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Phanessa is an intriguing blend of contemporary architectural features, time-honoured Cycladic traditions, and carefully chosen materials. A subtle, minimal palette of colours ties all these elements together, both inside and out, creating a serene and informally sophisticated ambience in which guests can relax, unwind and enjoy the finer things in life.





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Service

Features

Bewitching sea views
Panoramic infinity pool
Luxurious interiors
Expansive terraces

Nearby

Kolimpithres beach
Naousa Town
The Mycenean Acropolis
Parikia

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ABOUT THE VILLA

12 GUESTS 6 BEDROOMS 6 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Phanessa is spread over a main house on three floors and a separate garden guesthouse.

The main entrance leads into a generously proportioned, multi-faceted space on two levels, the upper divided from the lower by a couple of steps and a curvaceous succession of arches. Smooth grey concrete flooring flows throughout, pure white walls with in-built niches for lighting, books and decorative objects add depth and perspective, and lofty white-washed wood-beamed ceilings help to create an airy, luminous atmosphere.

Immediately to the right of the entrance is a guest WC, a study area and, down a couple of steps, a little sitting area with a feature wall in local stone and access to the terraces. To the left, meanwhile, is a dining area and a cool contemporary kitchen with cabinetry in warm-hued wood and access to the terraces. Just a couple of steps down from here is the welcoming living area, which features an extremely capacious and comfy L-shaped sofa and four sets of French windows that bring in the light and the sea views and allow easy access onto the long shaded terrace that extends along the entire façade of the property.

Next to the main entrance, a staircase leads up to the first floor and down to the lower ground floor.

The first floor is home to two spacious bedrooms:

• a double, with en-suite shower room and a fabulously panoramic private terrace looking out to sea
• a second double, also with en-suite shower room and private terrace

The remaining bedrooms in the main house are found on the lower ground floor. Here, wrapping around a central sitting area with TV, are:

• a double bedroom with en-suite shower room and French windows accessing a

shaded terrace

• a suite with double bedroom, an en-suite shower room and terrace access

• the independent staff's quarters

The garden guesthouse is located below the pool area and comprises two sea-view double bedrooms, one with an in-built sofa. Both have en-suite shower rooms and access to shaded terraces and between them is a shared kitchenette.

Outside: running along the front of Phanessa, and accessed from the ground floor living areas and kitchen, is a broad sweep of sea-view terrace cast in the same polished grey concrete of the interiors.

To the right, when looking out to sea, is an area devoted to sun-worshipping; in the centre is the magnificent infinity pool; to the left is an extensive shaded area with a comfily cushioned sitting area, and a bar, a kitchen area and a large in-built barbecue.

Beyond this last area, a few steps below the pool, is another convivial sitting area that's perfect for aperitifs as the sun sets behind the hills.

More steps lead down from this sitting area to the garden guesthouse, which has its own shaded terraces, while a curvaceous, sloping path drops gently down below the pool to link up with the terraces outside the lower ground floor's bedrooms.

The most panoramic spots at Phanessa are without doubt the two private terraces of the first floor bedrooms, which afford wide-open views of the sea and Naousa on the opposition side of the bay.

Where the terraces end, the naturally planted gardens descend towards the sea.

CONSIDERATIONS

If you require a couple of extra rooms for your group, why not also take Phanessa's sister villa, **Thelma**.

Phanessa 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.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	12
Bedrooms	6
Double beds	6
Bathrooms	6

Please note that there is no real shallow end in the pool, whose minimum depth is 1.6m.

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

Please note that due to the risk of wildfires, the use of fire pits and barbecues is restricted when the weather is windy or temperatures are high. This is particularly common in July and August. More information will be provided in your House Guide and via your local specialist.

... of which en suite	6
Infinity pool	14x5m
Sea views	✓
Walking distance to beach(es)/sea access [4]	✓
Walking distance to restaurant(s) [4]	✓
Home cinema	✓
Daily maid service [2]	✓
Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Optional cook [1]	–
Air conditioning [3]	✓
ADSL Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Satellite TV	✓
Outdoor sound system	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Staff on the grounds [2]	✓
Safe	✓

[1] the cook can provide lunches and dinners on request, and depending on availability,

[2] the discreet housekeepers of Phanessa live on site and provide up to 8 hours of cleaning a day

[3] in the bedrooms

[4] about 25 minutes by foot to Kolimpithres beach. Please bear in mind that the way back to the villa is steep.

✓ = yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Phanessa is located near the northernmost tip of Paros, just across the bay from the picturesque little town of Naousa.

A 3-minute drive will take you to gorgeous Kolimpithres beach, renowned for its crystalline waters and fantastical rock formations. There are also three tavernas and a couple of beach bars there. Beautiful, unspoilt Monastiri beach is also just a few kilometres away.

For many people, Paros is the most authentic of the Cyclades. One of the larger islands, it has something for everyone, young or old, party-goers or culture-seekers, bourgeois or bohemian. Amongst its many attractions are buzzing little towns, myriad beaches, world-famous windsurfing conditions, gourmet restaurants, sleepy traditional villages with waterfront fish tavernas, religious, cultural and historical sites, and a vibrant nightlife scene.

Thanks to the relatively limited distances involved - the island measures less than 25km from north to south - it is easy to explore in full in a week or two, no matter where you're staying. Its mountainous hinterland, with peaks rising up to around 700m, is dotted with the occasional monastery and crisscrossed by old mule tracks. Down on the coast, meanwhile, there is an array of beautiful sandy beaches and idyllic coves, and a day or two spent on a boat exploring these is heartily recommended.

In terms of towns and villages, picturesque Naousa, buzzing Parikia (the capital and main port) and sleepy Marpissa are just a 10-, 15- and 20-minute drive away respectively. The former boasts a little harbour, a web of narrow streets flanked by shops and tavernas, and the remains of a Venetian castle. The second, meanwhile, is a vibrant little town gathered around a semi-enclosed bay that woos visitors with its sandy beaches, its many bars and tavernas, its archaeological museum, and its impressive Byzantine Church. The third is a white-washed beauty that appears unchanged for centuries. It’s a pleasure to amble round its narrow streets, while a walk up to the monastery of St Anthony on the hill above offers spectacular views of the island.

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Distances

Paros Airport: 19km-11.7miles-25mins
Athens Airport: 40-50mins to Piraeus Port, 3-5h (approx) ferry crossing to Paros Port + 13mins from Paros Port to villa
Nearest beaches: Kolimpithres - 1.3km-0.8miles-3mins (or a 15/20-minute walk, steep way back); Monastiri - 3.4km-2.1miles-7mins
Nearest tavernas: there are three tavernas and a couple of beach bars at Kolimpithres (see above)
Nearest shops and amenities: in Naousa - 3.2km-2miles-10mins
Parikia (the capital of Paros): 7.6km-4.7miles-15mins
The Mycenean Acropolis: 500m-0.3miles-1mins + a walk up
Monastiri Park: 3.5km-2.2miles-8mins
Marpissa: 14.5km-9miles-20mins

For those with an interest in history, a visit to the Mycenaean Acropolis is called for. Sitting atop a rocky scarp high above Phanessa, it was built way back in the 13th century BCE and offers not only insights into Paros's long history but also stunning views. It’s quite a walk to get up there, so you may wish to tackle it in the early morning or late afternoon when it’s not so hot.

Paros's most northerly tip, the Monastiri peninsula, is also close by. A protected park covering some 80 hectares of rocky, element-sculpted hills, hidden sandy beaches, walking trails, and undisturbed flora and fauna, it’s a great day out for nature lovers and hikers with the added bonus of an end-of-excursion swim in the sea.

Cultural tours are readily available on Paros, so not matter whether you wish to learn about Parikia's old town centre, the ancient marble quarries, or the unique island of Despotiko, you'll be able to delve into the island's history with ease. Children are well catered for too, and a trip to the butterfly nature reserve just north of the airport is good fun.

If all that wasn't enough, Paros's little sister, Antiparos, is just a 10-minute ferry ride across the water from Pounta, making a little island hopping eminently possible.





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