**Day trip “Aegean Sea and Olives”**

(Level of difficulty: Easy)

Circular walk around Skala Sikaminias and visit to the olive oil museum in Agia Pareskevi

Total Distance of the hike 8 km
Duration including stops: 7-8 hours

The trip: The meeting point for our tour is Kalloni, from there we head north. Our hike begins in Skala Sikaminias, a beautiful fishing town on the north coast of Lesvos. When we return at the end of our hike we will look at the lovely port and the tiny port chapel. But now we want to start the hike and leave the village to the east along the coast and walk to the beach of Kagia. We stop here for a quick swim for those who want to and continue on old donkey paths (kalderimi) leaving the beach behind as we hike inland. Don’t forget to turn, look back and enjoy the beautiful view of Skala Sikaminias. We pass an old stone cistern and come to an idyllic, small waterfall. Along a creek we go through lovely smelling pine and olive woods with a mystic atmosphere. The circular walk brings us back to Skala Sikaminias.

Now is the time to savour a nice stroll around the harbour and the small streets behind. The little chapel at the harbour is very picturesque and surely worth a photograph. Later we sit down at the harbour and enjoy a light lunch in one of our favourite tavernas. After the meal we drive now through the mountains to Agia Pareskevi, a charming mountain village in the hills above sea level. The village has long been considered one of the richest in Greece - mainly through agriculture and cattle-breeding. We stop at the edge of the village, where an impressive olive oil museum in a former olive oil factory from the 19th century was first opened in 2006. The building itself is already an impressive industrial monument, but also the functional machinery and well explained exhibits are worth seeing. After the museum we take a coffee or a refreshment in the little museum cafe before we start our return trip to Kalloni.

Minimum of 2 people required, meeting point is Kalloni or pick-up from your accommodation upon arrangement.