

**Cyclades – Tinos – self-guided:  
7-day walking tour on Tinos taking in 2 accommodations  
2024 (CTWM214I)**

**May be shortened or extended.  
Great combination with Andros, Naxos or Santorini!**



*Our hiking philosophy: active during the day, and in the afternoon a warm shower, a good meal and a comfortable bed in a small-scale accommodation.*

*We invite you to join us!*

**more information: [www.annahiking.nl](http://www.annahiking.nl)**



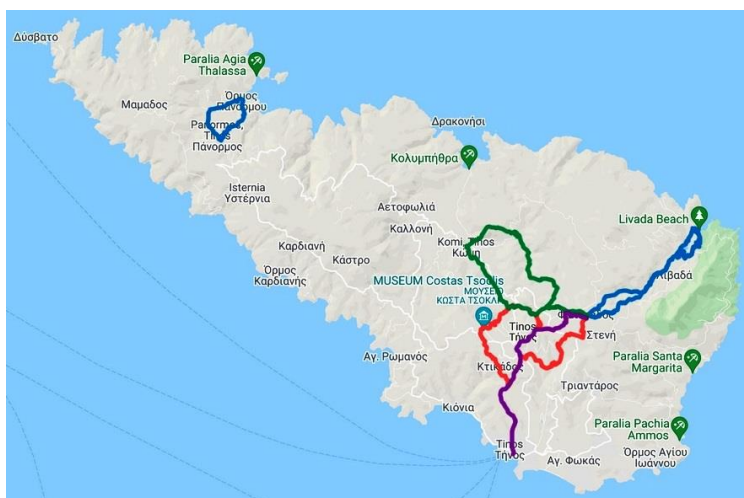
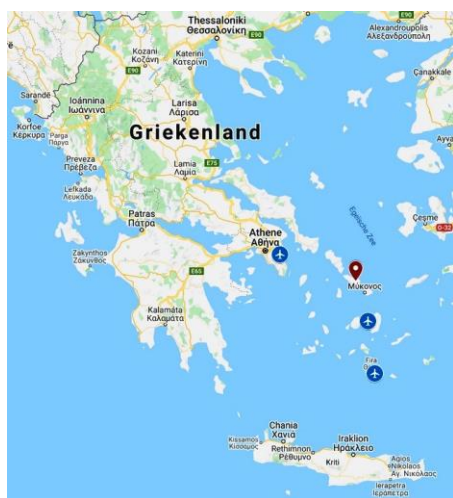
### About AnnaHiking and S-Cape

In 1991 we visited Greece for the first time. Our love for the country, the culture, the climate, the food, the language and the Greek has grown ever since. We feel at home here and want to communicate this feeling to others.

Many people are familiar with the Greek “islands with beautiful beaches”. Many islands also boast a splendid inland with historical paths, ideal for hiking. Tinos is such an island with much more on offer than beaches alone, and we’d love to introduce it to you.

Our agent S-Cape from Athens explored several hiking routes on Tinos and described them in detail. As an individual traveller we offer you these descriptions together with GPS-tracks and marked detailed maps, so you can find your way easily. We also offer you an information package with background information, tips for the best meals and several other useful trivia. In the handy navigation-app ActiveNav you’ll find all the information together.

### The tour location



### General tour information

Tinos belongs to the Cyclades islands and is situated in the Egean Sea. It’s easily accessible through the airports of Athens, Mykonos, Naxos or Santorini by ferryboat.

You stay in two locations on the island. You’ll make three circular walks from Falatados, then walk from Falatados to Chora, and the last hike is from Ormos Panormos in the north of the island (reached by public bus or rental car from Chora).

The walks take place on (paved) paths, gravel roads and some quiet asphalt roads.

The net walking time is between 2 and 7 hours, some days you may choose from two routes. In Falatados you may choose yourself in which order you’ll do the circular tours.

It’s a tour for active people that desire peace and nature and enjoy the difference between idyllic beaches and a rural innerland.





### *Modular set-up: extensions/alterations/abbreviations*

The arrangement on Tinos is to be extended with overnight stays in both accommodations, or to be shortened by leaving out walks.

The tour may very well be combined with one of our hiking tours on the neighbouring islands Andros, Naxos or Santorini. Several ferries connect the Cyclades islands. See the [possibilities on the Cyclades](#) on our website.

You may also rent a car on Tinos; information is to be found in the roadbook.

Finally you may combine the arrangement with (parts of) other tours we offer. We'll help you with the logistics.

**For all your wishes: ask for an estimate!**

### *About the Cyclades and Tinos*

The Cyclades are situated in a circle ('kyklos') around the holy island Delos or Dilos. The legend tells us that Apollo and Artemis were born here, so Delos was the religious centre of Ionia in the 7th century B.C. The current capital is Ermoupoli. Nowadays the Cyclades are famous for their square white houses with blue doorposts and window frames.

The climate on the Cyclades is gentle. The days are warm early in the year, but the spring nights are still cool. In autumn the day and night temperature is around 20°C. Short showers are to be expected in spring and autumn.

Also heavy winds are possible. In summer they cool you down, but in spring and autumn you may find it sometimes chilly. Due to the sun the temperatures are very pleasant from April until the end of October. Normally shorts and t-shirts are appropriate walking clothes, with a blouse or light sweater for the cooler moments.



Tinos is known as the Lourdes of Greece and on the 15th of August one will find thousands of (Greek) pilgrims in Tinos Chora who go to the holy Panagia Evangelistria church. The church is built on the spot where an icon of the Annunciation was found, after a vision by the nun Pelagia.

Just outside of Chora you'll find the archeological site of Kionia, with the temples of

Poseidon and Artemis. It's the only place in the Cyclades which is only dedicated to the sea god Poseidon.



Tinos is situated just south-east of Andros, the most northern Cyclades island. The highest summit is the Exombourgo at 640m.

You'll encounter many of the characteristic dovecotes, the most exquisite of the Cyclades.

Tinos does not have an airport but is close to Athens (3½ hours by boat). The island is also reached through Mykonos, Naxos or Santorini.







### *The accommodations*

You will stay in the small village of Falatados in the center of the island and in family hotel Vincenzo in Tinos town.

### *Booking*

The arrangement may be booked with start date from 1 April up until 28 October. From mid July until end of August it may be very hot.

### *Prices per person 2024*

number of travellers	room type	1-4 / 26-5 27-9 / 28-10	27-5 / 25-6	26-6 / 26-9
travelling alone	single	€ 850	€ 860	€ 905
2 persons	twin or double	€ 510	€ 520	€ 540
2 persons	2 single	€ 750	€ 765	€ 810
3 persons	triple	€ 435	€ 435	€ 465
3 persons	double/twin + single	€ 555	€ 570	€ 600
3 persons	3 single	€ 720	€ 735	€ 780
4 persons	2 double/twin	€ 460	€ 470	€ 490

Note:

- Price is per person, flight excluded.
- The date applies to the start day.
- From January 1st 2018 in Greece an 'overnight tax' is applicable. This tax has to be paid at check-in at your accommodation. The rates per room per night were until 2023: € 0,50 for 2\*-hotels, € 1,50 for 3\*-hotels, € 3,00 for 4\*-hotels and € 4,00 for 5\*-hotels. It seems they'll be lifted to: €1,50 for 2\*-hotels, €3,00 for 3\*-hotels, €7,00 for 4\*-hotels and €10,00 for 5\*-hotels. Tourorganisations are not allowed by law to pay this tax.

### *Included*

- 6 overnight stays including breakfast, 4 in Falatados and 2 in Chora.
- Hiking map of Tinos; sent by post. If you live within the European Union we'll send it to your home address, otherwise the package will wait for you in the first accommodation.
- Detailed roadbook and maps; digital, sent by WeTransfer, to be printed by you at your own wishes.
- GPS tracks.
- Use of the Active Nav app for navigation with your smartphone.
- Transfer Tinos port to Falatados, luggage transfer Falatados to hotel in Tinos Chora and hotel in Chora to port of Tinos



- Booking fee and telephone assistance.

### ***Not included***

- Flight and own travel expenses to Tinos (see below).
- Lunches, diner, drinks and other personal expenses.
- Overnight tax (see above).
- Insurances.
- Transfer to Ormos Panormos on day 6 and all transfers not mentioned in the program.
- Everything else not mentioned under “included”.

### ***Own travel expenses and flight***

You best fly to Athens or Mykonos.

1. From **Athens** you take the public bus from the airport to Rafina harbour and sail in about 3½ hours to Tinos Chora. The boats usually sail around 7:30 and 17:30.

The ferry back to Rafina normally sails early in the morning and mid afternoon (weekend only afternoon!). The public bus from Rafina to the airport has an approximately hourly schedule and is independent of the ferry arrival, as there are many more destinations from Rafina.

If you have to stay a night in Rafina, we can book the hotel including a free shuttle bus service to and from the airport.

There are also boats from Pireus, departure usually 7:30, duration 4½ hours. The boat back to Pireus usually sails at 15:00.

2. From **Mykonos** you sail in 30 minutes to Tinos. Departure time is usually in the early morning (around 7:30) and early afternoon.
3. From **Naxos** or **Santorini** several ferries connect to Tinos.

### ***Optional services***

The taxis take up to 4 persons unless covid regulations declare otherwise. Whether you take the car ferry or a catamaran depends upon the itinerary.

- Taxi Athens airport-Rafina	€ 82
- Taxi Athens centre-Athens airport	€ 72
- Taxi Piraeus-Athens centre	€ 40
- Taxi Athens airport -Athens centre	€ 82
- Taxi Piraeus-Athens airport	€ 80
- Taxi Rafina-Athens airport	€ 75
- Car ferry Rafina-Tinos tourist class or v.v.	€ 50
- Catamaran Rafina-Tinos tourist class or v.v.	€ 82
- Car ferry Piraeus-Tinos tourist class or v.v.	€ 69
- Car ferry Mykonos-Tinos tourist class or v.v.	€ 15
- Catamaran Mykonos-Tinos tourist class or v.v..	€ 25
- Car ferry Andros-Tinos tourist class or v.v.	€ 28

### ***Luggage***

You carry a day pack with water, lunch, warm and rainproof clothing, possibly swimming gear, items for personal care, binoculars/camera etc.

The remaining luggage stays in the accommodation or is transferred.



Before departure we send you a list with essential and advised items.





## Day to day program

(You can download the elevation profiles separately.)

Note: walking times mentioned are net times without breaks.

### Day 1: To Tinos Falatados



You travel on your own account to Tinos. You'll be met at the harbour and taken to the village Falatados in the inner land. It is definitely worthwhile to spend some time exploring the narrow alleys and discover this very traditional village in your own way.

Should your flight be late in the day, you'll have to spend the night close to the airport (surcharge). In that case you'll take the early morning boat on day 2 and make the short walk.

*overnight stay: Falatados*

### Day 2: Circular walk Myrsini and Livada beach (GR00141)



You make a circular walk from Falatados. Via a kaldherimi you walk to the village Myrsini and descend to the (dry) river bed of the Livada river. You can opt to return from here via another kaldherimi back to Falatados and enjoy some free time or you may continue to Livada beach and return partly via the same route.

*walking time/distance: 5h / 12,5km (of 2h / 4,5km)*

*ascent/descent: 44m (of 200m)*

*overnight stay: Falatados*





### Day 3: Circular walk Exombourgo summit and fortress (GR00142)



Today's walk is a great walk leading you all around the remarkable Exombourgo mountain and along the finest villages of Tinos. On the top of this mountain you find the Venetian Fortress Exombourgo. You walk through valleys and terraced fields, through villages with narrow alleys and along numerous churches and a monastery. In the wide valley between Loutra and Kambos are the finest dovecotes that are so characteristic for Tinos Island.

walking time/distance: 7h / 16,0km

ascent/descent: 220m

overnight stay: Falatados

### Day 4: Circular walk villages and monasteries (GR00143)



You follow route nr. 5 from Falatados and veer to the north to Volax. This is a traditional village where handicrafts are still being practiced. The village is situated in a peculiar landscape where you see huge round granite stones. It looks like you are landed on the moon here.

Then you continue via a surprisingly green stream bed to the charming village Agapi (literally: love). You may walk to Kami either via a bit overgrown kalderimi OR you can opt to walk this trajectory via the tarmac road. From Kami you climb up to the village of Loutra, where you will find a few old and famous monasteries. Another climb leads you to Koumaros and from there you descend and walk back to Falatados.

walking time/distance: 6h / 16,0km

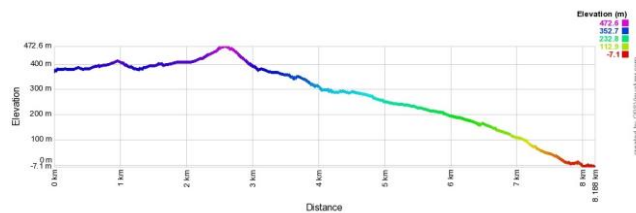
ascent/descent: 540 m

overnight stay: Falatados





### Day 5: Walk Falatados – Tinos Chora (GR00144)



This popular walk on Tinos offers great views on Tinos town and the south coast. You walk through agricultural fields towards the Exobourgo and then head southwards, descending via old mule tracks. You pass a few remarkable ruins of windmills and then descend via a long kalderimi to Tinos town.

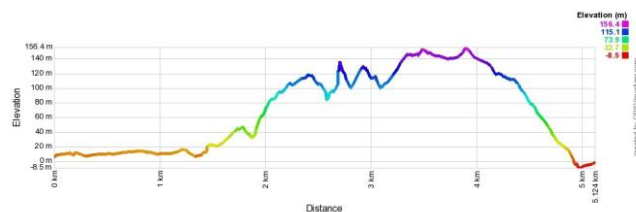
The walk is only 3 hours and hence there is plenty of time to visit the lively town of Tinos, dominated by the big church of Panagia. Or you may prefer to go to one of the sandy beach that are near the town. Finally you may visit the archeological site of Kionia with the temple of Poseidon and Artemis, just outside of the village.

walking time/distance: 3h / 8,0km

ascent/descent: 100m / 470m

overnight stay: Tinos Chora

### Day 6: To Ormos Panormos, circular walk Pyrgos (GR00145)



You take the public bus to Ormos Panormos or hire a car at your hosts office.

You walk from the marina of Panormos via a gravel road and a kalderimi to Pyrgos. Via marble steps you enter the white village of Pyrgos, which is said to be the prettiest village of Tinos. Marble craftsmen from Pyrgos are famous for their crafts. You may visit the Museum of Marble Crafts in Pyrgos and walk around in the village to admire the marble reliefs on the houses.

On the village square you can opt for a nice coffee in the shade of the 200 year old plane tree. Then you continue your walk via donkey trails to 7 ruins of windmills, situated like giants on the mountain ridge. Then you descend to the quay of Panormos with its sandy beach nearby.

walking time/distance: 2h-2h30' / 5,2-7,7km

ascent/descent: 200m

overnight stay: Tinos Chora



*Day 7: Departure from Tinos*



Departure to Rafina, Piraeus or Mykonos per ferry. Should you have booked an arrangement on Andros, you'll take the ferry to Rafina and get off the boat in the harbour of Andros Gavrio.

If your flight is early in the day, you'll have to spend an extra night in Rafina / Mykonos or leave for Rafina / Mykonos on the afternoon of day 6. The first boat to Rafina usually arrives in Rafina around 12:15, but some days there's only an afternoon boat (weekend, festive days).

The first boat to Mykonos usually arrives around 9:40.