



Private Excursions by Orpheus Luxury Travel and Tours

Overview

Fun Family Day

A) Mazotos camel park – Skarinou – Lefkara – Zygi

This entertaining trip will begin at the Camel Park in Mazotos village. There a visitor has a chance to take a unique safari ride through the countryside astride a friendly camel, which is indeed an unforgettable experience. A small zoo and a vast playground area will make a journey to the camel park even more exciting for the little guests.



After paying a tribute to the two-humped friends, Skarinou village is the next stop. Famous for its centuries old olive oil making traditions, it is home to the museum of olive oil, where visitors are welcome to try olive varieties as well as many other olive products including olive oil itself, soaps and many more local specialities.

The tour will continue with Lefkara, probably the most renowned village in Cyprus. Lefkara is the capital of craftsmanship, where the customary skills of lace-making and silverwork still flourish. Dozens of handicraft shops, overlooking the cosy narrow streets, are an absolute haven for souvenir-buyers and for those who love hand-made authentic items. Apart from its principal asset, Lefkara is characterized by a fantastic array of architectural fantasies, styles and vivid ornaments present in the decoration of its buildings; its monumental Timos Stavros church and a great selection of traditional tavernas, offering lavish meals and home-made wine. If one wishes to take part of Cyprus back home with oneself, Lefkara is a primary place to visit!



The eventful day will end by the sea, in one of the celebrated coastal restaurants of Zygi, the village of fishermen, where a wide selection of fresh seafood dishes is offered to the customers.

B) Donkey Farm – Skarinou – Lefkara – Zygi

On the way to the Donkey farm, located 16km outside of Limassol, are beautiful countryside views to take in. Upon arrival, a huge 1500 year old tree greets visitors who may wish to step inside the quaint St. Andrews church before visiting the goats, chickens and (depending on the season) baby donkeys at the mini farm. At the Donkey Farm the safari begins and takes riders along scenic hillside trails filled with fresh, clean country air. Afterwards, one can relax at the bar and enjoy a complimentary beverage, or if it is a hot summer's day- cool off in the pool! The souvenir shop is worth a browse, selling traditional jams, pickles and honey too.

	Limassol	Larnaca	Paphos	Ayia Napa Protaras	Polis
Stand. Car	235	255	350	365	435
Mercedes E-class	290	315	420	430	475
Mercedes S-class	400	420	670	690	760
Mercedes VITO	400	420	530	595	620
Mercedes V-class	455	480	580	650	675

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Paphos



First on the agenda is a visit to the ancient city of Kourion and its spectacular sights including the Greco-Roman amphitheater which has been completely restored and is used today for musical and theatrical performances and Evstoli House with its astoundingly well-preserved mosaics and roman baths.

Then, the tour will stop by Aphrodite's Rock where the goddess of love and beauty was born. Rumor has it that swimming around the rock bestows bathers with youth and beauty.

On the way to the next stop there will be a tasting of the local delicacy, lokoumia – Cyprus delight, as we drop by Geroskipou village. Here, one can admire the magnificent five-domed 9th century church of St. Paraskeva, one of the oldest in Cyprus.

Paphos town, once the capital city of Cyprus, is next on the agenda.

From the old port and its Venetian fort, there is time to discover the nearby archaeological city and explore the stunning House of Dionysus which is a fine example of a classical Roman villa complete with preserved floor mosaics.

Included in the tour is a visit to the catacombs of St. Solomonia, the column of St. Paul and the Tomb of the Kings – a series of complex underground tombs dating back to the 4th century BC.

The tour concludes at the monastery of St. Neophytos who was simply known as 'The Recluse' and, according to legend, had hollowed out a cave in the rocks there in which his followers lived during the 12th century and from which the monastery was sprung. From the monastery one can enjoy the most spectacular view on the Paphos coastline and take a lot of beautiful and memorable pictures.

	Limassol	Larnaca	Paphos	Ayia Napa Protaras	Polis
Stand. Car	345	370	360	375	435
Mercedes E-class	400	425	415	430	485
Mercedes S-class	625	670	670	680	770
Mercedes VITO	525	560	535	605	625
Mercedes V-class	625	660	625	700	765

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Heart of Troodos



You will see the main Cypriot shrines, a pine forest, a waterfall, and picturesque mountain villages.

With its freshness you will be pleased with the small Millomeri waterfall, which seems to be lost in the mountains among

majestic pines. We will climb to the highest point in Cyprus - Mount Olympus, where you can enjoy the beauty of the mountains. Next, we go to the famous monastery of Kykkos, where the

miraculous icon of the Virgin was found, written by St. Luke during the life of the Virgin and blessed by the machine. In the monastery you can venerate the icon, submit notes, put candles about health and repose, and also get into a special room where the relics of saints meet.

After this path, our path leads to the holy monastery of Trooditissa, a monastery, where, in addition to the icon of Panagia the Trooditissas also discover a childbearing belt, which helps to heal from infertility. There will be a walk along the cozy streets of an excursion around the village of Omodos, where the Church of the Life-Giving Cross is located, founded, according to legend, Equal-to-the-Apostles Empress Helena. So does this celebrity area rejection of vineyards that belong along the slopes. We will see the possibility of a very old wine press and tasting excellent Cypriot wines, including the famous "Commandaria" and a fiery languid drink – zivania, and, of course, olives, mixtures of carob, chocolate-based spread and local sweet bread Arcaten. Omodos will not leave anyone indifferent, as it is also famous for its lace and silver jewelry.

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Mercedes S-class	620	670	670	680	770
Mercedes VITO	525	560	535	605	680
Mercedes V-class	625	660	625	700	765

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Wine and Gastronomy Tour (Gourmet Tour)

This tour begins in the highlands, in the village of Agros – known as the Village of Roses for its fragrant blooms and the production of damask rose water. As part of the itinerary, visitors will have the chance to sample a variety of locally made rose products, including rose-infused cosmetics, fragrances, and edible treats. Nearby, a traditional workshop offers sweet delights such as *glyka* – fruits preserved in syrup. The village is also home to a family-run smokehouse, where guests can taste authentic Cypriot meat delicacies like *lounza* (smoked pork loin), *loukanika* (spiced pork sausages), and *chiromeri* (wine-marinated smoked pork).

After the tasting visitors can take in the wonderful scenery whilst winding through the mountains and passing through the beautiful Pitsilia valleys where orchards of hazelnuts, walnuts and almonds grow amongst vineyards which are all set in a patchwork of colour.

The tour continues in the eastern Troodos Mountains, in the village of Odomos, the heart of Cyprus wine-producing region. The wine tasting at the vintage winery is on the agenda, where the local drinks commandaria and zivania are recommended. Also, whilst in the village, samples of locally produced olives, olive spreads, carob syrup, nuts, mountain honey and the sweet Arcatena bread are offered up for tasting.



During the tour a visit to Platres lends itself to hand-crafted chocolate tasting where the artisan chocolate maker produces a selection of chocolate sweets with different fillings and may even make a special drinking chocolate.

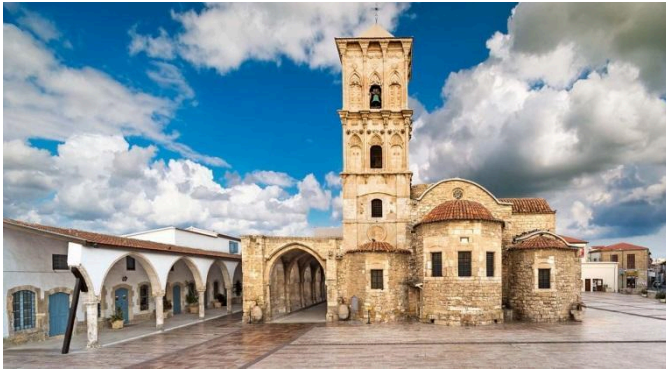
Just outside Platres, there will be a stop at a small gorge, where the Alpine-like waterfall “Milomeri” (Greek for “thousand drops”) plummets from 15 metre heights, being one of the most picturesque natural wonders of the island.

	Limassol	Larnaca	Paphos	Ayia Napa Protaras	Polis
Stand. Car	405	435	430	390	515
Mercedes E-class	475	500	495	470	585
Mercedes S-class	715	760	790	755	880
Mercedes VITO	615	680	640	700	735
Mercedes V-class	625	660	635	705	775

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Protected Cape Cavo Greco

The tour will start with a visit to the village of Lefkara, whose architecture is characterized by stone houses with picturesque finishing. Lefkara is famous for its Lefkaritika lace and silver jewelry. Next we follow to Cathedral of Saint Lazarus. You will visit the majestic stone temple built in the 9th century, as well as the tomb Saint Lazarus. Then, bypassing the Salt Lake.



On the way to Larnaca, by the shores of an eye-captivating salt-lake (which becomes home to many flamingo birds during winter months) there will be a stop by the 4th most significant mosque in the Muslim world: Hala-Sultan-Tekke. It is believed that the aunt of the prophet Muhammad is buried there.

Then, venturing into the heart of Larnaca, a walk along the palm tree-lined promenade is a must. Nearby is the church of St. Lazarus whose namesake was, according to legend, the first ever

bishop in Larnaca.

Driving through the agricultural area of Kokkinohorya (meaning village with red earth) the tour stops by the medieval monastery of Ayia Napa located in the heart of the eponymous party town.

Resort town of Protaras, famous for its golden sand beaches, will be the next stop where visitors can climb up the hill to the old church of the prophet Elijah which offers fantastic coastal panorama, and, on a clear day, the ghost town of Varosha can be seen. Tying a rope to the tree of wishes before leaving is thought to make wishes come true and is certainly worth a try.

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Mercedes E-class	460	430	420	435	495
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Mercedes VITO	525	550	535	605	615
Mercedes V-class	625	655	625	705	770

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Akamas National Park



An adventure expedition to the Akamas Peninsula, a natural park-reserve awaits you. This combined excursion, which includes a trip by car and a boat trip to the Blue Lagoon. Excursion will begin with a visit to the mountain monastery, built in honor of the miraculous icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary Chrysoroyatissa, Mother of God of the Golden Pomegranate. A cozy quiet abode with a small museum will allow you to escape from everything worldly and plunge into the spiritual world. Then, driving through the streets of the pretty mountain village of Panagia, where the first President of Cyprus - Archbishop Makarius III, we will look into a wonderful winery, where we will see the process of winemaking, go down to the wine cellars and taste wonderful local wines.

And then we'll go to the northern coast of Cyprus – the Akamas Peninsula, where we will first drive along the "Magic Road", where the water flows uphill, and then we will visit the baths of Aphrodite at the legendary refreshing spring, where Aphrodite took baths, waiting his beloved Adonis. Well, then we will have an exciting boat trip on a ship to the Blue Lagoon.

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Mercedes S-class	625	650	665	690	770
Mercedes VITO	530	550	535	605	605
Mercedes V-class	625	660	625	705	790

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Survey program



This route allows you to get acquainted with the main iconic objects of Cyprus, while admiring sea and mountain landscapes. It is great for those who are afraid of long trips and mountain serpentine.

The road runs along the Mediterranean coast, as well as along the foothills of the Troodos. And the first point that we visit - this is the medieval castle of Kolossi. This place was for a long time the main stronghold of the commander Order of the Hospitallers. Not so far from it, at an altitude of 70 m above sea level, there is an archaeological park in the ancient city-state of Kourion. Our next place will be a really wonderful place! This place is the birth of the same Aphrodite. In the foothills of the Troodos you will find yourself in one of the most colorful and famous villages in Cyprus, Omodos village. These are narrow cobbled streets with houses that have blue doors typical of Greece and Cyprus.

The main attraction of this village is the Church of the Holy Cross. Here you can apply to the very piece of the Cross on which Jesus was crucified. In addition to the shrine kept here, the village is known and their masters are lace-makers, glassblowers, artists, potters, etc. You can taste local wine, visiting one of the many private wineries. Climbing up to the nearest mountain village of Platres, there will be a great opportunity to taste the meat delights that the mountains of Cyprus are so famous for. Well, after a full and plentiful table, it's time to take a walk. Millomeri Waterfall, which is one of the rare phenomena of Cyprus, refreshes with a splash of cool water. It seems to give you new life, cleansing and refreshing your mind.

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Orthodox heritage of Cyprus



The tour will begin with a visit to the convent of St. George (Alamano). Image of Saint George is one of the most beloved and revered in Cyprus. In addition, the monastery is located in a stunning location - the famous bay with white rocks. After that, we will head to the heart of Larnaca to the embankment along which are majestic palm trees, and next to which the main shrine is located - the Church of St. Lazarus, where to this day his relics are kept, and the building itself dates back to 890 AD. Then we will proceed to a small and charming nunnery of St. Thekla. Thekla was a disciple of the Apostle Paul. For a long time the monastery was famous for its healing mud and

waters, which help with skin diseases.

Our next stop will be the cave church of Chrysospiliotissa (Golden Cave) with an amazing story of finding the icon of the same name. Be sure to visit the nearby Temples Cyprian and Ustinya. In the temple are the relics of these great Saints, for many centuries a healing spring and the priest conducts a rite of exorcism or, in more modern terms, purification from witchcraft and the evil eye.

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Northern Troodos



Our trip will begin with a visit to the parish church of St. Cyprian and Justina in the village of Meniko. The relics of these great Saints are located in the temple, for many centuries a healing spring beats and the priest conducts the rite of exile demons, or in more modern terms, cleansing from witchcraft and the evil eye. Our journey continues through the foothill villages of the Troodos mountain range. Our next stop is in the village of Kakopetria, one of the most beautiful villages of Cyprus, where you can stroll along the narrow stone streets of the cozy old center.

And then we will visit the church (translated from Greek as "under the roof") - one of the most significant churches in Cyprus, included in the catalog of the world cultural heritage of UNESCO, with well-preserved frescoes of the 11th century. Next we go to the monastery of John Lampadistus, which is the most unique. The temple of this monastery consists of 3 (!) parts of different eras. This monastery is also on the UNESCO list. After that, our path leads to the holy abode Trooditis, a monastery where, in addition to the icon of Panagia Trooditissa, there is also a belt of childbearing, which helps to heal from infertility. Then we go to the mountain tavern, where you can taste meat delicacies, which mountainous Cyprus is so famous for.

	Limassol	Larnaca	Paphos	Ayia Napa Protaras	Polis
Stand. Car	385	420	405	430	495
Mercedes E-class	460	485	475	485	545
Mercedes S-class	705	750	750	770	845
Mercedes VITO	595	625	595	670	750
Mercedes V-class	705	735	705	770	780

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Gifts of Nature



This excursion will tell children and adults about the amazing gifts of Cypriot nature, such as bee honey and medicinal herbs. At the beginning of our trip, we will go to the cozy valley of the Vasiliko River to the village of Aegiali. Here there is a functioning apiary where you can get acquainted with the history and basic principles of beekeeping, try and buy the freshest honey. Then we will travel to the unique CY Herbia botanical garden, located in the heart of the fertile region of Kykkinochorja. A unique private project that received the highest rating of state and European officials, the park includes nine beautiful landscape herb gardens, a forest path with endemic trees, as well as the only labyrinth on the island, area of 2000 sq.m.

CY Herbia grows all types of Mediterranean organic herbs and produces the most delicious teas in the world, not only pleasant to the taste but also helping you in proper nutrition and a healthy lifestyle. The park also often hosts various festivals and themed entertainment for children in the style of "Alice in Wonderland" is organized, jousting tournaments, etc. In the herbal shop you will find a large selection of medicinal teas, tinctures, oils and cosmetics, prepared directly in the botanical garden. CY Herbia is a fun educational holiday for everyone ages.

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