

Folegandros Island, Cyclades, Greece

One of the Cyclades' best-kept secrets, Folegandros rewards those who make the tender crossing with whitewashed clifftop villages, a living medieval fortress, and beaches that have barely changed in centuries.

- Tender (no pier)
- Typical call: 6–8 hrs
- Currency: Euro (€)
- Language: Greek
- Small ships & yachts

MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Karavostasis port

Walk to center: Chora is 3 km from port — take the bus or taxi

Best For: Authentic Cyclades vibe, clifftop views, hiking, quiet beaches

Don't Miss: Chora's Kastro & the hike to the Church of Panagia

Getting around: Taxi €12–€17 · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Chora, Kastro & Panagia Church** — Walk the three flower-draped squares of Chora, duck into the 13th-century Kastro quarter, then hike the stone path up to the whitewashed Church of...
- Boat Tour to Katergo Beach & Sea Caves** — Jump on a small tourist boat from Karavostasis to Katergo — the island's most beautiful beach of white pebbles and electric-blue water — plus a visit...
- Ano Meria Village & Folklore Museum** — Hire an ATV and head to Ano Meria, a traditional village of scattered farmsteads.
- Agali Beach Day** — One of the island's finest sandy beaches, set in a bay backed by dramatic hills.
- Lunch in Chora — Matsata & Local Wines** — Sit in one of Chora's three shaded squares and try matsata — the island's signature handmade ribbon pasta with slow-cooked rabbit or rooster — paired...

BEST WALKS

- Karavostasis Beach Stroll** Easy · 10 min · Flat — From the tender dock, a 2-minute walk brings you to Chochlidia Beach (pebbles, tamarisk shade, clear water) — ideal if you only have a short time before departure.
- Chora Kastro & Panagia Hike** Moderate · 1.5–2 hrs · Uphill path — From Chora's main square, explore the Kastro alleys, then follow the signed stone path uphill for 15–20 minutes to the Church of Panagia.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:46AM–7:54PM · Jun 6:01AM–8:40PM · Aug 6:38AM–8:10PM · Sep 7:02AM–7:27PM · Oct 7:27AM–6:43PM	
Apr	60°	57°	3d	Currency: Euro (€)	
Jun	72°	69°	1d		
Aug	76°	74°	0d		
Sep	74°	71°	2d		
Oct	68°	66°	3d		

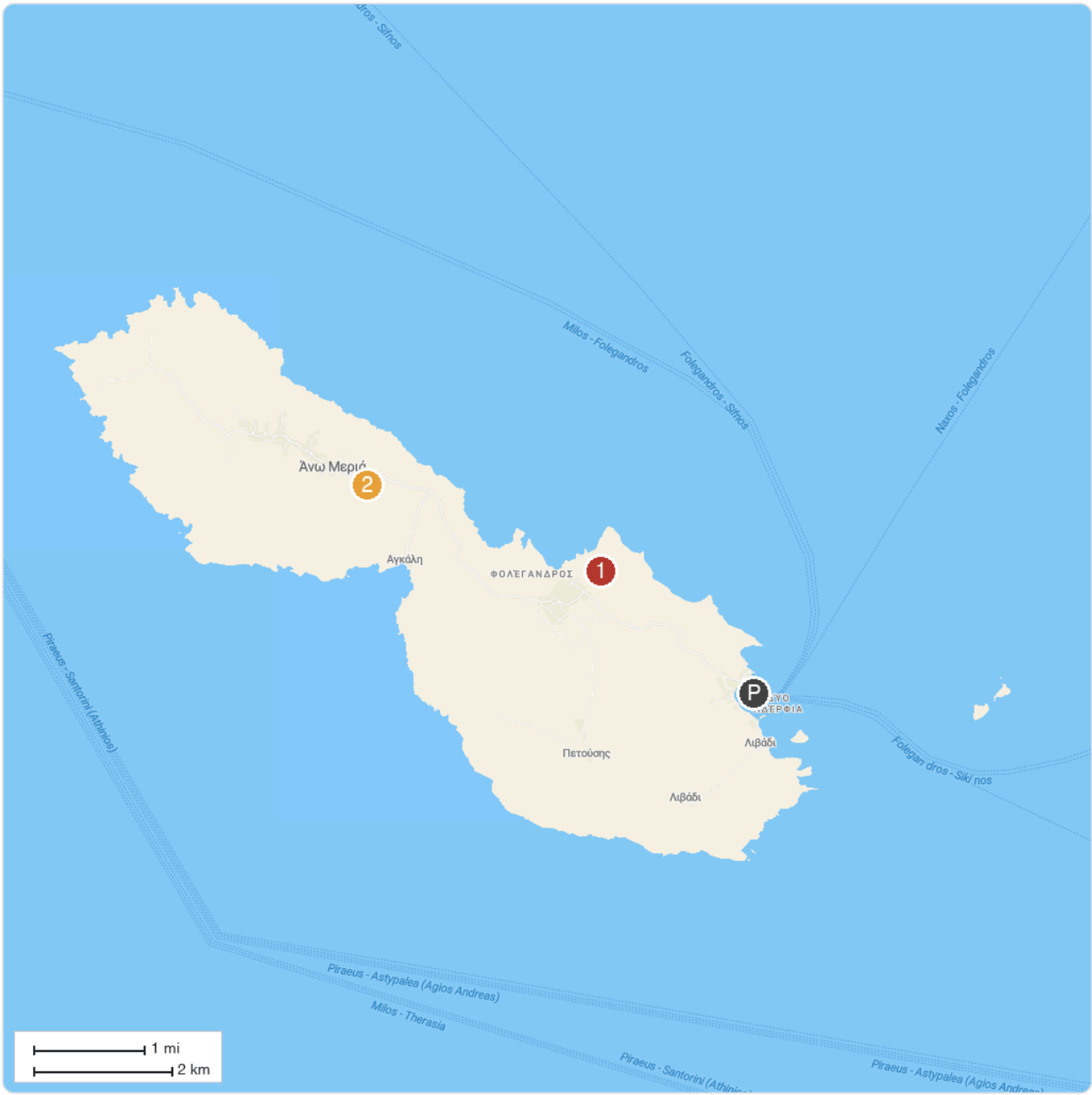
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Watch the tender schedule. This is a small-ship port with irregular service — confirm your last tender time with the ship and aim to be at the Karavostasis quay at least 1 hour early.
- Bring cash (euros). The local bus, water taxis, and many small tavernas and cafes only accept cash. ATMs exist in Chora and at the port but queues form in peak season.
- Rent an ATV at the port. With limited taxis and a small bus network, renting an ATV or scooter is the most flexible way to reach distant beaches and Ano Meria. Book early in July–August.
- Wear proper footwear. Chora's cobblestones are polished and uneven, and the Panagia path is gravel and stone. Skip flip-flops unless you're staying at the beach.
- The Meltemi can whip up fast. July–August northern winds can make northern-facing beaches choppy. Choose Agali or Karavostasis Beach for calmer swimming on windy days.
- Try matsata before you leave. This handmade ribbon pasta with slow-cooked rabbit or goat is Folegandros' signature dish and nearly impossible to find anywhere else. Order it in one of Chora's plateia tavernas.

Folegandros Island, Cyclades, Greece — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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Church of Virgin Mary of Folegandros

Iconic white church on a hill, offering panoramic island views.
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Λαογραφικό Μουσείο Φολεγάνδρου

Museum showcasing Folegandros' traditional life, history, and local culture.
- P

Cruise port / terminal