Lefkas

Lefkas, also known as Lefkada, is only just an island. Once joined to the mainland, the Corinthians dug a canal in the 6th century BC. Now a swing-bridge links the two again, which means that on Lefkas you have all the benefits of an island atmosphere together with access to some of the most beautiful parts of western Greece.

The east coast is sheltered, pretty and shingly, with pine and olive trees to the water's edge. There are good views too, across to the mainland or the four Prince's Islets in the strait.

The west coast is very different – rugged and open, with sheer white cliffs towering above an azure sea and fabulous beaches, some only reached by boat. The mountainous interior is delightfully green with many working villages to explore. Some, such as Karia, are known for their traditional crafts (in this case embroidery). All can be easily reached by car. Lefkas is noted for its wine, and an annual festival of folk dancing, held in August.

There is plenty to do on Lefkas. A good excursion programme includes boat trips to the island of Meganissi and around the pretty Prince's Islands just offshore (including well known Skorpios), the famous beach of Porto Katsiki, and (by coach) around-the-island. You can rent a mountain bike, a small motor boat, even a skippered yacht.

They say Aphrodite was born here; Sappho leapt to her death on Lefkas; and one German archaeologist, having uncovered the remnants of a city dating back to 2000 BC, spent the rest of his days trying to prove that Lefkas was the Ithaca of the Odyssey, and that Homer had it wrong all along! For more visible remains it is best to take a car and go to the

Nikiana Nidri

mainland – perhaps to Nikopolis, a vast Roman city only partly excavated just to the north of Preveza; or even to Delphi, although we recommend an overnight

As with all Ionian islands, Lefkas is busy in August. Nevertheless, there are not many Greek islands which have (in effect) direct flights, and yet which have retained their traditions and character to such an extent



LEFKAS INFORMATION

Getting to Lefkas

Sunday flight Gatwick, Birmingham, Bristol or Manchester to Preveza. Then 45-60 mins by coach or taxi. For flight details see page 267.

Multi-Centre Options

With Meganissi, Parga, Sivota, Epirus, Albania, Fly Drive. For multi-centre details see page 8.

Car & Motorboat Hire

See pages 268-9 for details. Motorboats are available for rental from Nidri.

Representative

Based in Nidri, visits all areas.



Our chosen areas

Nidri

Halfway down the east coast of Lefkas, Nidri is the island's most popular resort. Nidri is the best place to be if you want easy access to a wide choice of restaurants, some nightlife, an interesting variety of well-priced boat trips and watersports, and has a broad appeal to a range of ages and nationalities.

Its situation is most attractive, at the head of a sheltered bay with mountains behind and looking towards the islands of Meganissi and Skorpios. Although Nidri is not a large, international-style resort - there are no big hotels for example - in season it is busy and enjoys a lively cosmopolitan atmosphere, especially during the evenings along the length of its colourful harbour front.

To the north Nidri has a long, narrow fineshingle beach from which all manner of watersports are on offer. Small motorboats can be rented for exploration of the nearby islands and coastline. Nidri is also a centre for yachting. The quay is always lively, and the harbour restaurants and cafés are perfect for watching the various comings and goings. In the evenings the atmosphere can be positively cosmopolitan, especially around the traffic-free high street and harbour areas.

For a change of scene, peaceful Meganissi is just 30 minutes by regular ferry, so it is easy to pop over for just a few hours, enough time for a little exploration and leisurely lunch.

Lefkas Town and Agios Ioannis

Lefkas Town on the northern tip has an attractive Greek character and a wide choice of restaurants, smart cafes, lively bars and good shopping. Buses run to most points and there is often something going on (the town is known for its arts and festivals, especially a dance festival in August).

Agios loannis, just to the west of town on the other side of the lagoon, is an area of superb long near-white sand/shingle beaches stretching for some 5 kms. Being so close to town they do get understandably busy at peak times, but are so long you can always find a spot to yourself. There are the usual beach tavernas and bars at various points and often a cooling prevailing wind (the area is known for kite-surfing).

The area is flat and therefore good for cycling along a network of country lanes, and there is also a circuit around the lagoon.

Ligia and Nikiana

Ligia is an excellent choice for those who wish to relax away from the crowds yet make the most of what Lefkas has to offer. A few kilometres south of Lefkas Town, it is a quieter, less commercialised area. Its tavernas by the harbour are well known to locals as the places to come to for a good

Nikiana, a few kilometres further south, has a variety of restaurants and small shops of its own. Again, the harbour tavernas are probably the best place to enjoy freshlycaught fish.

Both Ligia and Nikiana are close to the mainland, and there are lovely views across the straits to the mountains. As everywhere on Lefkas the surroundings are green and wooded. Beaches here are of the small, pebbly, pretty variety, the sea clean and very

This is a particularly good area from which to get out and about – buses will take you to Lefkas Town or to Nidri and nearly all excursions pick up from here. Alternatively, rent a mountain bike.

Recommended for a relaxed, very Greek holiday, with plenty to do should you so wish.

Mikros Yialos

The deep indented bay of Mikros Yialos to the south of Lefkas hides the finest beach on the east coast - a long wide stretch of gleaming white pebble mixed with sand which shelves into the beautifully clear turquoise water. Although the beach is inevitably busy on Greek high days and holidays, most visitors come for the day only as accommodation is still limited here.

Also known as Poros, after the traditional village high on the hillside above, Mikros Yialos is some 20 minutes drive to the south of Nidri, the last 7 kms via a long and winding road which snakes down the wooded mountainside.

Although its setting lends Mikros Yialos a somewhat 'away from it all' atmosphere, especially in the evenings, close to the beach are some five tavernas and a minimarket. Boat hire is available if you wish to explore the stunning coastline here.

A peaceful retreat with a super beach in aloriously scenic surroundings, our hotel here is, we believe, the most exclusive on Lefkas. As Mikros Yialos is secluded, car hire is recommended should you wish to see more of the island.







Palm Trees Hotel Nidri

This super little hotel ticks all the right Sunvil boxes - right on the beach; family-run and friendly; modern, comfortable rooms with brilliant views; yet within a few minutes' walk of Nidri's atmospheric waterfront and a wide enough choice of restaurants, café-bars and shops to satisfy all tastes.

The hotel's 16 rooms are on the first and second (top) floors, served by a lift. Rooms have been completely refurbished (2014) to offer simple smart modern furnishings and fashionably muted decor. All possess twin or double bed (some also have a sofa-bed for a third person), air conditioning, mini-fridge, TV (BBC World), telephone, safety-deposit box (free of charge), updated shower room and generous front covered balcony with retractable sun-blind - the views from here over the gardens to the sea and the scattering of pretty off-shore islands are stunning!

The hotel has three new top floor Junior Suites (2019), reached by stairs up from the 2nd floor lift. These are very high spec units, amongst the best in Nidri, and boast unbeatable views. Further details and prices on request (please note that Early Booking Offers do not apply to these rooms).

The ground floor garden terrace is where a continental breakfast is taken each morning. In the daytime the hotel's snack bar means you can enjoy a drink, an ice cream or a light meal served to you either on the terrace or in the pretty gardens leading onto the beach where sunbeds are available at a local charge.



The family who own and run the hotel (Dina and Nikos) have made many British friends over the years, and so you should not be surprised to read that Palm Trees has built up a very loyal clientele with many regular guests, the highest recommendation of all.

Being directly on the beach and with the benefit of a lift the hotel is very suitable for those with mobility difficulties.

Air-conditioning: payable locally at €5 per day.

Early Booking Offer

Up to £100 off per room per week (max discount £200) for bookings made by 31/1. Conditions apply - see page 267.

The Hotel:

2 Stars Plus Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Free WiFi





Small Boat Hire

Explore Lefkas' beautiful coastline and off-shore islands by small motor-boat. Boats can be booked from Nidri, Nikiana or Ligia. See page 269 for details.







Daglas Studios Nidri

The Daglas Studios are virtually on the beach, being situated just behind our Daglas Beach House. They face a small lane which runs the short 20m down to the beach opposite our Palm Trees Hotel.

The four open-plan studios, for couples only, are all twin-bedded with air-conditioning, hairdryer, TV, safety deposit box, light kitchen facilities (2 rings, fridge) and shower room. An iron and board can be provided on request. Each opens onto a shared, furnished, covered front terrace. The studios have been fully refurbished (2016) and offer a smart, light modern ambience.

Just steps from the beach, and only a few minutes walk (no hills) from the centre and the harbour, the Daglas Studios make a comfortable, well priced and superbly located base from which to make the most of all Nidri's various attractions and. with just 4 steps up, suitable for those with mobility difficulties.

Air-conditioning: Available at a local charge of €5 per day

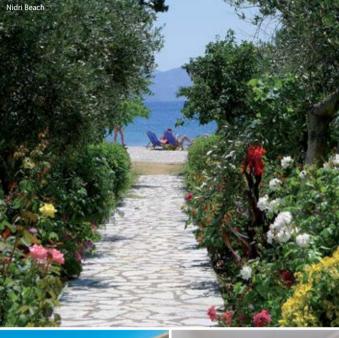


Early Booking Offer

Up to £100 off per studio per week (max discount £200) for bookings made by 31/1. Conditions apply see page 267.

The Studios:

Self Catering Air Conditioning Free WiFi













Daglas Beach House Nidri

Individual houses right on the beach, yet in a central but quiet location close to all resort facilities, are difficult to find so we are very pleased to offer Daglas Beach House. Refurbished and updated in 2018, it is a simple little Greek house, with a typically colourful garden leading directly to the sea.

The house is compact and comprises three air conditioned bedrooms (one double and two twins), a new (2017) large modern shower room with wc and a separate smaller ensuite shower/wc to one of the bedrooms, a separate kitchen with a full cooker, hob and fridge, and a lovely wide covered front terrace above the garden with beautiful views over the sea to pretty Madouri island just off-shore. Facilities include TV, iron and board, hairdryer and safety deposit box (no charge). Four sun beds are provided for terrace, garden or beach use.

A few minutes' walk along the beach brings you to Nidri's attractive bustling harbour front or, via the small lane to one side of the house, to the centre of this small resort where you will find a wide array of restaurants, café-bars and shops. Water sports are also close to hand.

A very sweet comfortable little beach house, in a location which is hard to beat and suitable for those with mobility difficulties as there are just a few steps up to the terrace.

Air-conditioning: Available at a local charge of €8 per day (3 AC units).

The House:

Self Catering Beach House for up to 6 persons Air Conditioning Free WiFi

Orion Suites Nidri

If you are looking for the best in Nidri then the Orion should suit. Directly on the beach, and with a pool to boot, we believe the recently built Suites here offer the highest standards in the village.

The nine Suites are housed in a separate 3-storey building to the rear of the main hotel, with a pretty garden between the two. They are less than a minute's walk from the main road in one direction (5-10 mins to the centre and harbour) and just 50m from the beach in the

The Suites are very spacious, openplan and beautifully furnished in a classic style. All possess double or



twin beds (with space for an extra folding bed), air conditioning, a fridge, tea/coffee-making equipment, a room-safe (€2 a day), hair-dryer, flat-screen TV (BBC World) and a large bathroom, most with a full bath as well as shower.

All too have good balcony space with views over the garden and pool to the sea and off-shore islands or to the mountains behind Nidri.

In front of the main building, where a buffet breakfast is laid out each morning, is the 100 sq m freshwater pool (depth 1m-2m) with snack bar to one side (free Wifi in this area) and decked seating above the beach.

Really top quality, and we think exceptional value for the 4 star standards on offer here.

Air Conditioning: available at a local charge of 5 Euros per day.

The Suites:

Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi













Lefkas Blue

Lefkas Town/Agios Ioannis area

The luxurious Lefkas Blue offers exceptional standards. Its walled garden, hiding a super pool, really is a little natural paradise, yet it is within easy walking (or cycling) distance of town and beach.

Beautiful lawns and gardens front the building which houses eight apartment suites on its ground and first floors. Opulently appointed and very spacious - the minimum size is 50 sq m - each comprises a bedroom with queen sized bed, AC and ceiling fan; living room (also AC) with twin or double sofa-bed; fully equipped kitchen area; walk-in shower; and at least one large covered balcony or terrace with garden or pool views. Facilities include large sat TV, DVD and CD



Agios Ioannis beach

player, safe box, hairdryer, Wifi plus fixed ASDL line and a netbook if required.

Common facilities include the large pool (18m x 8m, depth 0.80m-2.20m), a BBQ and free use of a washing machine and bikes. Although you should not expect hotel levels of service, the owners are always on hand if you need anything.

There is a mini-market 400m distant. Lively Lefkas Town is a short walk away and you will find a good choice of shops, supermarkets, cafes and restaurants within a 15-20 minute stroll (no hills). About the same distance in the other direction is the beautiful beach of Agios Ioannis, backed by tavernas - beaches here stretch for 4 kms. The whole area being flat is excellent for cycling.

The Apartments: Self Catering Apartments for

Air Conditioning Free WiFi

Agnadi Suites near Nikiana

The Agnadi enjoys a blissfully peaceful setting directly on the sea. It offers an exceptionally high standard of accommodation and combines the comfort and atmosphere of a small luxury boutique hotel with the freedom of self catering.

The ten rooms and suites are housed on three floors, and each has individual decor and furnishing. Mostly double-bedded, room facilities include a well equipped kitchen (full cooker, fridge-freezer); air-conditioning; a beautifully tiled shower room (two also have a bath); plasma tv with dvd/cd player; and hairdryer. All have a generous open furnished balcony with lovely country, sea or mountain views; and a couple (front and rear) can interconnect.

There are three open-plan Grand Suites. Two on the top floor have a living area to the front and a balcony front and back (sea view and mountain view respectively). The ground floor Suite (also spacious at 55 sq m) is split level, with a queensized bed downstairs and a large single bed on a sleeping gallery above (open-plan) - plus a large sea facing terrace above the garden.

Hotel facilities include Wifi and use of a PC and printer, DVD library, a safe at reception, a small fitness room, laundry service (at cost), a games room and use of a sauna - spa and massage treatments can be booked. A lawn with sun beds and garden furniture leads to the narrow pebble beach, where beach towels and snorkelling equipment are provided.

Agnadi Suites are ¾ of a mile from Nikiana - there is a bus stop and a bakery nearby, and the hotel provides a grocery shopping service, but car hire is recommended for ease of access.

Early Booking Offer

Reductions apply if booked by 30/4. Please enquire or check online availability for a costing.

The Hotel:

Boutique Aparthotel Self Catering Rooms and Suites for 2/3 for 4/5) Air Conditioning Free WiFi













Nikiana Beach

Eleana Hotel Apartments Nikiana

Eleana offers high modern standards and an excellent location in the village. It is within a minute's walk of the main road, where you will find a choice of restaurants and small shops, and just a couple of minutes' from the beach (150m flat walk).

The 25 units here are housed on three floors, served by a lift. The studios comprise an open-plan bedroom with comfortable twin beds (can be placed together); flatscreen TV with DVD player; hairdryer; safety-deposit box; kitchen area with light cooking facilities (rings) and fridge; Jacuzzi bath, shower and wc; and a wide balcony or sun terrace with views either over the pool or the verdant mountainside to the rear.

The Junior Suites enjoy the same facilities and comprise a double bedroom plus a separate spacious living room containing a double sofa-bed and a guest wc off. The Superior Loft apartment would be good for a family as it comprises a double bedroom/living room down and a twin-bedded sleeping gallery, open-plan, above. An extra bed can be placed downstairs for a child.

The ground floor houses reception, bar (seasonal) and lounge, and the freshwater swimming pool to the front is a good size (13m x 7m, depth 0.9m-1.70m) with a children's section and covered seating area where you can enjoy a hearty buffet breakfast (recommended), a drink or a snack.

Guests are well looked after here. Due to the location and the lift the Eleana is suitable for those with mobility difficulties and a couple of studios are adapted for disabled use

Breakfast supplement: £56 (adults), £32 (child under 12) per week

The Apartments: Self Catering Studios for 2/3 Apartments for 2/4 and up to 5 Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi

Christina Studios Ligia

Christina is a very well kept and run accommodation in the untouristic area of Ligia, just a few miles south of Lefkas Town. It is next door to our well liked Konaki Hotel. Although equipped for light self catering, breakfast is included in the price.

The Comfort studios are behind the pool, spacious and simply but nicely furnished with light fresh decor. All have double bed, light kitchen facilities (2 rings, fridge), TV, AC, room safe (local charge), shower room and covered balcony with pool or very nice garden/mountain

The Superior studios are in a separate building over the road. Fully renovated in winter 2017, these now offer a high (4 star) standard of modern furnishing with new kitchens and walk-in showers. Twin or double bedded, ours are on the sea side of the building away from the road and have garden and country views.

The large 130 sq m swimming pool (depth 0.9m-2.9m) has a children's section and plenty of terrace space for sun beds, as well as a low key pool bar to one side.

There are two tavernas, a minimarket and a good bakery very close by, and a 15 minute walk brings you to Ligia harbour with its popular fish tavernas. The nearest beach (pebble) is 5 minutes away. From the main road outside the hotel there is the bus stop for Lefkas Town (good service), as well as to all points south.

Air Conditioning: Available at an extra charge of €5 per day/€30 per week (payable locally).

Early Booking Offer

Reductions apply to bookings made

The Hotel:

Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi













Konaki Hotel & Studios Ligia

The Konaki is everything we look for in the best Greek hotels, being very well run with good facilities and a relaxed, quietly civilized atmosphere. The hotel is set in 20 acres of beautifully manicured gardens, full of fragrance and colour.

The hotel's 69 rooms are housed in various 2 or 3-storey buildings or in the garden bungalows, small terraced units of four hotel rooms each. All rooms are twin or doublebedded with air-conditioning, WiFi, ceiling fan, mini-fridge, TV (BBC World), hairdryer, room safe (local charge), shower room and a covered balcony or terrace overlooking lawn, gardens or pool.

Some Standard rooms can interconnect for families. Superior rooms are larger with upgraded decor and furnishings - most are double bedded, possess a bathtub with shower above, and enjoy pool

The Studios have the same facilities as the BB rooms with the addition of light kitchen facilities (electric rings). Studios are sold on a 'room only' basis with breakfast available at a local charge, and some also can interconnect.

To the front of the hotel is the large inviting freshwater pool (220 sq. m.) with a children's section and adjacent pool snack bar (good omelettes!). The hotel also has a tennis court (equipment can be provided) and a fitness room (free of charge).

You will find the nearest taverna a 5 minute walk away, 10 minutes to Ligia harbour and 15 minutes to the town beach. For more life it is quick and easy to get into bustling Lefkas Town just a couple of miles up the road by the frequent bus service or taxi. All excursions pick-up from the hotel but, given the surroundings here, we doubt if you will want to move too far away!

A hotel we can thoroughly recommend for a really relaxing holiday.

The Hotel:

Bed & Breakfast Rooms Self Catering Studios Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi

San Nicolas Hotel Mikros Yialos

The exclusive San Nicolas is built directly above the sea in a guiet corner of Mikros Yialos bay. The hotel offers the best of contemporary style, comfort and service in this most beautiful corner of the island. With just 17 large rooms and suites there is plenty of space by the pool, in the gardens and on the decked swimming lido built over the rocks.

The Deluxe double rooms possess stylish muted decor and top quality furnishings with bath or shower. Mod cons include an ADSL internet connection, flat-screen sat tv, minibar and spacious covered balcony boasting lovely views over the bay. The hotel also has a number of larger open-plan Suites with a kingsize bed and one or two extra beds if required. For families a pair of Suites can interconnect, and the Loft Suite is split level with a double bed down and mezzanine sleeping gallery above with 3 beds - this unit has a jacuzzi on its large covered balcony terrace. The 2-room Grand Suite on the top floor has two bathrooms and a private pool.

The fashionably long pool is 18m x 6m with a poolside restaurant operating in the evenings. Steps lead down to the garden bar above the sea which offers light meals, and



below is a decked lido area for sea swimming. Pool (but not beach) towels are provided. Please note that sun beds around the pool are free of charge; sun beds on the decking above the sea are also free subject to making a purchase from the garden bar for 5 euros.

The hotel has three lifts, one extending to the garden level just above the sea. Parents of younger children please be aware that there are a number of unprotected drops in the grounds. Wifi is available in some public areas. A short stroll above the sea brings you to the first of five local tavernas 500m away and Mikros Yialos beach in 10 minutes (800m).

For a peaceful and private stay of no little comfort in some of the loveliest surroundings Lefkas has to offer, we believe you could find no better.

Transfer note: transfers are by coach to Nidri (1 hr) then onward taxi to Mikros Yialos (20 mins). Please ask for a quote for private taxi transfers from the airport.

Early Booking Offer

Reductions apply for stays completed by 14/7 and commencing 25/8 onwards if check online availablity for a

The Hotel:

Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free Internet Connection/WiFi









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Not included: Overnight Stay Tax of 0.50 to 4 per room, apartment or villa per night payable locally – the amount varies according to the category of the accommodation (i.e. most self catering and 1-2 star hotels = 0.50, 5 star hotels = 4).