

THE THINKING TRAVELLER

PARIKIA TOWN, PAROS

RAMONA

Fabulously close to Paros's charming capital, Parikia, and within walking distance of beaches and tavernas, Ramona is a classic white villa with curvaceous, moulded forms, an organic flow of polished concrete terraces, and sea views to take the breath away. Each day at Ramona ends with a harmonious ritual: a chilled aperitif while watching the mesmerising spectacle of the orange sun melting into the blue waters of the Aegean.



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Service

Features

Sweeping sea views

Irresistible infinity pool

Plenty of al fresco space

Gorgeous sunsets

Tranquil location

Conveniently located close to Parikia

Nearby

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ABOUT THE VILLA

11 GUESTS 6 BEDROOMS 6 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Ramona is laid out over a centrally positioned main house and two independent guesthouses, one on either side.

The entrance to the main house leads into a welcoming hallway off which the accommodation flows.

Straight on is a bright open-concept space, where five sets of French doors bring in the sea views and allow seamless access with the terraces. White-washed walls, beamed ceilings, and wooden floors create a light airy atmosphere, while a feature wall in grey and bronzed stone and a liberal scattering of soft furnishings and artwork add colour and vivacity. To one side is a large white corner sofa, a few easy chairs, a coffee table and a fireplace, while to the other is a curvaceous dining table looking out to sea.

This open-concept space flows from the dining area into the well-equipped, kitchen (also accessed from the hallway), which has a central island, black cabinetry with cup handles, sea views, access to the terraces and, at one end, a sitting area with sofa and TV.

Turning left from the entrance, the hallway leads to a guest WC and the main bedroom, a generously proportioned double with a fireplace, a large walk-through wardrobe-dressing room, an en-suite shower room, sea views, and access to the surrounding terraces.

The first guesthouse is near the pool and comprises a galley kitchen and three guest bedrooms, all doubles (albeit one of them smaller) with en-suite shower rooms and terrace access. Two of them also come with sea views.

The second guesthouse, meanwhile, is located to the left of the main house (when looking out to sea). It is home to a kitchen corner and two sea-view double bedrooms, each with its own en-suite shower room.

Outside: all the bedrooms and communal areas at Ramona spill out onto a

seamless flow of smooth grey terraces that run along, around and between the main house and its two satellites.

Remarkably wide-ranging views pan out over Parikia Town, the west coast of Paros and the blue Aegean Sea, and the property’s orientation ensures that lovers of dreamy sunsets are spoilt each evening.

There is bags of space for everyone to find their own spot or come together. Each of the two guesthouses has its own shaded section of terrace, while outside the main house’s kitchen and living and dining area is a covered dining area gazing out to sea.

A few paces from here is the pool, whose infinity edge views makes swimming a tempting proposition indeed. The pool terrace hosts another large shaded area which is furnished with well-cushioned built-in seating and another dining table.

CONSIDERATIONS

Ramona 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.

You may also wish to know that there are four steps to access the pool, the last one being 1.17m tall.

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.

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Amenities		
Accommodates (max)	11	
Bedrooms	6	
Double beds	5	
Single beds	1	
Bathrooms	6	
... of which en suite	6	
Infinity pool	8.8x3m	
Sea views		✓
Walking distance to beach(es)/sea access ³		✓
Daily maid service		✓
Barbecue		✓
Private parking		✓
Optional cook ¹		—
Air conditioning ²		✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet		✓
Sonos wireless music system		✓
Smart TV		✓
Hairdryer		✓

Iron	✓
Tumble dryer	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Safe	✓

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

2 in the bedrooms

3 a 20-to-25min walk to the beaches of Krios and Parikia/Livadia. Please bear in mind that there are no pavements and the way back to the villa is steep.

✓ = yes/present

— = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Ramona sits in a panoramic position above buzzing Parikia, Paros's charming capital, whose pretty streets, port, Venetian castle, restaurants, bars, cafés and shops are just 3km away. Just below the villa, around 30 minutes away on foot (or a 4-minute drive), are the lovely beaches of Krios and Parikia/Livadia, both of which have tavernas.

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 (apart from Parikia), picturesque Naousa and sleepy Marpissa are just a 20- and 30-minute drive away respectively. The former 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 latter 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.

Just across the bay from Naousa is idyllic Kolimpithres beach, renowned for its transparent waters and fascinating rock formations, while for those with an interest in history, a visit to the Mycenaeen Acropolis is called for. Sitting atop

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Distances

Paros Airport: 13.5km-8.5miles-20mins

Athens Airport: 40-50mins to Piraeus

Port, 3-5h (approx) ferry crossing to
Paros Port + 7mins from Paros Port to
villa

Nearest beaches: Krios - 1.4km-
0.9miles-4mins-25mins walk;

Parikia/Livadia - 2km-1.2miles-4mins-
30mins walk; Kolypithres - 10.2km-
6.3miles-20mins

Nearest tavernas: on the beaches of
Krios and Parikia/Livadia (see above)

Parikia Town (nearest shops and
amenities, plus plenty of tavernas,
cafés and bars): 3km-1.8miles-6mins

Naousa: 12km-7.5miles-20mins

Marpissa: 18km-11miles-30mins

The Mycenean Acropolis: 9.5km-6miles-
17mins

Monastiri beach: 12.5km-7.7miles-
25mins

a rocky scarp high above Kolimpithres, 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 within easy striking distance. 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 nearby Pounta, making a little island hopping eminently possible.



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