



.....If you have heard murmurs that the sun kissed coast of Paros is dotted with tiny white washed villages and the serene beaches with gold sand are worth a visit, you aren't the only ones.....

Paros of yesterday.....

Paros is one of the “Cyclades”- the cluster of idyllic islands in the Aegean forming a cyclos (circle) around the sacred island of antiquity Delos - the area that has been the cradle of the Greek civilization developed 5.000 years ago. Archaeological, historical and cultural treasures reveal the long and adventurous life of the island through the ages, while it is the snow white Parian marble that gave life to masterpieces of antique sculpture honoured and admired around the world like the Aphrodite of Milos and the Victory of Samothrace (Louvre museum), the Hermes of Praxiteles (Olympia museum) and countless more. The “Byzantine church of Hundred doors” erected in the 4th century ac by the emperor Constantin the Great on the ruins of an ancient temple is a live monument of great importance for the worldwide Christian Orthodox community - it operates normally - , while the numerous monasteries offer architectural interest and breathtaking views.

Paros of today.....

There is no doubt that Paros has nothing in common with nearby Santorini or Mykonos islands; no building overcomes the two floors, no gaudy cruise ships to be seen in the port, no flashy boutiques and restaurants, or even all day extreme party on every beach.. Contrary, Paros is a vibrant island offering discreet luxury combined with high class hospitality culture. It is the place to enjoy elegant living in the intact nature, sculpted beaches and desert islets, rich local mediterranean cuisine, local feasts and religious festivals, day trips by boat to neighbour islands, sea sports like diving, fishing, wind and kite surfing, hiking and horse or bike riding, as well as a private sunset cruise and so more. And when the sun plunges into the sea, it is the time to explore on foot the well preserved old town of Paroikia crowned by the Venetian castle constructed with marble taken from antique temples,, the picturesque vibrant fishers village of Naoussa or the mountain village Lefkes with their winding cobbled streets adorned with crimson bougainvillea and artful residences, the meandering attractive market streets offering a fusion of greek designers' goods and artifacts, international brands as well as art galleries and workshops. Superb dinning options at beach front taverns or at classy restaurants as well as lively nightlife are offered in abundance all around the island.

.....Paros is a delightful tranquil escape for those who are tired of the more conventional getaways in Greece.....



EXPERIENCE AND CULTURE

Yria team will be happy to customize excursions to scenic or cultural attractions and to organize activities for the best experience of the island

Archaeological museum of Paros at Paroikia town is the trustee of the long history of the island. Marble idols, statues belonging to the 5th century BC, relieves, greek mosaics and the significant engraved marble inscription the 'ParioChronico' part of which is kept in the museum of Oxford. Continue the trip to the past with a visit to the Ancient graveyard of great historical interest. Graves from the 8th century BC until the 3rd century AD. One of the most significant findings is a collective grave of the geometric era, the only one found in the Aegean.

Delion In 10 minutes drive from Paroikia and facing the sacred island of the antiquity Delos. In the 5th century BC there was built a place of worship in honour of Apollo. The view of the Cyclades islands all around this hillock is magnificent.

Ancient quarries at Marathi In 15 min. Drive from Paroikia is found the ancient marble quarry which ended operation in the 19th century. The famous marble of Paros was clear and transparent letting the light enter in 3,5 cm depth and was highly demanded by sculptors who worked masterpieces like the Aphrodite of Milos now kept in the museum of Louvre.

Panagia Ekatontapyliani (the hundred doors church) at Paroikia Unique Christian monument, this royal church was built during the 4th century AD by Constantin the Great after his mother Santa Helen wish. The oldest to exist and best maintained marble baptistry is kept here as well as rare Byzantine heirlooms.

Naoussa town A really vivid traditional settlement in the north coast of Paros at a 12 km. distance from Paroikia with the old part of town, a very picturesque fishers' port and Venetian castle. The bay of Kolympithres consists a unique sight of rocks sculptured by nature into amazing shapes. Loggovarda monastery in the area is absolutely worth a visit (only men visitors accepted).

Lefkes village Built in the 16th century it was the old capital, situated in the center of the island in 250 metres altitude and 11 km. distance from Paroikia. A walk in the village reveals marble paved narrow streets and popular architecture neighborhoods. Excellent hiking experience is the 5 km. Byzantine path made of marble one thousand years ago. It connects Lefkes to the village of Prodromos.

Kefalou hill The route from Marpissa village to the monastery of Saint Antonio (17th cent.) on top of the hill, is one of the most interesting hikings in Paros (about half an hour) passing by ruins of Venetian castle.



THE HOTEL

‘Yria boutique hotel’ - the welcoming Cycladic village gracefully nestled in the idyllic setting of Parasporos Bay - derives its name from the ancient history of the island. The all around green property of 22.000 sq.m.- that once upon a time was a fruitful vineyard by the river side - is now consisted of ground and one floor white washed accommodations connected between them as well as with the common use facilities of the hotel with flowery courtyards, patios and meandering paved walkways. Lush fragrant gardens, orchards and colourful flower beds, pergolas with jasmins and crimson bougainvillea create a serene, environment friendly ambience.

LOCATION

“Yria boutique hotel” is located on the west coast of Paros, within ten minutes drive so from the port and the capital Paroikia as from the airport, with easy access to all the must see sights of the island. The landscape crossed by the winter river Parasporos bordering the property, is a fertile valley dotted with vineyards, olive trees, fig trees and grain crops that frame the idyllic sandy beach. The rejuvenating sea breeze mixed with scents of oregano, lavender and thyme from the nearby hills offer a unique experience of relaxation and well being.

ACCOMMODATION

All accommodations offered enjoy air condition, internet connectivity, light contemporary furniture and artwork, cabinet with private bar, safe, book collection, wireless sound system, natural amenities Apivita, bathrobes and slippers.

Superior room: Spacious double rooms located amongst wonderfully landscaped gardens. They measure 28-32m² and feature king size or twin beds, reading chair, writing desk and chair, veranda with sitting giving to fragrant flower beds. Sleeps 2 persons.

Junior suite: equally distributed all over the property, located either at garden level or on first floor. They measure 34-38m² and offer combined sleeping and living area. They feature king size bed or twins, reading chair and side table, writing desk and chair, while some dispose sofa convertible into additional bed on request. They give to shady veranda with sitting and sleeps 2-3 persons.

Maisonette: Two storey accommodations, they offer the ideal choice for families with young children and measure 58-62m². Marble stairs interconnect at the interior two bedrooms, the main bedroom on ground floor and the second on first floor, while independent exterior entrance door offers independency. Each bedroom offers bathroom facilities, balcony and veranda with sitting giving to lush gardens. They feature one king size bed and twins, reading chair, writing desk and chair. Sleeps 4 persons.

Executive Suite: located among lush greenery either at garden level or on first floor with sky terrace, they measure 62-68m². The bedroom features king size bed while the ensuite living area offers sofa and coffee table, lounge chair, writing desk and chair, hand picked artwork and fabrics and bathroom with twin vanities. Shady terrace with sitting accomplish the luxurious accommodation. Sleeps 2 persons, possibility for additional bed on request.



Pool Experience Suite : Accommodation option designed to relax and soothe the body and mind.

The 64-74 m² suites feature a private 8 x 5 m² plunge pool with wooden deck and sunbeds, terrace with seating in a lavish infinite garden offering iconic rose-gold sunsets. They feature seamless open-plan living with an elegant bedroom flowing into the living area and light filled bathroom with twin vanities. Sleeps 2 persons, possibility for additional bed on request.

The Residence: Spectacular views of the Aegean Sea, the pool, the nearby hills and farmlands as well as of the hotel gardens surround this unique hotel home and make it the perfect retreat. Located at the upper level of the main building with private access, the residence measures 146m² with additional 100m² of surrounding terrace. It offers 2 bedrooms for double occupancy each, one with king size bed and the second twin bedded, a spacious airy living room with ensuite dining area and study corner, leather sofas accompanied by lounge chairs, coffee tables and shady outdoor sitting, all meticulously selected to offer the most cozy experience. The private collection of lamps and fabrics complement the marble floor of byzantine technique that reflects the flame of fragrant candles.

SERVICES AND OUTLETS

Library lounge The library lounge housed in the hotel lobby offers a collection of multi lingual books and photo albums on Greek history, culture and arts, as well as novels, magazines and selection of DVDs to borrow.

Nefeli restaurant: Dinning al fresco at the terrace adjacent to the swimming pool. Mediterranean cuisine using mostly house produced vegetables, locally farmed meat and sea food from our sea is offered a la carte accompanied by handpicked domestic and international wines.

Private Candlelit set menu dinner can be enjoyed in the idyllic setting of the Asian style pavilion, while room service is available in the privacy of guest rooms.

Selini bar: Freshly squeezed juices, selection of coffees, refreshing smoothies and a mouthwatering snack menu are offered until sunset at the outdoor terrace lounge and the main pool. The evening light dancing off the sea is celebrated at the cocktail bar with cool cocktails and selected melodies. Live music is performed occasionally.

Astir Spa: The open air Spa Suite focusing on olive oil and its benefits is nestled in the fragrant garden. It offers plunge pool and Jacuzzi finished in midnight blue tiles, while spacious wooden deck connects steam room, rainfall shower, treatment rooms and the Asian style pavilion for relaxation and enjoyment of detoxifying herbal drinks. All products used for the treatments are of the purest ingredients derived from the Mediterranean nature and the flora of the island.

Gym: Selection of fitness equipment and free weights are housed in a quiet setting with undisturbed view.

The Boutique: Positioned at the hotel Lobby, the boutique offers handpicked gifts and artefacts, exclusive Greek designers' jewellery, beach accessories, cosmetics and selection of clothing.