Overview

Get back to nature when you vacation in two contrasting properties that make up Villa Issa, snuggled in the heart of the countryside, near the resort town of Eressos, on the southwest coast of the Greek island of Lesbos, in the azure waters of the Aegean Sea. This modern villa, and the independent, traditional stone cottage has four spacious bedrooms, and can comfortably accommodate up to six guests, ideal for a family holiday, or a group of friends sharing. Villa Issa is set in its own extensive grounds, surrounded by fruit trees and olive groves, and verdant green lawns with a centrepiece swimming pool. The villa comes complete with separate driveways and private parking, and complimentary air conditioning and Wi-Fi throughout. T

he modern villa is constructed out of classic white-washed Mediterranean walls, with floor-to-ceiling windows that let in lots of natural light, and open onto the pool terrace. The interiors are cool and contemporary, minimalist chic for maximum impact, using a calming colour palette of crisp clean whites, with sophisticated shades of grey.

Enter the modern villa at ground floor level to find a light and airy open plan living space, with picture windows that look out onto the surrounding countryside. The seating area has a comfy L-shaped soft grey sofa, a nest of coffee tables, and a flat-screen television. The six-seater dining set is ideal for some informal indoor entertaining. The adjacent modern white and stainless kitchen is fully equipped with all the latest appliances to cater for your holiday. There are two single bedrooms on this floor, with a shared spacious stylish tiled bathroom, complete with bathtub, double vanity unit, separate shower, and a WC. Take the marble stairs to the first floor, where you will find a spacious double bedroom with a queen size bed, a separate walk-in closet space, and a shower room. Walk across the lawn to the old stone cottage, where there is an open-plan seating area with a smart L-shaped sofa, a fully equipped kitchen, and a shower room with a hand basin and WC. On the upper floor, there is a timbered-ceiling, stone wall, beautiful bedroom, with a built-in queen size bed nestled under the eaves.

Access the paved terrace through the French doors of the modern villa, where there is a verdant garden, populated with indigenous trees, and a step-entry swimming pool. Mesh sun loungers and yoga mats surround the pool, where you can practice your sun salutations and downward dogs under a Grecian sky. Soft seating areas in both properties enjoy countryside views, and





outdoor dining sets are the perfect place to feast alfresco on local delicacies, as you raise a toast to the most memorable holiday under the twinkling stars.

Facilities

Villa/House • Modern • Self-Catered • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Hairdryer • Heating • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

A main 3 bed, 2 bath modern villa to sleep 4, and an independent 1 bed, 1 bath stone cottage to sleep 2, with a swimming pool and gardens, sleeps 6 in total

Main villa

Ground Floor:

- Open plan living space, with access onto the terrace, sofa, coffee tables, flat screen satellite TV
- Dining set x 6
- Fully equipped modern kitchen,
- Two bedrooms with single beds, shared bathroom with bath tub, separate shower, double vanity unit and WC $\,$

Upper floor:

- Double bedroom with queen size bed, separate walk-in closet, shower room, hand basin, $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WC}}$

Stone cottage

- Ground floor:
- Seating area with sofa
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Shower room, with hand basin and WC

Upper floor:

- Double bedroom with built-in queen size bed

Exterior:

- Gardens and terrace
- Swimming pool
- Sun loungers
- Yoga mats
- Soft seating
- Dining sets

Additional facilities

- Air conditioning
- Wi-Fi
- Separate driveways with private parking
- Baby cot available
- Extras: airport transfers, in-villa spa services, flowers









Location & Local Information

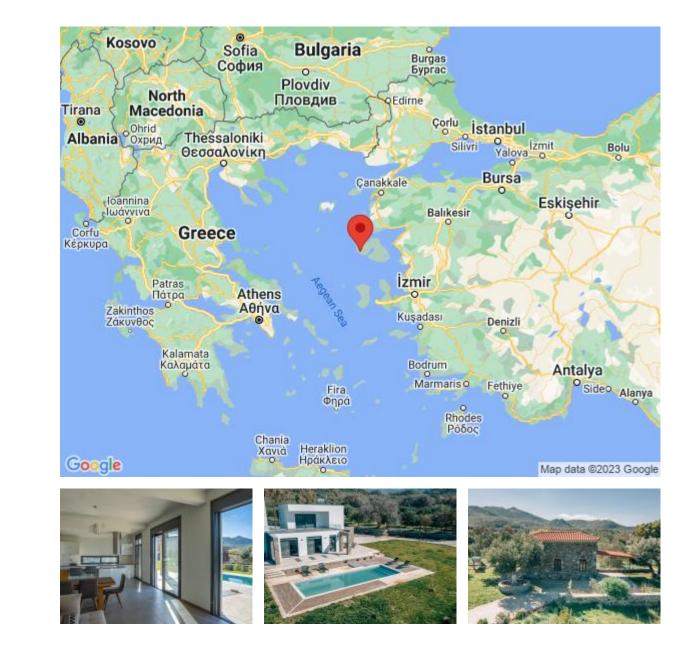
Villa Issa can be found in the heart of the countryside, near the resort town of Eressos, on the southwest coast of the Greek island of Lesbos, in the azure waters of the Aegean Sea. The villa is a scenic eighty-seven-kilometre drive across the island from the nearest international airport of Mitilini Airport Odysseas Elytis. The laid-back town of Eressos is a three-kilometre drive from the villa, here you will find shops and supermarkets, supplying provisions for your holiday, and lots of welcoming cafes, bars, and restaurants.

The nearest organised beach is at Skala Eressos, which is blessed with a long sandy shore, bisected by the harbour, on one side shaded shores with calm waters, which is great for families and children, and on the other a rocky promontory, that is fabulous for snorkelling. Eressos is most famous for being the birthplace of the poet Sappho, its unique architecture, and the town is car-free. The coastline is populated with lots of stunning organised golden sandy beaches, within easy driving distance are Paralia Chrousos, Podaras, Tsichliodas, and Faneromeni, and even nearer if you feel so inclined is a nudist beach. There are lots of activities you can do on the island, including hiking trails, snorkelling and scuba diving, water sports, and horse riding.

Visit villages as old as time, most notably Molyvos, Agiassos, and Skala Sikimias, to see how the islanders really live. The capital town of Mytilini is home to a handful of museums including the Archaeological, Byzantine, Folk Art, Costume and Embroidery, and the Theophilus Art Museums. Climb the famous castle fortifications for some stunning sea views, then walk the Roman aqueduct and admire their technical skills. Mytilini reflects its history in the number of Greek Orthodox and Roman Catholic churches, its many Byzantine monasteries, and mosques still there from the time of Ottoman rule. Make sure you don't miss the local markets, selling hand-pressed olive oil, hive honey, carved woodwork, and homemade cheeses.

Take a tour of over two hundred caves scattered across the island, believed to be originally neolithic places of worship. Marvel at the natural hot springs of Efthalia, Thermes, and Gera. Lose yourself in the unique and natural phenomenon that is the Petrified Forest, created from intense volcanic activity. Then visit the nearby museum at Sigri, which is dedicated to researching, promoting, displaying, and preserving it. After all that activity go on a wine tour, sample the fruits of the harvest, and take home a bottle or two. The picturesque port town of Plomari is two hours down the coast and is most famous for being the hometown of the national drink of Ouzo.

You can sample two of the most famous brands of Ouzo at the Barbayanni and Isodoros Arvanitis Museums, visit the Soap Industry and Folklore Museums, and admire the Byzantine icons in the many churches and chapels.



Take a walk through the town with its traditional architecture, merchant's mansions, souvenir stores, and seafront restaurants. End your day with a romantic dinner of freshly caught fish in a seafront restaurant, before watching the stars under the stars at the summer alfresco Cine Sappho.

Local Amenities

| Nearest Airport | Mitilini Airport (86.2 km) |
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| Nearest Ferry Port | Mytilini Marina (80.8 km) |
| Nearest Village | Eresos (3.3 km) |
| Nearest Beach | Beach of Eresos (4.8 km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Marmita Meze (5 km) |

What we love

- Villa Issa has the ultimate minimalist, back-to-nature, laid-back villa vibe, set in charming seclusion, away from the tourist hustle and bustle
- The beautiful bedroom in the stone cottage snuggled under the eaves, with stone walls, and a timbered ceiling is very impressive
- We love the extensive grounds that surround the villa, the old olive and fruit trees, the lawns that invite you to lie back and be lazy, and the cool pool
- We love that Villa Issa is next door to a donkey sanctuary and a retreat centre, and you can visit both

What you should know...

- Villa Issa is kilometres from the nearest beach resort of Eressos, which is walkable, but a car may be kinder in the heat
- The two contrasting properties are approximately thirty metres from each other, perfect for a group of friends sharing, and great for some privacy
- We recommend hiring a car to access the villa, which is delightfully secluded, and to see all the sights you'd like to see

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: There is no security deposit, but should there be any damage or loss caused by you or your guests during your stay you will be liable for the cost
- Arrival time: 15.00
- Departure time: 11.00
- Energy costs included ?: Yes, included in rental price
- Linen & towels included ?: Yes, included in rental price
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival.
- Internet access?: Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access included in rental price. It is good to note that the speed is dependent on local provider and technical issues may cause reduced speed or cut of service.
- Minimum stay: 1 night
- Changeover day: Flexible
- Smoking Allowed?: Not permitted
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Other Ts and Cs: Please note that on occasions, in Greece, extremes in weather can cause water and/ or electric supply to be cut or reduced. Services are normally restored as soon as possible.