

ROUTE 1

Lagkadas - Loutra Lagkada - Lake Koroneia - Scholari

This route begins on the Lagkadas – Kentro Ygeias (Health Center) cross-roads. Head towards Loutra Lagkada – the Lagkadas hot spring spa facilities. Stay on the cycle lane, in front of the settlement, on which you will reach the spa after about 1500 meters.

Right before the entrance to the spa, you will come upon a crossroads: one road leads to the Loutra while the other heads southeast, keeping to the right of the spa facilities. This asphalt road leads to the waterside canoeing facility of Lake Koroneia.

Turn left before you reach it, taking dirt roads used by farmers to access their fields. You'll be on the north bank of Lake Koroneia and reach Analipsi, where, for a few meters, you'll carefully navigate the provincial road uphill. Continue driving on the dirt road, south of the Evaggelismos village, reaching the northeast end of Lake Koroneia.

Continue through the fields to Scholari. On the dirt road to Scholari, stop at the elderly plane trees, the first Monument of Nature ever listed in Greece, where your route ends.



ROUTE 2

Scholari - Profitis - Nymfopetres - Loutra Apollonias

Starting at the elderly plane trees of Scholari, cross the village heading northeast until you reach the crossroads (exit to Egnatia Road). Turn left at the traffic lights towards Profitis. You'll be heading east on the provincial road.

Before you reach Profitis, stop at the Nymfopetres rock formation, located on your left. This spot is ideal for a break. A sign provides information on the location.

Continue straight to reach the village of Nymfopetres and head downhill just before the end of the village. This dirt road continues through cultivated fields to reach the village of Peristeronas, crossing the entire west bank of Lake Volvi.

Then follow the lakeside provincial road, crossing the south part of Lake Volvi. This route ends at the Apollonia Spa facilities.



ROUTE 3

Apollonia Information Center - Apollonia Forest

At the Apollonia Information Center, head towards the village, passing by picturesque houses with beautiful gardens, until you reach Paul the Apostle's Post.

This is a large, flat rock on which, according to local legend, the Apostle stood and spread the message of Christianity.

Right above it stands an elderly, centuries-old plane tree listed as a Monument of Nature. The route continues southeast on a dirt road, heading to the Apollonia forest.

At the forest entrance, you'll meet the Melissourgios stream on your right. Continue on the same road along the stream until you reach the shores of Lake Volvi. This spot is perfect for birdwatching.

Go around the Apollonia Forest to end up on the Apostle's Post, next to the Ottoman bath house.



ROUTE 4

Agia Marina - Rentina Castle - Richeios River - Stavros

Starting at the Byzantine Church of Agia Marina, whose yard is an excellent spot for relaxing, follow the dirt road starting at the water fountain outside the churchyard heading uphill to the south. The route continues east, heads to a small plateau which features a spot overlooking the lake and castle. It leads to the Byzantine settlement, the Rentina Castle and the Macedonian Tempe.

After the Rentina settlement, head downhill at the foot of the hill and continue your route on the south bank of the Richeios River.

Richeios crosses a dense forest of significant biodiversity, both in terms of flora and fauna. This beautiful spot is an ideal place to relax and observe nature.

Continue cycling on the path along the river, until you reach this route's finish at the exit to the village of Stavros.



Guidelines
for Cyclists

1. Read up on the protected status of the area and its rules in the brochures and website of the Management Authority.
2. Gather necessary information on access and routes in advance, so that you can enjoy a safe and pleasant trip. Follow markings and signs. Do not speed while on farm roads. Leave enough space for walkers, cyclists, herds of animals etc.
3. Walk as much and as often as you can. You will discover more about the area and its secrets on foot than in a vehicle. Carry all necessary items with you, such as water, appropriate clothing and shoes.
4. Pick up all your litter. Don't remove plants, animals, rocks or anything else from the location. Take photographs instead of collecting flowers, plants or animals of any kind. Leave everything in its natural spot so that others can enjoy it, as well as you when you return.
5. Avoid loud music, shouting and noise pollution in general, both on land and water. Nature plays its own unique music, enjoy it. The quieter you are, the more animals and birds you will come across. If you have your pet with you, please make sure it does not harm or annoy other animals.
6. Free camping is prohibited. Opt to support local economy by spending

- the night in one of the available accommodation options.
7. Take great care not to cause a fire hazard. Don't light fires and don't dispose of lit cigarettes and flammable objects while in the Park.
8. If you notice any harmful or illegal behavior, please inform the Management Authority, Forest Offices, Fire Brigade or the Police.
9. Always wear a helmet and carry necessary equipment like spare tires, bicycle tools etc.
10. Don't be a mere tourist – be an active participant in the protection of the environment.

Lakes Koroneia and Volvi and Richeios River are part of the Natura 2000 European Network, and also protected by a series of international treaties (Ramsar, Barcelona, Bern), as well as by Greek law.
The area features three protection zones based on Joint Ministerial Decision 691/2004. Permitted activities, uses and development specifications are specified and governed by law. The Management Authority of lakes Koroneia – Volvi is responsible for the implementation of the JMD.



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