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Dear Guests,

This is a small list of recommendations and useful information for you. It is by no means an exhaustive list as there are too many places to eat, drink and sight-see than we could possibly put down.

Rather, this is a list of places that we enjoy and that our guests seem to like.

We find that our guests like to discover things themselves. After all, is that not a great part of the joy of traveling? To discover new experiences and places.

Just click on the underlined letters (link) to see information concerning whatever you are reading.

We wish you a wonderful stay, and we hope you love Athens!

Lucy & Andreas

ACROPOLIS & OTHER SITES

MUSEUMS

THE ACROPOLIS MUSEUM, Dionysiou Areopagitou 15, Athens 117 42

Summer season hours (1/4 - 31/10) | Winter season hours (1/11 - 31/3)

Monday 8:00 - 16:00 | Monday – Thursday 9:00 - 17:00

Tuesday – Sunday 8:00 – 20:00 | Friday 9:00 - 22:00

Friday 8:00 – 22:00 | Saturday – Sunday 9:00 – 20:00

last admission 30 minutes before closing time

Closed: 1 January, Greek Orthodox Easter Sunday, 1 May, 25 and 26 December

Good Friday: opens 12:00 to 18:00, Easter Saturday: opens 8:00 to 15:00

On August Full Moon and European Night of Museums, the Museum operates until midnight.

On Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve (24 & 31 December), the Museum opens from 9:00 to 15:00

Free entry: 6 March (In Memory of M. Mercouri), 25 March, 18 May (International Museum Day) & October 28th

https://www.theacropolismuseum.gr/en

Tickets https://www.theacropolismuseum.gr/en/content/hours-and-ticketing



NATIONAL ARCHEOLOGICAL MUSEUM, 44 Patission Street, Athens 106 82

Days & Hours of Operation:

November 1st – April 12th | April 13th – October 31st

Tuesday: 13:00 – 2:00 | Tuesday: 12:30 – 20:00

Wednesday to Monday: 8:30 – 16:00 | Wednesday to Monday: 8:00 – 20:00

Closed: January 1st, March 25th, Orthodox Easter Sunday, May 1st and December 25th & 26th

Free entry: March 6th (in memory of Melina Merkouri), April 18th (International Monuments day), May 18th (International Museum day), last weekend of September (European Days of Cultural Heritage), October 28

(National Holiday), first Sunday of the month from November 1st to March 31st

Three day Special ticket package:

Full: 15€, Reduced: 8€

Valid for National Archaeological Museum, Epigraphic Museum, Numismatic Museum and Byzantine and Christian Museum of Athens.

http://www.namuseum.gr/wellcome-en.html

EPIGRAPHIC MUSEUM, 1 Tositsa str., Athens 10682

Days & Hours of Operation:

Wednesday - Monday: 8:30 - 16:00

<u>Closed</u>: Tuesday

<u>Free entry</u>: March 6 (in memory of Melina Mercouri), April 18 (International Monuments Day), May 18 (International Museums Day), last weekend of September (European Days of Cultural Heritage), October 28 (National Holiday), first Sunday of the month from November 1st to March 31st

Three day Special ticket package:

Full: 15€, Reduced: 8€

Valid for National Archaeological Museum, Epigraphic Museum, Numismatic Museum and Byzantine and Christian Museum of Athens.

http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/1/eh151.jsp?obj id=3348

NUMISMATIC MUSEUM, Iliou Melathron, 12 El. Venizelou (Panepistimiou) str., Athens 10671 Days & Hours of Operation:

Tuesday – Sunday: 8:30 – 15:30

Closed: Monday



<u>Free entry</u>: March 6 (in memory of Melina Mercouri), April 18 (International Monuments Day), May 18 (International Museums Day), last weekend of September (European Days of Cultural Heritage), October 28 (National Holiday), first Sunday of the month from November 1st to March 31st

Three day Special ticket package:

Full: 15€, Reduced: 8€

Valid for National Archaeological Museum, Epigraphic Museum, Numismatic Museum and Byzantine and Christian Museum of Athens.

www.nummus.gr/ht/index en.htm

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MUSEUM OF CYCLADIC ART, Neofitou Douka 4, Athens 106 74

Days & Hours of Operation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 10:00 to 17:00 Thursday: 10:00 to 20:00

Sunday: 11:00 to 17:00 | Tuesday: closed

*Last Entrance: 15 minutes before the Museum closes.

The Museum is closed: December 25-26, January 1, Clean Monday, March 25, Easter Sunday & Easter Monday, May 1, Holy Spirit Monday, August 15

https://cycladic.gr/en

THE AGORA MUSEUM, 24 Adrianou Str, Athens 105 55

Days & Hours of Operation:

1.09-15.09.2019: 8:00-19:30

16.09-30.09.2019: 8:00-19:00

1.10-15.10.2019: 8:00-18:30

16.10-31.10.2019: 8:00-18:00

For the opening hours after October 31 contact the Museum (tel. 210-3210185)

Holiday hours: January 6th: 8:00-15:00, Clean Monday: 8:00-15:00, Good Friday: 12:00-17:00, Holy Saturday: 8:00-15:00, Easter Monday: 8:00-20:00, Holy Spirit Day: 8:00-15:00, August 15th: 8:00-15:00, October 28th: 08.00-18.30

Closed dates: January 1st, March 25th, May 1st, Easter Sunday and December 25th & 26th.

http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/1/eh151.jsp?obj id=3290

BENAKI MUSEUM OF GREEK CULTURE, 1 Koumbari St. & Vas. Sofias Ave., Athens 106 74

Days & Hours of Operation

Wednesday & Friday: 10:00 - 18:00

Thursday & Saturday: 10:00 - 00:00

Sunday: 10:00 - 16:00



Closed on Monday and Tuesday https://www.benaki.gr/index.php?lang=en/

BENAKI MUSEUM @ 138 PIREOS ST., 138 Pireos & Andronikou St., Athens 118 54

Days & Hours of Operation

Thursday and Sunday: 10:00 - 18:00

Friday and Saturday: 10:00 - 22:00

Closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Also closed in August

https://www.benaki.gr/index.php?lang=en

BENAKI MUSEUM OF ISLAMIC ART, 22 Ag. Asomaton & 12 Dipilou St., Athens 105 53

Days & Hours of Operation

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 10:00 - 18:00

Closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

https://www.benaki.gr/index.php?lang=en

KOTSANAS MUSEUM OF ANCIENT GREEK TECHNOLOGY, Pindarou 6, Athens 106 71

Days & Hours of Operation
Open 9:00 to 17:00 Monday to Sunday

http://kotsanas.com/gb/index.php

NEW MUSEUM OPENED OCTOBER 2019

BASIL & ELISE GOULANDRIS FOUNDATION, 13 Eratosthenous str., Athens 116 35

<u>Days & Hours of Operation</u>:

Tuesday – Sunday: 10:00-18:00

Friday: 10:00-22:00

Closed: Mondays and January 1, Clean Monday, Easter Sunday, Easter Monday, March 25, May 1, Holy Spirit

Monday, August 15, October 28, December 25 & 26

https://goulandris.gr/en/visit/be-athens



Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 9.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.

Sunday: 11.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Mondays and National holidays the museum is closed.

http://www.lalaounis-jewelrymuseum.gr/en/

BYZANTINE AND CHRISTIAN MUSEUM, Leoforos Vasilissis Sofias 22, Athina 106 75

Days & Hours of Operation From January 7th to February 28th Monday: 08:30-15:30

Tuesday: CLOSED

Wednesday-Sunday: 08:30-15:30

Closed: 1st January, 25th March, Easter, 1st May, 25th-26th December, and Good Friday open: 12.00-17.00.

http://www.byzantinemuseum.gr/en/

JEWISH MUSEUM OF GREECE, Nikis 39, Athina 105 57

Days & Hours of Operation Monday to Friday: 9.00-14.30 Sundays: 10.00-14.00 Saturdays: closed

https://www.jewishmuseum.gr/en/

EATERIES & WINE BARS & BARS

Ten minutes or less - walking distance

GREEK RESTAURANT - "ATTIKOS"

A very popular Athenian restaurant with delicious food and breathtaking view, Attikos is a great choice. Located a block away from SV Acropolis Residence.

7, Garivaldi str., Athens 117 42, tel. +302109215256

LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/exCws9vRfar

"SENSE" RESTAURANT – IN ATHENSWAS HOTEL

A wonderful view and selection of gourmet dishes, this restaurant is an excellent choice. Located about 9 minutes on foot from SV Acropolis Residence. LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/j4YMTmtjtfDvNzRBA



GREEK MEZE - "SPHIKA"

A little Greek tapas (tapas is called meze in Greek) restaurant located about a five-minute walk from your residence. We really like the food and originality. 15, Str. Kontouli str., Athens 117 42, tel. +302109221341 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/VbE1qDMcx54GpxFW6

RECIPES FROM PELOPONNESE – "MANI MANI"

A lovely restaurant featuring recipes and inspiration from a region of beautiful Peloponnese called Mani.

10, Falirou street, Athens 117 42, tel. +302109218180

LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=mani%20mani%20athens

GOOD FOOD & SPIRITS – "BALCONY"

Balcony is a nice little restaurant very near the Acropolis museum.

1, Veikou str., Athens 117 42, tel. +302114118437

LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=balcony%20athens

WRAPPED SOUVLAKI "THE LADIES"

One of the best Souvlaki places in Athens, named "the ladies" is very very casual, yet authentic (Note that it opens after 6:30pm, is closed on Sunday's and writes ΨΗΤΟΠΩΛΕΙΟ). 16, Drakou str., Athens, tel. +302109225648 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/is14QhbxPuQ2

NON WRAPPED SOUVLAKI -"KALAMAKI BAR"

Diagonally across from "the ladies" is a restaurant called "Kalamaki Bar" only serves meat on a stick with a small pita on the side, and yes, we love it. Drakou str. & Dimitrakopoulou str. corner, Athens 117 42 tel. +302110171862 LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=kalamaki%20bar%20koukaki

FRESH FISH RESTAURANT -"SKOUBRI" Skoubri (which means mackerel in English) is a nice neighborhood fish taverna right across from Kalamaki Bar and a few doors down from the ladies souvlaki place. Nothing fancy, good solid Greek seafood eats. 14, Drakou str. Athens 117 42, tel. +302109210994

LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=Skoubri%20-%20

BURGERS

– "HOPS BEER N BURGERS"

For those who want to take a break from Greek Food, on the same street as the previous souvlaki places is Hops beer 'n' burger with a wonderful selection of Beers and Burgers of course! 10, Drakou str., Athens, tel. +302110136500 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/BrThKRi3Dpy

PEPERCOCINO"

ITALIAN – "AGLIO OLIO E | Hand-made pasta, great wines and low lighting are one of the few features of this local authentic Italian restaurant near the Acropolis Museum

> 13, Porinou str., Athens, tel. +302109211801 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/8LiGj48K5xq



INDIAN "ROYAL INDIAN CHEF"

Many guests love Indian food, lately many are opening near Syggrou Avenue and our favorite is Royal Indian Chef, 9, Syggrou Avenue, Athens, tel. +302109236336 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/wXtWf1JD74R2

STREET FOOD THAI "TUK TUK"

New in our area, Tuk Tuk has delicious Thai food & drinks. A seat may be hard to find so make sure you go close to opening (6pm) to find a place! 40, Veikou str., Athens 117 42, +302114051947

LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/D7xCyLX4jy52

"7 CACTUS"

BREAKFAST PLACE | 7 Cactus, great place for breakfast or light lunch, a few minutes from SV Acropolis Residence and a few steps from Acropolis Museum. 7, Dimitrakopoulou str., Athens 117 42, tel. +302130452865 LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=7cactus%20athens

BAKERY - "TAKIS"

Takis bakery is famous throughout Athens for its baked fresh daily products. No more than five minutes from your residence. 14, Misaraliotou str., Athens 117 42, tel. +302109230052 LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=takis%20bakery

Twenty minutes or less - walking distance

"THE OLD TAVERN OF PSARA"

ORIGINAL GREEK TAVERN - | The Old Taverna of Psara (Psara is an island in Greece) is located in the heart of Plaka and a favorite for visitors and locals alike.

16, Erechtheos str, Athens 105 56 tel. +302103218733

LOCATION: https://www.google.com/search?q=taverna%20tou%20psara

SMALLEST SOUVLAKI PLACE -

"KOSTAS"

AVISSINIA"

Delicious wrapped souvlaki is served here by Kostas for decades.

5, Pentelis str., Syntagma

LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/Pck2gwFDmgw

FROM EAST TO WEST RESTAURANT – "CAFÉ |

Fresh-cooked, home-style dishes, Cretan raki & accordion music in a restaurant combining old & new.

7, Kinetou str., Platia Avissinias, tel.+302103217047 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/jKSTdfsr9UL2

JAPANESE * GREEK CUISINE -"NOLAN"

This superb restaurant is a fusion between Greek food and products and Japanese cuisine. It's very popular and perhaps hard to find a table.

33, Voulis str., Athens 105 57, tel. +302103243545 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/fdCtsJLi8qM2



GREEK TURKISH SWEET SHOP - "NANCY SERBETOSPITO"

Best Turkish delights and much more is found at Nancy's serbetospito Plateia Irohon #1, Psirri, tel. +30210 3211323 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/xLD1RgL7knk

Twenty five minutes or more - transportation advised

PIZZA – "FLOWER" |

Mavili square near the US Embassy is a happening place in the evening with bars and eateries, Flower, a florist turned in to a very

casual pizza place, is one of the best in town. 2, Dorilaou str., Platia Mavili, tel. +302106465029 LOCATION: https://goo.gl/maps/jKSTdfsr9UL2

Click to view Michelin restaurants in Athens

Michelin 2 Stars: Spondi

Michelin 1 Star: Varoulko Seaside

Michelin 1 Star: <u>Botrinis</u> Michelin 1 Star: <u>Hytra</u> Bib Gourmand: <u>Athiri</u> Bib Gourmand: <u>Nolan</u> Bib Gourmand: <u>Οικειο</u>

BREAKFAST & LIGHT LUNCH EATERIES (click on selection for more information)

7 Cactus - Dimitrakopoulou 7, Athens 117 42

Monsieur Barbu – Markou Mpotsari 49, Athens 117 42

Bel Ray Bar – Falirou 88, Athens 117 41

Bανίλια Bistro - Veikou 40 & Erehthiou 2, Athens 117 42

WINE BARS (click on selection for more information)

Oinoscent – Voulis 45-47, Athens 105 57

Winepoint – Porinou 2, Athens 117 42

BOBO – Anastasiou Zinni 36, Athens 117 41

Materia Prima – Falirou 68, Athina 117 41

Wine o' Clock – Lempesi 10, Athina 117 42

BARS (click on selection for more information)

<u>Bar Kinono – Falirou 48, Athens 117 42</u>



<u>Tiki Bar – Falirou 15, Athens 117 42</u>

Bel Ray Bar – Falirou 88, Athens 117 41

Monsieur Barbu – Markou Mpotsari 49, Athens 117 42

The Clumsies (on the worlds 50 best bars list) – Praxitelous 30, Athens 105 61

Baba au Rum (also on the worlds 50 best bars list) – Klitiou 6, Athens 105 60

Noel (where it's always Christmas, or so they say) – Kolokotroni 59B, Athens 105 62

A for Athens rooftop (view of the Acropolis) – Andrea Miaouli 2, Athens 105 54

Six d.o.g.s Trendy cultural center hosting live music, DJs, club nights & art exhibitions, plus cafe & bar.

Bar Kinono - Falirou 48, Athens 117 42

Athens Sport Bar – Veikou 3, Athens 117 42

Gargaretta – Rovertou Galli

More places to see and visit:

Given you have enough days to explore deeper in what Athens has to offer, here are a few wonderful places to visit:

- The Temple of Poseidon in Sounion. Sounion is about one hour by car from Athens. Should you wish transportation to Sounion, we collaborate with drivers who drive our guests and spend the day in Sounion. https://whyathens.com/temple-of-poseidon/
- The Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center is a complex in the bay of Faliro in Athens which includes new facilities for the National Library of Greece and the Greek National Opera, as well as the 210,000 m² Stavros Niarchos Park. https://goo.gl/maps/qu1dUzcmNjt
- Athens Central Market The area to really experience a bit of the local food scene is The Athens Central Market otherwise known as the Varvakios Agora. Feel free to explore by yourselves although we do suggest booking a walking tour of the area. For directions on how to get there either on foot (21 min walk) or by metro (18 min) please click link and select either walking instructions or public transport instructions. Directions: https://goo.gl/maps/gnCU6w42Apm
- Book a culinary tour with the well-known <u>Culinary Backstreets</u>; for a discount add the code SVACRO to your reservation.
- Book a group or private tour; we suggest https://bigolive.org/



- In the summer months we highly suggest open air movie theaters. Nearest to SV Acropolis Residence are on Apostolou Pavlou (continuation of Dionysiou Areopagitou), Location: https://goo.gl/maps/dd9r1FZgzkv and in Zappeion area, Egli cinema, Location: https://goo.gl/maps/HCuxBmJXu5w
- Nearest Shopping Mall and Indoor Movie Theaters are at Metro Mall, with many shopping stores, the metro stop for this mall in Agios Dimitrios. Location: https://goo.gl/maps/3vWVZrvbNc72
- The most popular shopping street in Athens is Ermou street below Parliament square (Syntagma). In Plaka
 Monastiraki areas one can find several stores which sell mostly tourist items.
- Jewelry district is located primarily on Voukourestiou & Valaoritou streets.
- Night life is happening near Agias Irinis square, many are mentioned above, NOEL, 6 Dogs, Drunk Sinatra & more to name a few more.
- Most popular local bars near SV Acropolis Residence are Lotte, Kinono, Monsieur Barbu, Belray, Gargaretta.
- During summer months, large clubs open by the Athenian Riviera, known as Paraliaki (coast line).
- Vouliagmeni Lake: Vouliagmeni Lake, in the heart of the Athenian Riviera, is the hidden treasure of Attica's nature. Situated on an idyllic landscape, this rare geological phenomenon is included in Greece's national NATURA 2000 network.

ONLY ON SUNDAYS

Changing of the Guard Ceremony, free of charge, begins at 11:00 am every Sunday.

Location: in front of Hellenic Parliament at Syntagma square.

https://www.tripadvisor.ca/Attraction Review-g189400-d12064411-Reviews-

Changing of the Guard Ceremony-Athens Attica.html

https://changing-guard.com/changing-guard-worldwide/athens-greece.html

https://whyathens.com/changing-of-the-guard-hellenic-parliament/

Art Galleries:

Eleni Koroneou Gallery: http://www.koroneougallery.com/
Bernier/Eliades Gallery: https://www.bernier-eliades.gr/
Rebecca Camhi Gallery: https://www.rebeccacamhi.com/

T.A.F. The Art Foundation: http://theartfoundation.metamatic.gr/

Galleries Zoumboulakis: http://www.zoumboulakis.gr/



Gallery Skoufa: http://www.skoufagallery.gr/en/

"Hop On-Hop Off" tour buses:

https://city-sightseeing.com/en/43/athens/53/hop-on-hop-off-athens
http://www.athensopentour.com/checkout/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwxvbdBRC0ARIsAKmec9ZFc4mxg9fxo HwaXTIr
kB2Xggs8bJWnDj1dQLbIduiByvOwxZDz5EaAmuSEALw wcB
https://www.hop-on-hop-off-bus.com/athens-bus-tours

Souvenirs & Gifts (including food)

Mon Coin

Forget Me Not Athens

Online store; <u>its all, oh so souvenir to me</u> Food & Drink: Greek Picks & Pantopólion

■ Self-service Laundromat

<u>Athens Launderette 24/7 Laundromat - Veikou 3, Athina 117 42</u> <u>Laundryroom - Veikou 14, Athina 117 42</u> Easywash - Dimitrakopoulou 69, Athina 117 41

■ Airline & Ferryboat Tickets

<u>Ferryhopper.com – Online Boat Tickets</u>

Viamare All Year Travel - Misaraliotou 2, Athens 117 42 (only boat tickets) Escape Team Travel - Petmeza 3, Athens 117 42 (Airplane & Boat tickets)

Automobile Rental Agencies (all within a 10-minute walk from Residence)

<u>Hertz/Thrifty - Syngrou Av 12, Athens 117 43</u> Tel: + 30 2109220102

Sixt - Syngrou Av 11 & Lembessi, Athens 117 43 Tel: + 30 2109220171

Budget -Syngrou Av 23 Athens 117 43 Tel: +30 2109214771

Avis - Syngrou 23, Athens 117 43 Tel: +30 2103224951

Enterprise - Syngrou 19, Athens 117 43 Tel: +30 2109221453

<u>Avance – Syngrou 40, Athens 117 42</u> Tel: +30 2109200100

<u>Ansa - Syngrou Av 27, Athens 117 43</u> Tel: + 30 2109243582

■ Bicycle & Scooter Rentals (all within a 10-minute walk from Residence)

Funkyride - Dimitrakopoulou 11, Athens 11742 Tel: +30 2117109366

Athens by bike - Athanasiou Diakou 16, Athens 11742 Tel: +30 2169003321

Solebike - Lempesi 11, Athens 11742 Tel: +30 210 9215620



Athens Segway Tours

Scooterise (standing scooter tours)

Lime & Hive (only available as smart phone application)

• Fun for the whole family

Athens Pinball Museum

Museum of Illusions

Allou Fun Park (amusement park)

Odeon Cinemas

Village Cinemas Faliro

<u>Little Kook</u> (themed patisserie about 100 meters from Museum of Illusions)

■ Tours

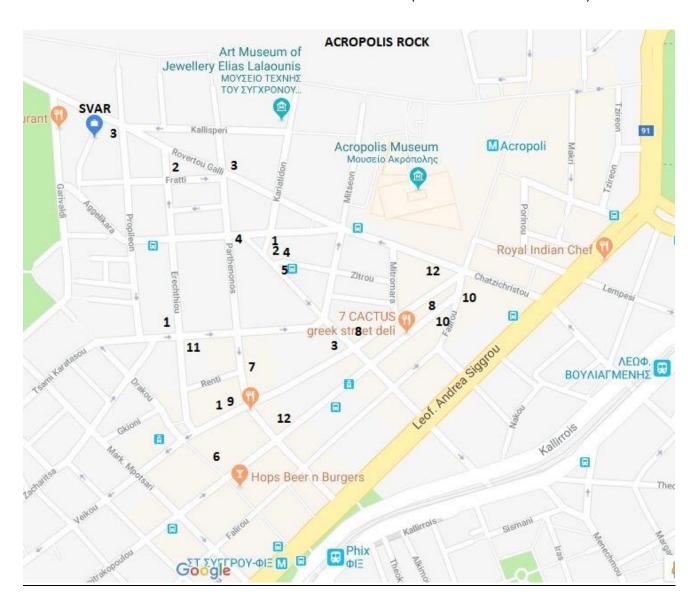
<u>Athens Walking Tours</u> | <u>Culinary Backstreets</u>
Athens for kids (tailored private tours for young children and their families)

Regarding the art found on our walls you can find additional information below:

Maggie Elliott, website: http://www.maggie.elliott.gr/
Spyros Vassiliou, Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spyros Vassiliou
Spyros Vassiliou, website: http://shop.spyrosvassiliou.org/



NEIGHBORHOOD POINTS OF REFERENCE (area known as Koukaki)



1 PHARMACIES 7 SUPER MARKET / MYMARKET

2 MINI MARKETS 8 SELF-SERVICE LAUDROMATS

3 ATM'S 9 LIQUOR STORE

4 COFFEE STANDS 10 MOBILE PHONE STORES (GERMANOS / WIND)

5 TAKIS BAKERY **11** SOUVENIR SHOP (MON COIN)

6 DRAKOU STREET – SEE EATERIES 12 GREEK PACKAGED GOODS (IDEAL FOR TRAVEL)