

Andros Island, Cyclades, Greece

The greenest, least-crowded Cycladic island — Andros delivers dramatic hiking trails, a genuine art-museum scene, and turquoise coves, all within easy reach of Gavrio's working harbour.

 Docked (Gavrio pier)  Typical call: 8-10 hrs  Euro  Greek

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Ships berth at Gavrio pier on the northwest coast; no tendering required for most vessels

Best For: Hiking, beaches, contemporary art, authentic Cycladic villages

Walk to Center: Gavrio village is 5 min on foot; Batsi resort town is 7 km; Chora (capital) is 35 km

Don't Miss: Goulandris Museum of Contemporary Art in Chora and the Pithara Waterfalls near Apikia

 Getting around:  Taxi  €28–€40

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Chora & Goulandris Museum of Contemporary Art** — Andros Town (Chora) is one of the most elegant capitals in the Cyclades — neoclassical mansions, marble-paved lanes, and sea-view squares.
- **Pithara Waterfalls Hike** — A short, shaded walk near Apikia village leads to a lush cascade of waterfalls surrounded by ferns and plane trees — a cool, unexpected escape on a...
- **Andros Hiking Trails** — Andros has a network of over 300 km of restored trails, anchored by the 100 km 'Andros Route' — certified in 2015 as a Leading Quality Trail — Best...
- **Chryssi Ammos & Agios Petros Beach** — Chryssi Ammos (Golden Sand) is a sheltered bay with fine sand and Caribbean-blue water just minutes from Gavrio.
- **Venetian Castle & Maritime Museum in Chora** — The medieval Venetian castle sits on a rocky promontory connected to Chora's old town by a narrow bridge.

BEST WALKS

- **Gavrio Waterfront & Tower of Agios Petros** 2 km · 45 min · Easy — From the pier, stroll the Gavrio waterfront past fish tavernas and cafes, then follow signs inland about 1.5 km to the well-preserved ancient tower of Agios Petros — a...
- **Chora Old Town Walk** 1.5 km loop · 1-2 hrs · Easy — Walk the marble-paved main street of Andros Town past neoclassical mansions and through archways to the Square of the Unknown Sailor, with sweeping views of the sea.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)			
Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	64°	56°	6d
Jun	78°	70°	2d
Aug	82°	76°	1d
Sep	78°	72°	3d
Oct	70°	65°	4d

 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Apr 6:45AM–7:56PM · Jun 5:58AM–8:44PM · Aug 6:36AM–8:13PM · Sep 7:03AM–7:28PM · Oct 7:29AM–6:43PM	
Euro	

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Rent a car at the port. Andros is large and buses are infrequent. A rental car unlocks beaches, villages, and the waterfalls — agencies are right at the Gavrio pier.
- Prioritize Chora if time allows. The 35 km drive is worth it for the Goulandris museum, castle, and neoclassical architecture — allow 4-5 hours minimum.
- Bring cash for small tavernas. ATMs are in Gavrio and Batsi; card acceptance is inconsistent at village beaches and remote cafes.
- Chryssi Ammos Beach is walkable from port. If you want an easy beach day, this sheltered golden-sand bay is only a short drive or taxi ride from Gavrio.
- Serious hikers: plan ahead. Andros Routes (androsroutes.gr) publishes trail maps. The Pithara waterfall walk near Apikia is the most accessible half-day option.
- Wind is common. Andros sits in the meltemi wind corridor — exposed north-facing beaches can be choppy. Chryssi Ammos and Fellós Beach are sheltered and calmer.

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Map of the island of Andros, Greece, showing the locations of the two study sites. Site 1 is marked with an orange circle with the number 1, located near the town of Kymi. Site 2 is marked with an orange circle with the number 2, located near the town of Palaio. A black circle with a white 'P' indicates the port area. The map includes various geographical features, roads, and place names in Greek. A scale bar at the bottom left indicates distances of 2 miles and 3 kilometers.

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