



Filerimos Hill & Valley of Butterflies

Free cancellation up to 2 day(s) prior departure, after which the tour cancellation policy applies.

- **Activities:**
 - Waterfall
 - Coach Bus
 - Cultural Walking
 - Lakes
 - Monuments
 - Nature
 - Photography
 - UNESCO
 - Valley
- **Travel Style:** Budget
- **Guiding Type:** Self Guided/Independent
- **Activities:**
 - English
- **Tour Vibe:** Active
- **Guiding Type:** Self Guided/Independent
- **Recommended For:**
 - Couple
 - Family/Kids
 - Senior
 - Solo
 - Women
 - Youth
- **Country:**
 - Europe

- Greece
- **Routes:**
 - Filerimos
 - Butterflies Valley
- **Pickup:** Kremasti, Ialysos, Ixia, Rhodes City, Kalithea, Faliraki, Afandou, Kolymbia.;

From:8:30 AM

To:8:30 AM

- **Drop-off:** Kremasti, Ialysos, Ixia, Rhodes City, Kalithea, Faliraki, Afandou, Kolymbia.;

From:2:00 PM

To:2:30 PM

- **Age Range:** 0 - 99 (Years Old)
- **Tour Highlights:**
 - Walking along Golgotha street where you can see an enormous high cross!
 - Exploring the remains of the Ancient City of Ialysos.
 - Visiting the Museum in Butterflies Valley with large variety of different species!
 - Nature, narrow rock walkways, lakes decorated by water - lilies!
 - Walking between thousand of flying butterflies!

- **Tour Introduction:**

After a short drive we will ascent to the top of **Filerimos Hill** (1 hour stay), which is situated about 15 km from Rhodes Town on a hill 267m, overlooking the small town of Ialysos and the bay of Ixia and Trianda and on the same site where once stood the Doric City of Ialysos in ancient times.

Arriving at the top of the hill, you will see a well organized parking plot. To the right side you will notice the ruins of the ancient Ialysos and to the left side is a small kiosk with souvenirs and beverages. You are free to decide either to start at the Archaeological site (at the left) or walk (on the right) the footway enjoying the panoramic view over Ialysos. Either way and during your tour, you will be followed by the mating cries of the peacocks!

You can visit the monastery of Our Lady and the remains of the ancient acropolis of Ialysos, one of the three ancient cities of Rhodes Island. Visitors can walk along a "Golgotha", a tree sheltered pathway with a series of shrines with scenes of the Holy Passion. This foot way leads to an enormous imposing cross, from the top of which one can cherish the outstanding view of villages and bright green valleys that are generously stretched around. This site is famous because of the lovely and quiet walkways.

Leaving from Filerimos Hill, we continue our tour visiting the of **Valley of Butterflies** (2 hours stay), one of the most attractive destinations of the island. The canyon of Pelekanos River hosts a unique Valley that is named after the Panaxia Quadripunctaria Butterfly. The Valley was found in the 1930s by Italians who developed a beautiful 1 km path that goes through the canyon along with the areas where the butterflies are most densely populated. First studies were conducted by a German entomologist Reinhard Eiger.

It's a unique and peaceful ecological setting, being a true pride of nature of Rhodes island, with narrow rock walkways, lakes decorated by water-lilies, rustic bridges, running waters, waterfalls and resting places loaded with millions of brown-red butterflies. During August, thousands of butterflies of the genus Panaxia swarm into

the valley in order to reproduce. The sweet smell of the resin attracts the butterflies and when you are walking around, you will see Liquidambar trees everywhere and hundreds of Butterflies on the trunk and leaves.

The Natural History Museum of Rhodes operates at the entrance of the valley and is a perfect spot for photos. Among the exhibits are endemic and rare species of the broader area of the valley which are displayed in cases representing the conditions of the natural environment.

We stop at the main parking area just 15 meters from the main entrance-reception of the valley and in these 2 hours staying, you are free to walk as long as you like or relax at the coffee shop or buy souvenirs.

(From October - 10th of June the price for entrance fee to Valley of Butterflies is 3,00 euro/per person and from 10th of June - September the price is 5,00 euro/per person)

- **Itinerary:**

WHAT'S INCLUDED

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- All fees & taxes
- Meal & drinks
- Not guided
- Accommodation
- Flights
- Pickup & Drop-Off
- Guide
- Meals
- Insurance
- Transport
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- **Other Excluded:**
 - All fees & taxes
 - Meal & drinks
 - Not guided

Covid Safety

All safety steps are taken.

Tour Cancellation Policy

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Good To Know

FAQs