Shopping, Leisure & Gastronomy





The Rhodian Gastronomy

One can savor local delicacies in the many taverns and restaurants of the City, as well as high gastronomy in some restaurants which have attained international distinction, and are recommended in international restaurant guides.

At this crossroad of civilizations, the local cuisine has acquired elements from the three continents that surround the island. It has borrowed from Asia, Africa and Europe but is above all Mediterranean. These various elements were selected, filtered and finally re-invented with a very distinct local character. Traditionally, the Rhodian table was rich in variety. This tradition continues until today. Gourmets from all over the world have good reason to visit Rhodes as they have the chance to enjoy local specialties that brilliantly combine traditional and modern tastes: unforgettable delicate flavors, fresh fish and seafood, original fresh salads, magnificent meat dishes as well as the wide range of sweets and desserts made mainly of cereals, olive oil, nuts, fruits, honey and herbs.



The Rhodian wines

The tasty dishes of Rhodian cuisine find the perfect companion in the equally delicious wines from local wineries which, in keeping with the tradition from antiquity, produce quality wines that have received awards at many international wine exhibitions.

The sunshine, the mild climate and the advanced techniques of the local wine makers, all contribute to the excellent quality of Rhodian wine. Today, old varieties have been revitalized and improved and new ones have been introduced - from the well known since ancient times Muscatel White, Athiri and Mandilaria, called Amorgiano in Rhodes, to the Muscadet Trani, Asyrtico and more recently, the Cabernet Sauvignon and Grenache rouge varieties.

The modern wine making techniques and the new varieties have improved Rhodian wines but have not altered their balanced taste, the result of years of evolution. One sip will tell us that the Sun god, Helios, has once again worked his miracle!



Going out

Apart from getting to know the culture, the beaches and crystal clear waters as well as the Greek gastronomy, visitors should acquaint themselves with today's vibrant Rhodian life style. Rhodes offers something for people of all ages and preferences, including music cafes, trendy shops, music halls, cinemas, bars, night clubs, dancing clubs, restaurants, fashionable meeting points and the casino. Equally important is that anywhere visitors choose to go they will feel warmly welcomed.

Shopping

A visit to Rhodes can easily be combined with shopping. With over 6000 shops in the Old and New Town, there is perhaps no other place in the world the size of Rhodes that can compete with it for the variety and range of products to satisfy almost every demand. Local products are of particular interest: the inhabitants of Rhodes have a long tradition in making jewellery, ceramics, carpets, embroidery, wines, ouzo, olive oil and honey. In the shops located in the Medieval Town the visitor will find Rhodian pottery decorated with traditional designs.