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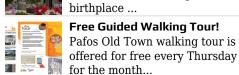
Steeped in Greek mythology and kissed by Aphrodite's charm, Paphos offers more than just clear blue waters and mild temperatures. Here, history and natural beauty coalesce in a landscape uniquely Cypriot. Situated in the Greek South, Paphos is a living testament to the island's multi-faceted personality: from its array of ancient ruins to its proximity to the untouched Akamas Peninsula, where dramatic bays and gorges await. Embark on an adventure that beckons amidst a complex, yet entrancing, backdrop shaped by the island's Greek and Turkish influences.



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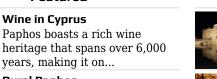
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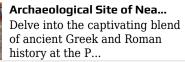




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# THE REGION



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The Paphos region is a trove of diverse experiences, all wrapped up in the island's captivating aura. Beyond its UNESCO-recognised archaeological sites, Paphos gifts its visitors with an array of experiences: think stunning churches adorned with ancient icons and frescoes, top-notch dining options, and idyllic beaches framed by crystal-clear waters.

Hospitality isn't just a buzzword here; it's a way of life. From the moment you land, Paphians extend a warmth that sets the tone for your stay. Whether you opt for a plush five-star hotel, a cosy family-run establishment, or a rustic countryside rental, you're in for a treat. Venture a bit farther from the urban centre, and you'll stumble upon spots where time seems to stand still — quaint country taverns and bustling town markets that have retained their authentic charm for centuries.

When in Paphos, you'll see the local zest for life in full swing. Friends and families come together over food and drink, embodying the region's own interpretation of 'joie de vivre'. And while Paphos has seen its share of change, becoming a premier holiday destination over the last three decades, its rich tapestry — cultural, historical, and social — continues to enchant. In 2017, Paphos claimed the title of European Cultural Capital, a nod to its transformative progress. And as you're here for just a snippet of time, we've compiled must-see spots and activities to ensure your stay is as enriching as it is relaxing. Whether it's summer or winter, Paphos offers a delight for every season.

# Geroskipou — the Sacred Garden



Just a stone's throw from Aphrodite's fabled birthplace, you'll find the Municipality of Geroskipou. No longer just a sleepy hamlet, this

Paphos suburb has rich silk-making roots and even claims to have housed Aphrodite's sacred garden. A highlight here is the 11th-century Byzantine Church of Agia Paraskevi, located right in the main square.

A short walk from the church takes you to the Zimboulaki house, now a charming Folk Art museum. For those keen on sweets, don't miss the Aphrodite Delights shop just across from the main square. This family-operated shop specializes in Loukoumi — soft, sugary cubes that make for excellent, wallet-friendly gifts.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism More Info: The name of the municipality and village can also be transliterated as Yeroskipou

# Peyia — the Byzantine Marvels



Perched on a hillside with panoramic views of the sea, Peyia is most famous for its scenic village square. Here, the village's time-honoured

fountains still stand — once gathering spots for

women to wash clothes and collect water. Further down, Coral Bay offers one of the finest sandy stretches in the Paphos region, annually awarded a Blue Flag for its excellent water quality.

For a cultural detour, visit the Agios Georgios Church. Inside, you'll discover a 6th-century basilica complex that boasts rare geometric and animal floor mosaics — a unique find in Christian art. History buffs should also make time for Maa-Paleokastro, the Bronze Age landing spot of the Mycenaean Greeks, situated on a nearby peninsula.

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#### Polis Chrysochous – Nature at its Best



Discover the essence of tranquillity in Polis Chrysochous — Cyprus's least developed coastline. For a serene escape, head to Akamas National

Forest Park. This natural sanctuary offers more than just stunning vistas; it's home to "The Baths of Aphrodite", a fresh-water grotto enveloped by a wild fig tree, said to be a favoured spot of the goddess herself.

For a gastronomic treat, look no further than Latchi Harbour. This peaceful locale serves up fresh fish dishes that encapsulate the essence of Mediterranean cuisine. If you're keen on soaking up some local culture, stroll through the town's pedestrian centre.

Nature aficionados will relish a visit to Lara Beach, one of the Mediterranean's last havens for green loggerhead turtles, revived through successful conservation efforts. Walk one of the park's numerous nature trails to spot rare local flora like the Cyprus orchid or catch a glimpse of migrating birds.

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# **SUN, SEA & BEACHES**



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The Region boasts over 75km of coast with a total of 27 beaches and Blue Flag awards have been given to 16 of these beaches with the Gold award being awarded to the Pafos coastal zone. The sea is a wonderful playground for all ages, whether it's just a gentle paddle on a daily basis or a keep fit practice, a wonderful underwater adventure zone for divers, or a way to relax just snoozing off ones breakfast lounging aboard a tour boat, or aboard your own hired sail boat, or perhaps to go fishing for Tuna with our fishing Captain when they are in season.

All these water based activities are on offer to the visitor from our Dive centres to re-introduce professional divers to the region, youngsters to the delights of snorkelling with their Bubble machine classes, as well as giving daily introductory classes for adults. Our sea temperatures range from 27-16C which gives a good long dive season, so one can adventure through underwater caves, spot turtles, and keep an eye out for the many ancient remains that still lie at rest beneath the waves. There is also a very innovative Snorkelling park at the protected area of "Mpania municipal beach, which presents Divine shells -Underwater sculpture composition, a unique work of art and enrichment of marine life suitable for all members of the family

A visit down to the harbour will also give you a choice of other sea going activities. There will also be thrill rides aboard various crafts, a more gentle and romantic moonlight wine and dine dinner cruise. A variety of active sea sports everything from banana rides to inflatable wheels that take to the air, also sea parachuting where you can fly above the waves and ponder from above what exciting fun sea activity you will try next? Will it be water skiing? If so, then the sea conditions here are perfect for this popular sport.

Highly recommended a cruise from Latchi harbour, a lovely relaxing boat trip around one of our most beautiful coastal areas and always with a traditional lunch served to guests whilst anchored. Also relish a pre-lunch swim in the crystal clear turquoise hued waters of the Blue lagoon.

### **Alykes Beach**



Alykes is a sandy beach situated near the hotels in the tourist area of Kato Pafos, off Poseidonos Avenue. There is a bus stop nearby and access to

the beach is easy and well sign-posted. The quality of the water is tested frequently and the beach is cleaned every day.

Water sports and sun bed and umbrella hire are

available on site from April 15th to October 31st. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the same period. The beach is accessible by bus, car, motorbike and bicycle. Accommodation is available nearby.

# Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- Showers
- Sunbeds

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Chalavro



Chalavro beach is located in Neo Chorio. It is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and is easily reached by car, motorbike and bus. Water

sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are available during summer period and lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the bathing season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Sunbeds

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#### Dasoudi



Dasoudi beach is also in Neo Chorio. It is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and easily reached by car, motorbike and bus. It offers water sports and

sun bed and umbrella hire during the summer.

Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the bathing season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Sunbeds

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#### **Faros Beach**



Faros is a sandy beach with an excellent view situated at the west end of Pafos. Access to the beach is easy and well sign-posted. The quality

of the water is tested frequently and the beach is cleaned every day. Water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are available from April 15th to October 31st. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the same period. There is also a beach volleyball court. The beach is accessible by bus, car, motorbike and bicycle. There is accommodation available close by.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Changing rooms
- Showers
- Sunbeds

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Kazifis



Kafizis beach is a narrow sandy beach with very few rocks. It is situated in the Pegeia tourist area and easily reached by bus, car and motorbike.

Sunbeds and umbrellas are available during

summer and lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Sunbeds

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### Ksistarokampos (Yiannakis Beach)



Ksistarokampos Beach, also known as Yiannakis beach, is in Neo Chorio. It is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and is easily reached by car,

motorbike and bus. Water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are available during summer period.

#### Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds

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# Polis Chrysochous (Municipal Beach)



Polis Chrysochous Municipal Beach is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and is easily reached by car, motorbike and bus. It

offers water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire, and there are accommodation facilities nearby. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the bathing season.

- Life guarding
- WC
- Wheelchair accessible

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# **Pachyammos Bay**



Pachyammos Bay has a narrow sandy beach with very few rocks. It is situated in the Pafos tourist area, in front of the hotels on Poseidonos

Avenue. Well sign-posted, the beach is accessible by bus, car, motorbike and bicycle. Water sports, sun beds and umbrellas are available from June 1st to October 15th. Accommodation facilities, bars, restaurants and telephones can be found nearby. The quality of the water is tested frequently and the beach is cleaned every day. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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# Polis camping site



This camping site beach is located in Polis Chrysochous. It is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and is easily reached by car, motorbike and bus.

Water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are available. There are accommodation facilities nearby, while lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

# Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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# Souli Beach



Souli beach is located in Neo Chorio. It is a sandy beach mixed with pebbles and is easily reached by car, motorbike and bus. Water sports, sun bed

and umbrella hire are available during summer period. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the bathing season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- WC
- Sunbeds

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## Vrysoudia Beach A



Vrysoudia Beach A, a sandy beach surrounded by rocks, is situated near the hotels in the tourist area of Kato Pafos, off Poseidonos Avenue.

Managed by the municipality of Pafos, it is very well sign-posted. There is a bus stop nearby and access to the beach is easy by bus, car, motorbike and bicycle. The quality of the water is tested frequently and the beach is cleaned every day. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment from April 15th to October 31st. The beach has a variety of water sports and sun beds and umbrellas for hire. Accommodation facilities, bars, restaurants and telephones are also available nearby.

## Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Vrysoudia Beach B



Vrysoudia Beach B is a sandy beach with magical scenery offering a magnificent view towards Pafos harbour and castle. It is situated near the

hotels in the tourist area of Kato Pafos, off Poseidonos Avenue. There is a bus stop nearby and access to the beach is easy by bus, car, motorbike and bicycle. There are signs with directions showing the way to the facilities. The quality of the water is tested frequently and the beach is cleaned every day. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment from June 1st to October 15th.

The beach offers a variety of water sports, and sun beds and umbrellas for hire. Accommodation facilities and telephones are nearby.

### Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

### **Coral Bay**



One of the best sandy beaches in the region, Coral Bay is located near Pegeia and easily reached by car, motorbike, bicycle and bus. It offers water

sports and sun bed and umbrella hire. There is accommodation nearby, while lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

### Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Water sports
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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## Geroskipou Municipal Beach



Located in Geroskipou, this sandy beach is easily reached by car, motorbike, bicycle and bus. Water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are

available on site. There are accommodation facilities nearby while lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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#### Laourou Beach



Laourou Beach is located in Pegeia. This sandy beach is easily reached by car, motorbike, bicycle and bus. Water sports, sun bed and umbrella

hire are available on site. There are

accommodation facilities nearby while lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the swimming season.

# Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers

- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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## **Paphos Municipal Baths**



A favourite with the locals, the Municipal Baths Beach is a sandy beach with very few rocks. It is located in the heart of the tourist area

of Kato Pafos, just a few metres off Poseidonos Avenue and 300 metres from Pafos Castle. Access to the beach is easy and there are signs with directions showing the way to the facilities. Water sports, sun bed and umbrella hire are available from April 15th to October 31st. Lifeguards are on duty with lifesaving equipment during the same period. There are restaurants and accommodation facilities nearby.

### Facilities:

- Life guarding
- Changing rooms
- WC
- Showers
- Sunbeds
- Wheelchair accessible

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### Diving



Ideal sea temperatures, clear waters and rich coastal reefs Paphos is located in the west of Cyprus and is one of the main diving hubs of the

country. Cyprus lies in the crossroads of three continents which gives the country its unique atmosphere of east meets west. Clear seas and warm waters make Pafos ideal for diving. Sea temperatures around the island range from 27 to 16 °C, resulting in one of the longest diving seasons in the Mediterranean, while the absence of plankton makes for great visibility.

The underwater coastal reefs teem with a wide variety of colourful fish, sponges, coral, sea anemones, octopus, mussels and the ubiquitous sea urchin providing a spectacular picture. Sea turtles can be spotted regularly, thanks to a turtle conservation project that has increased their numbers around the island considerably.

Spectacular underwater caves and tunnels and a number of interesting paths are just waiting to be explored, while the remains of ancient amphora and stone anchors make it a veritable adventure.

Akamas National Park lies 12km west of Paphos and is home to some excellent dive sites with lots of marine life. The whole area is a marine park so is a protected area from fishing which is why the marine life here is so abundant compared to the Cyprus reefs just a short distance away. St Georges Island in the Akamas is one of the only deep wall dives in the area and caters for all levels of experience. As you are swimming along the wall its worth taking time to explore any recesses and overhangs for the marine life hiding there and see if you can find a hidden octopus or tiny critters such as colourful nudibranchs. Another site in the Akamas is Lara Valley which offers overhangs, crevasses and if you are lucky there is a chance of even spotting a turtle around here during the breeding season. Nearer to Paphos one relatively easy but stunning underwater geological feature is the Amphitheatre which is a naturally formed amphitheatre at the shallow 9-12m. The shallow

depth and rock formation create some very pretty light effects and is a great spot for photographs.

Open water (OW) qualification required. Access is from the shore just past the headland at Coral Bay, a short walk down the rocks.

This is a particularly popular dive, ranging from 4 metres to some 12 metres. It takes its name from the natural formation resembling an amphitheatre that was cut out of the rock by sea currents.

Besides the magnificent rock formations, there is an abundance of marine life to admire, including groupers, eels and cuttlefish.

Last but not list divers can experience the unique Amphorae Caves. A famous dive to a depth up to 12 meters. There are some caves to explore, including one with the top-encrusted amphorae. A team of American archaeologists who investigated this region feel that this was created by movements in the sea over the past two thousand years

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## Pafos, in the Top 20 European Tourist Destinations for 2014-2020



Gold Quality Award for the Coastline of Pafos Region ! Pafos is now included in the list of quality coastal destinations of Europe

«The TOP 20 SUSTAINABLE DESTINATIONS» and promoted as the destination ensuring that the environment remains clean and the area follows practices for the protection and promotion of local identity and cultural heritage. In Paphos of quality, visitors can combine a relaxing, but also safe holidays, tradition and culture, nature and clean seas

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism

#### **Snorkeling Park**



A unique work of art and enrichment of marine life First Snorkelling Park in Cyprus for free diving in the Protected Area of the known "Municipal Baths"

in Pafos, enriched with a unique sculpture composition created by the sculptor Yiota Ioannidou.

Cyprus' first Snorkelling Park in the Municipal Baths area of Paphos has been enriched with a unique sculpture composition.

The project consists of three sculptural compositions of supernatural size shells. Each composition consists of different shells in relatively close proximity to each other. A smaller composition of sea urchin shells has been placed outside the water in the surrounding rocks, predisposing the visitor to the surprise that follows in the sea.

The shells/sculptures are made of environmentally friendly concrete in accordance with the guidelines of the relevant Protocol of the Barcelona Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against pollution.

The shells are a tribute to the glorious past of the goddess Aphrodite so inextricably linked to Cyprus.

Overall, the connection of the shells with

Aphrodite, where they both rise from the sea, is obvious and is interpreted as a correlation of the goddess emerging from the sea on a shell. It seems that in ancient times they had some relation to fertility, similar to that of eggs and Aphrodite. Beautiful and exalted shells of rare beauty have been offered to the temple of Aphrodite as gifts to the altar of the Goddess of Beauty.

The innovative, authentic and environmentally friendly project that is in harmony with the magic of the sea is expected to function as a natural system for conservation and reproduction of biodiversity while at the same time attract swimmers and help to enhance both the swimming experience and of the destination's image.

Their geometrical composition and especially their internal structure, not only contribute to the attraction of marine organisms, but also is a work of art in the core of a fully protected zone.

The Municipal Baths is a protected area and Cyprus' first official Snorkelling Park serving as a reference point for free diving with rich marine life, archaeological treasures and contemporary work of art.

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# DO & SEE



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Pafos has something for everyone, whether you are a sun seeker, explorer or someone looking for a relaxing holiday with great scenery. There are so many reasons to visit this beautiful part of Cyprus.

### **Paphos Castle & Harbour**



Paphos Harbour is a vibrant hub of activity, where you can savour freshly caught fish at charming seafood restaurants or grab a

quick snack and drink before embarking on thrilling water sport adventures or day boat trips. At the heart of this bustling area stands the majestic Paphos Castle, a medieval fortress with its base partially submerged in the sea.

Since the 13th century, Paphos Castle has been an imposing presence, serving as a watchtower for potential seafaring invaders, a prison, and even a storage facility for salt supplies during British rule. Today, this historic monument is a stunning backdrop for an array of cultural events, including music, dance, and pop concerts that take place throughout the summer months.

The castle is a testament to the various powers that controlled Cyprus and their efforts to

solidify their rule over the land. As a symbol of the rich cultural heritage of the area, Paphos was chosen as the European Capital of Culture in 2017. Don't miss the opportunity to explore this remarkable site and soak up the lively atmosphere of Paphos Harbour during your visit to Cyprus.

#### Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

Address: Kato Paphos Harbour, Coastal Broadwalk, Paphos Opening hours: Winter: daily 8:30am–5pm. Summer: daily 8:30am–7:30pm

Phone: +357 26 306217

Internet: www.visitcyprus.com/index.php/en/discovercyprus/c ulture/sites-monuments/item/245-pafos-paphos-castle

# Archaeological Site of Nea Paphos



Delve into the captivating blend of ancient Greek and Roman history at the Paphos Archaeological Park, situated in Nea Paphos on the southwest

coast of Cyprus. This extensive site, which is still under excavation, encompasses a significant part of the ancient city that dates back to prehistoric times and spans through the Middle Ages.

Founded in the late 4th century BC, Nea Paphos was once encircled by formidable walls and served as the centre of political and administrative life in Cyprus. Today, the park is renowned for its enchanting collection of well-preserved mosaics that depict ancient Greek myths. These intricate and colourful masterpieces can be found in the remains of opulent Roman villas, which are among the park's most remarkable discoveries.

As you wander through this UNESCO World Heritage site, immerse yourself in the rich history and culture that influenced the lives of the early inhabitants of the island. From the worship of gods to the emergence of early Christians, the ruins of Nea Paphos offer a fascinating insight into a bygone era.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Address: Kato Pafos Archaeological Park, Paphos, Cyprus Phone: +357 26 306 217

Internet: www.visitcyprus.com/index.php/en/discovercyprus/c ulture/sites-monuments/239-archaeological-park-of-kato-pafo s-paphos

#### Tombs of the Kings



Just off the Tomb of the Kings road in Paphos, lies a huge area which dates back to 300 BC here was the last resting place for top officials and members

of Paphian aristocracy, each would have been laid in burial niches along with jewellery and other artefacts relating to their life. Tragically, these tombs were looted many many years ago leaving behind only an echoing and very powerful sense of stillness and a certain mystery. The tombs were carved out of solid rock and with frescoed walls, and looming Doric columns line the 100 tombs which have been unearthed. This site is well worth a visit and the best examples can be seen if you visit the atrium area.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism Address: Archaeological Site of the Tombs of the Kings, Tombs of the Kings Avenue 63, Chloraka, Cyprus Opening hours: Winter: daily 8:30am-5pm. Summer: daily 8:30am-7:30pm Phone: +357 26 306 295 Internet: www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/da/da.nsf/All/238DE8D409B F6077C225719B0039F785?OpenDocument

### Early Christian Basilica St Paul's Pillar



Just a brief walk from the harbour, you'll find Agia Kyriaki Chrysopolitissa. The grounds of this ancient church house a pillar with a tale dating

back to 45 AD. Paul — yes, that Paul of Biblical fame — was dragged here and received forty lashes as part of his Christian missionary journey with Barnabas. The pillar remains a focal point for pilgrims today. Interestingly, Paul's ordeal had a transformative effect: Lucius Sergius Paulus, the Roman Proconsul of the time, converted to Christianity after meeting him.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism Address: Stasandrou, Paphos

#### **Old Town of Paphos**



The best way to experience the Old Town of Paphos is on foot, where a local market tempts with an array of offerings: think fresh

produce, dazzling jewellery, and even high-end fashion. Make sure to swing by a few shops that showcase the area's arts and crafts, rounding out a sensory journey that tantalises all five senses. Immerse yourself in the rich aromas of herbs and spices, and don't miss the chance to sample award-winning wines and regional treats.

In this lively quarter, modernity and tradition coalesce. Whether it's the clang from traditional workshops or the enticing aromas from food stalls, the Old Town is as much an experience for the senses as it is a tribute to Paphos's rich history. This is where you'll find locals mingling with tourists — a testament to the area's

#### enduring appeal.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Internet: www.visitpafos.org.cy/relax-revive-adventure/old-town-pafos

## **Teeing off?**



In the Paphos area, you'll find four premier golfing destinations, with more being built. Set against the serene backdrop of sculpted hills, these

courses offer breathtaking vistas and come complete with top-tier clubhouses, professional stores, and an array of deluxe offerings. Accommodations range from on-site five-star hotels to high-end villas and apartments you can purchase. While these golf havens are peacefully distanced from the main tourist hubs, they're conveniently close to the region's beaches, notable landmarks, shopping areas and entertainment venues.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism Internet: www.visitpafos.org.cy/be-sporty/golf

#### **Rural Paphos**



Paphos is a cultural and natural treasure, famous as Aphrodite's birthplace and rich in archaeological sites and museums. The area boasts the scenic

Akamas Peninsula, picturesque villages like Neo Chorio, and a variety of nature trails. The nearby resort town of Polis and charming coastal villages like Argaka, Chlorakas, Geroskipou, Kissonerga, Kouklia, Lempa, Mandria, Neo Chorio, Pomos, Timi, Gialia and Nea Dimmata offer unspoilt landscapes perfect for outdoor enthusiasts. This year-round destination features ideal weather, diverse accommodations, historical sights, and cultural activities, all easily accessible by road or air. Spring and summer are perfect for exploring archaeological sites, enjoying local festivals, and partaking in water sports. Fall and winter offer the chance to explore changing landscapes, engage in outdoor activities like cycling and trekking, and immerse in the local culture. With something for every season, Paphos is a must-visit region.

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### Wine in Cyprus



Paphos boasts a rich wine heritage that spans over 6,000 years, making it one of the world's oldest wine-producing regions. Not only does it feature

ancient grape varieties, but it has also incorporated foreign strains like Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon to meet modern palates. Many of the wineries here are family-owned and warmly invite visitors for tastings, as well as direct purchases. Local restaurants and hotels are committed to showcasing these wines, so keep an eye out for offerings from notable local producers like Tsangarides, Vouni Panagia, Fikardos, Ezousa, and Vasilikon wineries.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism Internet: www.visitpafos.org.cy/off-the-beaten-track/wineries

# The Akamas Peninsula



This peninsula is in the westernmost tip of Cyprus and Pafos is its nearest city. It's a region of untouched natural beauty made up of wild

landscapes, deep gorges and beautiful deserted beaches. The perfect place to explore and unwind.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board Of Tourism Address: Akamas Peninsula Internet: www.visitpafos.org.cy Email: info@visitpafos.org.cy

# Free Guided Walking Tour!



Pafos Old Town walking tour is offered for free every Thursday for the months October to April by the Pafos Regional Board of Tourism in

collaboration with the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.

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#### **Bus Excursions**



With so much to see in such a compact area, visitors can experience the true Cyprus through a range of exciting tours and activities. Tours and

activities are carefully planned and operated with licensed guides or professional escorts.

Spend the day discovering the legends and history of one of the most beautiful parts of

Cyprus. Take a visit to the Aphrodite's Rock. According to legend, the goddess of love and beauty was born from the foam of the sea at this spot. Then discover the remarkable history of Paphos, which UNESCO World Heritage has added to its World Cultural Heritage List. In "Kato" Paphos you will visit the catacombs of St. Solomoni and see the Pillar of St. Paul. Take a visit at the Archaeological park and explore the house of Dionysos and admire a series of beautifully preserved mosaics depicting scenes from the Greek Mythology, take avisit at the mediavla castle and explore the 9th century Basilica of Ayia Paraskevi. Take a stop at Yeroskipou Village to sample the famous Paphos Delights 'Loukoumia'.

Tens of options to visit every corner of Pafos and Cyprus from the majestic Cypriot countryside to the unique Myths and legends, history and Cypriot culture. Travel more. Worry less

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#### Mini Cruises



A unique way to explore and enjoy the crystal waters of the rugged Pafos Coast line. Full Day Cruise For that extra tan, leave behind the sand and

cruise the crystal clear waters of the Mediterranean. Cruise to the West from Paphos Harbour towards the famous and legendary Akamas. You will have the opportunity to see the majestic scenery of the coastline, Coral Bay, The Sea Caves,St. George's Island, Lara Bay (Turtle Beach) and Geronysos.

Relaxing Half Day Cruise Treat yourself to a relaxing Mini Cruise and

spend a few hours at sea sailing the mediterranean along the West coast of Paphos taking in the views of the rugged coastline. Sailing up to Coral Bay where we will drop anchor for you to enjoy a dip in the crystal waters of this beautiful sheltered bay.

### Mid Day Cruise

Treat yourself to a relaxing Mini Cruise and spend a few hours at sea sailing the Mediterranean along the West coast of Paphos taking in the views of the rugged coastline.

Moonlight Wine & Dinner Cruise Cruise the coastline while the sun is setting beyond the horizon. Then boat weighs anchor and usually a Mediterranean supper is served. Background music will be played throughout your meal. After the meal to get you in the mood for dancing, a live DJ will play 60's – 80's music or simply relax on the top deck gazing at the stars.

Other options also available such as Catamaran Cruise, Glass Bottom Boat, Tuna Fishing and Private Charters available on request.

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#### 4x4 Adventure



There's only one way to explore the wild Akamas Peninsula – by four wheel drive. So join this bumpy adventure and go off road down dirt tracks and over

potholes. Fun from start to finish, kick things off with a drive through giant limestone walls of the Avagas Gorge, which is a haven for over 168 different species of birds, plants and animals. Next up is Lara Bay, home to a breeding station for the protected Green Back Turtles. You can learn all about the project before can head back through Latchi. Your last stop can be at visit to the Baths of Aphrodite, where legend has it that the waters have magical rejuvenating properties

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### DINING



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Cyprus cuisine is mainly Mediterranean with lots of fresh vegetable, fresh fish and special meat dishes. The element that characterizes the Cypriot cuisine is the freshness and the variety of dishes that you will find. The Cypriot cuisine due to its Greek and Middle East influences offer some unique dishes and culinary experiences. Among the dishes you would expect to be served in most of the Cypriot restaurants are meat of fish based meze, afelia, sheftalia, koupepia, stifado, kleftico, loukanika, lountza and halloumi cheese.

However, Cyprus being a Mediterranean island has a lot of fresh fish dishes to offer. In Pafos you can also enjoy International cuisines from Asian, to European and Middle eastern.

## **Theos Seafood Restaurant**



This charming family run seafood restaurant has been established since 1962. The old stone structure building right on the harbour

promenade makes it an ideal and pleasant dining spot. Its name has become synonymous with good, fresh food, made strictly from traditional home made recipes. The menu is quite varied with fresh fish and seafood being the house specialities. Open daily from 11am till late, all year round.

Photo: Theos restaurant Address: 100 Apostolou Pavlou Ave Opening hours: 12.00 - 00.00 Phone: + 357 26 932 829 More Info: Pafos Harbour

# **Demokritos Tavern**



The real taste of a Cypriot Tavern The traditional atmosphere with a full Cypriot menu and fine selection of local wines and cocktails make this

one of the finest tavern not only in the area of Paphos but in Cyprus as well. It is well known and is the favored eating place for many of the locals that is why it is advisable to make a reservation in advance.

Demokritos is just three minutes away from the harbor and it is situated on Saint Antonios street. The tavern itself is cosy and traditional in style, and the food is tasty, plentiful and affordable. Lovers of Cypriot cuisine over here you will find what you are looking for. Prepare your appetite for real Cyprus traditional dishes, dishes on charcoal and wood oven food all cooked with love, in generous amount and at the best prices.

Folklore shows are performed every evening during the high season, representing Cypriot & Greek dances as well as live music. Highlight of the show, is the glasses on the head dance where a dancer is balancing and dancing with more than 50 glasses on his head. That is why Demokritos is considered one of the best taverns on the island.

Demokritos is a family run enterprise, and the owner Mr. Terry is backed by his two sons who all work to make your visit enjoyable, and to provide you with the greatest Cyprus traditional experience.

Photo: Demokritos Tavern Opening hours: 17:00 - 00:00 Phone: + 357 26 933 371, + 357 99 613 041 Internet: www.demokritostavern.com

#### Kebab house



There are plenty of eateries, especially kebab houses in every square of the town

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# **International Cuisine**



Enjoy delicious dishes at the high quality restaurants serving Cypriot traditional cuisine , as well as international cuisines including Asian,

French, Italian and English.

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#### **Fettas Tavern**



Fettas Tavern is located at the center of Paphos. A lot of parking space is available around the tavern . The tavern is very well known among

the locals and tourists. Fettas Tevern is highly recommended for fabulous dishes and unforgettable nights.

If you are demanding the best value for your money then Fettas Tavern is a must place to visit.

Also known as Fettas Corner. Fettas Corner, a nice little secret wrapped in Ktima area, serves a 20-dish meze customized according to your tastes.

You have a list to choose from which includes spare ribs, beef liver, snails, wild asparagus, sausages and pork in wine. If feeling confused, confidently order their tantalizing lokmades (honey doughnuts) and wine from the family's vineyards.

Live Greek music(Rempetiko) every Friday and Saturday.

Photo: Fettas Tavern Address: Ioanni Agroti 33, Paphos, Cyprus Opening hours: 18.00-23.00 Phone: + 357 26 937822, + 357 99 577 609 Email: fettaspafos@gmail.com

#### Loukoumi Geroskipou



History The history of the Loukoumi Geroskipou and Koufeta Amygdalou Geroskipou begins in 1895. Throughout the years and the standing of

time, the products' reputation surpassed the Cypriot boundaries and are now exported to many countries worldwide while visitors to Geroskipou and Paphos always seek to buy the products to take back home with them. More importantly, they are the first products to be granted the protected Geographical Indication (PGI) by the European Union and so the Loukoumi Geroskipou and Koufetta Amygdalou Geroskipou are now recognized worldwide and heavily promoted by the European Union.

# Loukoumi Geroskipou

The Loukoumi Geroskipou is a confectionary product with sugar being its main ingredient. It has a jello texture, intense sweet taste and it is shaped small cubes. The product is offered in various flavours and packages which vary according to the added aroma.

It is offered covered with icing sugar or desiccated coconut topping. Nuts, or/and honey, or/and bitter chocolate can be added to the product during production. The difference between Loukoumi Geroskipou from other similar products with other names is its vigour, elasticity and reduced sweetness. Also no glucose or gelatine are used in the production of the Loukoumi Geroskipou. It is mainly served as a dessert, coffee accompaniment, wedding treat or as a treat in various events.

Koufetta Amygdalou Geroskipou

The second Cypriot Product after Loukoumi Geroskipou to be awarded with PGI. Fresh locally grown almonds are roasted before they are slowly covered with sugar syrup, resulting in a soft shell that simply melts in your mouth.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# CAFES



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Enjoying a coffee or a refreshing drink outdoors, almost at any time of the day. Enjoy it on the beach, by the old Pafos harbour, in the Pafos city centre or in neighbouring villages.

# **Cafes in Harbour**



There are numerous of cafes you can visit by the harbour.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# **Cafes in Pafos Old Town**



There are many eateries and coffee shops by the Pafos Old Town as well. Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

### More cafes in city center



There are plenty choices of cafes in Pafos city center

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### More Cafes in Harbour



Amazing view from several cafes by the Harbour.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Pafos has plenty of nightlife both in the Centre and in Kato Pafos. There is a whole area in Kato Pafos dedicated to bars, pubs, clubs and night entertainment. It is great and safe for all ages. Pafos bars and pubs tend to close around 2.00am whilst nightclubs and discos stay open till early morning hours.

#### Lounge Bars



Give an exciting twist to your night by exploring the jazzy nightlife scene in Pafos. The city offers many lounge bars to entertain you.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Karaoke bars



Enjoy unforgettable evenings with our friends and entertain yourselves with unique moments in Karaoke bars.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Traditional live music and dancing



Pafos prides itself on its musical talent and has plenty of traditional taverns with traditional live music.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Pubs



You can find plenty of pubs with a great choice of local and international beers and ales including all of your favourites.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### **Discos and Clubs**



Despite the fact that Pafos is one of the calmest and relaxing resorts in Cyprus, it also has plenty of nightclubs and discos.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

### SHOPPING



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Pafos offers a lot of locally produced items include ceramics and pottery, leather goods, woven goods, and regional wines. You can find them in sovereign shops or in the Pafos municipal Market which is located in the Pafos centre. Nevertheless, Pafos offers several shopping centres, retail shops that stocks well known international brands for clothing, shoes, imported textiles, optical goods, jewelleries and souvenirs at competitive prices.

### **Shopping in Pafos Old Town**



Shopping in Pafos has been through a lot of transformation over the last decade or so, with the emergence of many supermarkets and

shopping centres together with the introduction of well-known high street brands. Also, do not

forget to check out traditional souvenir shops and open-air markets also lined up with local restaurants for some unique gifts at reasonable prices.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

# **Traditional products**



In Pafos city center you can also find shops with plenty of traditional products.

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism

#### Leather goods



You can also find highest quality leather goods, accessories, bags and many more products.

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#### **Designers** label



Shop all your favourite designers and luxury fashion brands.

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#### Arts & Crafts



Meet the artists, watch how it is made or create your own piece of art to take home

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# ACCOMMODATIONS



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Paphos offers a wide range of excellent quality accommodation. From luxury beach hotels and resorts for chic city and spa breaks, to holiday villages and authentic back-to-basics family-run establishments, you'll find quality accommodation to suit your every whim.

# **VISITOR INFORMATION**



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#### Airport



Address: Pafos International Airport PO Box 62181 P.C. 8061 Pafos, Republic of Cyprus

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Phone: +357 77 778833 Internet: www.hermesairports.com More Info: Email: info@hermesairports.com Email: customerservices@hermesairports.com Fax: +357 26 007100

# **Public Transport and Intercity Buses**



OSYPA Buses:There is a very efficient bus network connecting Pafos with the surrounding areas and resorts. Services are available seven days a

week from early morning until late midnight. Airport shuttle bus is also available connecting airport and Pafos tourist area and main town.

Intercity Buses: Operates all intercity bus route services connecting all the unoccupied cities of Cyprus on a daily schedule. Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Phone: +357 26934410 Internet: www.intercity-buses.com/?wp=routes More Info: info@Pafos Buses.com Fax: +357 26932008

# Taxi



Taxi, bikes and bicycles can also be used to explore Pafos. Ask at your hotel or visit our website: www.visitpafos.org.cy

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# Post Offices



Pafos District Post Office Aristoteli Savva 23, 8025 Pafos +357 26 632564 Open 08:00 - 14:30 Kato Pafos Post Office Ikarou 25, 8041 Pafos +357 26

306226 Open 08:00 - 14:30

Geroskipou Post Office Agias Paraskevis Plateia, 8201 Geroskipou +357 26 306225 Open 08:00 - 14:30

Pegeia Post Office Michalaki Kyprianou 51, 8560 Pegeia + 357 26 621238 Open 08:00 - 14:30

Polis Post Office Plakostrotou 1, 8820 Polis +357 77 778013 Open 08:00 - 14:30

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Phone: + 357 26306221 Internet: www.cypruspost.post/en/post-office-locations

## Banks



Banks are closed at weekends and on public holidays while ATM machines are available 24 hours.

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### Pharmacy



There are pharmacies all over Pafos. There is also a 24 hour pharmacy service. Follow the below link for pharmacies info in

Pafos: https://www.cyta.com.cy/id/m144/en

Photo: Pafos Regional Board of Tourism Internet: www.cypruspharmacy.com/

# Other info

Country code: +357 Language: Greek Native, English Fluently Electricity: Cyprus has triangular electric plugs and 240 Volt.

Emergency numbers: Pafos General Hospital: +357 26803260, +357 26306100 Ambulance: 199 / 112 Police: 199 / 112 Fire Service: 199 / 112

**Population** The city: 35,961 Metro area: 90,200 1 euro, € = 100 cent

#### **Opening hours**

Generally, office hours are Monday to Friday 8am–1pm and 3pm–6pm.

Most shops are open Monday to Saturday 7am–9pm. On Sunday, opening times are later, typically around 11 am, and closing times vary from 2 pm to 10 pm. Some shops still observe a half-day closing on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, and close on Sunday. Three-hour siesta breaks in the summer between 2 pm and 5 pm are common in the hottest part of the summer.

Breakfast is usually served 7am–10am, lunch noon–3pm, dinner from 7 pm.

Internet

www.visitpafos.org.cy www.visitcyprus.com

#### Newspapers

Cyprus Mail (in English) — cyprus-mail.com Financial Mirror — www.financialmirror.com Phileleftheros — phileleftherosgroup.com Politis — politis.com.cy Alithia — alithia.com.cy Haravgi — dialogos.com.cy/haravgi

#### **Emergency numbers**

Paphos General Hospital: +357 26 803100 Ambulance, Police & Fire Service: 112

#### **Tourist information**

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Currency