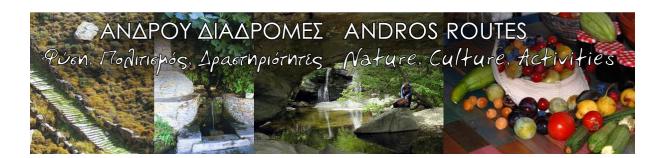
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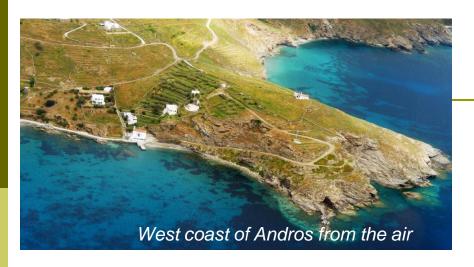
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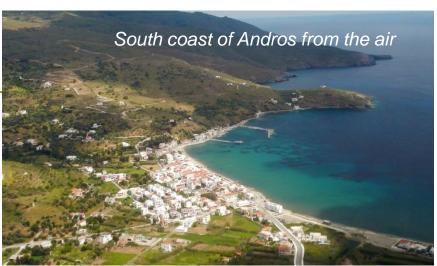


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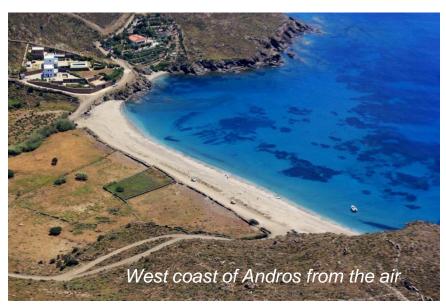








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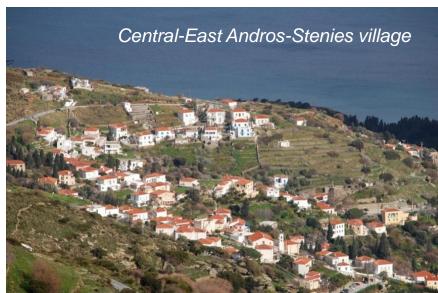




Cycladic island : Andros









Why choose Andros...?

- Mountainous & complex geomorphology, water abundance
- Varied & unique physical and manmade landscape
- Reach biodiversity : almost ½ of Andros Natura areas (endemic and rare species)
- Human presence constant since antiquity – important archaeological sites and monuments
- The greenest, second biggest and closest of the Cyclades to Greece's capital
- One of the least touristic islands of the Cyclades: unspoiled beauty & pristine areas
- Amazing local food and produce ...! Olive oil, citrus fruits, dairy and meat products, almond and fruit sweets...
- Impressive cultural events & enjoyable activities



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Andros – Cycladic island





Andros - Cycladic island





Access-travelling to Andros

- 30 minutes from Athens international airport to Rafina port (the mainland port that serves Andros island) – buses every half an hour
- 2-7 times (winter/summer) daily boat trips to Andros from Rafina port- 2 hours trip
- 2-7 times (winter/summer) daily boat trips to Andros from Myconos (an island reachable by charter flights)

















A glimpse at Andros particularities

- According to scientists Andros is... "An open ethno-archaeological museum..." Human presence since antiquity- a hand-made landscape ...
 - stone terraces almost everywhere, abundant threshing floors & olive presses,
 - Castles and tower houses, water & wind mills
 - unique complexes of agricultural activities-pottery workshops,
 - Buildings for beehives, silk production establishments and more...





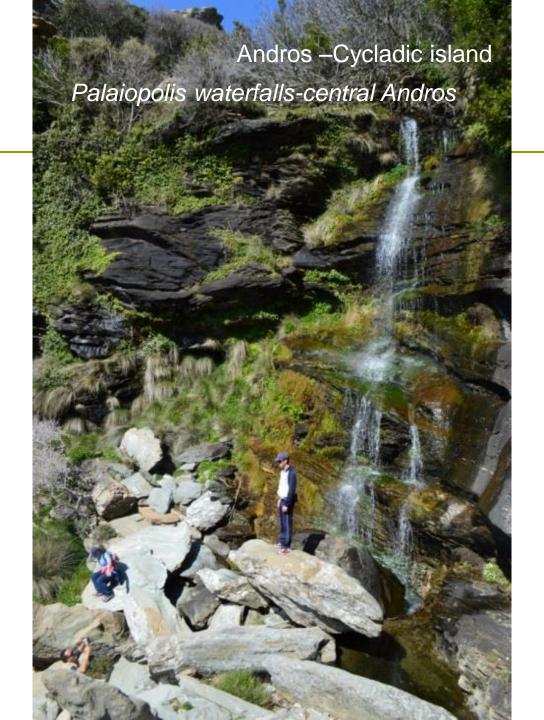




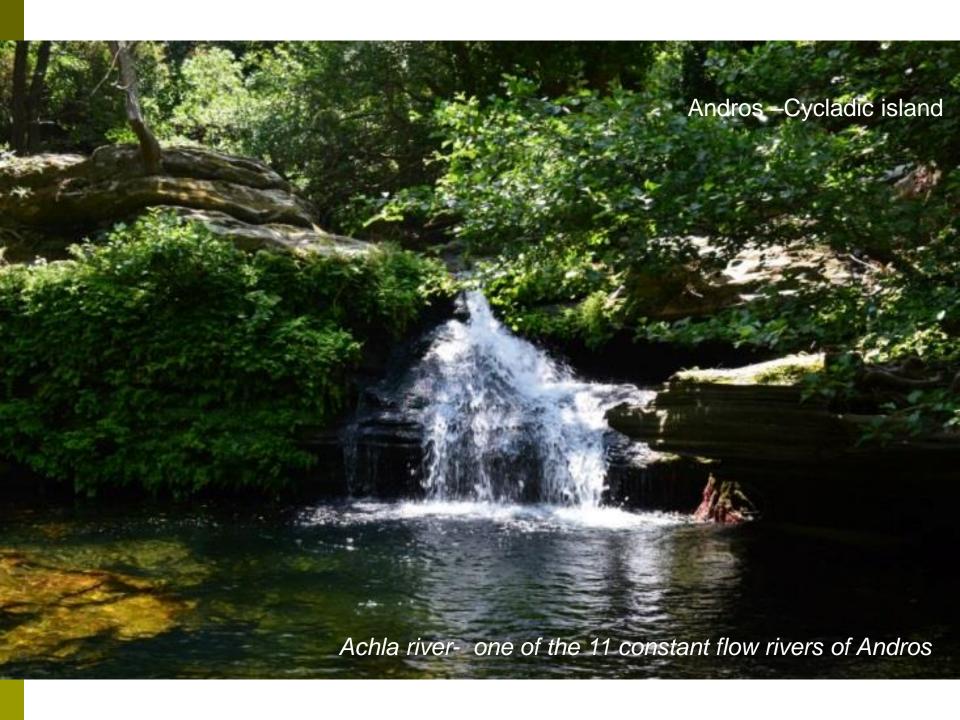
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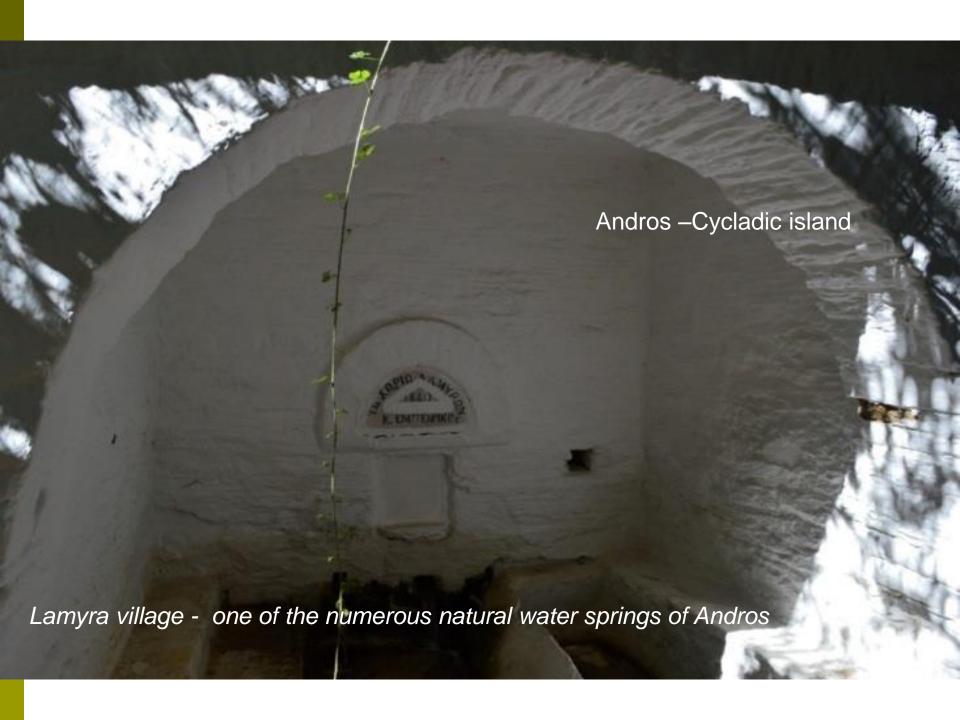


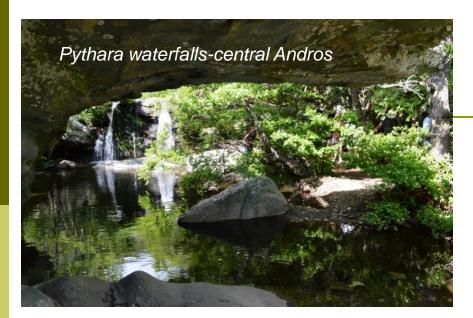










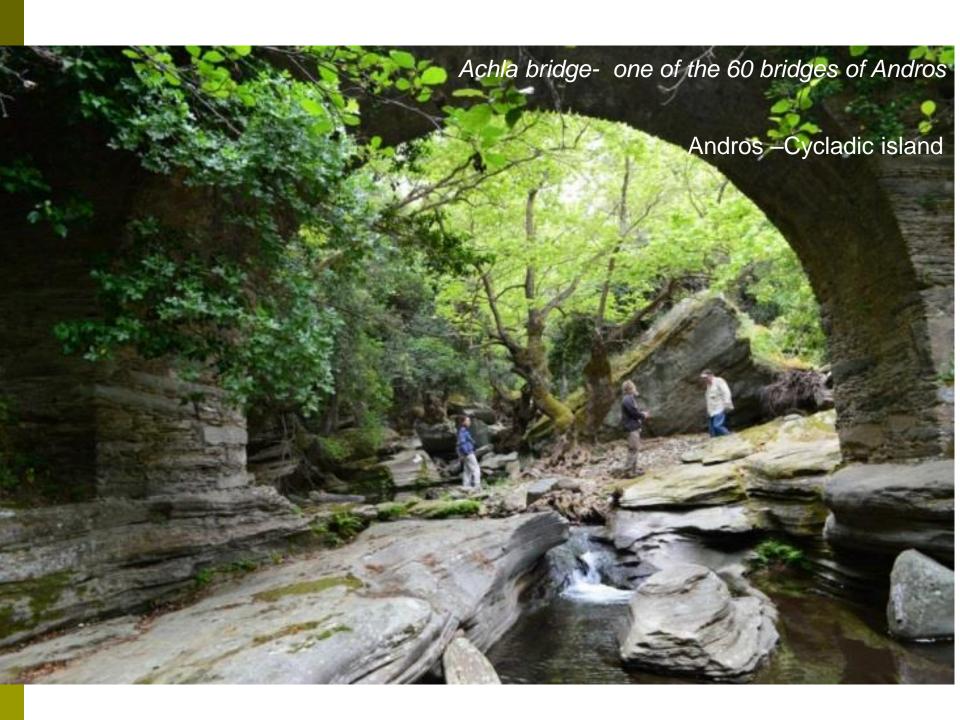




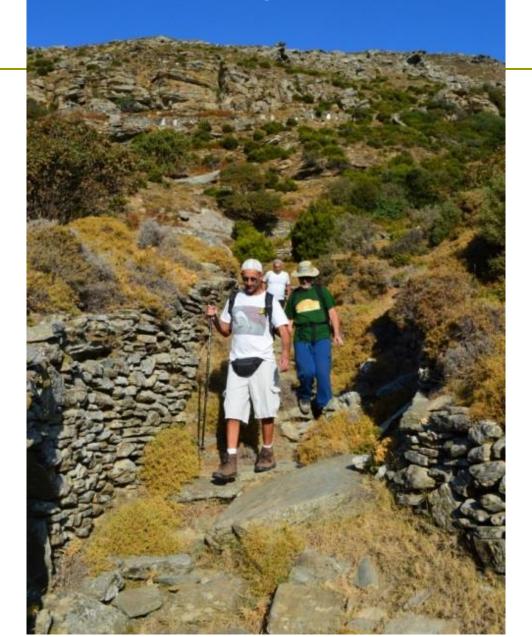








Andros –Cycladic island Hiking on Central Andros



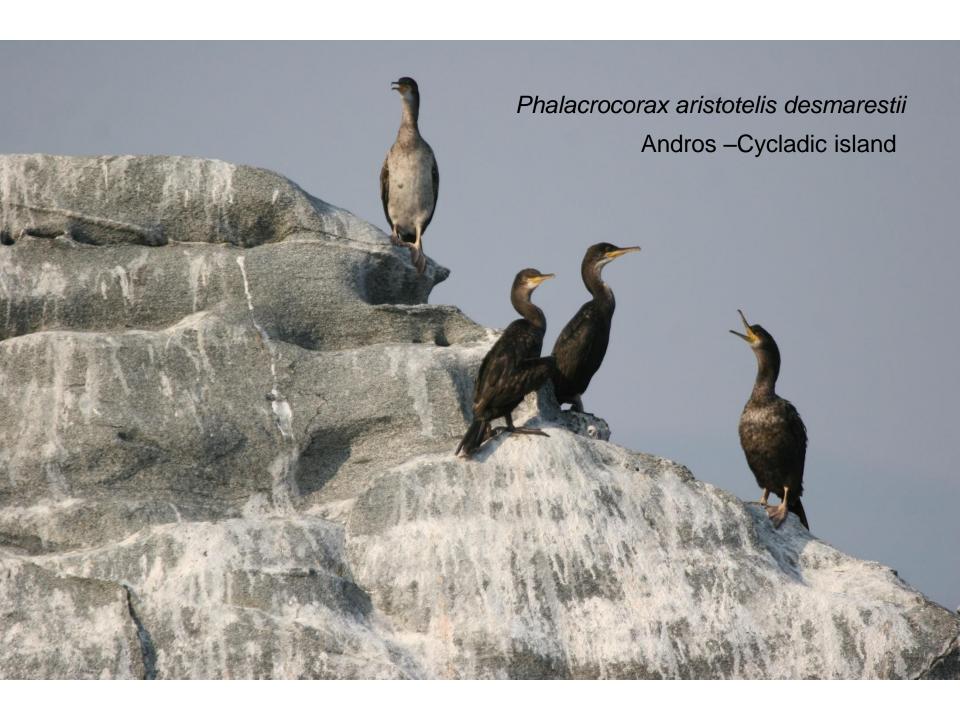


Andros rich biodiversity

- 19 important wetlands according to WWF
- Natura and iba areas (green areas on the map)
- Current Andros Life project for the protection of 4 species :
 - Falco eleonorae
 - Hieraaetus fasciatus
 - Larus audouinii
 - Phalacrocorax aristotelis desmarestii



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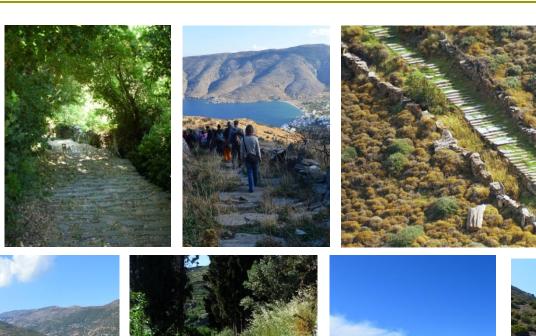


Andros footpaths

- Andros has 84 settlements widely scattered
- A wide network of footpaths (300km) connects these between them, with places of agricultural production, worship, ports and beaches.
- Footpaths of 150 km have been cleared and signposted (red line on the map). More are added every year
- Many of them allow exploration in Natura and IBA areas (green areas on the map)



Andros' Footpaths











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Andros Routes Road, hiking & bicycle Map 1:27.000, Andros - Cycladic island

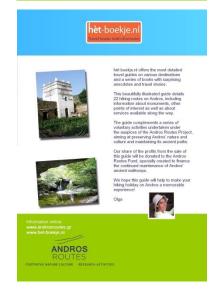
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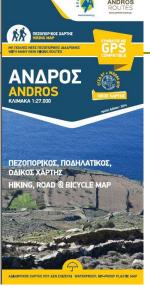
















Andros archaeological sites & monuments

- Strofilas neolithic settlement (3.500 BC)
- Zagora and Ypsili, important geometric era settlements (10th - 8th century BC)
- Palaiopolis (6th century BC-6th century AD)
- Archaeological museums of Hora and Palaiopolis
- Towers (4th 3rd century BC)
- Byzantine churches (11th century AD)
- Hora Caslte, Faneromeni Caslte, fortified cities during the venetian occupation (1200 AD)
- Tower-houses (since 17th century AD)





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Cultural attractions & events

- Contemporary Art exhibitions – world known artists every year
 - Contemporary Art Museum
 - Kydonieos Foundation
- Kairis Library
- Olive Museum
- **■** Maritime Museum
- Digital Museum
- Local fiestas during spring, summer, autumn











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Andros hiking tours, agro-tourism activities, scuba diving, windsurfing and more...!

 Hiking tours presenting human geography through original research material







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Farm visits, local products tasting & local cooking lessons (olive oil, figs, distillation, sweets, bread, etc.)









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Water sports, windsurfing, scuba diving, sailing lessons and more!





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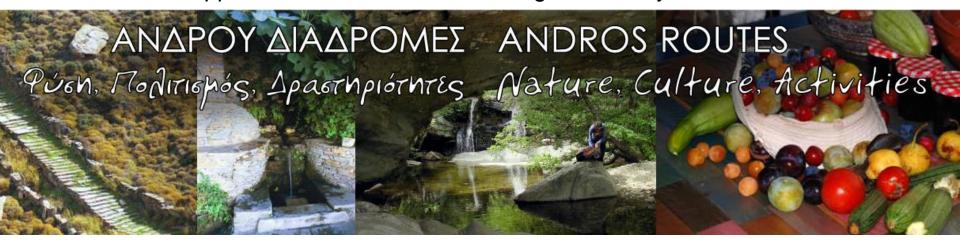






Visit Andros- experience the beauty!

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