

**Suggested Itinerary** 

- 3 overnights in Athens
- 2 overnights in Nafplio
- 2 overnights Porto Cheli

In Greek mythology, Artemis was often described as the daughter of Zeus and Leto, and the twin sister of Apollo. She was the Hellenic goddess of the hunt, wild animals, wilderness, childbirth, virginity and protector of young girls, bringing and relieving disease in women.



# Sites and Places of Interest in Athens

## **Acropolis of Athens**

The Acropolis, and the Parthenon in particular, is the most characteristic monument of the ancient Greek civilization.

Put the best of science, art and philosophy together in one creation and you have the definitive monument of human civilization.

UNESCO calls it the symbol of World Heritage. The world calls it the Athenian Acropolis!



## National Archaeological Museum of Athens

The National Archaeological Museum of Athens is the largest archaeological museum in Greece and one of the most important museums in the world devoted to ancient Greek art.

Its abundant collections, with more than 11,000 exhibits, provide a panorama of Greek civilization from the beginnings of Prehistory to Late Antiquity.



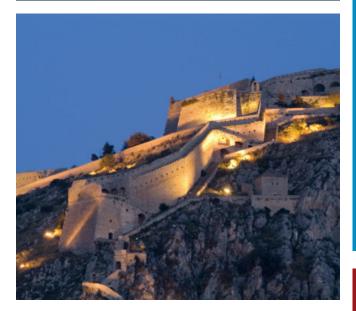
**New Acropolis Museum** 

The new Acropolis Museum has a total area of 25,000 square meters, with exhibition space of over 14,000 square meters, ten times more than that of the old museum on the Hill of the Acropolis.

The Acropolis Museum is an archaeological museum focused on the findings of the archaeological site of the Acropolis of Athens. The museum was built to house every artifact found on the rock and on its feet, from the Greek Bronze Age to Roman and Byzantine Greece. It also lies on the archaeological site of Makrygianni and the ruins of a part of Roman and early Byzantine Athens.



# Sites and Places of Interest in Nafplio



### **Palamidi Castle**

Palamidi Castle proudly stands 216 m above sea level. In order to reach it you have to climb all of its 999 steps carved into the rock. Not to worry, though: the view from above here is totally rewarding! Venture into a place drenched in history, where the famous hero of the Greek Revolution Theodore Kolokotronis had been imprisoned; it seems as if its battlements -named after the renowned ancient heroes Achilles, Fokion, Leonidas, Themistocles, Epaminondas and Miltiades- are still carefully protecting the city. Agios Andreas battlement built at the top of the Castle by Venetian conquerors undoubtedly offers stunning views to the Argolic gulf and the Mycenaean plain.

## Bourtzi

The most photographed spot of Náfplio –and its point of reference as well– is Bourtzi, the Venetian small fortress standing on the rocky islet of Agioi Theodoroi. During the Venetian rule it was connected to Akronafplia through a huge metal chain that secured the port against enemy ship attacks. At the beginning of 1860 in Bourtzi used to live the executioners of Palamidi prisoners. In the summer you can reach the fortress by boatdeparting regularly from the port. If you are lucky enough you may even be able to attend one of the fascinating festivals taking place on the islet!





Sites and Places of Interest near Nafplio



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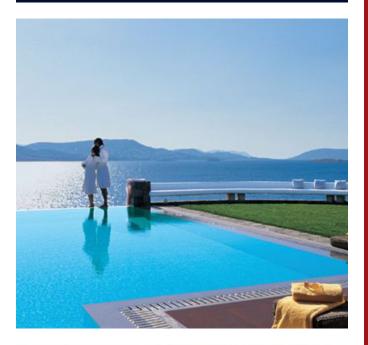
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# Suggested Hotels in Athens







Grand Resort Lagonissi welcomes you to enjoy a seafront paradise, set on a 72-acre verdant peninsula. Boasting twenty exclusive sandy beach coves and lush natural beauty the resort is nestled in a magnificent private peninsula offering breathtaking sunsets and views to inspire.

The resort provides endless choices of luxurious accommodations, all on the waterfront with direct access to sandy beaches or to the sea. Deluxe rooms with stunning sea views, bungalows with private pools, suites with gym quarters and villas with private spa areas, compose the Grand Resort's luxurious scenery. The latest in comfort of technology pervade every single room combined with sleek interiors creating an ambience of residential charm and unparallel beauty

The THALASPA Chenot at the Grand Resort Lagonissi offers a complete range of services for body, mind and spirit. Rediscover the world of natural rules and free yourself from all pressures and tensions through the unique Chenot Method.

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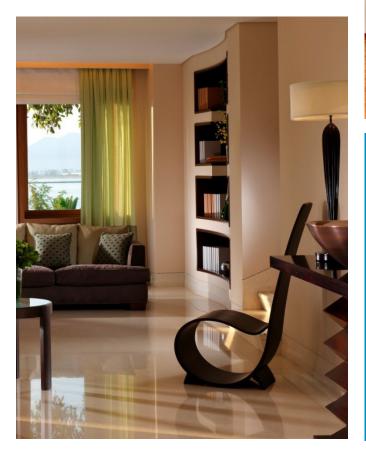


## Suggested Hotels in Nafplio

### **Nafplia Palace Hotel & Villas**

Nafplia Palace is located on the slope of the ancient fortress of Akronafplia. It offers rooms with views of the Argolic Bay and villas and bungalows with private pools. Guests can relax with snacks and drinks at the bar by the swimming pool. They can also enjoy gourmet dishes and local wines at the hotel's Amimoni and Circle restaurants. Syntagma square and the Archaelogical Museum of Nafplion are just a 15 minutes' walk away from Nafplia Palace.

## http://nafpliapalace.gr/







## **Amphitryon Hotel**

Near the castle of Akronafplia and only 400 meters from the town's public beach Arvanitia, Hotel Amphitryon offers stylish rooms with balconies overlooking the Bourtzi. American breakfast is served daily at the hotel's floorto-ceiling windowed room with stunning sea views. The a la carte restaurant Circle serves Mediterranean cuisine. Guests can relax with a drink at the Onyx Bar, or at the library lounge.

http://amphitryon.gr/

## Suggested Hotels Porto Heli

#### AKS Hinitsa Bay 4\*\*\*\*

Featuring a private beach, in Hinitsa of Argolida, the AKS Hinitsa Bay features a free-form pool, a sun terrace with sun loungers and a poolside bar. The 4-star hotel is set amidst well-tended gardens and includes 3 restaurants and a fitness centre. Guests can relax at the sun loungers by the pool or at the beach and enjoy an exotic cocktail from the on-site bars. Gourmet flavours, Mediterranean dishes and a selection of fine wines can also be enjoyed at the hotel's restaurants for lunch or dinner.

http://www.akshotels.com/





