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Day trip “Historic Trail – Agia Pareskevi”

(Level of difficulty: Easy)

Circular walk Agia Pareskevi – Kremasti Bridge – Agia Pareskevi

Total Distance of the hike: 12 km,
Duration including stops: 7-8 hours

The trip: We start our hike in Agia Pareskevi and leave the village on old kalderimi (pilgrim- or donkey paths). We cross Tsiknias River and reach the temple area of Klopedi. The fenced archeological excavation could be visited, if you wish. Nevertheless, most of the excavation can be easily seen from outside the fence. We continue the amazing monastery of Metochi Taxiarchis. The remaining monk, Father Ignatius, is normally there and very happy to show visitors the tiny monastery and his enchanted flower and vegetable garden. If we are lucky, he will sing just for us in his church.

We continue our hike on dirt roads and narrow paths up and down, crossing the Tsiknias River once again, this time on old stepping stones. We walk through ancient olive groves – in spring they are completely covered in flowers – and reach the famous bridge of Kremasti. This bridge was built in the 15th Century and is one of the most impressive historical constructions on Lesbos.

Small paths and kalderimi lead us back to the village of Agia Pareskevi. The place is well known for its lamb specialties, which we may want to try in the local kafeneon, where we will sit down for a late lunch.

Feeling stronger after the meal we should not miss the chance to visit the olive oil museum in the village. In the amazing environment of an old olive press building we can learn about the traditional production of olive oil. In the café at the museum we enjoy a coffee or ouzo and finish our day.

As there are no tavernas or shops available during our hike, please bring enough water.

Minimum of 2 people required, start time, meeting point or pick-up from your accommodation on arrangement.