



SPORADES ISLANDS

# ALONISSOS

Tranquil and fertile, an island that treasures its unspoilt beauty and deserted beaches, Alonissos fulfils the escapist's dream.



Agios Dimitrios beach



Steni Vala

Nobody is in a hurry on Alonissos. The island seems to wish only to be enjoyed. In the villages, whitewashed houses and narrow-paved streets almost doze in the sun, whilst the rocky limestone coastline offers perfect shelter for the many secret pebbled beaches and deep caves carved out of the steep cliffs.

Exceptionally rich in sealife, the surrounding waters are part of a Marine Park, protecting the Mediterranean Monk Seal and many rare species of bird. One may even see the occasional dolphin.

Several small islands lie close off-shore, uninhabited except for a few shepherds and many goats, including Gioura, home to 'the cave of the Cyclops'.

Offering stunning views on all sides, walking trails run along the narrow island's backbone, winding through olive groves and almond trees.



# Quaint, mysterious, a step back in time and utterly beautiful

## ALONISSOS OLD TOWN

Of the three islands of the Sporades, Alonissos is the least developed. Until the 1965 earthquake, most of the island's population of 3,000 lived in The Old Town, dating back to Byzantine times, perched on the top of a hill and with dramatic panoramic views across the island and down to the fishing port of Patitiri. Following the earthquake, most of the population moved down to live in Patitiri and the Old Town above was abandoned and virtually fell into ruin.

The Old Town is now largely restored. It is certainly very picturesque and holds particular interest for artists, writers and walkers. The village now has a dozen tavernas, a pizzeria, several cafes and bars and two mini markets. Old Alonissos has one minimarket and a bakery and is linked by bus to Patitiri (up to 10 times a day in high season) and, if one prefers to walk, then it takes about 45 minutes via a goat track. The beach of Megalo Mourtia is about half an hour walk downhill but, be warned, this is a hilly location and not suitable for those with walking difficulties. The island's four taxis are always available for a ride to Patitiri and to the various beaches.

## KALAMAKIA

Kalamakia is a tiny port, half way up the east coast of Alonissos. The port is effectively home for four local families. The wives and daughters look after the four waterfront tavernas and the husbands and sons cast their nets daily from their caiques to ensure a rich selection of fresh fish. Nearest provisions are in Steni Vala, further south along the east coast, a drive of five minutes, where there is a mini market and waterfront tavernas.

## KATO CHORAFI

This is a heavily pine wooded area ideal for walkers and is just below the old town of Alonissos which is set on a hilltop. It is an ideal location, with dramatic views up to the Old Town and also over olive groves to the stretch of sea between Alonissos and Skopelos. Patitiri, the main port of the island is a five minute drive, the shops and tavernas of the old town can be reached on foot via a donkey path in 15 to 20 minutes and by car in 10 minutes. The nearest beach is that at Megalos Mourtiias a ten minute drive away.

## LEFTO YALO BAY

The beautiful sheltered bay of Lefto Yalo is on the island's south east coast. The beach here is uncrowded and one of the most picturesque on the island. Two tavernas are set back from the beach of dazzling white pebbles and crystal clear waters. Patitiri, the island's port is a 15 minute drive south while the pretty fishing port of Steni Vala takes much the same time but due north. For walking enthusiasts there are many interesting trails leading from the bay up to the forested Issiomata (a flat piece of land in Greek) plateau and along the coast towards Steni Vala.

## MEGALI AMMOS

Megali Ammos beach is located 7 km northeast of Patitiri the capital of Alonissos but is in fact on the lesser known west coast of the island. The beach is small, pebbly and with crystal clear water. This is a wilder, unspoilt area, beloved of those wanting to be at one with nature.

# KATIA'S HOUSE

KALAMAKIA • ALONISSOS

Couples seeking a touch of romance on their trip to Greece need look no further than Katia's House. The views alone will get your heart pumping. The villa is perched on a hillside above the charming port town of Kalamakia, so it comes with vistas of the Alonissos coast and the nearby islands of the National Marine Park. Relax in the al fresco dining area at dusk to watch the moon emerge in gold and silver over the island of Peristera.

Then there's Kalamakia itself, a homely port populated by a few friendly local families. A two-minute stroll down to the quay allows you to dine in one of their tavernas, feasting on the fresh fish they land each day.

Katia's house is halfway up the south east coast of Alonissos, making it ideal for exploring the island. The beaches of Glyfa and Agios Dimitrios are both under 10 minutes' drive, while you can hire a boat in Kalamakia for a trip on the water.

- zz Sleeps up to 4
- 🛏 1 bedroom (1D)
- 🛋 1 sofa bed (1D)
- 🚿 1 bathroom
- 🚗 Car hire included
- 🏊 Swimming pool
- ❄ Air conditioning
- Early booking offer



## The setup

### Ground floor

- Sitting room and kitchen
- Shower room

### First floor

- Double bedroom
- Bathroom
- Swimming pool (8m x 5m and depth 1.10m-2.10m)












## PAPAROUNA

KATO CHORAFI • ALONISSOS

Rustic charm meets modern elegance in the exquisitely located Paparouna. This spacious, recently renovated hillside villa packs in everything you could want for a relaxing holiday. Fancy an infinity pool with a spectacular view? Paparouna offers you a swim facing the panorama of Patitiri harbour and neighbouring islands of Ta Dio Adelfia. Need space for several people? Use the separate, fully equipped studio.

The flagstone-paved verandas come with a wood-burning oven, bougainvillea-covered, shaded terraces and comfortable furniture – ideal for al fresco dining. Inside, the spacious rooms come with a combination of antique and contemporary furniture and large picture window, so you never have to tear yourself away from the views.

You can embrace the utter seclusion and privacy of Paparouna, but local amenities are never far away. The shops and cafés of Patitiri and Alonissos Old Town are five minutes' drive.

-  Sleeps up to 6
-  3 bedrooms (1D-2T)
-  3 bathrooms
-  Car hire included
-  Swimming pool
-  Air conditioning
-  WiFi



### The setup

#### Ground floor

- Open-plan living room with dining area, kitchen and utility room
- Twin bedroom with en suite bathroom

#### First floor

- Double bedroom with en suite bathroom

#### Separate studio

- Twin bedroom, sitting area, kitchenette, bathroom
- Swimming pool (10 x 5m and depth 0.75m-2.20m)





View from Paparouna

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## VILLA MANOLIA

KATO CHORAFI • ALONISSOS

Villa Manolia combines traditional Greek architecture with spacious accommodation and complete privacy. This picturesque house, hidden in the hills of southern Alonissos, is modern and exceptionally comfortable.

With three sizeable bedrooms, a large pool and an open-plan ground floor, Villa Manolia is ideal for groups and families seeking space and serenity. You can play in the pool and unwind on the sun loungers with views of rolling hills, olive groves and the distant sea. A traditional, outdoor wood-burning oven and a covered, al fresco dining area create a relaxing, homely atmosphere as the evening arrives.

If you ever feel like leaving this spectacular location behind, Patitiri and the Old Town are both within walking distance, offering an array of tavernas and shops. You can also stroll down to the beach of Megalos Mourtias or go walking in the forests of Kato Chorafi. Look to the skies and you may catch a glimpse of beautiful Eleonora's falcons, gliding on the thermals above you.

-  Sleeps up to 7
-  3 bedrooms (2D-1T)
-  1 Sofa bed (1S)
-  3 bathrooms
-  Car hire included
-  Swimming pool
-  Air conditioning
-  WiFi
-  Early booking offer

### The setup

#### Ground floor

- Open-plan sitting room with dining area, kitchen and utility room
- Double bedroom with balcony
- Bathroom

#### First floor

- Double bedroom with en suite bathroom
- Twin bedroom with en suite bathroom
- Swimming pool (10 x 5m and depth 0.80m-1.85m)





Villa Manolia

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# VILLA AQUILO

MEGALI AMMOS • ALONISSOS

Surrounded by the trees and rolling hills of Alonissos' east coast, Villa Aquilo feels truly hidden. This private, secluded property blends in with the spectacular landscape, using stone and wood to create a natural aesthetic. The lack of nearby towns makes this feel like a true escape.

Embrace this tranquillity and spend your evening on the patio by the pool. You won't hear the noise of civilisation and the stars shine brighter here without any light pollution. In the daytime, stroll down to the nearby pebble beach, which is only five minutes away, and you can swim in crystal-clear water or relax with views of the coastline.

The nearest town may be 20 minutes away by car, but that's the appeal here – you won't want to leave the villa. An open-plan dining room, living area and kitchen creates a sociable space for groups or families. Wooden beams, comfortable modern furniture and a pool terrace will swiftly turn Villa Aquilo into an Alonissos home away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

- zzz Sleeps up to 6
- 🛏 3 bedrooms (2D-1T)
- 🚿 3 bathrooms
- 🚗 Jeep hire included
- 🏊 Swimming pool
- ❄️ Air conditioning
- 📶 WiFi



## The setup

### Ground floor

- Open-plan sitting room with dining and kitchen area
- Double bedroom with en suite bathroom
- Twin bedroom with en suite bathroom

### First floor

- Double bedroom with en suite bathroom
- Swimming pool (9.50m x 5.50m and depth 1.30m)





Villa Aquilo

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# VILLA EOS

KATO CHORAFI • ALONISSOS

Villa Eos is named after the Greek goddess of the dawn; if you make it up to watch the sun rise, you'll understand how this scenically-situated house earned its name. Relax on the villa's spacious balcony and enjoy the first glimpse of the sun inching above the Ta Dio Adelfia islands from a hilltop vantage point.

The spectacular views aren't the only advantage to this location. When you can tear yourself away from this comfortable, modern villa, the charming Old Town is just minutes away, and is home to a range of superb cafés and restaurants.

If you're looking for somewhere to stay with your family, the spacious, adaptable rooms of Villa Eos are the ideal choice. You can even book it alongside the neighbouring Villa Selene for a larger party. Equally, you can book Villa Eos for a romantic retreat, thanks to the beauty of the location and its proximity to nearby Chrisi Milia beach.

-  Sleeps up to 5
-  2 bedrooms (2D)
-  1 sofa bed (1S)
-  2 bathrooms
-  Car hire included
-  Swimming pool
-  Air conditioning
-  WiFi
-  Early booking offer



## The setup

### Ground floor

- Open-plan lounge with kitchen and dining area
- Double bedroom

### First floor

- Double bedroom with en suite bathroom
- L shaped swimming pool (depth 0.35m-1.60m)





View from Villas Eos & Selene

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# VILLA SELENE

KATO CHORAFI • ALONISSOS

Few places are better placed than Villa Selene for experiencing the old-world charm and stunning coastal views of Alonissos. This modern villa comes with comfortable furnishings, space for families and even the option to book with the neighbouring Villa Eos for larger group holidays. An inviting pool and sun loungers facing the sea could tempt you to never leave the exquisite, private grounds of the villa.

Should you want to venture out, however, Villa Selene's idyllic setting on a hillside in the Kato Chorafi forests gives you quick access to walking trails, beaches such as Chrisi Milia, and the charming, café-filled Old Town. The nearby port of Patitiri offers boat hire for a trip around Alonissos' beautiful, coastline.

Villa Selene's namesake, the Greek goddess of the moon, hints at one of the property's most appealing features. Pour yourself a drink and take a seat on the pool terrace as the sun sets, when you will be treated to a stunning moonrise. Watch and relax as the Aegean Sea, the distant Ta Dio Adelfia islands and the picturesque villa all become bathed in a warm, golden light.



- zz Sleeps up to 5
- 🛏 2 bedrooms (1D-1T/D)
- 🛋 1 sofa bed (1S)
- 🚿 2 bathrooms
- 🚗 Car hire included
- 🏊 Swimming pool
- ❄ Air conditioning
- 📶 WiFi
- 📅 Early booking offer

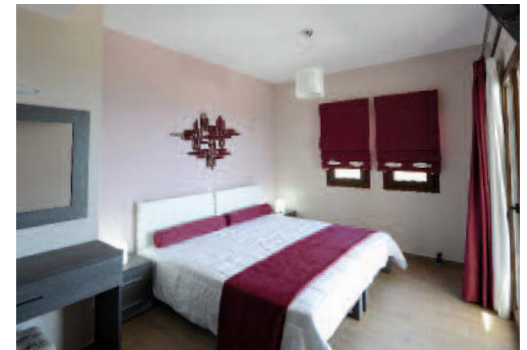
## The setup

### Ground floor

- Open-plan lounge with kitchen and dining area
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom

### First floor

- Twin/double bedroom with en suite bathroom
- L shaped swimming pool (depth 0.35m-1.60m)



# FISHERMAN'S COTTAGE

NEAR KALAMAKIA • ALONISSOS

Get a taste of the old world in the Fisherman's Cottage, an idyllic villa for two on the east coast of Alonissos. There is room in the cottage and a sofa-bed for extra guests, but you might just want to keep the romance of this picturesque destination for the two of you. The clay-tiled cottage is directly next to the coast, and a terrace with comfortable lounge chairs offers uninterrupted views of the Aegean Sea and the island of Peristera.

Stairs lead from the villa straight down to a secluded beach, allowing you to swim at any time. Lie down by the water here and spend your days reading, sun-bathing or watching the occasional fishing boat chug past.

There are charming, welcoming tavernas in the nearby fishing village of Kalamakia, which is five minutes away by car, or in Steni Vala which is 10 minutes away. Or, if you wish, you can cook your own food in the beautifully decorated kitchen. Rustic wooden shelves, a rope chandelier and an open fire give the room a sense of authentic tradition.

- zzz Sleeps up to 3
- 🔑 1 bedroom (1D)
- 🛋️ 1 sofa bed (1S)
- 🚿 1 bathroom
- 🚗 Car hire included
- ❄️ Air conditioning
- 📶 WiFi



## The setup

- Open-plan sitting room with kitchen and dining area
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom