



Spring 2009

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Hydra



Hotel Leto

The spring is here, and the Athenians start to travel to their favorite weekend destinations . The closest and most popular are the Saronic Islands.

***The Saronic gulf
divide Attica from Peloponnese.***

The **5 islands** of the Saronic Gulf are among the Athenians' favorite summer resort, since they are a short distance from the capital. Each five islands has their own special personality and charm.

***Aegina, Angistri, Poros,
Hydra & Spetses***

A hydrofoil journey from Piraeus to **Hydra** takes between 1,5 – 2 hours depending upon whether a stop is made at the island of **Poros** on the way

Another charming destination is the end call for the hydrofoil or catamaran route from Piraeus , **Porto Heli**, a small village on the Peloponnese just across the fifth island of **Spetses**.

Hydra a small rocky island has become a cosmopolitan artists' centre in recent years. Best of all it is a preserved national monument and has retained all its charm and quaintness. For artists and art lovers generally Hydra is both meeting place and showplace. The galleries scattered throughout the port offer something more than carefree relaxation by the sea.

As there are no motorized vehicles on the island, it really does have a feel of being left untouched by the modern world although you will find all the "real world" conveniences

Leto Hotel is a **first class hotel** with personality that offers the services that travelers expect to find in a top quality hotel.

Each room has its own character with different layouts and flooring. The bedrooms are all a good size and are furnished with antique style furniture. All rooms have a dressing table with a stocked mini-bar, air-conditioning, fitted hair-dryer and vanity unit in the en-suite shower or bathroom, TV, direct dial telephone, plenty of built in wardrobe and drawer space and a personal room safe for valuables. Rooms are either standard, superior or deluxe. .

The conferencing facilities are on the lower ground floor of the hotel. can comfortably accommodate 40 delegates in theatre style seating.

From the sitting room Large double doors lead to the walled, patio garden where guests can enjoy the sun or a quiet read.

Fitness room, Sauna, Hydro massage are also available for the clients' comfort.



Hotel AKS Porto Heli, Porto Heli

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Situated just across from the beautiful island of **Spetses**, the **Hotel Porto Heli** overlooks the beautiful **Porto Heli Bay**. A pine-covered headland almost encloses the bay and creates a large, natural, safe sailing area, beyond which are attractive pine-fringed coves, quiet sandy beaches and waterside tavernas that can all be explored by mountain bike or dinghy. Porto Heli has a designated high performance dinghy sailing centre. The bay and area just beyond provides the perfect conditions for sailing and other sea sports as diving.

The hotel is only 185 km from Athens, an enjoyable 2½ hours drive by car or 2½ hours by hydrofoil or Catamaran from the port of Piraeus.

The 4-star AKS Porto Heli hotel offers 204 rooms and 10 suites. The majority of guestrooms enjoys the panoramic view of a spectacular seascape offering air-condition, private balconies, refrigerator including satellite television.

In 2005, AKS Hotels completed its new **Conference Centre** next to the hotel. The ultra modern **Port Heli Conference centre** has two conference halls, exhibition space, breakout rooms and cutting edge technologies and equipment to accommodate any event.

Restaurant Varoulko & Chef Lefteris Lazarou, Athens



One of the top, if not the utmost distinction for a **restaurant** is to be **starred by Michelin**, as well as to register on this **popular Guide**.

Chef Lefteris Lazarou and his restaurant Varoulko is one of the 2 restaurants in Athens to have this star.

He creates his “poetry” in the kitchen with the products of the sea, the vine and the olive tree and rises before dawn to source his psarri (fish) and treats them in ways that veer into classical French territory without ever leaving Greece.

Typical are cuttlefish risotto with caramelized garlic and bay leaf, and grouper with wild greens braised in egg-lemon sauce. Meat dishes are fewer, but just as amazing

Cuisine: Modern Cuisine – Mediterranean, specialty different fish dishes. The menu varies from day to day depending on the catch of the day.

TUR 2009, Gothenburg, Sweden 19–22 March:

Salta dmc will attend and be represented by Sales Manager Mrs. Britt J. Høstmark ,
Stand B02:02 (Greek Tourist Organisation's Stand)

GREEK HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

25 March: National Holiday **17 April:** Good Friday **19 and 20 April:** Easter **01 May:** May Day **01 June:** Whit Monday
20 June: Opening of The New Acropolis Museum in Athens

June 2009: The Athens Festival starts with performances at the Herodes Atticus theatre at the foot of Acropolis. Ends in September