

Kalogria beach. Photo: Angelo Pantazis, CC0, via Wikimedia Commons

Stoupa

If the group wants sand, Stoupa is the answer. About fifteen minutes south of the villa, the village wraps around two sheltered bays with shallow, clear water, a seafront of cafés and tavernas and a lively summer evening scene. Out of season it returns to being a quiet place of fishing boats and olive groves.

From the villa

Around 15 minutes by car on the coast road.

Ideal for

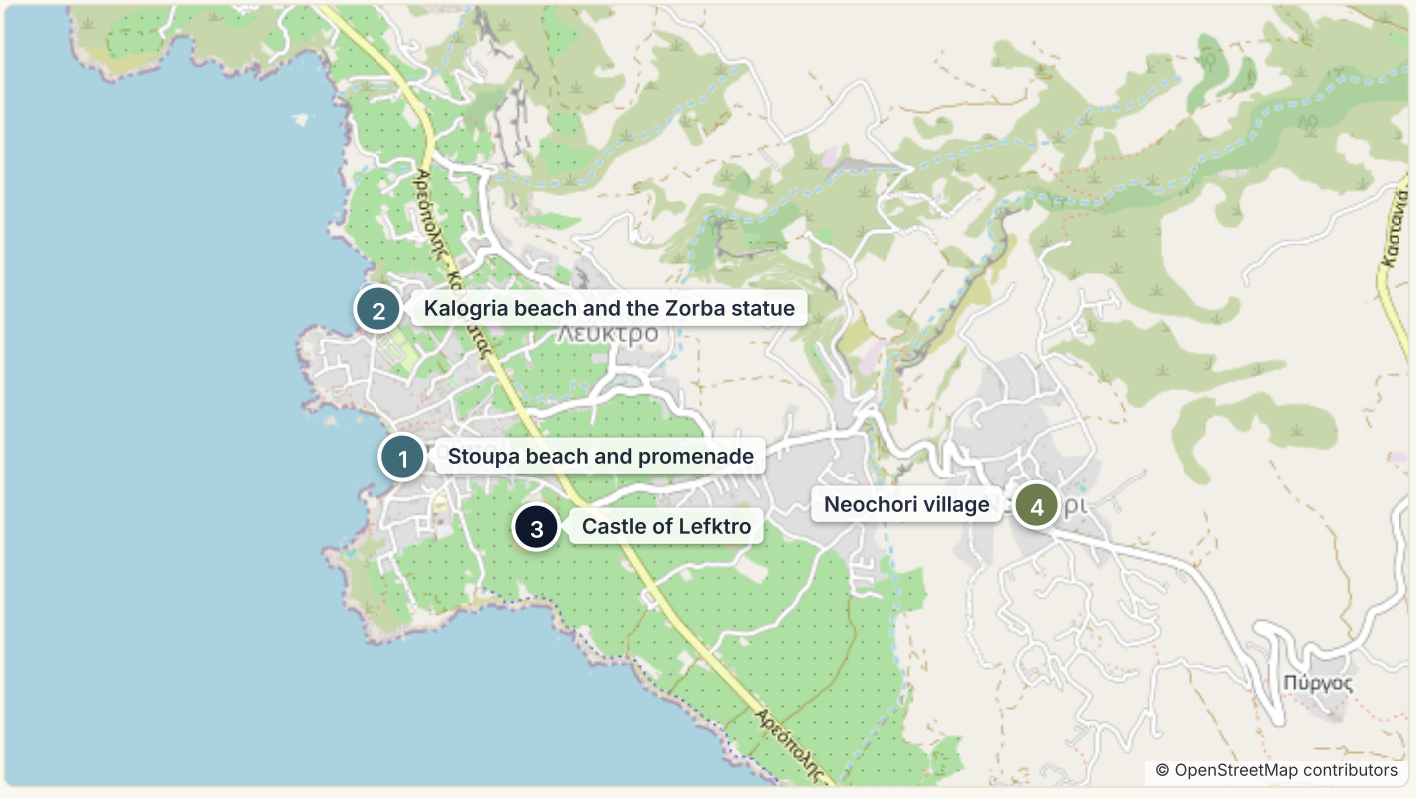
Children, easy swims, beach lunches, people watching.

Beaches

Stoupa and Kalogria: sandy, with sunbeds in season.

Daily needs

Supermarkets, bakeries, pharmacy, cash machines, car hire.



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Things to see

- **The Zorba connection.** Nikos Kazantzakis spent 1917 here working a lignite mine with George Zorbas, the man behind *Zorba the Greek*; their statue stands by Kalogria.
- **Castle of Lefktro.** Remains of medieval walls on the low headland between the two bays.
- **Neochori.** A short drive inland for a calmer square and a view over the coast.

The two beaches

- **Stoupa beach:** wide, sandy and shallow, with plenty of room for a big group.
- **Kalogria:** a smaller sandy cove to the north, edged with pines.
- **Chilly patches:** underwater freshwater springs keep parts of both bays cool even in high summer.

Eating and shopping

- **Seafront tavernas and cafés** for fish, grills and Mani dishes.
- **Supermarkets and bakeries** on the approach road: good for restocking two kitchens.
- **Later nights:** Stoupa stays up longer than Kardamyli in summer.

When to go

- **June to September:** busy, social, everything open.
- **Late May and October:** warm water and far fewer people.
- **Winter:** many seafront places close, but the village is lived in all year.

Tips

- Seafront parking is tight in July and August; come before late morning or after 5pm.
- There is no footpath along the coast road, so drive rather than walk from the villa.
- Michael, our local manager, is on the phone if you need a recommendation during your stay.



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