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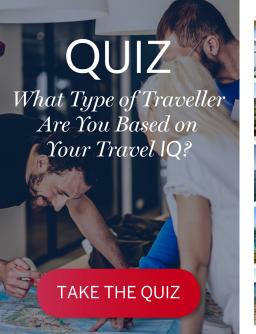
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The mythical birthplace of the goddess Hera, Samos is the greenest of the Aegean islands, and surely deserves its divine reputation. Nature-lovers and sun-seekers alike are attracted to its pebbled beaches, green expanses and impressive rocky cliffs. The island is also famous for its vineyards, as well as being home to the ruins of the magnificent Temple of Hera, and a true marvel of ancient engineering, the 1,000-metre Tunnel of Eupalinos, which once brought clean drinking water to the people of Pythagoreio.

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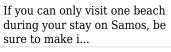


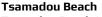
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# THE ISLAND



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Separated from the Turkish mainland (visible form many parts of the island) by the narrow Strait of Mycale, Samos enjoys an ideal location in the Aegean on the route between Athens and Izmir, and is often used as a stopping off point for travelers between the two countries. It is also one of the greenest islands in the area and boasts a huge number of idyllic little beaches found all along the coast.

Samos is rightfully thought of as a an ancient centre for scholarship and learning, as it was the home of philosopher and mathematician Pythagoras (the caves where he lived and taught can be visited on Mt. Kerkis), and it is also fabled to be the birthplace of the goddess Hera, and the remains of an ancient temple built in her honor can still be found near the city of Pythagoreio. Other main urban areas include Vathy (Samos Town) and Kokkari, both on the north coast, where much of the island's best dining and nightlife can be found lining the harbour areas of each city. Traditional dishes are complemented with local vintages and an unmistakable Greek hospitality.

# SAMOS BEACHES



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Below is a brief selection of the best beaches on Samos Island.

## Livadaki Beach



About 10 kilometres north of Vathy lies one of the islands most pristine beaches, Livadaki. The waters are crystalline, the sand is soft, and both are

warm and welcoming. It is even possible to borrow free kayaks and umbrellas to find protection from the sun.

Photo: Nejdet Duzen / Shutterstock.com Address: Livadaki Beach, Vathy

## Lemonakia Beach



Lemonakia Beach is less windy and has calmer waters than other beaches in the area. There are several options for food and drinks

(Andrea's Place is the most popular restaurant in the area), and there are also showers, toilets and playground areas.

Photo: SchusterNorbert / Wikimedia Commons (image cropped) Address: Kokkari, Samos

### Mikro Seitani



If you can only visit one beach during your stay on Samos, be sure to make it Mikro Seitani. This small and secluded beach is reachable only on foot or

by boat, and it is well worth the hike. Surrounded by large rock formations and lush vegetation, it is by far the most scenic beach on the island.

Photo: Josef Bosak / Shutterstock.com Address: Karlovasi, Samos

### Tsamadou Beach



Tsamadou Beach is perhaps the most popular beach on the whole island of Samos, and it's not hard to see why. The water is at once crystal

clear and a vibrant shade of blue-green that has to be seen to be believed. There is a restaurant nearby and plenty of sunbeds, but it tends to be quite busy.

Photo: Pawel Kazmierczak / Shutterstock.com Address: Tsamadou, Kokkari, Samos

#### **Balos Beach**



Balos Beach is a more relaxed and less frequented beach on the south side of the island of Samos, but it is by no means less picturesque

than some of the more popular beaches.

Photo: Jan Krcmar / Shutterstock.com Address: Koumeika, Samos

### Megalo Seitani



An additional 30 minute walk beyond Mikro Seitani, the even more secluded and idyllic Megalo Seitani is maybe the most beautiful beach

on Samos. The white pebbles and azure water are framed by lush green hills in every direction.

Photo: mangojuicy / Shutterstock.com Address: Karlovasi, Samos

#### **Psili Ammos Beach**



Another beautiful and relaxing beach, Psili Ammos, on the south side of the island of Samos, boasts calm, clear waters and a soft sandy beach.

Photo: Luigi Rosa / Flickr (image cropped) Address: Marathokampos, Samos

# DO & SEE



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Samos is home to a wealth of beautiful beaches, both secluded and lively, but always surrounded by breathtaking scenery. The island's other assets include interesting museums, temples and castles, as well as the Cave of Pythagoras, where the ancient philosopher once resided and taught, and the marvel of ancient engineering that is the Tunnel of Eupalinos.

## **Tunnel of Eupalinos**



Perhaps the greatest testament to the scientific genius of Samos' golden-age is the 1,034-metre-long Tunnel of Eupalinos - an

aqueduct and service tunnel built in 524 BC. This incredible feat of ancient engineering claimed the lives of many workers, but brought vital drinking water to the inhabitants of Pythagoreio, then a metropolis of 80,000.

Photo: Tomisti / Wikimedia Commons (image cropped) Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Tue-Sun 8am-3pm Phone: +30 22730 61400 Internet: www.eupalinos-tunnel.gr

## The Heraion



Though today only some ruins remain, this 6th-century temple dedicated to the goddess Hera was once four times the size of the Parthenon

in Athens. The road leading to the site from Pythagoreio was once lined with impressive statues that led the way to the temple.

Photo: Nejdet Duzen / Shutterstock.com Address: Ireon, Samos Opening hours: Tue-Sun 8am-3pm Phone: +30 22730 95277

# Castle of Lykourgos Logothetis



The Castle of Lykourgos Logothetis (named after a resistance leader from the War of Independece) dates back to 1824. Visitors are free to

explore the remnants of the castle and take in the breathtaking views of Pythagorei Bay.

Photo: M. Hoffmann / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Tue-Sun 9am-dusk Internet: www.greeka.com/eastern\_aegean/samos/samos-exc ursions/samos-logothetis-castle.htm

## Archaeological Museum



This impressive museum showcases ancient archaeological artifacts dating back as far as the 6th century BC. The highlights include

ceramics, bronze sculptures and statues, including an enormous 5 and a half metre statue taken from the Heraion near Pythagoreio (the largest of its kind).

Photo: Iakov Filimonov / Shutterstock.com Address: Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Tue-Sun 8am-3pm Phone: +30 22730 27469

## Monastery of Panagia Spiliani



A short distance from the city of Pythagoreion, atop a hill with wonderful views of the surrounding area and coast, lies the Monastery of Panagia

Spiliani. As if the views and the quaint monastery weren't enough to lure you up, visitors can descend into a small cave, at the bottom of which there is a tiny underground chapel.

Photo: Karelj / Wikimedia Commons (image cropped) Address: Pythagoreio, Samos

### **Potami Waterfalls**



Venture through forest paths to northwest of the island, where you will discover the beautiful Potami Waterfalls, a popular and picturesque

swimming hole hidden among large slick rocks. Nearby there are a few places where you can find refreshments, making the area a great place for a day-trip.

Photo: Luigi Rosa / Flickr (image cropped) Address: Karlovasi, Samos

### **Cave of Pythagoras**



Greek philosopher and thinker Pythagoras is perhaps the most famous son of Samos, and it is possible to visit his caves on Mount Kerkis. The

larger of the two caves was used as a classroom for his students, while the nearby smaller cave was used as his living quarters.

Photo: Jacomo / Shutterstock.com Address: Mount Kerkis, Marathokampos, Votsalakia, Samos

#### Samos Wine Museum



This simple and rustic museum teaches visitors about the wine-production process and the interesting contraptions that have

been used in the region's wine-making history.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com Address: Malagari, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10Aam-5:30pm Phone: +30 2273 087511 Internet: www.samoswine.gr Email: info@samoswine.gr

# DINING



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Dining in Samos is akin to a lesson in Mediterranean specialties, fresh seafood and Greek hospitality. Fine restaurants can be found spread out all across the island, often boasting breezy locations and stunning sea views. Tavernas, trattorias, bistros and informal beach bars all pair your meal with some of the finest local vintages to round off a truly authentic Samos dining experience.

#### Stella



Up a narrow winding path from Balos Beach lies Stella, a restaurant that serves beautifully presented and expertly prepared specialties from

Cyprus. The area is green and refreshing, and the traditional food is served with a contemporary twist in the beautiful garden.

Photo: Mateusz Gzik / Shutterstock.com Address: Balos Beach, Ormos Koumeikon, Samos Phone: +30 694 753 5325 Email: antonioy@hotmail.de More Info: Marked as Εστιατόριο Stella on Google Maps

#### Lakis Restaurant



Fabulous Greek cuisine is served at this no-frills restaurant in Pythagoreion. Prices are very reasonable, and the warm and welcoming

staff is very generous with their free desserts and ouzo. Seafood is the specialty, and the Chicken Souvlaki comes highly recommended.

Photo: Vivienna / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 2273 061252

#### Casa di Roma



Casa di Roma, located in the picturesque Pythagoreion harbour, is a popular Italian restaurant that specialises in

Mediterranean dishes, as well as pasta and pizza. Be sure to also try the wonderful desserts, which include cheesecake, tiramisu and apple pie with ice cream.

Photo: Lisovskaya Natalia / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-1am, Sun 9am-12am Phone: +30 2273 062962 Internet: casadiroma.manifo.com

#### **Elia Restaurant**



With a prime location right by the beach in the Port of Pythagoreion, Elia Restaurant has a passion for creating unique flavours in all of their

dishes, which range from Greek and

Mediterranean and seafood to steak and vegetarian options. The outdoor seating is ideal for warm summer nights.

Photo: DonLand / Shutterstock.com Address: Port of Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Daily 11am-12:30am Phone: +30 2273 061436 Internet: www.eliarestaurant-samos.gr

#### The Steps



The Steps boasts what is perhaps the best mealtime view in the Vathy area. Guests can gorge themselves on tasty mezes, refreshing salads

and Mediterranean specialties from the restaurant's wonderful terrace overlooking the Vathy bay area. Favourite dishes include stuffed mushrooms and spicy kebab.

Photo: Mikhail\_Kayl / Shutterstock.com Address: P. Kountourioti 2, Samos Opening hours: Daily 1pm-12am Phone: +30 2273 028639

#### Taverna Garden



Taverna Garden in Vathy boasts atmosphere and personality. Seating is in a walled court yard with refreshing shade provided by greenery.

There is often live traditional music and the staff has been known to join in the dancing on special nights.

Photo: Kris Wiktor / Shutterstock.com Address: Kalomiri, Samos Opening hours: Daily 10am-12am Phone: +30 2273 024033 Internet: restaurant-garden-samos.business.site

## Verghina Beach Bar and Restaurant



Just north of Vathy, perfectly situates on an idyllic beach, lies Verghina, a bar and restaurant where you can easily spend a whole day

alternating back and forth between the waves, the sand, the sunbeds and the bar.

Photo: Navistock / Shutterstock.com Address: Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-12am Phone: +30 2273 080057 Email: verghina.samos@gmail.com

#### **Nick the Greek**



Claimed by some to be the best restaurant on the island, Nick the Greek has it all: perfect location, warm service, delicious food, and a heaps of

personality. The titular Nick never fails to serve up something special, always using the very freshest seafood. There is also live traditional music every Saturday.

Photo: Ekaterina\_Molchanova / Shutterstock.com Address: Kampos Marathokampou, Samos Phone: +30 2273 037261

#### **Chesters on the Beach**



Chesters is the perfect chillout place to spend a lazy day eating and drinking at the beach in the southwest part of the island. The food is lovely,

the drinks are cold, and the view on the sea is stunning. Come for the hearty breakfasts, or gorge yourself on one of Chester's huge burgers. Photo: stockcreations / Shutterstock.com Address: Kampos Marathokampou, Samos Opening hours: Daily 9am-11pm Phone: +30 2273 037656 Email: nikisid@hotmail.com

#### Aelio Bistro Cafe



Samos' north coast also boasts some extremely fine eateries, including Aelio Bistro Cafe. The breezy sea view is almost unreal, as are the

fabulous desserts, rich fondue and colourful cocktails. It is a great place for any time of day, be it for your morning coffee or a nightcap.

Photo: 5 second Studio / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-2am Phone: +30 2273 092898 Email: artvassiliki@gmail.com

#### Basilico



Basilico is an Italian restaurant and Pizzeria that has one of the dreamiest settings in Kokkari, overlooking the tranquil bay. Italian

specialties are on offer, from pasta and pizza to fabulous gnocchi and tiramisu.

Photo: aliasemma / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Opening hours: Daily 5pm-12am Phone: +30 2273 092625

### **Restaurant Poseidon**



Poseidon is an ideally located hotel and restaurant, just 2 minutes from the Kokkari bay and 15 minutes away from Vathy. Named after the

mythical god of the sea, Poseidon offers, as one might expect, heavenly traditional Greek food and seafood, always served fresh.

Photo: grafvision / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Opening hours: Daily 10am-12am Phone: +30 697 411 5176 Internet: www.poseidon-kokkari.gr

### Meltemi Restaurant



Another fabulous restaurant with a superb location right on the Kokkari beach. It is a traditional Greek family restaurant that offers

some of the freshest seafood on the island, as well as other Greek specialties and a great selection of local wines.

Photo: Halfpoint / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 2273 092586 Internet: www.restaurant-meltemi.gr Email: guests@restaurant-meltemi.gr

#### To Kyma



This restaurant is a bit further afield than most, in the small town of Ireion, but the journey is worth it. The chefs at To Kyma always produce

innovative dishes from their varied menu and have no trouble accommodating dietary

### restrictions or preferences.

Photo: JoannaTkaczuk / Shutterstock.com Address: Ireion, Samos Opening hours: Daily 12am-12pm Phone: +30 2273 095319 Email: flleva@hotmail.com

#### **Dionysos Restaurant**



Located on the main road in the city of Pythagoreion, this restaurant is named after the mythical Greek god of wine and viniculture. It is

a modern but cosy place that serves some fabulous Mediterranean delicacies, always accompanied by the finest local wines.

Photo: Dar1930 / Shutterstock.com Address: Likourgou Logotheti, Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Daily 11am-3pm and 6pm-12am Phone: +30 693 796 6412 Internet: www.dionysos-restaurant.gr Email: info@dionysos-restaurant.gr

## CAFES



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Good coffee is not hard to find on Samos. Most restaurants, tavernas and bars offer strong and well-prepared coffee, as well as traditional and international dessert options. There is also a number of modern coffee houses spread throughout the island where capable baristas fix drinks to perfection.

### Two Spoons



Two Spoons offers what is perhaps the best coffee on Samos, their staff serving expertly-prepared espressos, cappuccinos and lattes. But the star of

the show at Two Spoons is without a doubt the enormous and decadent desserts, which include cheesecake, ice cream and muffins entirely submerged in molten chocolate.

Photo: grafvision / Shutterstock.com Address: Melissou, Remataki Beach, Pythagoreion Phone: +30 227 306 2336

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### **Koursaros Cafe**



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coffee, be sure to cool off on a hot day with one

of their frappes or slushies.

Photo: oneinchpunch / Shutterstock.com Address: Ormos Marathokampou, Samos Opening hours: Daily 10am-2:30am Phone: +30 697 824 7095

### **Corner Bar**



Corner Bar is something of an institution in Samos. It was established all the way back in 1938 and remains a popular place among both locals and

tourists. They keep customers coming back by serving fantastic coffee and a huge variety of delicious cocktails and freshly made juices.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com Address: Lykourgou Logotheti, Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-4am Phone: +30 2273 062153 Email: cornerbarsamos@gmail.com

## Poquito Cafe-Bar



Enjoy your morning coffee with the sea breeze brushing your skin on the outdoor terrace of Poquito Cafe-Bar. This beach-side cafe serves

fantastic lattes and cappuccinos in an idyllic setting on Samos' north coast, directly on Kokkari beach.

Photo: Audy39 / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-12am Phone: +30 2273 092205

### Kalimera Cafe



With a great location by Kokkari bay, Kalimera Cafe is a coffee house by day and a bar by night. The outdoor courtyard, with its cobblestone

setting, is quaint and welcoming, inviting guests to linger and watch the world go by as they sip on their cappuccino or cocktail.

Photo: Alexandra Lande / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 2273 092876 Email: alexanderkrt@yahoo.gr

### lera Odos Art Cafe-Bar



Iera Odos is one of the island's classiest establishments, attracting an erudite crowd with its sophisticated vibe, art events and live music.

Guests can enjoy their drinks on the balcony or in the more private garden area. All manner of drinks are served, but an order of ouzo comes with a little meze.

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Address: Lykourgos Logothetis (Bus Station), Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 2273 061091 Email: iera\_odos@otenet.gr

### Cafe Del Mar



Cafe del Mar is an elegant and cosy beach-side cafe where guests lay in comfortable lounge chairs as they sip their drinks and admire

the sunset. You can complement your coffee, tea or cocktail with a variety of food and snacks, including sandwiches, fruit salad or even sushi.

Photo: Oliveshadow / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Opening hours: Daily 9am-2:30am Phone: +30 2273 092779

### Face Cafe-Bar



Another great cafe-bar located right on the Kokkari bay, Face Cafe-Bar has the view, the ambiance, the personality and the

colourful drinks, everything one needs to enjoy an afternoon coffee or evening cocktail.

Photo: AnnaMorozova / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 2273 092575

#### Perri Orekseos



A quaint cafe on the main street of Pythagoreion, Perri Orekseos is one of the best places to have breakfast on the whole island. Their homemade

products stand out, like their pies and decadent desserts, as well as their milkshakes, fruit salads and sandwiches.

Photo: zi3000 / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6am-3pm and 5pm-2am, Sun 9am-2:30pm and 6pm-1am Phone: +30 2273 062990

## Line Creperie Beach Cafe



Line Creperie Beach Cafe is another beach-side establishment located at Kokkari beach. Sunbeds are free to use with the purchase of a meal, so

many customers like to spend the whole afternoon lying in the sun after enjoying their meal, dessert, pastry of coffee.

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## Solid Espresso Bar



Solid Espresso Bar is a modern, sleek and hip coffee house that attracts young and fashionable crowds. It has been described a place for

"real coffee lovers", taking pride in its expertly prepared coffee drinks, cocktails and desserts, as well as its burgers and similar comfort food.

Photo: baranq / Shutterstock.com Address: 43 Sofouli Themistokli, Vathy Opening hours: Daily 8am-2am Phone: +30 69728 05105

### Cavos Cafe Bar



Cavos Cafe Bar is as good for coffee as it is for late night drinks or an afternoon snack. Visitors find something to their liking at any time of day.

Ideally located with a great view of the Kokkari bay, Cavos attracts locals and tourists alike. Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 22730 92426 Internet: www.cavos-bar.com Email: cavos@web.de

# **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Many of the island's best night spots can be found around the crescent-shaped Kokkari port and beach area. Quaint and breezy cafe-bars overlook the water and crowds of mingling locals and visitors sip on refreshing beers and colourful cocktails. Drinking and eating go hand in hand on Samos, and ordering ouzo will often earn you a free accompanying meze.

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Photo: Anna\_Pustynnikova / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 22730 92426 Internet: cavos.kokkari.biz Email: cavos@web.de

### **Gregory's Bar**



Gregory's is an all-day cafe and bar in the port of Pythagoreio. Visitors can have waffles in the morning, coffee after lunch, fresh fruit juices or

ice cream in the afternoon, and end the night with colourful and delicious cocktails while enjoying the music as the night comes to life in the harbour.

Photo: wavebreakmedia / Shutterstock.com Address: Logotheti Likourgou, Pythagoreio Port, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-3am Phone: +30 69 4417 0101 Internet: www.in-samos.com/company/gregorys-bar/

#### Boa Vista



Boa is a Vista music cocktail bar that always keeps the crowd in the mood for a party with their frequent themed nights, such as Latin

dance night or Greek night, sometimes including live music. You can sip a drink on the rooftop terrace or dance the night away on the dance floor.

Photo: astarot / Shutterstock.com Address: Kokkari, Samos Phone: +30 697 689 6055

### **Escape Music Club**



Escape Music Club claims to have "the most beautiful balcony of the Aegean," and that may not be an exaggeration. The breezy terrace hangs

directly over the water, allowing guests to enjoy both the sunset and the cool night air. Visitors also highlight the chilled vibe, good choice of music and tasty cocktails.

Photo: Maxim Blinkov / Shutterstock.com Address: Kefalopoulou 9, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Daily 9pm-6am Phone: +30 2273 028345 Email: escape\_samos@gmail.com

#### Wave Bar



Wave Bar is part of the Hotel Katerina, conveniently located right by the airport and just a stone's throw away from the beach. It is a simple

and low-key establishment that serves refreshing drinks and some basic meals.

Photo: Przemysław Szablowski / Shutterstock.com Address: Potokaki, Samos Phone: +30 2273 061963

### Summertime Bar



Bright, breezy Summertime Bar in Pythagoreion is great for an afternoon drink by the bay. Portraits of Elvis and Marilyn Monroe cover the

walls, watching over visitors as they enjoy fruity drinks and snacks such as club sandwiches, burgers and salads.

Photo: Matthew Ennis / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 22730 62191 Internet: www.summertime.bar Email: info@summertime.bar

### En Plo Bar



En Plo makes the island's best cocktails, specialising in martinis and mojitos, combining high-quality ingredients with fine branded spirits.

Guests are invited to create their own concoctions by combining elements and coming up with their own recipes for a unique nightlife experience.

Photo: Domakhina Mariia / Shutterstock.com Address: Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Daily 11am-2pm and 5pm-1am Phone: +30 2273 061700 Internet: ww.tzortzisbar.wixsite.com/tzobar Email: tzortzisbar@gmail.com

### Mezza Volta



Mezza Volta in Vathy is perhaps the best place on the island to dance. Their themed nights, which include 70s, 80s and 90s nights, as well as latin dancing nights, are particularly popular.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com Address: Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Fri-Sun 9pm-5am Phone: +30 698 577 1819

#### My House



My house is a modern and vibrant cafe-bar that boasts one of the best views of the Vathy bay area from its large rooftop terrace. The

facilities are sleek and elegant, and young, hip crowds gather here at all times of the day for coffee, food and late-night drinking.

Photo: GaudiLab / Shutterstock.com Address: Sofouli 63, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Daily 8am-2am Phone: +30 2273 080150 Internet: www.myhouse.bar

## SHOPPING



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The best shopping in Samos can be found concentrated in the main towns and cities, such as Vathy, Karlovassi and Pythagoreio, where visitors can find clothes, shoes books and accessories. Island specialties include home decor, glass-work, sculptures and Greek-themed knick-knacks, and some truly tasteful and masterfully crafted items can be found.

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### **Kallisti Gallery**



Kallisti Gallery showcases the best of contemporary art and home decor from Greek designers and artists, including hand-made gold and

silver jewels and art objects, intricate sculptures and glass-work, and very artful trinkets and knick-knacks to complement any room.

Photo: Min Chiu / Shutterstock.com Address: Lykourgos Logothetis 55, Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 22730 62155 Internet: www.kallisti-gallery.com Email: info@kallisti-gallery.com

#### Join Greek Art



Join Greek Art could technically be called a souvenir shop, as it sells Greek-themed T-shirts and knick-knacks, as well as jewellery and other

accessories, but far from being tacky, everything on offer is classy, elegant and stylish, offering truly Samian gifts.

Photo: Valentyna Holovan / Shutterstock.com Address: 59 Logotheti Likourgou, Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 22730 61313 Internet: www.joingreekart.com

#### Rumiana's Art



Rumiana's Art is another top art and craft shop in Vathy, specialising in handmade ceramics and jewellery. Other items include carpets, textiles

and selected clothes and accessories.

Photo: hookmedia / Shutterstock.com

Address: 17 Kapetan Stamati, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-10pm Phone: +30 6907 300 037

### **Chrysotheque Design Jewellery**



The one-of-a-kind handmade jewellery found at Chrysotheque is simplistic in form, but extravagant in colour. The precious stones have

been gathered over many years from all around the world, including diamonds, black diamonds, ruby, sapphires and emeralds.

Photo: Milles Studio / Shutterstock.com Address: L Logotheti and Paralia, Pythagoreio, Samos Opening hours: Daily 9am-11pm Phone: +30 2273 062513 Internet: www.chrysotheque.com

#### **Pink Woman Samos**



Pink Woman is a very popular clothing retail chain that can be found at numerous locations across the country. The items found here are

youthful and modern, making it especially frequented by young women.

Photo: racorn / Shutterstock.com Address: Sofouli 106, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-9pm, Sat 9am-3pm Phone: +30 2273 080151 Internet: www.pinkwoman-fashion.com/ Email: c.dafla@pinkwoman-fashion.com

# **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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#### Passport / Visa



Greece can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and

most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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## Best Time to Visit Samos, Greece



The peak season in Samos runs from late spring to early fall, from April to October. Winters are mild, with occasional wind and rain.

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## **Samos International Airport**



Samos International Airport (SMI), also known as Aristarchos Airport, lies about 5 kilometres away from the city of Pythagoreion. KTEL

buses serve the airport about 4 times daily, and taxis are available to get to the major destinations on the island, primarily Pythagoreion and Vathy.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Samos International Airport, Pythagoreio, Samos Phone: +30 2273 061 219

### **Public Transport**



The cities of Samos themselves are easy to explore by foot. Transportation between the main urban areas (Vathy, Pythagoreion,

Kokkari, Karlovasi, etc.) is best done by bus, as the island boasts a good and effective bus network. Most destinations can be reached very inexpensively within about an hour.

Ferries are also available to several hard-to-reach beaches, as well as to other Aegean islands and to Kusadasi, in Turkey.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

#### Taxi



Taxis in Samos can be caught at taxi ranks in Vathy (by the National Bank of Greece) and in Pythagoreion (on Lykourgou Logotheti, by

the waterfront).

Taxi in Samos: +30 22730 28404 Taxi in Kokkari: +30 22730 92585 Taxi in Pythagorio: +30 22730 31000 Taxi in Mrathokambos: +30 22730 31000

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Post Office



The Greek post system is called ELTA. Post Boxes in Greece are yellow for normal post and red for urgent mail. Vathy Post Office:

Photo: Andy Fuchs Address: Emmanouil Sofouli 151, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-2:30pm Phone: +30 2273 027304

## Pharmacy



Nitsolas Andreas



Photo: Gemma Garner Address: Ag. Nikolaou Sq, Vathy, Samos Opening hours: Mon, Wed 8am-2pm, Tue, Thu-Fri 8am-2pm and 5pm-8pm Phone: +30 2273 028002

## Telephone



Country code: +30 Area code: 2273

#### Photo: Jardson Almeida

### Electricity



Voltage: 230 V Frequency: 50 Hz Power sockets: type F

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Population 33,000

Currency Euro, €1 = 100 cents

#### **Opening hours**

Shops generally open from about 9am to 9-10pm. Many establishments close for a few hours in the early afternoon for siesta, but most restaurants, bars and cafes stay open late, often past midnight.

#### **Emergency numbers**

Fire: 119 First aid: 166 Fire department: +30 22730 22199 Forest rangers: +30 22730 27435

#### **Tourist information**

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