

# THE THINKING TRAVELLER

KALAFATI BEACH, MYKONOS

## MELEA

Gazing out over the brilliant blue sea and the sheltered southeast coast of Mykonos, Melea rises from its hillside position with a sense of drama. Sturdy and meticulously conceived, it is at once a welcoming home and an homage to the owners' sense of style and love of art, fabrics and colour. Nearby, are several of the island's best, cleanest (and least windy) beaches, some top restaurants, and the charming village of Ano Mera.



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### Service

### Features

- Beguiling sea views
- Numerous sheltered, panoramic terraces
- Tempting sea-view pool
- Space for everyone to find their own spot
- Distinctive, alluring design
- Close to the island's best beaches
- Close to the village of Ano Mera

### Nearby

- Glorious beaches
- Ano Mera village
- Mykonos Town

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ABOUT THE VILLA

8 GUESTS 4 BEDROOMS 4 BATHROOMS

**Inside:** accommodation at Melea is laid out over three levels.

The main entrance leads in to a large open-concept space whose design and architectural features set the tone for the property as a whole. Smooth, light grey polished concrete floors run throughout, sturdy walls in local stone rise to lofty ceilings, and mint green-shuttered French windows bring in the views and allow access to the terraces. To the left is the contemporary kitchen, built around a monolithic rock that well and truly roots the property to its surroundings, while to the other is a designer dining table and chairs.

A couple of steps lead under an arch from the dining area into the living room, which is furnished with a pair of well-cushioned modern sofas and a couple of armchairs upholstered in purple and green hues. Modern artworks grace the stone walls and French windows open out onto a shady sea-view terrace.

In the corner of the kitchen, a staircase leads up and down to the bedrooms.

A few steps up there is a double bedroom with en-suite shower room. On the first floor there is the main bedroom, a double with en-suite shower room and a sea-view balcony. The third bedroom, a double-twin bedroom with en-suite shower room, is on the same level (and shares a terrace with) the second bedroom, but is accessed externally. The fourth and final bedroom, a spacious double-twin bedroom with en-suite shower room and access to the grounds, is located down a few steps from the kitchen and is best suited to teenagers.

**Outside:** each level of Melea offers access to comfortably furnished panoramic terraces, both shady and sun-kissed, that have been ingeniously inserted into the rocky hillside. An array of plants and flowers indigenous to the Aegean provide colour and perfume the air, creating a relaxing, natural atmosphere.

There are two al fresco areas in which guests tend to spend most of their time: the shaded terraces outside the living room and the kitchen-diner, which are furnished with many-cushioned built-in sofas and a convivial dining table, and

where a guest WC is located; the magical pool terrace, which is located on the lowest part of the property down a flight of steps. The magnificently panoramic sea-view swimming pool is irresistible, but so is the large shady pergola that flanks it. This dreamy eyrie is the perfect spot in which to relax with a book, gaze at the views, take an afternoon snooze, and, courtesy of the bar, raise a glass to your good fortune.

## CONSIDERATIONS

Melea features a fantastic infinity pool, offering swimmers stunning views while in the pool. There is a drop off the infinity side so we recommend children are supervised at all times. Please refer to our **general safety page** if you would like more information about infinity pools.

Due to the nature of the property including terraces low walls and several drops around the grounds, children must be supervised at all times.

The number of steps that must be negotiated to get into and around this property might make it unsuitable for people with mobility problems.

Melea's top-of-the-hill location is shared by a few neighbours; please ask your Villa Specialist for more information.

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Energy Class: C

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#### Amenities

Accommodates (max)	8
Bedrooms	4
Double beds	2
Flexible (double or twin)	2
Bathrooms	4
... of which en suite	4
Daily maid service	✓
Pool (LxW in m) <sup>1</sup>	11x4
Poolside bar	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Safe(s)	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave oven	✓
Smart TV	✓
Integrated sound system	✓
ADSL WI-FI Internet	✓
Barbecue	✓
Sea views	✓
The Thinking Traveller local support	✓

<sup>1</sup> salt water pool

✓ = yes/present

— = optional/on request

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### EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Melea is located in the southeast of Mykonos, one of the most secluded and least windy parts of the island. It looks out to sea over the gorgeous coastlines and the beaches of Lia, Kalo Livadi, Agia Anna and Kalafati, all of which are within a 5- to 7-minute drive away. Between them, they offer some excellent seafront tavernas, beach clubs, and water sports and diving centres.

The nearest mini-markets, shops and other amenities are found in the charming historic village of Ano Mera. Just a 5-minute drive away, it is a pleasure to explore and has plenty of cafés and tavernas in which to people-watch, sip on a drink and dine.

Mykonos Town, with its vibrant, colourful and picturesque old centre is just 15 minutes away, and there's plenty to enjoy there, not least a great selection of tavernas, boutiques, cafés and bars.

Since it was “discovered” in the 1960s, Mykonos has become one of Greece’s most famous and cosmopolitan islands and one of the hippest destinations in Europe. It is beloved of fashionistas, celebrities and party-goers, but also attracts discerning travellers in search of a harmonious ambience in which to relax, unwind and have fun.

The island is easily explorable in a week, and offers a vibrant beach life, a great many options for water sports, wonderful views, a fabulous variety of great restaurants, and a legendary party scene. With its many bays and coves, it is also a great destination for those who enjoy spending time messing about on boats, and we warmly recommend you rent one for a day or two to discover Mykonos's gorgeous coastline.

Just across the water is the sacred island of Delos, birthplace of Apollo and Artemis and one of the most important archaeological sites in Greece.

Similarly close is the island of Tinos, so if island-hopping’s your thing, there are plenty of adventures awaiting you.

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#### Distances

Mykonos airport: 9.5km-5.9miles-  
20mins

Athens Airport: 40-50mins to Piraeus  
Port or 30mins to Rafina Port, 2.5-5h  
(approx) ferry crossing to Mykonos  
Port + 18mins from Mykonos Port to  
villa

Nearest beaches: Lia - 2.3km-1.4miles-  
5mins; Kalo Livadi - 3.7km-2.3miles-  
7mins; Agia Anna - 3.9km-2.4miles-  
7mins; Kalafati - 4.3km-2.6miles-7mins

Nearest tavernas: there's a good  
selection of tavernas within a 5- to 10-  
minute drive, both on the nearest  
beaches and inland

Ano Mera village (nearest mini-markets  
and other amenities, including  
tavernas): 3.2km-2miles-5mins

Mykonos Town (nearest mini-markets,  
boutiques and other amenities):  
10.6km-6.6miles-15mins

Mykonos new port: 12.5km-7.8miles-  
20mins



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## GALLERY



