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INTRODUCTION

Cyprus is a Mediterranean island nation known for its rich history, beautiful beaches, and divided capital, Nicosia.



Destination HIGHLIGHTS



PAPHOS

A UNESCO World Heritage site known for ancient ruins, the Tombs of the Kings and stunning coastal views.



AYIA NAPA

Famous for turquoise waters, white-sand beaches, and lively beach clubs.

GETTING THERE



BY AIR

Easiest and fastest way is by air. Direct flights are widely available to both Larnaca (LCA) and Paphos (PFO) from major UK airports



ACCOMMODATIONS



ALL INCLUSIVE HOTELS

All-inclusive hotels in Cyprus are a popular choice for stress-free holidays, especially for families, couples and beach lovers.



PARTY HOTELS

Party hotels in Cyprus, especially in hotspots like Ayia Napa, are perfect for travelers seeking lively atmospheres, DJ-fueled pool parties, and easy access to nightlife. These hotels cater to a younger, sociable crowd looking to combine beach holidays with non-stop entertainment.



VILLAS

Villas in Cyprus are a popular accommodation choice for families, groups, or travellers seeking privacy, space, and home-like comfort often paired with a private pool and scenic views.

ALL-INCLUSIVE HOTELS



OLYMPIC LAGOON RESORT

Often at the very top of “best all-inclusive” lists, this resort stands out for its lagoon-style pools surrounded by gardens, stylish décor, and proximity to Paphos town. Guests praise the quality of food, relaxed ambience, and wide range of leisure options including adults-only pool, spa, sports and evening entertainment.

Features: The lagoon style swimming pools



LEONARDO PLAZA CYPRIA MARIS BEACH

A pleasantly relaxed, seaside option ideal for adults or small groups. It offers beautiful design touches using wood and stone, quality buffet and restaurant dining. Access to a sandy cove-style beach, two pools, sports courts, and wellness facilities like a spa and squash/tennis courts.

Features: Adults only



AMATHUS BEACH HOTEL

A luxury five-star beachfront resort in Limassol, with outstanding family-friendly infrastructure including slides and heated kids’ pools. Guests consistently highlight exceptional service across room and dining experiences.

Features: The spa facilities

PARTY HOTELS



PAMBOS NAPA ROCKS HOTEL

Famous for its wild pool parties featuring international DJs, themed nights and an open-air venue that attracts a youthful crowd. Centrally situated on the Ayia Napa Strip, just a short walk from the main clubs and bars.

Features: Location to clubs & bars



NAPA PLAZA HOTEL

An adults-only hotel located in the heart of Ayia Napa, just minutes away from the main square and beach. Features a lively pool area, on-site bars, and hosts themed party nights, making it perfect for those who want to be close to the action.

Features: Lively Pool area.



RIO GARDENS HOTEL

Situated near the Ayia Napa Strip, offering easy access to the town's nightlife. Offers a relaxed vibe during the day with a cozy pool and panoramic views of the island.

Features: A balance between daytime relaxation and proximity to the evening party scene

Local TRANSPORT

TAXI AND RIDESHARE

Widely available in towns and tourist zones.

PUBLIC TRANSIT

Local buses are the most common way to get around. Routes cover the city, suburbs and tourist spots.

CAR HIRE

Best for exploring rural areas, mountains, or beaches off the beaten track.

WALKING

Great for exploring the local areas and seeing the local towns.



DINING *and cuisine*

Cypriot cuisine is a flavourful blend of Greek, Turkish and Middle Eastern influences, shaped by the island's geography and long history. Meals are often leisurely, social, and packed with local produce, olive oil, herbs, and grilled meats.

- Meze Culture: A must-try, similar to tapas! A long, shared meal of up to 20 small dishes, served gradually. Includes dips, salads, grilled meats, seafood and more.
- Fresh & Local: Emphasis on seasonal vegetables, olive oil, lemon, herbs, and fresh seafood.
- Casual to Elegant: From relaxed tavernas and beachside grills to upscale restaurants and hotel fine dining.



Top 5 EXCURSIONS

1. Paphos Archaeological Park & Tombs of the Kings

A UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring ancient Roman villas, mosaics, and underground tombs dating back to the 4th century BC

2. Troodos Mountains & Kykkos Monastery Tour

A scenic excursion into the cooler highlands of Cyprus, with traditional villages and the famous Kykkos Monastery one of the richest in Cyprus

3. Blue Lagoon Cruise

A boat trip from Latchi or Paphos to the Blue Lagoon, a crystal-clear bay in the Akamas Nature Reserve

4. Nicosia Day Trip – The Divided Capital

Visit the world's last divided capital, where Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot sectors meet. Cross the Green Line to explore both sides

5. Cape Greco National Park & Sea Caves (Ayia Napa Area)

A protected coastal park with dramatic sea cliffs, natural arches, and incredible sunset views



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Cultural EXPERIENCES

ANCIENT & HISTORICAL SITES

Cyprus is a living museum of ancient civilizations. Wander through the ruins of Kourion, a Greco-Roman city with a stunning amphitheatre overlooking the sea or explore the Tombs of the Kings in Paphos

BYZANTINE CHURCHES & MONASTERIES

Cyprus is dotted with beautiful monasteries and UNESCO-listed painted churches, especially in the Troodos Mountains. Visit the majestic Kykkos Monastery, rich in gold icons and religious heritage.

COOKING CLASS

Immerse yourself in the local way of life by learning to cook traditional Cypriot dishes. In villages like Lefkara or Omodos, you can join hands-on cooking classes where locals teach you how to make halloumi, koupepia (stuffed vine leaves) and loukoumades, turning every meal into a cultural story.

CRAFTS & ARTISAN VILLAGES

Craftsmanship thrives in Cypriot villages like Lefkara, known for its intricate lace and silverwork. In Phini, potters create distinctive red clay ceramics, while Laneia and Arsos offer handwoven textiles, icons, and local art.



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