

Tolon & Nafplion

We have featured Tolon every year since the early days of our Greece programme (1976!), and seen the village grow into a thriving small resort with a very wide appeal. We are not surprised – beach apart, the sheer range of things you can see and do from here is enormous.

We would recommend Tolon in particular to families, parties of mixed ages or interests, first time visitors to Greece, and anyone with even a passing interest in history and archaeology. One thing we can promise is that you will not get

Built around the curve of a sheltered bay, Tolon has a very long sandy beach narrow at the village end, widening out as you walk around the bay - which has a coveted Blue Flag (2018). Water sports are available, small motorboats can be rented, and two pretty islets await exploration a short pedalo ride across the bay. A tempting array of cafés and small restaurants lines the beach – there are more in the village, as well as a sprinkling of bars.

Tolon lies in the heart of the Argolid, the north-eastern corner of the Peloponnese. All about is evidence of a turbulent and fascinating past. This was the arena of city states, whose battles are now legend. From Tolon it is easy to visit ancient Mycenae, Argos, Tyrins, Corinth and the impressive amphitheatre of Epidavros (classical plays performed here during June, July and August our local representative can arrange transportation). All are accessible by organised excursion, hire car or local bus, as is Athens. Boat excursions run regularly to the Saronic isles of Hydra and Spetses.

A ten minute walk over the headland is ancient Assini, from where a fleet was launched against Troy. There can be few, if any, Homeric sites which you can explore, then swim from the beach below followed by a lazy taverna lunch overlooking the bay! The site has recently had major EU funding



and is a must-see - visit our website for further details.

Although busy at weekends and in the high season, largely with Athenians, Tolon has retained its charm and friendliness.

A 25 minute bus ride (buses hourly) takes you to elegant Nafplion. Largely Venetian it is topped by massive fortifications (1,000 steps up!) and adjudged one of the most handsome towns in Greece.

Nafplion was the first capital of the modern nation and the narrow lanes of the old town, its mix of Venetian, Turkish and neoclassical architecture, the busy waterfront, the shaded squares and the many fine tavernas, make this historic town a magnet for Greek and foreign visitors alike.

TOLON & NAFPLION INFORMATION

Getting to Tolon & Nafplion

Sunday flight Gatwick, Manchester or Birmingham to Kalamata. Then 2 hours by coach or shared taxi. For flight details see page 270. We can also arrange odd durations and tailor-made holidays with taxi transfers or car from Kalamata or Athens airport.

Multi-Centre Options

Can combine with any South Peloponnese resort. Tolon should be booked as the first centre. For multicentre information see page 8.

Car & Motorboat Hire

See pages 268-9 for details.

Free Activities from Tolon

2 hrs free motorboat plus free use of bicycles for all Tolon guests. See resort pages.

Representative

Based in Tolon



Things to do from Tolon

There is so much to see and do from Tolon that you may have trouble fitting it all in – at least if you want to leave some time for the beach! Below are some of the options that were available last summer, all of which you can book locally through our resort representative.

Coach trips.

All coaches are fully air-conditioned and escorted. Should numbers be small excursions may operate by minibus or taxi (not escorted).

- Ancient Epidavros, Mycenae & Nafplion (€69)
- Ancient Corinth & Corinth Canal (€65)
- Athens (€70)
- **Epidavros Performance** (Jul/Aug) by taxi
- Winery visit & tasting (€35 Jun-Sep)

Cruises...

Operated by Pegasus Cruises on their fast, modern and comfortable boats.

- Hydra & Spetses (€34)
- Nafplion by Night (€10 high season)

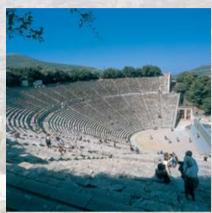
Local options...

- For Sunvil guests only, a popular **Greek Meze Night** (€24)
- **Local Walks** see your Sunvil representative.
- Explore the Homeric site of **Ancient Assini** just over the headland (free).

General excursion notes: Children aged 5-12 reductions of up to 50% (under 5 free); entrance fees are included (reductions apply for over-65s and accredited students in full time education; major credit cards accepted; excursions operate subject to demand; there may be changes to last year's programme.



Corinth Canal



Ancient Epidavros Theatre

Tolon Activities

To help make the most of your stay in Tolon we are offering the following to all Sunvil guests.

Free Motorboat

2 hours free motorboat hire

A very popular activity. Cruise around the bay, down the coast or to the back of Romvi island where there is a beach and crystal clear water for swimming and/or a picnic. Boats are 5.5m with 20hp inboard diesel engines licensed for 6-7 persons. No previous experience is required as basic boat handling instruction will be given.

The 2 hours free boat hire offer applies per party, includes fuel and can be extended locally at an additional charge.

Free use of Bicycles

A communal pool of bicycles for all guests to use free of charge.

We have both adult and child bikes available (frame sizes from 20" to 26").

The area around Tolon is excellent for cycling, being on the whole largely flat with a network of small country roads running through orange and lemon groves.

Bikes are intended for casual daytime use around the local area only - they are not permitted to be ridden to Nafplion for example, as the main road is busy! Any loss or damage to the bicycle is the users responsibility. Locks and helmets are provided; and kiddy-seats are available at a small local charge (note: we do not supply helmets for

small children). There is a small charge for repairs (punctures etc.) and should you need assistance outside Tolon a call-out charge will be made.

Bicycles are subject to availability and fair usage policy - they are not intended for unlimited use. Please book them out via your Sunvil Tolon representative. As there is no charge made, no refunds will be considered for any reason.

We are sure that the provision of these facilities at no additional cost will enhance your overall holiday experience to Tolon.



Watersports available locally

- Waterski (tuition available)
- Windsurfing (tuition available)
- Banana rides
- Ringo rides

There is a dive school in Tolon who also operate popular snorkeling boat trips.

See: www.seabreaze-tolo.gr

Please see your Sunvil representative on arrival for details of any of the above.



Lido Apartments Tolon

Lido is our main accommodation in Tolon. We selected it for its space and excellent location, being in a guiet side street a minute or two's walk from the beach and the street (with no hills to negotiate). To the front, across the side road. the Lido has its own large freshwater swimming pool (depth 1m-1.75m) with poolside furniture. Built around a courtyard in a number of 2storeyed blocks, all units have air- conditioning. The studios are first (top) floor with twin beds, kitchenette (mini-oven, hob, fridge); shower room with wc; and balcony or sun terrace. An iron and ironing board can be supplied on request locally in all units. They can take an extra folding bed for a child with ease.

The 1-bedroomed apartments have a twin bedroom; living room area (again spacious with a twin or double sofa-bed or two single beds). kitchenette (mini-oven, hob, fridge); bathroom with renovated walk-in shower (2018); and balcony or terrace.

The 2-bedroomed apartments are on three levels maisonette style. They comprise an upper ground floor open-plan living room with a twin bedded sleeping gallery above and a cool lower-ground floor twin or triple bedroom (note: quite steep steps). Other facilities are as per the 1-bedroom.

Lido has been a mainstay of our Tolon programme for many years. Although an older property, and typically simply furnished, it offers excellent value, plenty of space (especially good for families) and a quiet location within a very short easy walk of restaurants, shops and beach.



Air-conditioning: Available at a local daily charge of 6 Euros per day (studio and 1 bedroom); 8 Euros per day (2 bedroom).

NOTE: The swimming pool operates from 19 May to 06 Oct.

The Apartments:

Self Catering Studios for 2/3 Apartments for 2/4 and up to 6 Air Conditioning Free WiFi





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.







Ancient Assini bay is just over the headland

Hotel Romyi Tolon

The Romvi occupies a prime beachfront position at the 'old village' end of Tolon, a short walk from the harbour, high street, and cafés and tavernas. It is a typically Greek 'small and friendly' hotel.

The hotel comprises only 14 rooms on its upper two floors (note, no lift). Most are twin-bedded (there is one double on the middle floor) and some can take an extra bed for a child

Sunvil's rooms are directly above the sea and each has a good-sized private balcony terrace from which to enjoy the gorgeous views over the bay and off-shore islands. All ours possess a modernised shower room (2012), individual airconditioning, a fridge and tea/coffee making facilities. They have simple décor and furnishing.

The Family Suite comprises two rooms – one double at the front with sea view, one twin at the rear each with AC and its own balcony (note: unrenovated shower room).

The large covered terrace downstairs houses a good restaurant (try the fish soup!). The terrace provides a welcome escape from the heat of

the day where you can enjoy a drink or an ice-cream in the shade. The hotel provides sun beds and umbrellas free of charge on the beach for its guests.

The warm atmosphere, wonderful views, home cooking and excellent location draw many guests back to this charming little hotel year after

Air-conditioning: available at a local charge of €6 per day 01/6-30/9 – outside this period free of charge, as is breakfast.

Family Suite Note: breakfast and A/C are included – however Early Booking Offers do not apply to this unit.

Early Booking Offer

Up to £100 off per sea view double room per week (max discount £200) Conditions apply - see page 267.

The Hotel

Sea View Rooms (Room Only) Family Suite for Air Conditioning Free WiFi











Beach by Hotel Minoa

Hotel Minoa Tolon

Right on the sea, with a small beach to one side and close to Tolon's fishing harbour, is the Minoa Hotel. Long established, it has built up an excellent reputation and the family who run it ensure a friendly atmosphere.

All 44 rooms have been nicely updated and possess bright, modern decor, AC, sat TV, minifridge, safety deposit box, hairdryer, bathroom with bath or shower, and balcony - front rooms have lovely views to Romvi island opposite. Some front and rear rooms can interconnect, perfect for families.

There are four superb Suites on the third floor and one penthouse suite on the top floor. Open-plan and tastefully furnished, they have double beds (can also sleep a third person on a double sofa-bed) plus tea-making equipment and a walk-in



hydro-massage shower (one is larger with a jacuzzi bath). All have a living area and a large private front sea view balcony with superlative views.

Facilities include a ground floor lounge, restaurant and covered beachside bar to one side, and a lift.

Sunbeds and umbrellas on the beach here are free of charge to hotel quests. Guests may also use the swimming pool of its sister hotel, the King Minos a 5 minute (but steep) walk away.

The Minoa offers not only an excellent location, perhaps the best in the village, but a standard of comfort and facilities above its official category and in our opinion is one of the best run and most comfortable hotels in Tolon.

Due to its location, ramp access for wheelchair users and lift we consider the Minoa to be a good choice for those of limited mobility.

The Hotel:

3 Star Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Use of pool

King Minos Hotel Tolon

Offering a high modern standard of comfort, great views and spacious rooms, King Minos is one of the premier hotels in Tolon.

A five minute walk from the beach near the Minoa Hotel, its position on the hill towards the harbour gives exquisite views, although the steep approach would not be suitable for anyone with walking difficulties. However the hotel does have a private parking area to the rear.

The hotel offers 57 large rooms of various types and contemporary tasteful décor. All have a hydromassage shower or a bath (some jacuzzi) with standard shower attachment, satellite tv, airconditioning, hairdryer, safety deposit box, iron/ironing board and minibar. Sea view rooms enjoy magnificent views over the bay from their large marble-tiled balcony. Some sea view rooms interconnect with a mountain view room – perfect for families with older children or different generations.

Family Suites have side sea or mountain views from the balcony, and are good for families as they can sleep up to four in two rooms with

two full sized sofa-beds in the second room (note: one is open-plan).

The 5th (top) floor houses the new Superior Suites. Large, modern and stylishly decorated, in addition to the room facilities listed above all have hydro-massage bath with shower, a sofa bed (either a double or two singles), sitting area and panoramic sea views from their large sun-terrace, which is furnished with wicker sun-loungers.

The ground floor is given over to an elegantly furnished lounge, bar and restaurant. The hotel offers complimentary WiFi, a fitness room and a sauna (local charge).

To the front is the large freshwater swimming pool with attendant pool bar (high season) and again stunning views over the village, bay, islands and mountainous coastline.

The Hotel:

3 Star Superior Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi













Stella Apartments Tolon

The highly recommended Stella Apartments occupy a prime beachfront location. They offer excellent modern standards and we consider them to be amongst the pick of Tolon's accommodation.

There are four maisonettes on the ground floor. Each boasts a spacious open sun terrace (shaded by a large sun-umbrella) with full sea views which leads directly down, via a few steps, onto the beach. Open-plan, each comprises a living room with a well equipped kitchen area (minioven, rings and fridge) and one or two sofa-beds for children or young adults, a tiled shower room and steep stairs up to a sleeping gallery above with twin beds (can be placed together) and sea views.

The spacious studios are housed on the second floor (there is no lift). Also twin-bedded they have an open-plan kitchen area, shower/wc and a good-sized private balcony with a retractable sunblind. Our studios are directly sea-facing and boast panoramic views over the bay and islands

Fixtures and fittings are of top quality, and furnishings tasteful and modern. All units have a hairdryer and an iron and ironing board available on request from reception. In the courtyard is a stock of sun beds which guests are welcome to use free of charge on the beach immediately to the front.

Air-conditioning: Available at a local daily charge of €6 (studio); €8 (maisonette).

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 Apartments:

Self Catering Studios for 2/3 Maisonettes for Air Conditioning Free WiFi

Arethusa Hotel Apartments Tolon

The Arethusa's location, on the hillside towards the harbour end of Tolon, affords fine views over the village and bay.

The 18 ground and first floor studios here are built in pairs, stepped back for privacy. All possess double or twin beds (some have bunk-beds too for smaller children), AC, free WiFi, TV (with BBC World), 2-ring kitchenette (suitable for light cooking only), fridge, room-safe, hairdryer, walk-in shower and goodsized covered front sea view terrace.

The pool to the front is 86 sq m (depth 1m-2m) and has a children's section. The surrounding pool terrace has sun-beds and shade, and there is a poolside cafe-bar serving breakfast, snacks, light meals

The 4-5 minute walk up from the beach and main street is steep in parts, so unsuited to anyone with walking difficulties unless a car is hired (there is parking).

The friendly service and hospitality you will encounter here is typical of the best family-run small Greek hotels.

The Apartments: Self Catering Studios for 2/4 Family Units for 4/6 Air Conditioning Swimming Pool Free WiFi











Ancient Epidavros, near Tolon and Nafplion

TOLON Guide prices per person in £s departing during										
ACCOMMODATION					Season		High Season			
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	PERSONS	ω	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wk
Arethusa Studio	2	SC	782	942	896	1102	923	1168	963	1208
	3	SC	769	917	870	1049	897	1102	923	1129
King MinosStandard Mountain View	2	BB	873	1142	973	1272	1003	1316	1018	1351
Standard Sea View	2	BB	914	1224	1016	1358	1046	1402	1060	1437
Suite Mountain View	2	BB	987	1372	1086	1496	1114	1532	1122	1550
	3	BB	864	1123	952	1228	980	1261	985	1273
	4	BB	810	1015	893	1111	921	1142	925	115
Suite Side Sea View	2	BB	1007	1413	1107	1540	1136	1578	1145	159
	3	BB	877	1150	966	1257	994	1291	1000	130
	4	BB	820	1035	906	1136	934	1168	938	117
Suite Front Sea View	2	BB	1112	1627	1244	1818	1278	1854	1280	185
Lido Studio	2	SC	758	866	839	958	902	1006	902	100
	3	SC	721	790	797	873	856	914	856	914
1 Bedroom	2	SC	796	942	881	1042	967	1117	967	111
	3	SC	746	841	825	929	906	995	906	99
	4	SC	720	790	796	873	875	934	875	93
2 Bedroom	2	SC	833	1019	924	1126	1013	1208	1013	120
	3	SC	771	892	853	986	937	1056	937	105
	4	SC	739	828	818	915	898	980	898	980
	5	SC	721	790	796	873	875	934	875	93
	6	SC	708	765	782	844	860	903	860	903
Minoa Standard Mountain View	2	BB	841	1076	920	1163	947	1210	967	125
Standard Sea View	2	BB	878	1150	958	1240	986	1288	1006	133
Grand Suite	2	BB	1084	1570	1178	1678	1204	1748	1247	184
	3	BB	956	1309	1042	1407	1069	1462	1097	152
Suite	2	BB	999	1396	1088	1498	1114	1564	1153	165
	3	BB	899	1194	982	1286	1009	1339	1034	139
Top Floor Suite	2	BB	1086	1574	1180	1683	1207	1752	1248	184
	3	BB	957	1312	1043	1410	1070	1464	1098	152

ACCOMMODATION		PERSONS BASIS		Low Season (May - early Jul & mid Sep - Oct) From To				High Season (mid Jul – early Sep) From To			
		PE	BA	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wk
Romvi	Standard Sea View	2	RO	735	864	816	956	880	1005	880	1005
	Family Suite	2	BB	856	1110	953	1279	1065	1426	1065	1426
		3	BB	777	949	863	1083	947	1190	947	1190
		4	BB	737	868	818	985	888	1072	888	1072
		5	BB	729	852	810	963	872	1041	872	1041
Stella	Studio	2	SC	774	898	856	993	920	1044	920	1044
		3	SC	731	812	808	897	868	940	868	940
	Maisonette	2	SC	816	985	904	1089	992	1168	992	1168
		3	SC	760	869	840	961	923	1029	923	1029
		4	SC	731	811	808	896	888	959	888	959

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Nafplion

Latini Hotel Nafplion

The historic small town of Nafplion, recognised as one of the most beautiful in mainland Greece, has become increasingly fashionable in recent years. So we are pleased to offer the Latini, which combines a prime location in the old town with good value for Nafplion.

Renovated from an old townhouse, the Latini is just one street back from the harbour, where there is free parking. It overlooks a small square and is next door to a lovely Venetian church. Within a minute or two's walk you will find a wide choice of shops, restaurants and cafes.

The eight rooms on the first and second floors are for couples only and accessed by a narrow staircase (please note there is no lift). Each room possesses a twin or double bed, shower, small balcony, air conditioning, a hairdryer, TV and fridge (except the single). A pair of interconnecting rooms offers good value for 3 adults or a family with two smaller children – please enquire.

The third (top) floor houses the suite. Under the angled wooden ceiling, this cosy and very private unit is light, spacious and open plan. It has twin beds (can be a double), a sitting area with two sofa-beds for children, a full bathroom and an open roof balcony with sea and old town views.

We must stress that the Latini is a no frills 'small and friendly' B&B in a very good central location. Breakfast is continental and the reception operates limited hours. It makes for a simple, comfortable and well priced base from which to explore all the delights of this beautiful old town. We have access to a range of higher category hotels which we are happy to price on request.

The Hotel:

3 Star Guesthouse Bed & Breakfast Air Conditioning Free WiFi







NAFPLION ACCOMMODATION		SONS	ASIS		Guide prices in £'s per person Low Season High St (May - early July & mid Sep - Oct) (mid Jul - e							
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		-	BB BB	796 776	1009 968	874 853	1093 1051	901 880	1120 1078	901 880	1120 1078	

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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).