



**DREAM YACHT
WORLDWIDE**

Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION



THE MEDITERRANEAN | LEFKAS

BASE ADDRESS

Lefkas Marina

East Shore

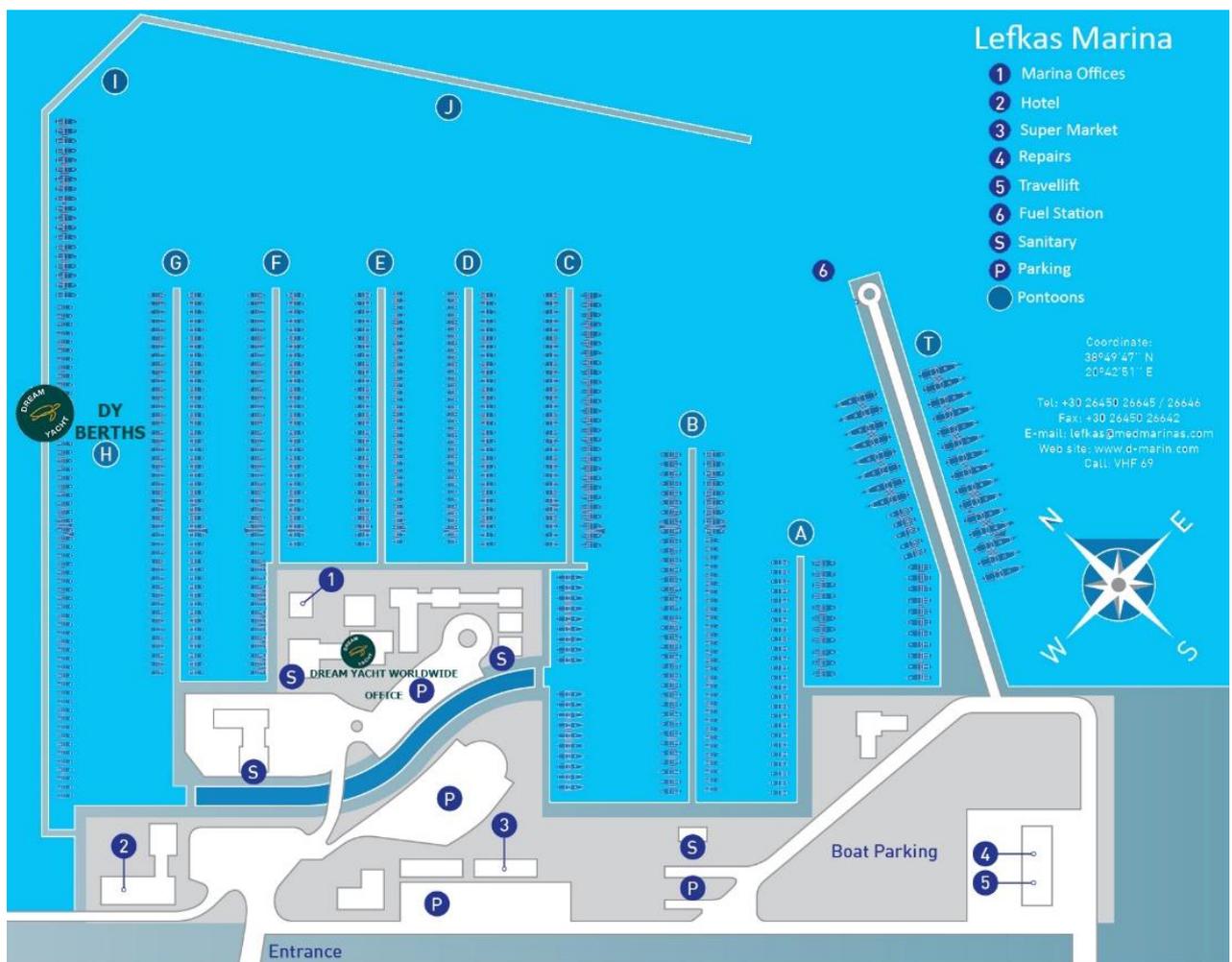
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GPS POSITION: 38°49'49.30" N 20°42'15.91" E

OPENING HOURS: 8am – 6pm

BASE MAP



BASE CONTACTS

If you need support while on your charter, contact the base immediately using the contact details in this guide. Please contact your booking agent for all requests prior to your charter.

BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Base Manager: Anastasis Papaioanou

Phone: +30 6945548551 & +30 697 2320008

BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bar |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laundry | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATM |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi | |

BASE INFORMATION

LICENSE

Sailing license required: Yes No

PAYMENT

The base can accept: Visa MasterCard Amex Cash

EMBARKATION TIME

Boarding time is 05:00pm.

YACHT BRIEFING

The chart and technical briefing take approximately one hour. All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-90 minutes, depending on yacht size and crew experience

The team will give a detailed walk-through of your yacht's technical equipment, information about safe and accurate navigation, including the yacht's navigational instruments, as well as mooring, anchorage and itinerary help. The safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.



STOP OVERS

For all DYW charters starting and/or ending in Lefkas, the first and last night at the marina is free of charge.

Prior to returning to the marina, please contact the marina office via VHF channel 69 to arrange your arrival.

DISEMBARKATION TIME

Disembarkation time is at 9am on the last day of the charter.

To assist in making checkout as smooth as possible, we ask that you arrive back at the base at least two hours before sunset, the evening before disembarkation.

The team will inspect your yacht's equipment and a general visual check of its interior and exterior. A diver will check its hull, keel, rudder(s) propeller(s) and /or bow thruster. General inspection will take approximately one hour. Diesel will be refilled as well.

The fuel station is located at the entrance of the marina.

BAGGAGE

Please only take soft bags and not suitcases, as they would be too cumbersome onboard.

BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS

- Base emergency telephone number: +30 6945548551
- Marina emergency telephone number: +30 26450 26645 / 26646
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: 108
- VHF marina channel: 69
- VHF emergency channel: 16



HOW TO GET THERE?

ACCESS BY PLANE

Aktion Airport (PVK): The airport is 30km from the base, which is a 30-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular charter flights from Athens and other European cities with Aegean Airlines and other charter flights. Please check the schedule on the [airport website](#).

TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

If you need organized transfer from the airport, please contact your aftersales team. Major car rental companies operate from the airport, please refer to airport website for info, working hours and contacts. Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings.

ACCESS BY ROAD

Head east towards E952. Turn right onto E952. Continue onto EO Amfilochias Lefkadas (signs for Lefkada). Turn left onto Dimitroy Golemi/EO Amfilochias Lefkadas (signs for Vasiliki/Nidri). At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto Theodore N. Flogaiti. After 350m you will arrive at our base.

ACCESS BY BUS

A transit bus service is provided between the airport and the cities of Preveza, Lefkada, Vonitsa and other destinations. Tickets can be purchased from the bus driver. See the [bus service website](#) for more information.

PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service: Yes No

LOCAL SUPERMARKET

Express Market
Lefkas Marina

Day	Time
Monday - Saturday	9am – 8pm
Sunday	9am – 5pm

Opening hours may differ during public holidays and are subject to change without notice.

FUEL AND WATER

Water is conveniently located in front of each yacht. There is a fuel station at the entrance of the marina.

HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- **Allure Central Boutique Hotel**
- Karaiskaki, Lefkada Town 31100
- **The Secret Boutique Hotel**
- Ventoura 9, Lefkada Town 31100
- **Lefkadio Suites**
- Lefkada Town 31100

RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- **Taverna Eutaxia 1960**
- **Nissi Mediterranean Kuzina**
- **La Vinaria Taverna**

AREA GUIDE

LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

Explore the Ionian archipelago off the west of mainland Greece with its seven main islands and smaller islands. Board your yacht at our base in Lefkas Marina to begin your sailing vacation through the spectacular Ionian Sea.

Enjoy strolling sun-dappled olive groves, snorkeling in clear sapphire waters and immersing yourself in ancient civilizations and cultures. Lefkas is one of the main Ionian Islands and an excellent gateway to this special island chain. Its hilly landscape is linked to Greece's mainland by a causeway, flanked by a shallow lagoon.

Choose to explore the island's popular anchorages such as Nidri and Sivota, or marvel at the coast's azure water and spectacular cliffs. A highlight is the busy town of Nidri on Lefkas Island, where you can find traditional dining at Fistaria grill houses.

To sail in Lefkas you will need a sailing license that is recognized by the local port authorities, or you can hire a skipper.

TOP THINGS TO DO IN LEFKAS:

1. **Relax on Milos Beach, Lefkas:** One of the first things to do in Lefkas is to walk through the forest from Agios Nikitas to this serene, yet popular beach for sunbathing and swimming. There are no facilities here, so be sure to bring along your own refreshments.
2. **Visit the Frangoulis Distillery, Lefkas:** The Frangoulis family business is located in the center of Lefkada Town and well known for their ouzo local liqueur, a Greek tradition. Stop in and enjoy a taste before purchasing some for prized gifts and souvenirs.
3. **Explore Fiscardo, Kefalonia:** Fiscardo, located on the northern tip of Kefalonia, is so beautiful that the law protects it. Once a quiet fishing village, it's now a cosmopolitan boater's haven surrounded by lush forests reaching down to the coastline and a promenade brimming with cafes and shops. Make sure you don't miss it.
4. **Dine on seafood at Sivota:** A quiet little village by day, Sivota gets livelier as sailboats arrive in the evening to enjoy the famed seafood at the many family-run tavernas. This is one of the largest natural coves in the Ionian island chain and gives great shelter.
5. **Hike to the Nidri Waterfalls:** From the middle of the village, a road takes you through beautiful olive groves to a footpath leading to the sparkling falls. Be sure to bring your hiking shoes for the 40-minute walk and a swimsuit for a refreshing dip. We predict it'll be your favorite thing to do in Lefkas!

CURRENCY: Euro (EUR)

VOLTAGE: 220V

DIALING CODE: +30 2645

INTERNET

There is internet access at our marina and via cafes and Wi-Fi hotspots that you can use during your Lefkas yacht charter.

Cell phones with sim cards from European Union countries (except Switzerland) operate without roaming fees. For other countries, please contact your provider. You can buy a local sim card at telecommunication shops.

ENVIRONMENT

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand

- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

REGULATIONS

There are no restrictions, although this can change depending on the weather, when you sail and the type of fishing you want to do. Please check with port authorities before you set off on your Lefkas yacht charter.

Information subject to change without notice.

BEWARE OF POSIDONIA SEAGRASS MEADOWS!

You are going to be sailing in areas where there are Posidonia seagrass meadows. We urge you to be extremely vigilant. These meadows form crucial underwater ecosystems in the Mediterranean, but they are fragile and threatened by a number of human activities, in particular anchoring of recreational craft.

An underwater plant of the Mediterranean

Posidonia (*Posidonia oceanica*) is a unique marine plant that's endemic to the Mediterranean Sea. It is not a seaweed but a true flowering plant, with roots, stems, leaves and flowers. You'll recognise it by its long, green, ribbon-shaped leaves. Posidonia grows in meadows, forming vast underwater prairies. It reproduces mainly by rhizomes and sometimes by seeds.

Posidonia meadows are found in the shallow coastal waters of the Mediterranean, from a depth of 1 to around 40 metres, in clear, well-lit waters. These meadows are particularly abundant in sheltered bays where conditions of temperature, salinity and light are ideal for their growth.

Practically the whole of the Mediterranean coastline is involved here: the shores of France, Italy, Croatia, Greece, Spain, Turkey, Tunisia, and more.

An essential ecological role

Posidonia seagrass meadows provide a habitat and a source of food for a multitude of marine species, including fish, molluscs and crustaceans. They are also ideal spawning grounds and nurseries for young fish.

Like real underwater forests, seagrass beds act as carbon sinks, helping to combat climate change: they can store up to 300 tonnes of carbon per hectare. That's 3 to 5 times more than tropical forests, and this, over hundreds of thousands of hectares. And not to mention their contribution to the production of oxygen, the protection of coasts by attenuating the impact of waves, the preservation

of beaches where it accumulates in banks, etc. The loss of these meadows would have serious ecological and economic consequences for the Mediterranean.

A protected species under threat

Despite their importance, Posidonia meadows are extremely fragile and are threatened by a number of human activities. Boat anchoring, pollution, coastal urbanisation, trawling and climate change are all factors that contribute to their degradation. Seagrass beds are particularly sensitive to anchoring by boats: anchors can uproot these plants and create almost irreparable ‘scars’ in Posidonia meadows, as Posidonia rhizomes grow very slowly (a rate of just 1 cm per year).

The presence of these meadows dates back between 60 and 100 million years, when terrestrial flowering plants, which resembled the rushes plant family of today, returned to the marine environment where their distant ancestors came from. Don't be the one to destroy this extraordinary heritage in a matter of minutes.

Please note: Posidonia has been a protected species throughout the Mediterranean since 1995 and is classed as a habitat of European interest. Ensure you are aware of the regulations in force!

As a boater, you have a key role to play in protecting Posidonia meadows.

Here are a few measures you can take to minimise your impact:

1. Before setting off, consult the maps that indicate the presence of Posidonia meadows. There are several free apps that can help you, such as Nav&Co or Donia. Download them.
2. Don't anchor in Posidonia meadows: opt for sandy bottoms or consider picking up a mooring buoy whenever possible.
3. Respect protected areas: some regions have marine protected areas where anchoring and other activities are regulated to protect the seagrass meadows.
4. In all cases, adapt your anchoring technique: to avoid scraping the seabed, you must take care to bring your anchor back up in line with the boat, even if you are on sand.
5. Avoid generating any pollution at sea.
6. Share with others: not all boaters are aware of the importance of Posidonia seagrass meadows. And set an example!

By adopting these practices, you'll be helping to preserve Posidonia seagrass meadows and the health of Mediterranean marine ecosystems. Protecting these underwater treasures is an essential and shared responsibility for future generations.



SAILING CONDITIONS

SAILING AREA

On Lefkas, you can take a hike to Nidri waterfalls where you'll be rewarded with beautiful scenery and the chance to cool off in the pool below. Take in the great view of the bay and gaze out at the Ionians standing proud in the Ionian.

Sivota is also a must-see while on Lefkas, as this traditional village harbor is surrounded by green hills bursting with olive groves and the bay almost looks more like a lake. Don't miss the fishing village of Vasiliki with its deep bay and Lefkada Town, the island's capital.

Sail to nearby Meganisi to discover exciting Papanikolis Cave and its golden sands. At Vathi you will find beaches that are only accessible by boat, meaning they are less crowded and you can find a peaceful spot. Try Fanari, a pebbled beach with clear waters, or Megalo Limonari.

You can head further afield while island sailing in Lefkas, to Mytikas, Kalamos, Paxos or Antipaxos and Palairos. For a tranquil anchorage, sail south to Kastos, which is a low-lying narrow island dotted with olive trees. Enjoy a scenic evening swim before going ashore to sample excellent Greek food at one of the local restaurants or tavernas.

Before departing Lefkas, take a swim at one of the island's many fantastic beaches. To the west, you'll find a long sandy stretch at Agios Ioannis, popular with windsurfers. Other notable beaches include Porto Katsiki, with its dramatic cliffs, and sandy Pefkoulia or Egremni.

WEATHER

The best time of year to sail Lefkas is in the summer when you can make the most of the Mediterranean climate and hot, dry and sunny weather. The best month for an island sailing Lefkas vacation is June, when there are fewer crowds and warm weather.

Temperatures in summer can reach 88°F and the sea is warm for swimming at 77°F. Lefkas has a long sailing season and the spring and fall are also perfect for sailing with good weather.

TEMPERATURE

Climate in Lefkas:

- **Summer High:** The July high is around 88°F
- **Winter Low:** The January low is 43°F

WIND SYSTEMS

The sailing conditions for Lefkas include winds that blow northwesterly between force 3 and 5.

During your approach to the marina on the main port, stay within the separation system (buoys) to avoid the shallows. When returning to base during your Lefkas yacht charter, go stern to or bows to and use the mooring lines, not your anchor.

LOCAL FORECAST

You can find Lefkas weather forecasts on the [Meteo.gr](https://www.meteo.gr) website.