



## 7 DAY HOLIDAYS EMBARKATION & DISEMBARKATION SKIATHOS

### DAY 1

Find your sailing yacht at the floating dock in the new port of Skiathos (1). The reception of your yacht takes place by 17:00, and your check-in and familiarization with the yacht lasts 1-2 hours. Shall you have time, enjoy a drink or a meal in the cosmopolitan city of Skiathos.

### DAY 2

Depart for Glossa, on the island of Skopelos (2), which you should reach in about 1 hour. On your way you can visit the numerous southern beaches of the Skiathos, such as Koukounaries (3), known for their golden sands, beach parties and famous visitors from political and cultural circles. Navigation is safe – except at Troulos. On the way, you can enjoy the many beautiful beaches and make short stops to swim. We also suggest the little island of Tsougria (4) for swimming or a day trip. However, care is needed near the shore as there are reefs.



### DAY 3

Leave west Skopelos and sail to Skopelos town, where is the main harbour (5), you should reach in about 3 hours. The town port is safe, but difficult to enter and exit when there are strong winds. Alternatively, you could stay the night in the bay of Panormos (6). The place to anchor is in the eastern part of the bay, which is quiet and safe but has no facilities. Care should be taken as the seabed is hard: you will need to use the entire length of the anchor chain and to secure the yacht with a line to a stable point on the shore.

### GENERAL RULES FOR SAFE SAILING IN SPORADES

The winds in the Sporades are mainly northerly - usually up to force 5. We suggest courses that follow the southern coastlines of the islands, as they are well protected from the northerly winds, and have safe places to anchor/moor. On the contrary, the northern coastlines have strong winds, high waves and steep rocks.



### DAY 4

Depart to the island of Alonissos, which you should reach in about 3 hours. The port of Alonissos (Patitiri) is situated on the SE end of the island (7). It is a small harbour with few mooring places and a troublesome swell.

Here, we suggest you visit the museum in the port and the old town at the top of the hill, 10 minutes away by local bus. You will discover traditional houses, impressive views, and good food.

Alternatively, you can stay in Steni Valla bay (8) - a narrow bay with small cafes and restaurants. You can find water at the cafés and a small food market. Great care should be taken when approaching the quay, as the water is less than 2m deep and you are in danger of damaging the rudder. You should drop anchor as close as possible to the southern shore and slowly approach the northern side, paying attention to the quay and stopping the yacht at least 3m from the shore.

### DAY 5

Depart for the small, almost deserted island of Kira Panagia, which you should reach in 1-1.5 hours (9). Kira Panagia is owned by the monastery "Agia Lavra" and is part of the marine park of Alonissos. We suggest you to visit "Planitis" bay and the monastery of "Holy Mary" where you may find one monk living there. Enjoy the quiet during the night in Planitis.

### DAY 6

Depart for your way back to Skiathos, and choose a route north or south of the islands depending on the weather conditions and make small stops for swimming on your way! The route takes about 5 hours, so make your program in order for you to be in Skiathos till 17:00! The port is very busy, especially in the period 15/07-20/09 and especially Friday and Saturday.

### DAY 7

Be ready to check out of your yacht by about 09:00.