

# 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.

A few kms. to the south brings you to Mikro Nisi, a delightfully peaceful little cove with a pair of tavernas above, and then to Makris Gialos, the most popular beach of the area. Inland the hill villages show the traditional side to Zakynthos and are a delight to wander around, Volimes being the largest.

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

## ZAKYNTHOS INFORMATION

### Getting to Zakynthos

A wide range of 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 are represented by our local agents who will meet and greet you at the airport and visit in resort during your stay.



## 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 (€10 per week), 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 (€6) 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).

Furnishings are simple and comfortable, and decor cheerful.

**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



Limni Keri beach



Limni Keri



## 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.

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Reductions apply for bookings made by 28/2 and 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



## 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

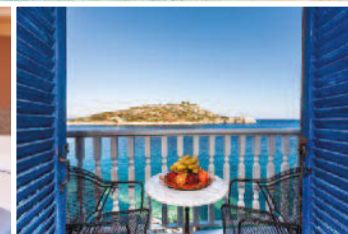
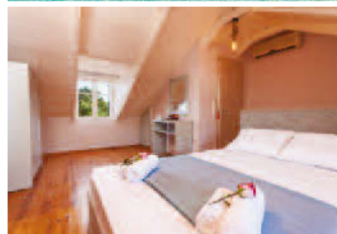
the islet just off-shore are beautiful!

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

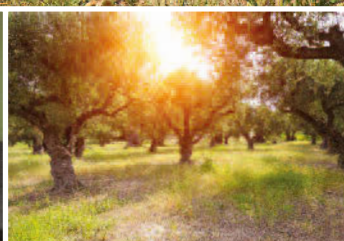
You can also swim from the rocks below - there are steps down and a ladder into the clear water. There is a handy taverna/cafe next door (set back from the house and low key - it will not disturb) and you will find 3 more tavernas, cafes and a mini-market within a 5 minute walk.

**Note:** Bookings for Blue Sea Cottage should be made from Saturday or Sunday.

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



Psarou beach



## Blue Lagoon Studios Psarou

In the heart of the quiet country area halfway up Zakynthos' east coast, this newly refurbished studio accommodation is just 100m from the sandy beach of Psarou, one of the best in this area.

The studios are on the upper ground or first floor. Studios are twin bedded (flush together so easy to become a double on request) with light cooking facilities (2 rings, fridge), shower room (unrenovated) and large covered sea facing balcony with good privacy and fine views to Kefalonia. Amenities include AC, Wifi, TV and room safe, all included in the price. Decor and furnishings are modern and attractive.

A minute's walk brings you to the beach, which has a taverna above. Another taverna and a mini-market are just a minute or two's walk away

in the other direction, and others can be found in the area.

This is a lovely part of the island - quiet, countrified and full of olive trees. A network of narrow shaded lanes makes it ideal for gentle walking or cycling (bicycle hire is available from the resort of Alikanas 4 kms away) and other small beaches can be easily found.

**Early Booking Offer**  
Reductions apply to bookings made before 31/3 (all dates).

The Studios: Self Catering  
Studios for 2/3  
Air Conditioning  
Free WiFi

ZAKYNTHOS		Guide prices in £'s per person						
ACCOMMODATION	PERSONS BASIS	May/Oct		Jun/Sep		Jul/Aug		
		1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	1 Wk	2 Wks	
Blue Lagoon	2 SC	566	689	663	829	827	1072	
	3 SC	527	611	608	722	747	913	
Blue Sea	3 Bedroom	2 SC	883	1349	1329	2037	1458	2294
		3 SC	767	1079	1095	1570	1194	1753
		4 SC	697	934	966	1324	1049	1472
		5 SC	673	865	908	1196	982	1321
		6 SC	650	811	860	1102	928	1212
Kyprianos	Studio	2 SC	622	763	782	963	842	1052
		3 SC	603	719	741	883	793	956
	1 Bedroom	2 SC	662	857	803	1008	913	1197
		3 SC	630	782	755	914	842	1053
	2 Bedroom	2 SC	730	996	895	1190	999	1365
		3 SC	677	875	817	1036	898	1165
		4 SC	634	785	762	928	833	1035

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Rentaki	1 Bedroom	2 SC	812	1170	959	1327	1104	1576
		3 SC	751	1040	888	1183	1011	1390
	2 Bedroom	4 SC	711	964	865	1136	1002	1379
		5 SC	703	946	854	1115	988	1351
		6 SC	697	934	847	1101	978	1331
	3 Bedroom	6 SC	893	1353	1071	1551	1206	1783
		7 SC	904	1377	1086	1579	1221	1816
		8 SC	912	1395	1096	1598	1233	1840

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 2017 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).**