

CHIOS ISLAND

The paradise of tourists



Chios is the fifth largest of the Greek Islands, situated in the northern Aegean Sea. The island is separated from Turkey by the Chios Strait. Chios is notable for its exports of mastic gum and its nickname is "the Mastic Island".

To make the most of your stay in Chios, you must keep the following in mind:

➤ **Where to stay**

In Chios there are a lot of 5 stars hotels such as Golden Sand Hotel, Grecian Castle hotel and Erytha hotel.

They have beautiful rooms, huge pools, bars and they are only a few meters away from the beach.



➤ **What to see**

If you go to Chios you can go and see **the Castle of Volissos**, which was built during the Byzantine period, **the Mastic Museum**, a museum dedicated to "Mastiha" (or gum mastic), a unique product that has shaped the natural and human environment of the Mastichochoria area of southern Chios, **the Medieval Castle**, an impressive and strong building that reminds the historical importance of Chios and you can also visit **the Monastery of Nea Moni**, between the villages of Karyes and Avgonyma, which is one of the oldest monasteries in Greece.



➤ **Where/ What to eat**

At the top Plain at Chios and specifically in the area Caves is located one of the best restaurants in Chios, tavern Apomero. If you visit this restaurant you can have kopanisti local's pie and roasted tomatoes, pork meatballs, stuffed napkins (meat pies with yogurt sauce), kebab classic and hand-made spaghetti. Another very good restaurant you can visit is Asteri in the village Avgonyma. There you can enjoy Chian food such as



beautifully made pseudo meatballs with minimal flour and strong flavors of zucchini, wine rooster with hand-made spaghetti, chickpeas with rice and homemade dolmades.

➤ **Where to shop/What to buy**

Most shops in Chios are gathered in the capital of the island and in the tourist resorts. Apart from the classic shops selling clothes, shoes, souvenirs, books and others, some Chios shops are providing various local products, such as the famous mastic being sold in the form of chewing gum, sweets and liqueurs. Tasty local products, local liquor and local sweets can also be bought while shopping in Chios. Various women associations on the island are also running folk art shops selling fine ceramics, embroideries, handmaid clothes and woven multicoloured fabrics with traditional designs. Here are some shops in Chios. Each shop is presented with detailed text, photos and point on Google map. All request forms go directly to the shop manager.



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