

# THE THINKING TRAVELLER

DIDIMES BEACH, PATMOS

## REVEKKA

Occupying an enviable south-facing position above the paradisiacal twin beaches of Didimes on Patmos's northern peninsula, Revekka combines summery sophistication, beautifully appointed accommodation and an ethereal atmosphere of wellbeing and serenity. The al fresco areas have been designed and furnished with the same attention to detail and lightness of touch as the interiors, allowing guests to enjoy a carefree and inspiring indoor-outdoor lifestyle.



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### Service

### Features

- Idyllic seafront location
- Garden gate beach access
- Graceful elegance
- Extensive panoramic terraces
- Generous proportions
- Walking to a seafront taverna

### Nearby

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### ABOUT THE VILLA

11 GUESTS 6 BEDROOMS 5 BATHROOMS

**Inside:** accommodation at Revekka is laid out over a main house on two externally connected levels, and two garden guest suites.

The welcoming front door of the main house opens into a bright, wide hallway, running from left to right. At one end is the spacious main bedroom, a double with marble-clad en-suite shower room and access to the shady terraces that wrap around the house on three sides. At the other is a family suite, comprising a double bedroom with French doors opening out onto the terraces, another marble-clad en-suite shower room and a single bedroom, suitable for a child.

Both of these bedrooms (and indeed their marble-clad bathrooms) are elegant, generously proportioned, and light and airy.

These bedrooms, with their built-in latticework storage, their pristine finish, their innate elegance, their generous proportions, their airiness, and their all-white colour scheme (from the painted wood flooring and the beamed ceilings to the walls), provide a beguiling blue-print for the rest of the house.

Returning along the hallway to the front door, a couple of steps lead down through an opening into the main communal area, a luminous open-plan space with large, sea-view picture windows and wide French doors opening out onto the shady terraces. At one end is a honey-coloured, round wooden dining table, while to the other is a fireplace, a pair of gold-coloured armchairs, and a corner sofa in egg-shell blue.

To one side, the space flows into the beautifully designed and well-equipped kitchen, whose lattice-fronted cabinetry in misty blue perfectly offsets the glorious sea views (cooking here is no chore!). A glass door opens out onto the shady terraces and the al fresco dining area.

The first floor of the main house is accessed via a flight of external steps and is home to a lovely double bedroom with stunning sea views, and a trio of shaded

and sun-kissed terraces. Its bathroom, just across a covered section of terrace, boasts a perfectly positioned sea-view shower.

The two perfectly private garden guest suites are accessed via steps leading down from the main house's terraces. Both have spacious sea-view double bedrooms, marble-clad en-suite shower rooms and well-furnished shaded terraces.

**Outside:** Revekka's extensive grounds, which are planted with vibrant bougainvillea, cypresses, olive trees and much else besides, gently slope down below the house for some 80m. At the bottom is a magical gate, which opens directly onto the idyllic, sparsely populated western bay of Didimes beach.

Back up at the house, there are numerous options for al fresco living and plenty of dreamy spot in which to come together or find a solitary spot in which to read a book or take an afternoon snooze.

All the ground floor rooms of the main house open out onto a wrap-around terrace, much of which is well shaded by a wood and cane structure. Accessed directly from the kitchen and one side of the open-concept living area is a convivial al fresco dining area, with comfortably cushioned in-built seating.

The two ground floor bedrooms also flow out onto quasi-private sections of the same terrace, and there are sitting areas dotted around, offering shade or sun depending on the sun's passage. The views, which take in the hilly coastline, Didimes beach, the sparkling Aegean Sea and the little islet of Agios Georgios, are magnetic.

The first floor of the main house, which is accessed via an external flight of steps, is home to three more supremely panoramic terraces. One is the shady private domain of the bedroom on this level, but the others can be accessed by other guests.

Those staying in the garden guest suites, meanwhile, are also spoilt when it comes to private al fresco areas, for each one has its own comfortably furnished, shady sea-view terrace.

## CONSIDERATIONS

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

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Amenities

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

Please note that this villa does not have a pool.

As this villa is located on an island, we recommend extra caution when booking your flights to avoid problems or delays with ferries and hydrofoils. It may be advisable to arrive a day earlier and depart a day later. Please contact us for any information or advice.

Accommodates (max)	11
Bedrooms	6
Double beds	5
Single beds	1
Bathrooms	5
... of which en suite	4
Daily maid service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Breakfast (incl. ingredients)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Garden gate beach/sea access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Air conditioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Safe(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Satellite TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ADSL WI-FI Internet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Private parking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sea views	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Walking distance to restaurant(s) <sup>1</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The Thinking Traveller local support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<sup>1</sup> there's a snack bar on the beach below the house and a taverna on the beach of Livadi Geranou, 1km away	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	= yes/present
<input type="checkbox"/>	= optional/on request

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### EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Revekka sits above the twin beaches of Didimes on the south side of Patmos's northern peninsula. Immersed in a virtually untouched coastal landscape, and with the nature reserve of the Kampos hills rising behind, it is an extremely tranquil area with plenty to explore.

Apart from the beaches of Didimes below the house, there are several others in close proximity, including those of Livadi Geranou (which has a taverna and is within easy walking distance), Vagia and Panagia Geranos.

In terms of amenities, there are a few tavernas in Kampos, and a good selection in Skala (15mins drive).

A 20-minute drive away, meanwhile, is Chora, Patmos's ancient hill-top capital. Nestling under the extraordinary and imperious 11th-century Monastery of St John the Theologian, it is home to a weave of picturesque narrow streets flanked by tavernas, shops, cafés and bars. One can while away many hours here, sipping on a coffee and gazing out at the remarkable views.

Known as the Island of the Apocalypse and the Jerusalem of the Aegean, Patmos is characterised by a profound sense of spirituality, serenity and mysticism. For the faithful of the Greek Orthodox Church, it is a holy island and there are numerous churches, monasteries and religious sites to visit. The aforementioned fortress-like Monastery of St John the Theologian is a constant reminder that the disciple was exiled here, while the cave in which St John lived, experienced his visions and wrote the Book of Revelation, is, along with the monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Even for non-believers, Patmos's sense of spiritualism is strong, but most come for the island's off-the-beaten-track allure and the feeling that it is a little world unto itself. At just 12km long and 7km wide, it's easy to explore in a week or two. Lapped by limpid waters, its beaches are numerous and idyllic, and the whitewashed, labyrinthine alleys of the island's towns and villages offer a truly authentic insight into the history of the eastern Aegean.

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#### Distances

The nearest airports: Samos and Leros  
- 1 hour by ferry; Kos - 2hr30 by ferry  
Skala (the main port of entry on Patmos): 8km-5miles-15mins  
Nearest beaches: Didimes - at the bottom of the garden - Livadi Geranou - 1km-0.7miles-3mins (or a 15-minute walk); Vagia -2.4km-1.5miles-6mins; Panagia Geranos - 4km-2.5miles-10mins  
The nearest tavernas: on Livadi Geranou beach (see above) or in Kampos - 3.7km-2.3miles-8mins  
The nearest shops and other amenities: Skala (see above)  
Chora (the ancient capital of Patmos): 11.5km-7.2miles-20mins

Patmos can be divided into three sections, oriented north to south, each one linked to its neighbour by a slender isthmus:

- the northernmost part of Patmos is sparsely inhabited apart from the village of Kampos. There are numerous idyllic beaches, including those already mentioned above, and a tranquil atmosphere
- the central section is home to fascinating Chora, the seaside village of Grika, and the main port of entry, Skala, whose attractive, gently buzzing centre is worth a visit. The cave and monastery of St John are also located in this area, and there are numerous gorgeous beaches to try out down on the coast, including those at Diakofti, Chochlaka and Sapsila
- the southernmost part of Patmos, meanwhile, is almost totally uninhabited and has no roads. With panoramic hills rising to over 200m and a glorious beach, Psili Ammos (only accessible on foot or by boat), it's a great area for walkers and those who love to get away from it all

Remote for so many centuries, Patmos has developed its own very distinct (and mouthwatering) cuisine, and one of the true pleasures of a holiday here is dining out in the island's many authentic tavernas.



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