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# Sporades Islands





# Skiathos ■

Skiathos is only 46 sq km, but many people choose to return for their holidays year after year for the simple fact that it has amongst the best beaches of the Greek islands, a large variety of taverns, bars and places to stay and the fact that it is absolutely gorgeous. It is a lush, green island with over 60 beaches and depending on where you stay, you can have a quiet, relaxing holiday or a more active one doing excursions, sports and enjoying the nightlife.

As you come into the port the first thing you will notice, to the left, are the old shipyards whilst nearby is a large lake which also sees thousands of visitors every summer - this time as a presence of many varieties of birdlife which flock here during their summer migrations. The town of Skiathos has many interesting churches, among the most important is the Cathedral which has many holy relics and icons which come from other churches all over the island and are looked after at the Cathedral. Another interesting church to visit in Skiathos town is the Church of Mary of The Lake.

Here there is a shrine to Alexandros Papadiamantis the famous writer of Skiathos. Go as well to the beautiful churches of Agios Fanarios and Agios Nikolas. From these two pretty churches you will be able to enjoy amazing views to the castle of Skiathos. Throughout the history of the island, this castle, like many in the Greek islands, was used by the population of Skiathos as a shelter from raiding pirates or Turks. The castle was also the place where the allies escaped from during the Second World War. Try to also visit the monasteries of Skiathos which are located close to the capital.





## Best Beaches

Koukounaries Beach

Lalaria Beach

Banana Beach

Kanapitsa Beach

Agia Paraskevi Beach

Vromolimnos Beach

Ahladies Beach

Kolios Beach

Troulos Beach

Vassilias Beach

Megali Ammos Beach

Agia Eleni Beach

Ftelia Beach

Glyfoneri Beach

Kalamaki Beach

Mandraki Beach

Maratha Beach

Megas Gialos Beach

Aselinos Beach

Platanias Beach

Stigero Beach

Tzaneria Beach

Xenia Beach

Tsougrias Beach





## Sightseeing

Bourtzi

Sea Caves Lalaria

Medieval Castle

Monastery of Evangelistria

Biotope Koukounaries

House of Papadiamantis

Monastery of Panagia Kounistra

Church of Three Bishops

Church of Agios Nikolaos



## What to Do

Scuba Diving

Watersports

Nightlife

Dine At Mediterranean Cuisine Restaurants

Stroll around the island town



# Alonissos ■

Alonissos, Ikos, Evonymos, Liodromia or Chiliodromia, whatever name you choose to call it, by the many that were given to the island over the centuries, nothing changes. Alonissos, a maritime passage since the ninth millennium, from the North Aegean to Crete, has its own secret for the art of shipbuilding, navigation, and for the art of pottery but and its own way to charm. Looking from Alonissos to the sea, you can imagine the great historic heritage, from the early Christian period until today. From yesterday to today, Alonissos is characterized by the same beauty of the landscape.

Famed for viticulture and wine, Alonissos, from the ancient times until so far, maintained the remarkable harmony among the nature, the production and the development. On its soil grows, even now, the miraculous herbs that made this place famous and also helped in the development of the folk medicine. Today, following the tradition, the International Academy of Classical Homeopathy is hosted on the same site. On the island of Alonissos, a rare and endangered mammal in the Mediterranean, has found protection and shelter. The Monachus-Monachus seal found the ideal protection in the Marine Park of Alonissos. Through the intervention of the state and the sensitivity of the local fishermen, the Mediterranean monk seal may now be living in harmony in the region, continuing a tradition of thousands of years. The Marine Park of Alonissos, is now a unique habitat not only for the monk seal but also and for many other non-marine species. Alonissos, with its numerous beautiful beaches and the small deserted islands that surround it, is ideal for small "getaways" to the endless blue Aegean Sea. It is an ideal place for vacations and relaxation, as the Island of Sporades, offers the potential to satisfy all the desires, in a natural environment, which the residents with responsibly protect it.





## Best Beaches

Agios Dimitrios Beach

Glifa Beach

Agios Petros Beach

Leftos Gialos Beach

Tzortzi Gialos Beach

Kokkinokastro Beach

Chrisi Milia Beach

Milia Beach

Marpounta Beach

Vithisma Beach

Megalos Mourtias Beach

Vrisitsa and Gialia Beaches

Tsoukalia Beach

Megali Ammos Beach

Gerakas Beach

Spartines Beach





## Sightseeing

Marine Park

Blue Cave

Small Islets

Mavrikis Folklore Museum

Shipwreck

Church of the Christ

Church of Agios Georgios

International Academy of Classical Homeopathy

Monastery of Kyra Panagia

Castle at Chora



## What to Do

Scuba Diving

Watersports

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Stroll around the island chora



# Skopelos ■

Skopelos is exceptional beautiful with scenic coves, bright white churches and monasteries among picturesque farm house glimpsed through the gold green of the olives groves on even slopes, under the brilliant light of the sun. Moreover the Venetian Castle and the 123 chapels most of which act as bulwarks for Orthodoxy, present throughout the island are sure to produce a profound effect on the beholder. In the few scattered villages and the picturesque sites we are sure that you will re discover peace and tranquility. Its distance from industry and marine traffic has kept the seas around Skopelos among the cleanest and clearest, in Greece. Island geology has produced both sandy beaches such as the long strand at Kastani and pebble such as Panormos, although even the pebble beaches quickly shelve into sand. The waters off its estimated sixty-seven miles of beaches, some of which are only accessible by boat, with dense forest rising above low white limestone cliffs, have earned it the nickname of the “green on blue” island.





## Best Beaches

Stafilos Beach

Panormos Beach

Kastani Beach

Hovolo Beach

Milia Beach

Agnondas Beach

Elios Beach

Loutraki Beach

Agios Ioannis Beach

Glysteri Beach

Glyfoneri Beach

Velanio Beach

Adrina Beach

Armenopetra Beach

Hodrogiorgis Beach

Limnonari Beach

Perivolou Beach





## Sightseeing

Church of Agios Ioannis Kastri

Photographic Centre Museum

Monastery of Agia Varvara

Venetian Castle

Pirate Graves

Drakontoschisma

Old Skopelitan Mansion

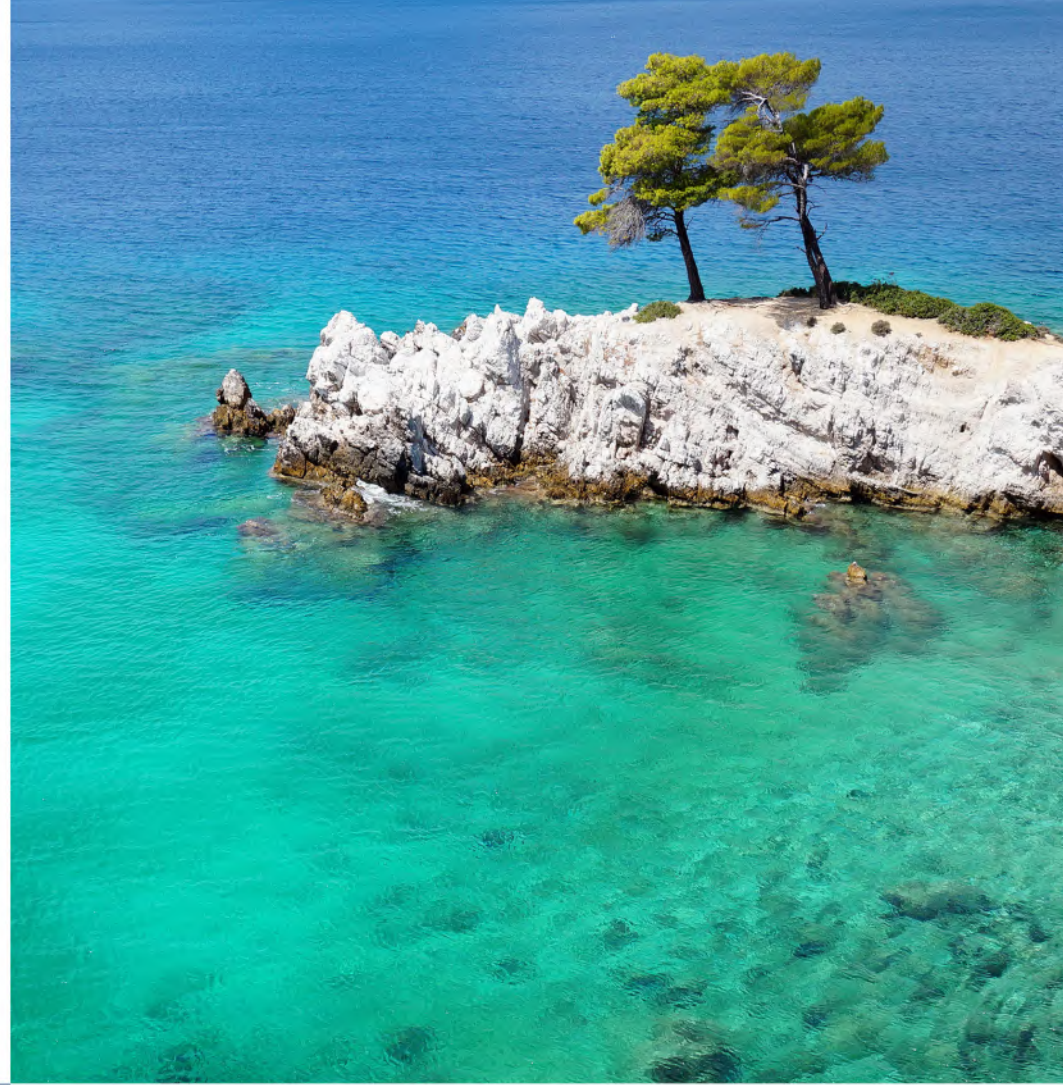
Monastery of Metamorfofi

Lighthouse

Monastery of Taxiarches

Monastery of Evangelistria

Monastery of Timios Prodromos



## What to Do

Explore the island

Scuba Diving

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Stroll around the island town



# Skyros ■

Located in the crystal blue waters of the Aegean sea, between the island of Evia and those of the Northern Sporades, Skyros is an island where the imagery and landscape is simply stunning, and the colours and scents create a truly special place to enjoy holidays throughout the year. There are many towns, villages and coastal resorts spread out all over the island, each providing their own unique scenery and landscapes - from the lushious and green forests found on the north, to the rocky and dominating mountains found in the south. The beaches of Skyros are famous throughout Greece, the island has some of the most beautiful you will find anywhere in the country. Long soft sandy beaches, where the clear blue waters of the Aegean provide the perfect and most refreshing escape from the hot summer sun. The island is one that has truly been blessed in terms of natural beauty, and visitors to the island always find themselves amazed at finding an island of such charm, magic and inspiring scenery. From the capital town of Chora, to the coastal resorts of Molos, Magazia and many others, Skyros is the perfect combination of land and sea, and a place where one cannot help but to relax and enjoy themselves.





## Best Beaches

Molos Beach

Atsitsa Beach

Agios Fokas Beach

Pefkos Beach

Acherounes Beach

Aspous Beach

Achili Beach

Agios Petros Beach

Kalamitsa Beach

Kareflou Beach

Kyra Panagia Beach

Palamari Beach

Theotokos Beach

Magazia Beach

Cyrismata Beach





## Sightseeing

Byzantine Castle

Monastery of Agios Georgios

Ponies - Skyrian Horses

Church of Agios Nikolaos

Church of Agios Panteleimon

Prehistoric Palamari

Faltaitis Folklore Museum

Archaeological Museum

Grave of Rupert Brooke



## What to Do

Stroll Around the island town

Skyrian Horse Riding

Taste wonderful Mediterranean Cuisine

Visit the Castle

Explore the island

Scuba Diving



# Kyra Panagia ■

The Kyra Panagia Pelagonisi is the largest uninhabited island in the Northern Sporades, with an area of 25 square kilometers. Although today the island is uninhabited, remains of Neolithic settlements have been identified, constituting one of the islands that was colonized from very early (6000 BC), and up to the classical period there was a continuous habitation and it is probable that a whole ancient city was located here, which, according to surveys it is believed that it was ancient Alonissos. During the Byzantine period it was a station for passing ships and they said that a ship wrecked here, although the wreck has not been investigated yet. In 963 AD Saint Athanasios Athonite bought by the Byzantines Island lords to become a dependency of the Monastery of Agia Lavra to supply the monasteries there with foods such as honey, oil, meat and wheat, while at the same time started breeding goats, something that continues until today that the island is leased from the monastery of Agia Lavra to local farmers in order to graze their herds. Southeast of the island is the monastery built in 1100 and its facilities, from which are preserved the old olive press and the old windmill while its location offers a unique view of the surrounding islands. The access to Kyra Panagia can only be done by boat, on one of the two natural harbors of the island, the Planet in the north and Saint Peter in the south. Absolute relaxation and diving in the crystal clear waters, is what Kyra Panagia has to offer to her visitors, while fishing fans are surely going to love her.





# Chalkida ■

The capital of Evia is the beautiful town of Chalkida, which is located on the western side of Central Evia on the Euripus Strait. Chalkida is connected to the mainland via the Chalkida Bridge, making it possible to drive across to the island. Chalkida is a place with immense historic importance and this is highlighted by the famous fortress that stands above overlooking the city. From up here you can enjoy some really amazing views of the town and the surrounding area. There is a lovely promenade that you walk along with the sea next to you. Here you will find a number of cafe bars, restaurants and local shops offering a whole range of items and products. A little further out from the main part of the city you can find some very nice beaches that are ideal for a cool refreshing swim during the hot summer days. Some of the most popular includes the beaches of Rodies, Asteria and Agios Minas. Chalkida is home to a very unique tidal phenomenon that takes place in the waters of the Strait of Euripus - a point between Evia and the mainland. Approximately every six hours, the direction of the waters changes, causing the flow of the tide to reverse. This phenomenon is said to be caused by the pull of the Moon and the Sun to Earth. Even back in ancient times, Aristotle and Eratosthenes had addressed this study. In addition to the lovely beaches you can find around the region there are a number of other very interesting sights and places of interest in and around Chalkida such as the Archaeological Museum of Chalkida, the Folklore Museum and the Tower Siren which is the remains of the Old fortification from WW2.

