

## Methana

The peninsula of Méthana with its two steep volcanic slopes **is actually a volcano** that emerged from the sea! Welcome the opportunity to explore a stunning volcanic landscape with dense vegetation, coastal villages and diverse flora and fauna. The establishment of the spa complex in 1870 made it a popular spa town attracting mainly senior citizens from many European countries.

Follow a fascinating route to the **fishing village** of Agios Geórgios and on to the **Baths of Pausanias**, one of the peninsula's hot springs, or follow the **footsteps** of the ancient historian Pausanias to the **ancient city** of Méthana. In the village of Paleókastro stand the remains of the classical walls and gates of an acropolis, the rest of which fell into the sea due to a volcanic eruption.

The peninsula boasts approximately **32 volcanoes**. Climbing to the largest crater is a truly challenging experience. Start from Kaméni Hóra and follow the path on a 25-minute climb to the **lip of the volcano**. Step on now solid red lava flows and take in views of a different world of savage black, red and green crags and sharp abysses... Last but not least, soak up the atmosphere along the island's **volcanic beaches** (Nissaki Ayion Anaryiron, Limniónas and Vathý).



### Getting there

- From Piraeus port by ferry boat (duration app. 2 hours).
- Méthana is also connected by ferry boat to Póros, Aegina, Hydra, Spetses and Hermione and by hydrofoil to Póros, Aegina, Hydra, Spetses, Hermione, Porto Heli, Tolo, Nafplion and Monemvasia.
- By car: Take the Athens Corinth National Road and after the Corinth Canal head to Epidaurus and then Galatas. Before reaching Galatas follow the Straits connecting the Peloponnese to Méthana Peninsula. The distance is 165 km and the journey lasts about 2 hours.