

DESTINATION SERVICES

ARGOSTOLI, **KEFALONIA**



Ship's Location

- 1. Town Centre
- 2. De Bosset Bridge
- 3. Drogarati Caves
- Lighthouse of Saint
 Theodoroi
 - . Lassi Beach

Distance to the town: 10-15 minute walk

For more information please see the team at Destination Services

Source- google.co.uk/maps

EXPLORE ASHORE ARGOSTOLI





SPOKEN: GREEK



NOT REQUIRED



AT A GLANCE

Navigating your way round the town of Argostoli is easy to do. If walking, it'll take around 10-15 minutes to reach the town. Turn left and follow the path down to the harbour front where you will find local shops, restaurants and bars.

Taxis usually run on a metre but arrange a price before heading anywhere. There is also a local bus service which is available and can be found on the southern waterfront.

There is a local ferry boat that goes from the Argostoli harbour to Lixouri. This runs every hour and takes around about 30 minutes at a cost of approximately €2.60 per person each way.

DON'T MISS OUT ON

The Melissani Lake: A must see in Argostoli. You can visit the underground lake, which is 90% fresh water and a natural phenomenon. To get here it's about 1 hours drive away.

Drogarati Caves: The twisty maze of stalagmites and stalactites is thought to be more than 150 million years old. Thanks to the cave's natural acoustics, music concerts have been staged here.

Sacred Monastery of Agios Gerasimos: The restored Monastery of St Andreas showcases 16th-century frescoes. They were hidden under plastered walls until a huge earthquake in 1953, which destroyed the church and unveiled the artwork. Legend has it the Monastery houses the sole of Saint Andrew's right foot. The church dates back to the 13th century and the inside is painted with plenty of colourful biblical scenes.

Beaches: The nearest sandy beach is Lassi Beach and is about 10 minutes away in a taxi. Alternatively, Myrtos Beach is the island's most famous beach and is around a 40 minute drive away.

Shopping: You will be able to find shops and local souvenirs in the town of Argostoli but it is very limited for big branded names. The shops are accompanied by many tavernas if you fancy a Greek gyros afterwards!

EXCURSION OF THE DAY

Kefalonia Highlights: It's often hailed as Captain Corelli's Kefalonia and today you will see some of the highlights of this beautiful island. You'll start with a trip to underground Melissani Lake. It was only discovered in 1951, but artefacts from the 3rd-century BC have been recovered here, from animal horns to tiles and slates. The 1953 earthquake caused the cave's roof to fall in, so you'll get an impressive light display as the sun reflects off the turquoise waters. You can take a rowing boat out onto the lake, to get a closer look at the cave's stalactites. Next you'll get a chance to stop for a fabulous photo at one of the blockbuster's most memorable locations, the world-famous Myrtos Beach. This mile-and -a-half-long curve of white pebbles is the setting for several scenes of Captain Corelli's Mandolin. Your final stop is in Fiskardo village, where you'll stroll past brightly -coloured Venetian buildings and waterfront tavernas, before heading back to port.

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