

## Follow the forest

Stone by stone, a dream came true and a completely handmade village of hospitality was born, where love for nature, art, tradition and authentic hospitality, make sense.

We've done our best to keep it as dreamlike as it was when it revealed itself to us. We've paved the way through the pristine forest, we've found the raw materials and the techniques to build a truly ecological village, we've sought out the finest local products and recipes that take us back in time, we've planned new ways and experiences in the heart of nature, we've made up a team who have put their heart and soul into every detail. We didn't neglect the comforts and luxuries that will bring out the magic of the scenery. Yet the real luxury is out there.... Just **follow the forest!**

## We are Green

The design of the complex follows the principles of bio-climatic architectural design and eco-structure, with wood and stone as the main materials. It takes advantage of the solar gains during the winter as well as the cooling loads and natural elements of cooling during the summer.

In the initial design we took into account the flora of the estate and we intervened as little as possible while we planted a big amount of trees and bushes of the area. The whole surrounding space is in perfect harmony with nature. The water supply and irrigation system come from mountain springs. The mattresses as well as the bed covers and sheets are anti-allergic made of ecological and recyclable materials.

The raw materials of the products used come from local certified biological



farmers of the area, limiting thus our carbon footprint.

The biological cleaning operates so as not to burden the area or the underground water. The product of biological cleaning is used for the irrigation of part of our estate. Finally, we recycle and make compost from our organic residues - ideal nourishment for our garden allotments.

## The Lodges

The thirty-three apartments and suites of various types located in stone-built houses with tiled roofs and wooden details spread out like a small village. They are connected with each other and can be reached not only by road but also through beautiful cobbled paths dotted with handmade wooden details. The entrance with the solid wooden steps, the warmth of stone and wood as well as the personal

collection of old items and works of art all give a distinct decorative style. The handmade details which are present in every corner, the energy fireplaces that burn constantly, the unique carved baths with cement screed, the comfortable bright spaces, not to mention the verandas that almost caress the fir trees make up a personal sanctuary of relaxation created by the very ingredients of nature. The simplicity of a country house where you get the chance to make your own cup of tea in the kitchenette meets the comforts of a mountain resort through carefully planned services provided generously and wholeheartedly. You will find:

### **Guest Services in all House**

Free Wi Fi

King Size beds

Anti-allergic and ecological mattresses and quilts

Flat screen T.V.

Digital T.V.

Kitchenette

Mini Bar

Basket with herbs and beverages, coffee maker

Hairdryer

Handmade natural cosmetics with no chemicals

Bathrobes, slippers

Towels for the swimming pool



### **Hotel Facilities**

Outdoor swimming pool

Restaurant

Pool lounge

Pool Bar

Library

Spa

Sofa lounge with fireplace

Conference & Event facilities

Private Parking

Pet friendly

## Accommodation

### 3 Cozy Homes

### 4 House-Nests for two

### 5 Little Villas

### 8 Family Houses

### 1 House with a Loft

### 4 Villas

### 2 Mansion

### 1 Manor House

#### Cozy home

Cozy and beautiful single-space house with the lit woodstove creating a warm atmosphere when the landscape around you is dressed in white. On the ground floor or on an upper floor, at 30 square meters with one bedroom, it is ideal for couples who seek to be fascinated by the simplicity of a place. The stone and wood set the tone whereas the relaxing beds with the luxurious linen and the big veranda overlooking the fir-covered nature, the handmade bathrooms and the easy-to-use kitchenette, where you will find the essentials to make your favorite beverage, add up to the atmosphere.



#### House-nest for two

Self-contained, high-ceilinged house with the advantage of total privacy. Ground floor, comfortable from 18 to 58 sq.m with the distinct wooden roofs and

the thick wooden handmade doors creating a warm atmosphere. Relaxing beds with luxurious linen, a sitting room with a fireplace, view to the fir trees, a big veranda, handmade baths and a functional kitchenette.



#### Little Villa

A spacious house of 60 sq. m which can accommodate two to three people. A wonderful view of the mountain from the veranda. Ambient with luxurious beds, eiderdown quilts and pillows for complete relaxation, a sitting room with a fireplace on the corner, a dominant presence of rock and wood and handmade details. Sculpted figures in the separate bathroom and a pleasant kitchenette.



#### Family home

A distinct type of home designed especially for families or groups of friends, it can accommodate four to five people in 73 or 85 square meters, giving you the choice of either a ground or an upper floor. It has two beautiful bedrooms with luxurious fabrics (one with a double bed and the other with two single beds), one

of which also has its own fireplace. A big sitting room with a fireplace makes the ideal meeting point, while the separate entrance to the bathroom from both bedrooms guarantees full autonomy. The veranda, where you can enjoy your beverage from the special corner in the kitchenette, overlooks the gorge.



### House with a loft

Atmospheric maisonette of 85 square meters which can accommodate four to five people on its two bedrooms. The stone and wood, the distinct wooden roofs, the thick wooden manmade doors set the tone, whereas the details of handmade objects from the owner's collection give it a personal style. Each bedroom has its own bathroom of special shapes and colors and comfortable beds with eiderdown quilts and pillows. A wonderful view of the evergreen nature from the veranda, moments of relaxation in the sitting room with the splendid fireplace a sense of independence in the kitchenette, where you can make your favorite beverage.



### Villa

A luxurious villa of exquisite aesthetics from 82 to 90 square meters in the heart of our village with a breathtaking view of the gorge. Sitting at the impressive huge verandas, which seem as if they were suspended from the cliff face, you can relax and feel like floating in nature together with the sounds of the forest. In the cool private yard with the blossomed flowerbeds you can enjoy the crossing to the liveliest spot of the village. The luxurious bedrooms with the iron antique beds, the eiderdown quilts and pillows combined with the spacious and bright bathrooms-a true work of art- with a separate shower and bathtub for two, invite you to live the most romantic moments. Luxury at its most makes its presence felt both in the impressive high-ceilinged sitting room with the distinct wooden roofs and the splendid fireplace, where you indulge yourself in enjoying one of the various choices of room service. The villa is ideal for families too, since you can find one more bedroom with two single beds in the cozy wooden loft.



### Manor House

A truly special house of 100 square meters which can accommodate four to six people in warm ambient spaces with the dominant presence of wood and stone, accompanied by the various objects of the owner's private collection. There are two bedrooms (one of which

with a fireplace and a separate entrance). Each of them has its own bathroom with handmade details. They share a big veranda with a wonderful view of the fir trees and a separate sitting and dining room with a beautiful fireplace.

### **Mansion**

The jewel of Montanema Handmade Village! The splendor finds its ideal expression in this unique mansion of incomparable aesthetics and luxury in the best spot in the heart of our village with a panoramic view. Here, you can experience luxury at its most. This mansion of exquisite beauty can accommodate up to eight people in its two luxurious self-contained interconnecting suites. You feel like flying over the gorge when you relax in the big verandas or the blossomed yards. Live romantic moments in the impressive bedrooms with the iron antique beds and luxurious linen but also in the fine bathrooms-works of art-which have both showers and big bathtubs for two. In the high-ceilinged sitting room with the huge fireplaces and the distinct wooden roofs, relaxation is turned into awe.

### **Dining & Pleasure**

#### **The 3 Fournia\* - traditional cuisine**

Smells and tastes that bring you back to the village, fresh handmade bread baked



There are four bedrooms in the Mansion, two of which on the wooden loft with two cozy single beds each. Enjoy your beverage from the two kitchens, in the dining room or in the sitting room and have a barbeque in your veranda prepared by our chef exclusively for you.



in the three wood fired brick ovens, local cheese products that make the most delicious traditional pies, exquisite free range meat cooked over charcoal, traditional cooking in the roaster, pulses and vegetables containing all the earthly taste of the mountain. *\*Fournia: word inspired by the local dialect meaning: the wood fired brick ovens.*

## Herema\* Coffee bar

### (Floating over the gorge)

The traditional sweets give way to local extracts and special cocktails accompanied by selected ambient music in a café bar-extension of the magical landscape, open from the morning hours till late at night.

*\*Herema: word inspired by a verse of Odysseus Elytis from the Collection of poems: "Private path" meaning: "slow movement"*



## Hedos\* Cellar

In its atmospheric space that "speaks" to the senses, we've gathered one by one selected wines from the local vineyard and we filled our oak barrels with grapes that we trod together and that you can savor accompanying them with fine dishes. Thematic wine evenings and events featuring top names in the wine business will provide wine lovers with the reason for a trip which has the distinct aroma of grape harvest at Lake Plastira.

*\*Hedos: a word taken from a verse of Homer meaning: "pleasure"*



## Events & Meetings

We are determined to offer unique experiences. Therefore, by hosting your event, apart from the basics, we undertake the pleasure to create many little moments to take back with you.

### Among them:

Feta handmade production at a sheep farm in the mountains

Local wines tasting accompanied with local delicacies

Cooking lesson of Greek pies and famous recipes (all to be baked in the traditional wood fired brick ovens)

Trekking along the gorge path to see the waterfalls

Healing herbs and mushroom picking, with connoisseurs who will teach you all their secrets!

**Furthermore... imagine what we can plan for a wedding with Nature as a theme!**

## Sports & Activities

Agrafa Mountains, characterized by Unesco as one of the five purest areas on the planet with endless mountain ranges, deep gorges, ravines with fast moving waters and shady forests, both shelter and passage for wild animals (such as the bear, the roe, the wildcat), they will definitely bring out the nature lover in you! Plastira Lake with its Alpine beauty is one of the most exceptional places in Greece and only 4 klm away from our village. Both the mountains and the Lake offer endless potential for unique experiences in Nature such as strolls in paths through the evergreen gorges,

looking for old watermills and stone single arch bridges, picnics under the cherry trees with delicacies from our kitchen, picking of wild forest fruit to make jam, or mushroom picking, so that we can cook all together at night....Also, mountain biking, fishing, hiking, paragliding and so many more...

### ***Paths***

The paths of our vicinity(E4 among them), with a varying degree of difficulty among the fir trees and wild flowers will entice you into taking strolls with a view of our village up to Meteora and Olympus! It's worth living the experience of an "easy" hiking through the surrounding forests.



### **The swimming pool**

The big open air swimming pool in the village square awaits you for cool moments of relaxation with the view of Agrafa Mountains near the creeks with the gargling waters. You will discover a different unique aspect of the mountain, which transforms itself in the summer.

### **Anema Spa**

Very Soon at your service!

### ***Daily Excursions***

[Meteora](#)

[Elati–Pertouli](#)

[Argithea](#)



### **Well - Being**

#### **The health and fitness club**

At the health club, you will exercise with machines of the latest technology, participate in a yoga program or a running program in an airy space overlooking nature. All programs made especially to suit your needs with a personal trainer at your disposal.



## Location & Access

### Our geographical location

[39°20'51.3"N 21°38'52.7"E](#)

### Directions of access

For a car trip from Athens or Thessaloniki to Montanema Handmade Village you follow the national highways to the cities of Trikala or Karditsa and then to Plastira Lake. You reach Anthohori village and then Kerasia village from where you can follow the hotel's discreet road signs which bear the Montanema Handmade Village characteristic logo. Please contact us for detailed driving directions or to arrange chauffeur driven transfers from Athens or Thessaloniki airports. A helipad will soon be at your disposal in Montanema Handmade Village. Contact us for helicopter rental.

### Distances in kms time of main urban centers.

Athens-Montanema Handmade Village	330 kms	3 hours 30 minutes
Thessaloniki- Montanema Handmade Village	240 kms	2 hours 30 minutes
Kalambaka- Montanema Handmade Village	58 kms	1 hour 15 minutes
Elati- Montanema Handmade Village	40 kms	1 hour
Neraida - Ski Center - Montanema Handmade Village	16 kms	20 minutes