

## Useful Information

### Weather

The climate in Greece is perhaps one of the most clement in all the world. The average summer temperature is a pleasant 30° to 32° C. The certain sunshine combined with cool sea breezes in the evening hours open paths to a wide range of pastimes and activities.

### Time

Greece is situated a little above the Equator (GMT +2)

**Electric power system:** 220V

### Water:

Water on Spetses is a scarce commodity. As the island has no supply of its own to speak of, water is brought daily from the Peloponnesus mainland in specially adapted ships. It is for this reason that it is not recommended to drink the tap water on Spetses.

**Currency:** euro (€)

### Getting around :

The town of Spetses is under a preservation order, and includes many listed buildings. It is for this reason that the archaeological authorities placed a ban on the use of private cars in all areas between Agia Marina in the east, and the old Anargyreio and Korialenio College in the west. The most commonly used modes of transport are mopeds and bicycles, and there are two bus routes, covering the coastal road of the town in both directions from the town centre, and some of the outer-lying areas. There are also taxis for hire (a total of 4!), plus a large number of horse-drawn buggies. Of course, the picturesque side-streets and alley-ways are always a joy to stroll down. Alternatively, if your destination is close to the water, there are many water taxis, and some kaikis (traditionally-built wooden boats).

During the summer months, the part of the sea road which passes through the town is off-limits to private motorised vehicles of all kinds from 18:30 until 02:00. The relevant sign-posts can be found at the entrance to all streets leading to the forbidden area. Whichever one of the above you choose to move around on Spetses, please let us know so that we may help in making the arrangements you might need.

**Public/Private services and shops:**

Public services operate from 08:30 until 14:00.

Shops open from 09:00 until 14:30, close for siesta, and re-open between 17:30 and 21:00.

During the summer months, many businesses will remain open all day long, and late into the night.

Banks : ALPHA BANK (Dapia – 22980 75343)

NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE, (Dapia – 22980 72286)

PIRAEUS BANK (Clock Tower Square – 22980 75262)

Useful Telephone numbers

(Tourist) Police - 22980 73100

Port police - 22980 72245

State Health Clinic - 22980 72472