nafplio, one of the most beautiful towns in Greece, is a great way to enjoy a Nafplio coastal hike—a beautiful and easy 3 km (1.86 mi) route that takes you from Karathona beach along the cliffs to Arvanitia. Palamidi Fortress in Nafplio (Palamidi Fortress in Nafplio) The route starts from the parking lot at the port of Nafplio and visits, by climbing the 999 steps, one of the largest and most beautiful Venetian fortresses in Greece. It is maintained in excellent condition and has been built following the morphology of Palamidi hill.(2.9kmLength 199mElevation gain 1–1.5hr) Nafplio - Profitis Ilias chapel (Ναύπλιο - Ξωκλήσι Προφήτης Ηλίας) The route starts from Nafplio and heads southeast, in the hilly area south of the city. The route follows the small valley between the hills, proceeding along the rural roads between cultivated fields. In the last section, the route climbs up the third and smallest of the hills on the eastern side of the valley. At the top of the hill is the Profitis Ilias chapel. The view of the Argolic Gulf and especially to the Drepano Lagoon is impressive.



The return to Nafplio is by the same road.
(15kmLength 334mElevation gain 4– 4.5hrEstimated
time Out & back)

The famous walking path named “Tour of Arvanitia” starts right after the end of the port and the last cafeteria towards the lighthouse, and ends in the square of Arvanitia, at a total distance of about one kilometer. Throughout the route you gaze uninterruptedly at the sea and the Argolic bay, while looking up, vertical rocks and the imposing walls of Akronafplia dominate. Hiking Tour in Nafplio we can organize for you Explore the mountain terrain of Argolis and enjoy panoramic views over Greece’s rugged coastline on this hiking tour in Nafplio. Choose from a range of hiking trails of varying difficulty. Hike through olive groves, fruit orchards and dense vegetation, and gain insight into the region’s native flora and fauna. Follow ancient pathways past historic monuments and pass traditional villages where life ticks by at a relaxing pace. Hike coastal paths over the headland and descend to sandy beaches where the waves roll gently in.



Kapsia Cave

is located in the prefecture of Arcadia, 1.5 km from the village of Kapsia and about 15 km north of Tripoli. It is part of a system of active and inactive sinkholes that drained the Madinia basin. In front of its entrance, three sinkholes are developed, which are today enclosed by a protective semi-circular stone dam built in the 19th century. The cave has a rich stalagmite decoration with rare colours. Surface finds show that it was used sporadically during the Neolithic period (4th millennium BC), the Hellenistic period (330-146 BC) and from the 4th to the 6th century AD. Several human skeletons (about 50) were found in the cave, from individuals of both sexes and of various ages (from infants of 5-10 months to adults of about 50 years of age). You will find there also Caffe and Tavern.

Enjoy your trip to Nafplio!

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