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About Mykonos

Mykonos is the most famous and vibrant island of Greece. A very cosmopolitan destination, Mykonos attracts celebrities from all over the world. Tourism on Mykonos started in the late 1960s with international artists who were attracted by the special architecture, the wonderful beaches and the amazing sunset of the island. Today, Mykonos has grown into a popular place to be, with vibrant nightlife and elegant atmosphere. Often compared to Ibiza for the nightlife and the natural beauty, Mykonos is one of the most popular destinations in the world.

The capital of the island is Mykonos Town, a lovely village built around a port. The small white houses, the paved streets, the picturesque quarter of Little Venice with the colorful buildings right by the sea and Peter the Pelican, the mascot of the island, create a unique atmosphere under the hot Greek sun. Mykonos Town is close to the port and the airport, so it constitutes the main transportation hub. This is also a popular nightlife spot, as many clubs and bars are concentrated in the small paths of Mykonos Town. However, there are many beach bars in beaches around the island.

Most popular beaches are Paradise, Super Paradise, Paranga and Psarou. These places concentrate many young people who enjoy swimming, watersports and dancing on the sand. However, there are also many less crowded beaches to enjoy family atmosphere, including Platis Gialos, Agios Stefanos and Elia. All beaches though share crystal water and soft sand on the shore.

Apart from nice beaches and vibrant nightlife, Mykonos also has interesting culture. Museums, ancient sites and lovely chapels dot the landscape, providing nice alternatives for sightseeing. A great archaeological place to visit is the island of Delos, about an hour by boat from Mykonos. Delos was a sacred island in the ancient times. Although today it is uninhabited, it has ancient remains to see, including an open theater, ancient temples and an archaeological museum. It is accessed by tour boat from Mykonos Town.
Best Villages in Mykonos

**Town** (Rating: ★★★★ by Greeka members)
**Location:** On the western side of Mykonos island

**Description:** Mykonos Town or Chora is the capital and the most picturesque village on the island. With traditional architecture and a lovely ambience, Mykonos distinguishes for its cosmopolitan atmosphere and the vivid nightlife. The landmarks of Chora are the windmills on top of a hill, the nice quarter Little Venice and the famous pelican of Mykonos.

**Sightseeing:** Agricultural Museum, Archaeological Museum, Catholic Church, Delos Archaeological Museum, Delos Island, Folklore Museum, House of Lena, Little Venice, Maritime Museum, Panagia Paraportiani, Peter the Pelican, Windmills

Best Beaches in Mykonos

**Super Paradise** (Rating: ★★★★★ by Greeka members)
**Location:** 7 km south east of Chora

**Description:** Super Paradise is right next to Paradise beach. Less organized than its neighbouring coast, it is still one of the most popular places on Mykonos.
Paradise  (Rating: ★★★ by Greeka members)
Location: 6 km south east of Chora
Description: Paradise is one of the most famous beaches of Mykonos, attracting mostly young crowds for its day and night beach parties.

Elia
Location: 11 km south east of Chora
Description: Elia is one of the longest and most popular beaches of Mykonos. Many umbrellas, sun beds and beach bars dot the coastline.
**Platis Gialos** (Rating: ★★★★★ by Greeka members)

**Location:** 5 km south of Chora

**Description:** Platis Gialos is one of the most popular beaches of Mykonos. Well-organized, sandy and clean, Platis Gialos is easy to reach from the capital village.

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**Agios Stefanos** (Rating: ★★★★☆ by Greeka members)

**Location:** 3 km north of Chora

**Description:** Agios Stefanos is a small protected cove in small distance from Chora but far from the busy south of Mykonos, so it remains calm most of the tourist season. With soft sand and crystal water, Agios Stefanos is well-developed with tourism facilities.

**Sightseeing:** Armenistis Lighthouse
Kalo Livadi (Rating: ★★★★★ by Greeka members)
Location: 10 km east of Chora
Description: Although Kalo Livadi is far from Chora, this is an organized beach with many umbrellas and sun beds.

Best Sightseeing in Mykonos

Little Venice
Location: Town
Little Venice is the most picturesque quarter of Chora, the capital of Mykonos island. With colourful houses that are contructed right by the sea, Little Venice is a popular spot with vivid nightlife and lovely cafeterias.
Windmills
Location: Town
The hill with the traditional windmills above Chora provides the best view of the village and the picturesque port. These windmills have been restored and have become the trademark of the island over the years.

Panagia Paraportiani
Location: Town
The chapel of Panagia Paraportiani is the most photographed church of the island. Located in Chora, this white, assymetrical church dates from the 15th century.
Delos Island

**Location: Town**

Delos is a tiny island that can be reached by boat from the port of Mykonos Town. Delos was a sacred island for the ancient Greeks as, according to mythology, god Apollo had been born there. Remains of an ancient sanctuary and a theatre have been found on the island, which is a great open site today.

Peter the Pelican

**Location: Town**

Peter the pelican has become the mascot of Mykonos island over the years. A few decades ago, a fisherman took care of a wounded pelican but surprisingly he didn't leave when he was cured, but made Mykonos his home. Although the first pelican of Mykonos has passed away, three pelicans run today the paved paths of Chora.
Entertainment in Mykonos

**Pierro's Bar**
Category: Bars
Location: Town
Pierro's is a legendary gay bar situated in Mykonos Town. It is one of the most renowned gay bars of the world and plays host to fanciful parties throughout the summer.

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