

Patmos Island, Dodecanese, Greece

The 'Island of the Apocalypse' rises above the Aegean in medieval whitewash and stone — a UNESCO-crowned island where Saint John wrote the Book of Revelation, and where the mood is deliberately, beautifully quiet.

Mostly tender (small ships may dock)

Typical call: 6–8 hrs

Euro

Greek (English widely spoken)

UNESCO World Heritage Site

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Skala port for most cruise ships; small vessels may dock at Skala pier

Best For: History, pilgrimage, medieval architecture, low-key Aegean beaches

Walk to center: Tender drops you in the center of Skala — shops and cafés immediate

Don't Miss: Cave of the Apocalypse + Monastery of St. John — go early before afternoon closure

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Cave of the Apocalypse & Monastery of St. John** — Visit the sacred grotto where Saint John received his visions (~€4 entry), then continue uphill to the 11th-century...
- **Chora Medieval Village Walk** — The hilltop capital is a labyrinth of whitewashed alleys, high stone walls, and hidden squares built to repel pirate...
- **Kampos Beach Day** — The island's most popular organized beach, 5.5 km from Skala, with shallow calm water, sunbeds, water sports, and a...
- **ATV Island Loop** — Rent an ATV from the waterfront and explore Patmos on your own terms — Chora, the windmills, Petra Beach with its...
- **Island-Hopping Boat Trip** — Local operators offer day trips from Skala to nearby uninhabited islets — Arki and Marathi — with pristine beaches and...

BEST WALKS

- **Skala Waterfront Stroll** 1 km · Easy · 15 min — A flat waterfront loop through Skala — cafés, shops, the small church of Agia Paraskevi, and views of anchored cruise ships in the bay.
- **Byzantine Path: Chora to Skala** 3.5 km · Moderate downhill · 45–60 min — Take a taxi or bus up to Chora, then walk the ancient cobblestone path downhill.
- **Walk to Meloi Beach** 1.5 km · Easy · 20 min — Head north from the port along a flat coastal path to Meloi Beach — a quiet, narrow strip shaded by tamarisk trees with a taverna.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	71°	52°	4d
Jun	88°	67°	3d
Aug	95°	73°	1d
Sep	86°	67°	3d
Oct	77°	59°	4d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:55AM–8:03PM · Jun 6:09AM–8:49PM · Aug 6:46AM–8:20PM · Sep 7:11AM–7:36PM · Oct 7:37AM–6:52PM

Euro

Patmos Island, Dodecanese, 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.



- 1

Petra Beach A beautiful beach known for its iconic large rock.
- 2

Holy Cave of the Apocalypse Sacred cave where Saint John received the Book of Revelation.
- 3

Holy Monastery of Saint John the Theologian Fortress-like monastery dedicated to Saint John the Theologian.
- 4

Windmills of Patmos Historic, iconic windmills offering panoramic views of Patmos.
- 5

Rock of Kalikatsou Unique rock formation with a small church, near Grikos Bay.
- P

Cruise port / terminal