Day trip “Petra and Saint Alexandros”

(Level of difficulty: Easy)

Circular walk Petra – Lafionas – Agios Alexandros - Petra

Total Distance of the hike: 15 km,
Duration including stops: 6-7 hours

The trip: We start our hike in Petra on the north coast of Lesvos. We walk past blooming gardens and later on through old olive groves until we reach the tiny mountain village of Lafionas. The village is located on the slopes of Roudi Mountain – originally built here for safe protection against pirates. We ascend on cobblestone streets, leave the village behind and reach a track with stunning panoramic views over the bay of Petra and the small islands just off the coast. The track leads us to the old church of Saint Alexandros; the sarcophagus of the saint is still located just outside the church doors. Agios Alexandros church is a mystical place – inviting us to settle down for a while and relax.

We continue our hike and circle Roudi Mountain – with great views to the coast and romantic valleys – until we reach Lafionas again. In the local kafeneon we sit down and enjoy a tasty Meze (small plates of Greek specialities with drinks) and of course the view from the terrace over the bay of Petra.

Feeling stronger we descend down to Petra, where we finish our trip at the plateia and enjoy a coffee or ouzo and let the world pass by.

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