

Zakynthos

Gentle Zakynthos, also called Zante, lies to the south of Kefalonia and enjoys a superb and temperate climate. Measuring some 19 kms by 38 kms, it is a lush fertile island, given largely to agriculture and an unhurried rural way of life.



Wild and mountainous in the north and west, the contrasting central and southern plain is a delightful mix of shady olive groves, fertile valleys and vineyards. In springtime the hillsides are ablaze with wild flowers, and enormous brightly coloured butterflies can be seen everywhere. The Venetians romantically called the island Il Fiore de Levante ('the flower of the east'), a name which would not be undeserved even today.

The south lays claim to the island's best sandy beaches, many of which lie within the Marine Park set up to protect the nesting grounds of the endangered loggerhead turtle.

Limni Keri is a small seaside village tucked away on the western side of Laganas Bay and enjoys fine views to the island of Marathonissi. The area holds most appeal for families and couples desiring a tranquil, very Greek escape in unspoiled rural surroundings, close to a beach. Its beach is long (albeit narrow), mainly sandy and shelves gently into a safe sheltered sea.

The village has some half-dozen authentic local restaurants, a café and mini-market or two, and a bakery. Backed by a green valley (once a lake, now a nature reserve), with wooded hills to either side, there are some good walking opportunities, perhaps to the traditional village of Keri a

few kilometres inland. Boats will take you to explore the nearby Keri Caves and Marathonissi (Turtle Island), or motorboats may be rented by the hour.

The north of Zakynthos is peaceful and unspoilt, having no established resort areas here once you venture above Alikes. It is an area of rolling green hills (becoming more mountainous to the west), traditional inland villages, and a dramatic coastline hiding shingle beaches, limestone cliffs, arches and sea caves. The sea here is almost impossibly blue.

Boats depart daily from the small port of Agios Nikolaos for the Blue Caves, a must-see. Most then go onto the much-photographed Shipwreck Cove, where you can swim from stunning Navagio beach in view of the aforementioned hulk. Ferries also run to Kefalonia making a day trip easy, but you will need a car. Agios Nikolaos has five tavernas, cafes and a mini-market arranged behind its attractive little beach, and motor boats for hire.

Wherever you stay on Zakynthos we'd recommend the Sunflower Guide to walkers and those with a car.



ZAKYNTHOS INFORMATION

Getting to Zakynthos

Flights on various days of the week from Gatwick, Manchester, Bristol, Birmingham and a wide range of other regional airports - odd durations may be available. Then 30-60 mins. transfer to your accommodation.

Car Hire

See pages 268-9 for details.

Representative

We do not employ our own representative on Zakynthos but offer a limited representational service through our local agents. This will include Meet and Greet at the airport and a visit to your accommodation a day or two after your arrival to check all is well and give resort and island information. They can then be contacted by telephone if required.

Kyprianos Apartments Limni Keri

A short walk from the beach (500m) the Kyprianos Apartments are set in beautifully lush gardens with an attractive swimming pool to one side. A well liked restaurant operated by the same family is next door, very handy for guests who don't want to walk down to the seafront to dine.

The 13 studios and 6 apartments here all possess AC (plus fan), room-safe, shower room, kitchenette with light cooking facilities (2 rings, fridge), TV and a balcony or terrace with very nice views over the gardens or over olive trees and village to the sea. Facilities include a reception and a low key bar to the front which offers breakfast and snacks. Wifi is available here and at the pool area.

The studios are open plan and mostly double bedded. The 1-bedroom apartments have double bedroom and a separate living room with a sofa bed, and the 2 bedroom has an additional bedroom (twin beds).

We must stress that the studios and apartments here are somewhat old fashioned, simply furnished and

with rudimentary kitchen facilities. However, if you don't mind 'no frills' Greek accommodation, the location, gardens and pool are all excellent and, taken together, make the Kyprianos a very good (and well priced) accommodation from which to make the most of this delightful corner of the island.

Air Conditioning: available at a local charge of €5 per day. If the second AC unit is required in the 1BR and 2BR the charge is €8 per day for both.

Early Booking Offer

Reductions apply for bookings made before 31/5. Please enquire or check online for a costing.

The Apartments:

Self Catering
Studios for 2/3
Apartments for 2/5
Swimming Pool
Air Conditioning
Free Wifi



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Blue Sea Cottage Aghios Nikolaos

We considered naming this one Hen's Teeth Cottage, as such a prime location is so rare!

Built on rocks directly above the bluest of seas, with a beautiful sandy cove to one side, this old fisherman's house has been modernised to offer comfortable accommodation for couples and families alike. And no car is necessary - you can walk to tavernas and shops in just a few minutes.

Entrance is into a living room with sofa-bed and traditional fireplace. The kitchen to the rear has a full cooker and fridge. Off the living room there is a double bedroom with en suite bathroom (full bath and shower) and a smaller twin. Upstairs, chalet-style under the eaves, is a spacious double

bedroom with en suite wc and a small sea-facing balcony - views to the islet just off-shore are beautiful!

All bedrooms have AC and other mod cons include WiFi, TV, a washing machine, dishwasher and BBQ.

You can also swim from the rocks below - there are steps down and a ladder into the clear water. There is a handy taverna/cafe next door (set back from the house and low key - it will not disturb) and you will find 3 more tavernas, cafes and a mini-market within a 5 minute walk.

The Cottage: Self Catering
Cottage for 2/6
Air Conditioning
Free WiFi



Beach at Blue Sea Cottage

Rentaki Apartments Limni Keri

These high spec apartments provide top standards. Exceptionally spacious and comfortable, they offer everything you should need for a quality self catering holiday. They stand in quiet wooded surroundings just 250m from the beach and tavernas.

The 1-bedroom apartments on the ground and first floor possess a bedroom with king size bed (some have a single also), separate fully equipped kitchen, living area with double sofa-bed, bath or shower and a huge private veranda to the front with views to the pool and wooded hillside behind. The 2-bedroom apartments are the same with an additional (twin) bedroom. Those on the first floor also share a common terrace to the rear which has views over the countryside to the sea.

Facilities include AC in all bedrooms, sat TV (BBC World), DVD, WiFi, hairdryer, room-safe and mozzie screens. They are richly furnished in a classic style and each apartment has individual decor, paintings etc.

The top floor houses a magnificent 3-bedroom Suite - see our website for details.

The 50 sq m swimming pool in front has steps in (depth 0.70m-1.70m) and a child section. It is less than a 5 minute walk to the beach and Keri's seafront tavernas.

Early Booking Offer
Reductions apply for bookings made by 31/3. Please enquire or check online availability for a costing.

The Apartments: Self Catering Apartments for 2/6 Suite for up to 8 Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi



Limni Keri beach



ZAKYNTHOS		Guide prices per person in £s departing during								
ACCOMMODATION	PERSONS BASIS	Low Season (May - end Jun & mid Sep - Oct)				High Season (early Jul - early Sep)				
		From		To		From		To		
		1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wk	
Blue Sea	3 Bedroom	2 SC	1078	1622	1384	2336	1562	2516	1678	2746
		3 SC	912	1289	1118	1770	1261	1913	1338	2067
		4 SC	831	1126	984	1483	1108	1608	1166	1723
		5 SC	788	1040	908	1320	1021	1433	1067	1526
		6 SC	777	1017	889	1276	996	1382	1034	1459
Kyprianos	Studio	2 SC	758	886	814	1020	842	1056	870	1103
		3 SC	737	843	775	934	794	957	812	989
	1 Bedroom	2 SC	796	964	864	1122	894	1156	913	1190
		3 SC	763	896	808	1001	828	1025	841	1047
	2 Bedroom	2 SC	854	1082	938	1264	961	1298	1000	1366
		3 SC	802	975	858	1096	873	1118	900	1164
		4 SC	762	893	804	984	816	1001	835	1035

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Rentaki	1 Bedroom	2 SC	873	1185	1050	1614	1200	1764	1200	1764
		3 SC	813	1064	954	1407	1088	1540	1088	1540
	2 Bedroom	2 SC	967	1374	1198	2000	1438	2240	1438	2240
		3 SC	835	1109	989	1526	1173	1710	1173	1710
		4 SC	770	976	885	1290	1040	1445	1040	1445
	3 Bedroom	5 SC	762	960	872	1261	1024	1413	1024	1413
		2 SC	1736	2924	2107	3784	2313	3990	2313	3990
		3 SC	1348	2143	1595	2716	1756	2877	1756	2877
		4 SC	1154	1752	1340	2182	1478	2320	1478	2320
		5 SC	1038	1517	1186	1861	1310	1986	1310	1986
	6 SC	960	1361	1084	1648	1199	1763	1199	1763	

Prices shown are indicative only and variable due to offers, changing flight prices and seasonal supplements. Please call or check online for a confirmed costing (note: not all holidays can be checked online). Prices based on Gatwick flights as sourced from Easyjet in November 2018 and are likely to increase as time passes. Prices include transfers or car hire (see text); accommodation as described; and all airport/fuel charges & taxes known at the time of printing - for our surcharge policy see booking conditions at the back of this brochure. To add: regional price supplements, room and board supplements (see text) - single room prices on request. Not all our accommodation is suitable for guests with reduced mobility. Please contact us to answer any questions you may have regarding our properties and to advise their suitability for people with health conditions or impairments.

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).