



Skopelos

Skopelos is a lovely, much underrated island, and a rewarding one to discover. Still very much a working island, it has a more 'Greek' flavour than its glamorous neighbour Skiathos, and a slower pace of life. Strong traditions and considerable beauty, combined with its delightful town and relaxed atmosphere, make Skopelos an island to savour.



Skopelos is the largest of our featured islands in the Sporades group. Limited development means that the island remains beautifully green and wooded, with pine, oak and plane trees hiding some fine beaches along the sheltered west coast.

Skopelos Town is one of the most characterful island ports in Greece. Strict building and preservation orders have kept it colourful, clean and neat with narrow, climbing streets, countless tiny chapels (over one hundred in all!), and houses linked by bridges in the special architecture of the Sporades. Mulberry trees line the waterfront and shade numerous cafés and restaurants. Skopelos Town also has some good quality shops selling local crafts.

As well as offering a really relaxing holiday in friendly and attractive surroundings, Skopelos affords excellent walking, maybe taking in a monastery or two (the countryside is dotted with historic churches and

monasteries, three of which are still inhabited). There is, too, the unexcavated grave of a Cretan King of Minoan times overlooking Stafylos Bay.

Alternatively, rent a mountain bike – ideal for exploring and getting off the beaten track - or try your hand at sea kayaking from Elios. An enjoyable day out can also be had by boat to the National Marine Park in nearby Alonissos.

There are some very good beaches to choose from, most of them on the sheltered west coast and easily reached from Skopelos Town by bus or hire car. They range from tiny secluded coves (generally shingle) to long stretches of white pebbles or sand/shingle, such as popular Stafylos Bay 4 kms. from the port, or Kastani with its fashionably chilled beach club. The sea is sparklingly clear, the swimming excellent.



Limnonari Bay

SKOPELOS INFORMATION

Getting to Skopelos

Friday flight Gatwick or Manchester to Skiathos (note: inbound flight to Gatwick operates via Volos) – for flight details see page 270. Other regional flights may be available, please enquire. Then 60-75 mins. by charter boat or scheduled ferry. Please note, there may be some waiting time at the port. However we anticipate that the charter boat which has operated for most of the 2018 and 2019 seasons to the port of Agnondas on Skopelos will operate again in 2020, which significantly shortens any wait. On the return journey this boat departs Agnondas at 09.00 am.

Multi-Centre Options

With Skiathos and Alonissos.

Car Hire

See page 268-9 for details.

Representative

Based in Skopelos Town - visits all areas.

Skopelos Guide Book

We recommend 'An Insider's Guide to Skopelos' by Maria Broadley which can be purchased from Amazon or on the island.

Aeolos Hotel Skopelos Town

The Aeolos is our favoured town hotel and occupies a super location facing Skopelos Town, an easy 600m level walk above the sea around the bay.

Its 63 comfortable rooms are simply but tastefully furnished and air conditioned with TV (BBC World), fridge, hair-dryer, modern tiled shower room, room safe (€2 per day) and balcony, most with lovely sea and town views. Rooms are mainly twin-bedded and most can take an extra folding bed for a child. Wifi is available in public areas and charged at €8 per week.

The hotel has a lift, lounge, bar and breakfast room (complete with

ancient olive tree). The large freshwater swimming pool measures 13m x 7m (depth 1m-1.80m) and is on an expansive raised terrace to the front, which also has a pool snack-bar and a separate children's pool.

A stay here would be ideal for those wanting a comfortable stay with modern facilities, fine views and only a short walk (no hills!) from all the attractions of Skopelos port.

The Hotel: 3 Star
Bed & Breakfast

Air Conditioning
Swimming Pool
WiFi



Skopelos Harbour



Maistros Apartments Skopelos Town

Situated 800m from Skopelos Town's attractive waterfront - a pleasant 10 minute walk above the sea - these new apartments are beautifully appointed and have the benefit of fine views.

The maisonettes possess a ground floor double bedroom, a comfortable air conditioned living room with double sofa-bed for an adult or two children, a kitchen area with full cooker, TV, safety deposit box, and modern bathroom with full bath and shower attachment. Above, and open-plan to the living room, is a mezzanine sleeping gallery with twin beds. The living room opens onto a large sea-facing balcony affording lovely views over rooftops to the sea, harbour, town and mountains behind.

To the front below is the large freshwater pool. Steps within the hotel may make it unsuitable for those with mobility difficulties.

A stay here would suit those looking for a good quality self catering holiday, fine views, a lovely pool area (generally quiet) and easy access to Skopelos Town.

Early Booking Offer

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

The Apartments: 2/6
Self Catering
Maisonettes for

Air Conditioning
Swimming Pool
Free WiFi

Thea's Home Skopelos Town

Thea's Home has a crow's nest position at the top of the town yet with access to the harbour (7 minutes down, 10 back) via a fair few steps and the narrow old town lanes. Sunvil's rooms offer fabulous town and sea views, and an exceptionally high standard.

The studios are spacious, modern and light. Each one has a double bed (can be separated into twins), plus a sofa-bed for a child, and is furnished with TV, a kitchen area with mini-oven, two rings and fridge, air-con, an iron and board, ceiling fan and mozzie-screened windows. A good sized shower room and a generous covered sea facing balcony completes the picture.

The apartments on the upper floors are exceptionally well equipped as, in addition to the studio facilities above, each has a spacious lounge with fitted kitchen (full cooker, fridge-freezer), a washing machine and a double sofa-bed. The double bedroom has a ceiling fan. Outside, the large covered sea view balcony has seating and a table.

Beside reception is a delightful terrace with shade, seating and spectacular views where breakfast

can be taken. Below is a freshwater pool measuring 7.5m x 3.5m (depth 0.60m-1.80m).

Due to the hillside location and number of steps within the property we would not recommend it to those with mobility difficulties.

Breakfast: during the period 3/7-28/8 breakfast is included in the price - outside these dates it is available at a local charge of 5 euros.

The Apartments:

Self Catering and Bed & Breakfast Studios for 2/3

Apartments for 2/4
Swimming Pool
Free WiFi



Glifoneri Beach near Skopelos Town



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Glifoneri enjoys a lovely, secluded position close to the beach and has terrific views; as a hideaway, tucked away between town and beach, it is hard to beat.

Located behind the top road at the back of Skopelos town, it is one of a handful of properties on the way down to Glifoneri Beach, just a 4-5 minute walk down the hill.

Steps lead up from the narrow road onto a large split-level sea-facing terrace, which has a BBQ. There is loads of space to sunbathe in the paved front garden (sun beds and umbrella are provided) or simply to sit and admire the stunning views over the sea to Alonissos.

Glifoneri had a makeover in 2018 and is now decorated in a light fresh style whilst preserving its traditional flavour. It has a large L-shaped living/dining room a sofa-bed, TV, and a separate kitchen area (full cooker, microwave, fridge) The bedroom has air conditioning, a double bed and ensuite shower/wc.

A new apartment built above, slightly set back on the first floor, should not disturb as it has a separate path and entrance to one side.

The nearest taverna is only a 2 minute walk (note: seasonal) and there is another by the beach (5 mins.). It is a 10-15 minute walk to the top of the Old Town (steep in parts so car hire is recommended for the less than super-fit!) from where a 15 minute walk through the narrow lanes brings you to the harbour. The nearest shops are in town - a taxi back costs c 9 euros.

Glifoneri is an understandably popular property; cool, spacious, surrounded by flowers and enjoying lovely views.

The Apartment:
Self Catering

Apartment for 2/3
Air Conditioning
Free WiFi

Juno Cottage Skopelos Town

Set within a private walled courtyard on the outskirts of Skopelos Town, this quaint little house offers a sense of peace and seclusion.

Through the use of stylish high quality furnishings throughout, and with tall wooden ceilings and a large patio garden, the owners have created a delightful property, a perfect choice for couples looking for a relaxing escape yet close to all the attractions of this pretty port.

Juno is all on one level and comprises an open plan living room with fully equipped kitchenette; a

double bedroom with doors to the garden; and a bathroom with shower. Amenities include air conditioning, TV, washing machine, dishwasher, WiFi and sunbeds in the private pergola-shaded courtyard.

Juno Cottage guests may also use the swimming pool at the nearby Dionysos Hotel, subject to the usual courtesy of purchasing a drink or snack from the bar.

A short 350m stroll through the narrow streets down the hill (nothing very steep) brings you to the harbour in just 5 minutes where you can choose from a tempting array of waterfront cafes and restaurants.

For larger parties we have a couple of 3 bedroom villas nearby with pools which can combine with Juno – please enquire.



Skopelos town

The Cottage: 1 Bedroom
Self Catering Cottage for 2
Air Conditioning
Free WiFi



Delphi Hotel Apartments Elios

With beautiful mature gardens to the front and forested hills to the rear, Delphi Hotel Apartments are surrounded by a sea of green. The hotel is on the edge of the village of Elios halfway up Skopelos' sheltered western coast, and close to some of the island's best beaches.

It is a mix of studios and apartments built around the garden and large freshwater swimming pool, which has a child section and a poolside snack bar.

Studios are twin or double and have light cooking facilities (rings, fridge), AC, bath or shower, and a balcony with garden, pool or partial sea views. The apartments are similar with the addition of a living room

with 2 sofa-beds for children, a bath and a mini-oven. Some are maisonette-style on two floors.

Elios village has seven tavernas, a mini-market, ATM and a small harbour/marina flanked by two shingle beaches - the first is only a 5 minute walk, but beyond it is lovely Hovolo (10-15 minutes, no facilities). The quaint hilltop village of Glossa is but a 15 minute car or bus ride away and the popular beaches of Milia and Kastani are even closer.

Early Booking Offer

Reductions apply for stays completed by 10/7 and commencing 21/8 onwards for bookings made by 30/4.



Kastani beach

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

Alkistis Hotel Apartments Near Skopelos Town

The Alkistis enjoys a beautifully rural setting, about 2 kms walk from Skopelos Town - very frequently served by the hotel's courtesy minibus (up to seven times daily - last return 11pm) - and halfway to Stafilos Beach.

Guests receive hotel levels of service (6 x weekly cleaning, regular linen changes, pool towels) combined with the freedom of self catering - furnishings are traditional in style. The hotel is known for its particularly friendly service.

There are only 25 studios and apartments housed in three separate 2-storey buildings to the rear of the grounds. The studios are spacious and all contain a double or twin beds, kitchenette with mini-oven, rings and fridge, safety deposit box, bath or shower, hairdryer, TV,

DVD player, and a large patio or balcony over the gardens.

The apartments are similar with the addition of a separate living room containing two full-sized extra beds. All possess air conditioning and standards of comfort are high. Some on the ground floor have been disabled adapted.

The accommodation is quietly located in extensive gardens amongst olive trees, away from the pool, bar and taverna areas at the front. It boasts an enormous 350 sq.m freshwater pool (with a swim-up bar), a children's section, and a restaurant open for breakfast, lunch and (in season) dinner.

You will find a very handy supermarket just a 3 minute walk away.

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The Apartments:

Self Catering
Studios for 2/3
Apartments for 2/4

Air Conditioning
Swimming Pool
Free WiFi



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Guide prices per person in £s departing during

ACCOMMODATION	PERSONS BASIS	Low Season (May - early Jul & mid Sep - Oct)				High Season (mid Jul - early Sep)				
		From		To		From		To		
		1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wk	
Aeolos Standard Sea View	2 BB	835	963	923	1249	1052	1383	1081	1412	
	3 BB	816	925	891	1143	977	1232	1005	1260	
Alkistis Hotel Apartments Studio	2 SC	868	1078	961	1291	1069	1405	1098	1434	
	3 SC	827	976	907	1152	983	1231	1011	1258	
	1 Bedroom	2 SC	897	1146	1021	1473	1191	1649	1222	1680
		3 SC	853	1036	942	1259	1056	1377	1085	1406
4 SC	822	960	893	1133	978	1221	1006	1249		
	Delphi Hotel Apartments	Pool View Studio	2 SC	848	976	928	1177	989	1242	1016
Sea View Studio		2 SC	848	976	908	1157	989	1242	1016	1270
1 Bedroom		2 SC	889	1058	949	1238	1029	1323	1058	1352
		3 SC	862	1003	907	1130	961	1187	989	1215
4 SC		828	936	867	1035	907	1079	934	1105	
		Maisonette	2 SC	909	1098	969	1279	1049	1364	1078
3 SC	875		1030	921	1157	975	1214	1002	1242	
4 SC	858		996	897	1096	937	1139	964	1166	
Glifoneri 1 Bedroom	2 SC		1032	1314	1061	1352	1061	1369	1127	1436
	3 SC	935	1120	960	1152	960	1164	1021	1224	
Juno Cottage 1 Bedroom	2 SC	960	1290	1043	1337	1043	1421	1151	1530	
	3 SC	885	1107	946	1145	946	1201	1027	1282	

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Maistros Apartments Maisonette	2 SC	909	1098	1110	1481	1110	1487	1140	1516	
	3 SC	875	1030	1015	1292	1015	1296	1043	1324	
	4 SC	858	996	968	1197	968	1201	995	1228	
	5 SC	848	976	940	1141	940	1144	967	1171	
Thea Home Apartments Studio	2 SC	909	1098	1089	1440	1089	1445	1119	1475	
	3 SC	876	1032	1003	1266	1003	1270	1030	1298	
	1 Bedroom	2 SC	970	1219	1243	1747	1243	1755	1275	1787
		3 SC	916	1113	1105	1471	1105	1476	1134	1506
4 SC	890	1060	1036	1333	1036	1337	1064	1365		

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