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Walking Tourism







Discover Paros beauties, walking

In Paros there is a central paths network of approximately 35 Km.

10 Km route, 3 hours

Lefkes - Lagkada - Aspro Horio - Drios.

This route connects Lefkes with Aspro Horio (initially being Lefkes rural settlement) dominated by Zoodohos Peghe church, and Drios with its water springs and a significant irrigation system providing water for the entire Drios plain as well as the ships hugging the nearby coast.

In addition, there is a safe anchorage, constantly in operation throughout the island's history, with "neosikoi" (ancient shipyards) built in the area.

The trail is almost full length stone paved (indicative of the Parian construction style).

Along the route, there are many houses (traditional cottages), springs and wells. Nature abounds with junipers, gorse, weaver's brooms and, depending on the season, thyme, sage, oregano, rue, transforming the route into a celebration of the senses.



19 Km route, 6 hours

Paroikia - Marathi - Lefkes - Prodromos - Marpissa - Aghios Antonios - Piso Livadi.

This route actually constitutes the island's Byzantine and post-Byzantine road network connecting the capital with both the mountainous villages and the villages located in the south east of the island.

It was used for residents' movements and products transportation to and from Paroikia port, the villages and the Venetian Castle of Kefalos, built on mountain Kefalos dormant volcano.

Along this route there are long, paved

sections (especially between Lefkes and Prodromos), old arch culverts, wells and springs, age-long olive groves, houses, pigeonholes, windmills...in a natural environment full of smells and colors.

The route starts from Livadia beach of Paroikia and then goes past the Elitas' river bed between the planes and the Early Christian church, ascends towards Marathi plateau, and continues past the Ancient Quarries site where in antiquity "Lychnites", the famous Parian marble, was mined producing the best sculptures and works of art back in the ancient Greek and Roman times.



Ai Yiannis Detis Environmental Park walking trails.

Total length: 7 Km

Time required: approximately 2:30 hours.

The park's trail network, with signposting and maps available on the park grounds, proves to be extremely interesting and worthy of a visit. These trails go past the ruins of the Russian fleet constructions. (Orloff period), Aghios Ioannis monastery, the lighthouse on Korakas cape, while they mostly stretch along the coast, through places of distinct natural beauty.



Besides those two trails networks there are also other very interesting local routes.

Paroikia

- Paoikia - Aghii Anarghroi Monastery
- Paroikia - Livadia - Krios Aghios Fokas
- Paroikia - Koukoumavles - Aghios Arsenios Monastery - Petaloudes

Naousa

- From Kolimbithres - Mycenaean Palace Archaeological site in Koukounaries
- From Ambelas - Santa Maria or Ambelas - Molos - Marmara (along the coast)

Kostos

- Kostos - Karavos
- Kostos - Aghia Pakou - Naousa

Lefkes

- Lefkes - Aghia Kiriaki - Agriliies - Afkoulaki - Aghios Gheorghios Lagkadas

Prodromos

- Prodromos - Panaghia Kontiani Monastery

Marmara

- Marmara - Molos - Fanari - Kalogerias

Marpissa

- From Logaras - Pounda - Mesada - Tserdakia - Hrisi Akti - Drios (along the coast)
- From Marpissa - Avkoulaki

Aliki-Agkeria

- Aliki - Agkeria - Aghii Theodoroi Monastery - Aspro Horio

Along all the above mentioned routes, the visitors come across houses, small viable cottages made of stone, plaster, soil, canes, seaweed, which prove that beauty lies in simplicity. There are countless windmills, watermills, draw-wells, wells, cisterns, threshing floors and pigeonholes, the so called "four corners virtue" according to Elytis.

**Virtue and biotope worth coveting
Paros, a charismatic place
Paros equals Paradise**

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