

# Katakolon, Elis, Greece

A tiny fishing village on the Ionian Sea, Katakolon is the jumping-off point for one of the ancient world's most sacred sites — Olympia, where the Olympic Games were born 3,000 years ago.

Docked (pier at village)

Typical call: 7-9 hrs

Currency: Euro (€)

Language: Greek

## 🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrive: \_\_\_\_\_ All aboard: \_\_\_\_\_

Excursion: \_\_\_\_\_ Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

## GETTING ASHORE

**Docking:** Alongside at the Katakolon cruise pier — village shops are steps away

**Walk to center:** 2 min from ship to the waterfront promenade

**Best For:** Ancient Olympia, history lovers, easy village strolls

**Don't Miss:** The Temple of Zeus and the original Olympic Stadium at Ancient Olympia

🚗 Getting around: 🚕 **Taxi** ✅ €80–€150 per vehicle (round trip) · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

## TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Ancient Olympia & the Archaeological Museum** — Walk the original Olympic Stadium, see the ruins of the Temple of Zeus and the Altis sanctuary, then explore the museum...
  - **Museum of the History of the Olympic Games in Antiquity** — Smaller and less crowded than the main archaeological museum, this museum in Olympia village focuses specifically on...
- **Agios Andreas Beach** — A sandy beach a few kilometres outside Katakolon village.
  - **Waterfront Lunch in Katakolon** — Katakolon's promenade has a handful of tavernas serving fresh seafood, Greek salads, and local wine.
  - **Ancient Olympia & Foloi Oak Forest Combo** — Some excursions pair Olympia with a stop at the Foloi oak forest, one of Europe's largest and oldest oak forests...

## BEST WALKS

- **Katakolon Waterfront Promenade** 30 min · Flat · Scenic — Walk the entire length of the Katakolon waterfront from the cruise pier to the old lighthouse.
- **Village Center & Market Street** 20 min · Flat · Shopping — Katakolon's main street behind the waterfront has a cluster of Greek jewelry boutiques (the town is known for gold and silver work)...

## WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

**CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

|     | Mon | High | Low | Rain |
|-----|-----|------|-----|------|
| Apr |     | 67°  | 53° | 7d   |
| Jun |     | 83°  | 67° | 5d   |
| Aug |     | 91°  | 73° | 3d   |
| Sep |     | 83°  | 68° | 6d   |
| Oct |     | 75°  | 61° | 9d   |

**DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:59AM–8:10PM · Jun 6:12AM–8:57PM · Aug 6:50AM–8:27PM · Sep 7:16AM–7:42PM · Oct 7:43AM–6:57PM

Currency: Euro (€)

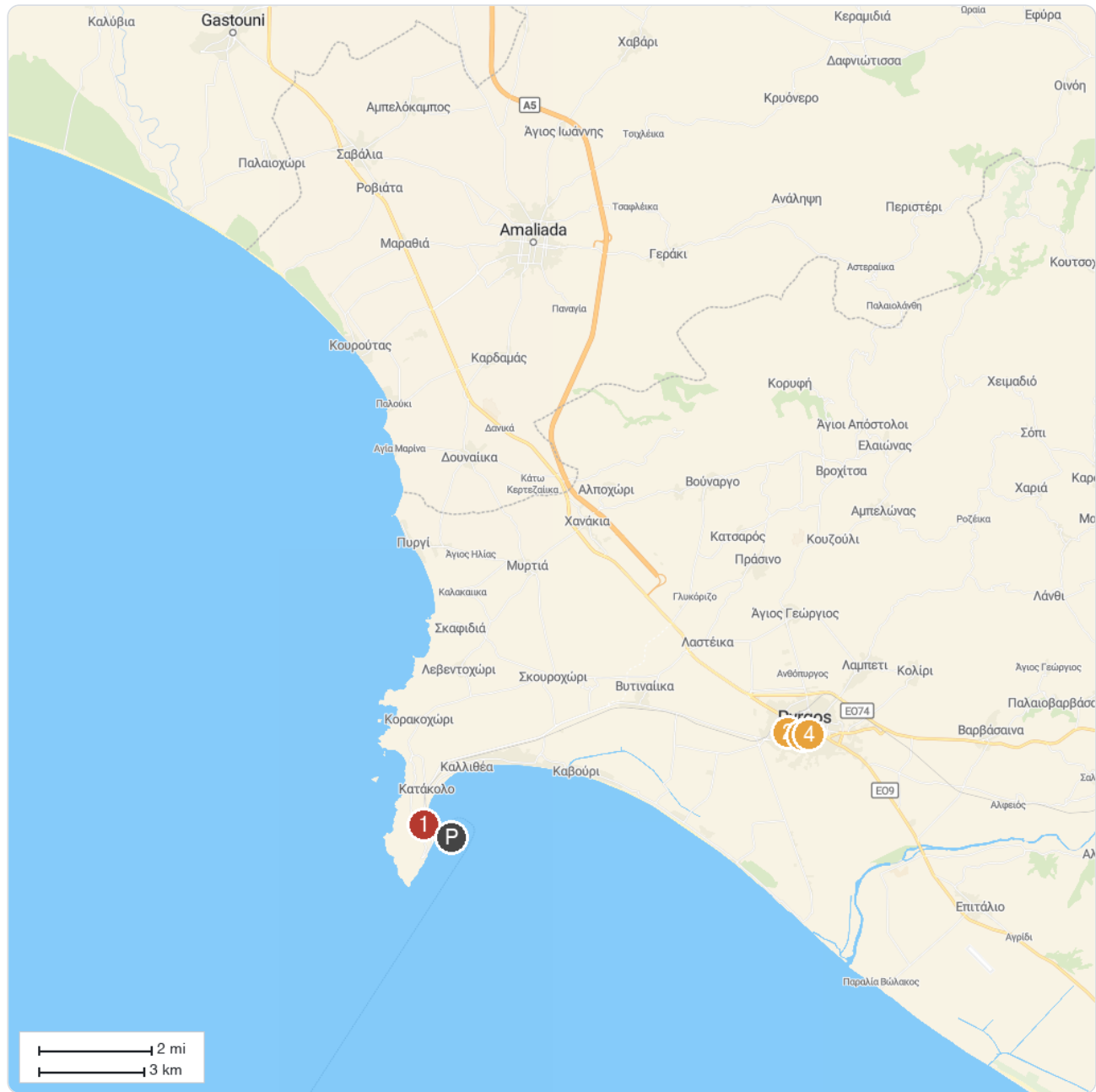
## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Book Olympia transport early. On busy cruise days, taxis fill up quickly outside the port. If going independently, agree a round-trip price and confirm a pickup time — drivers...  
Bring sun protection to Olympia. The archaeological site has very little shade. Hat, sunscreen, and water are essential, especially

# Katakolon, Elis, Greece — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> "Kostas Kotsanas" Museum of Ancient Greek Technology | Museum of ancient Greek technological inventions and their history. | <b>2</b> ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΗΛΕΙΑΣ          | Main cathedral and religious center of the Elis region.        |
| <b>3</b> Sakis Karagiorgas Square                             | Central public square, ideal for relaxing and people-watching.      | <b>4</b> Archaeological Museum of Pyrgos | Museum displaying archaeological finds from the Pyrgos region. |
| <b>P</b> Cruise port / terminal                               |                                                                     |                                          |                                                                |