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Gazing out across the blue waters of Monastiri Bay to the gorgeous white-washed town of Naousa, Thelma occupies an enviable position near the northern tip of Paros. Clad (or camouflaged) in local stone, its understated façade belies impeccably styled interiors, where contemporary flourishes and luxurious comforts are balanced by subtle hints of local architectural traditions and a sense of romance.





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Service

Features

Refined accommodation
Gorgeous sea views
Panoramic pool
Walking to beaches and tavernas

Nearby

Sandy beaches
Naousa Town
The Mycenean Acropolis
Parikia

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ABOUT THE VILLA

4 GUESTS 2 BEDROOMS 3 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Thelma is laid out over a main house on one floor and a guesthouse on two levels.

The entrance to the main house opens into a generous open-plan space. To the right is a small but well-equipped modern kitchen and a guest bathroom with shower, while to the right is a lovely living area with polished sandy-grey concrete flooring, white-washed wood-beamed ceilings (both of which flow throughout the property), feature walls in local stone, a large built-in L-shaped sofa, and a trio of white designer pebble coffee tables. Wall-length sliding glass doors open up to provide access to the shady terraces while at the same time bringing in the wonderful views of the sea and Naousa on the other side of the bay.

A door from the living area leads in to the main house's bedroom, an elegant sea-view double with walls painted in soft grey, an en-suite shower room and sliding glass doors opening out onto the shady terraces.

On the ground floor of the guesthouse, which is adjoined to the main house, is a living area, furnished with a cushion-strewn double daybed and an en-suite shower room. A staircase leads up from the living area to an open mezzanine level, which hosts a double bedroom.

Outside: al fresco life at Thelma revolves around a long shaded terrace in smooth concrete that runs along the entire façade of the house. Accessed from the main house's living area and bedroom, this dreamy sea-view space includes a lounge area with plenty of comfily cushioned seating, and an impressive stone dining table convivially encircled by quality wicker chairs.

A few steps from here, making the most of the enchanting views out to sea and across the bay to Naousa, is a built-in L-shaped sitting area.

A hop, skip and a jump from here is the lovely cobalt blue pool, where you may soak up the sun, take refreshing dips and gaze out at the fabulous panoramas.

Gardens, planted with low-lying aromatic shrubs and colourful flowers spread out around the al fresco living areas, creating a calming, tranquil atmosphere in which to relax and recharge.

CONSIDERATIONS

Part of the villa's driveway is a little rough, so we recommend guests hire a car with high ground clearance.

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.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	4
Bedrooms	2
Double beds	2
Bathrooms	3
... of which en suite	2
Pool	10x3.5m
Sea views	✓
Walking distance to beach(es)/sea access [2]	✓
Walking distance to restaurant(s)	✓
Daily maid service	✓
Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Optional cook [1]	–
VDSL Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Smart TV	✓
Integrated sound system	✓
Outdoor sound system	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓
Safe	✓

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

[2] 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

Thelma 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, and 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 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, meanwhile, 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 + 12mins 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-6mins

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 Thelma, 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 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 nearby Pounta, making a little island hopping eminently possible.





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