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The Venetians, who owned it for 600 years, called it "the Flower of the East". Zakynthos is still one of the lushest and most-loved Greek islands, with green hillsides covered with flowers in spring and early summer, cliffs dropping to dazzling turquoise waters, and some of the country's best beaches. Along with its natural beauties, it is claimed to be the sunniest among the island of the Ionian Sea, matching its natural beauties with a sizzling nightlife.



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### THE ISLAND



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Zakynthos lost much of its centuries-old Venetian architecture to an earthquake in 1953, but Zakynthos Town retains a distinctly Italian feel, with porticoed streets, a spacious central piazza and a scattering of elegant old buildings. Perched on a hill above the town, a ruined and still forbidding Venetian castle dominates the mainland and overlooks the Gulf of Corinth.

Zakynthos's hilly hinterland can be explored on a rented car, the perfect solution for a tour of the major resorts that certainly doesn't fail to entertain the traveller.

Like most Greek holiday resorts, Zakynthos really comes to life between May, when the first charter flights arrive, and October, when the last bunch of holidaymakers takes off. From October until April, almost every hotel and nightspot on the island closes, and the resorts hibernate.

Make the most of your summer in Zakynthos with the easy going, laid back beach life by day and party by night.

## **BEACH LIFE**



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Considering that the island is relatively small, Zakynthos features a surprisingly large amount of stunning beaches, which makes it easy to understand why thousands of holidaymakers flock every year to this corner of paradise.

The island is bathed by emerald crystal water that gently laps onto its shore, boasting an array of golden sandy beaches, secluded bays or picturesque coves.

The most-coveted beach resorts are located on the north-eastern and southern part of the island, down Laganas gulf, one of the most cosmopolitan and tourist developed area of Zakynthos.

On the west side, an abundance of dramatic cliffs and marine grottoes creates a breathtaking backdrop of unspoiled nature and hillside walks.

## Shipwreck Beach & View (Navagio)



This beach is the trademark of Zakynthos.
Located in the northwestern part of the island, it is said that
Navagio beach is not only

the most famous beach in Greece but one of the most impressive of the Mediterranean.



People used to call it Agios Georgios but, due to a shipwreck happened in 1983, the beach is now called Navagio, which is the Greek translation of the word "shipwreck".

There are two ways to approach this breathtaking miracle of nature: you can either travel by boat and swim in its turquoise waters, or by car, and admire the beach from the special viewing platform.

Photo: Nataša Stuper (image cropped) Address: Navagio Beach, Greece

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a good choice of tavernas and bars where to sample traditional specialties as well as a handful of small discos.

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Address: Alykes, Zakynthos

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for families. The numerous coves and rock formations make Argassi an excellent snorkelling spot and an interesting area to explore.

Photo: zolakoma (image cropped) Address: Argassi, Zakynthos

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less raucous than its near neighbour and certainly more appealing to families and couples. It shares the same marvellous sands and striking views, and it is very close to the airport.

Photo: Mila Atkovska/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kalamaki, Zakynthos

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Photo: Dan Stevens (image cropped)

Address: Laganas, Zakynthos



### Tsilivi



This resort lies around 6 km north of Zakynthos
Town, and has grown
from being a small fishing village, less than 20 years ago, to a full-scale holiday

resort. The beach is long and sandy, with stunning views east to the mainland and plenty of mid-range and budget accommodation in the surrounding area. Tsilivi has also a good array of places to eat and drink and a vibrant club and bar scene.

Photo: zolakoma (image cropped) Address: Tsilivi, Zakynthos

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island's beach resorts, featuring also some of Zakynthos' best hotels. The beauty of the sandy beach blends with the thick vegetation that encloses it, featuring well-kept olive groves. The restaurants are located along the main road as well as nearby the seafront, serving national and international delicacies and fresh catch seafood.

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# DO & SEE



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The great majority of Zakynthos visitors are particularly attracted by the vast selection of dazzling beaches that the island has to offer. The Flower of the East though, manages to keep the holidaymakers entertained with a lot more options, ranging from museums to architectural beauties or ancient ruins. Covered by lush Mediterranean vegetation, the area that stretches along the southern coast from the promontory of Marathia's Cape to the beach of Gerakas, has been designated as a National Marine Park, housing many engendered species and several walking trails.

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# **Church of Agios Dionysios**



This small church, built in 1925, contains the silver-encrusted sarcophagus of St. Dionysios, the island's patron saint. It survived

the 1953 earthquake – proof, say devout islanders, of the Saint's miraculous powers.

Photo: Dimitris Kamaras (image cropped) Address: Markovitz 1, Zante, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 043805

More Info: South side of Zakynthos Town harbour



# **Post-Byzantine Museum**



The main attraction is the collection of fine
Orthodox icons and
wall-paintings collected
from the churches and
monasteries that were

leveled by the devastating 1953 earthquake. A model of Zakynthos Town prior to the disaster shows what the town looked like before the unhappy event.

Photo: Maesi64 (image cropped) Address: Plateia Solomos, Zakynthos

## **Solomos Museum**



This modest museum celebrates the life and works of Dionysios Solomos, the Zakynthian author and poet who penned the Greek

national anthem along with other notable islanders. The museum houses 18th or 19th century paintings and ancient instruments among other local artworks.

Photo: Heather Cowper (image cropped)
Address: Plateia Agiou Markou, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 028982

## The Monastery of Panagia Skopiotissa



A long and scenic 4 kilometers long climb will lead you from Argassi Village to the remains of Panagia Skopiotissa, through a walking trail

surrounded by unspoiled nature. The monastery, located on top of mount Skopos, was constructed in 1624 and still features beautiful murals.

Photo: Maesi64 (image cropped)

Address: Moni tis Panagias Anafonitrias, Zakynthos

#### **Round The Island Cruises**



Excursion boats leave daily (buy tickets the night before at the quayside or at your hotel) from all the island resorts and throughout the whole

summer. The trips head to the Blue Grotto, a marine cave carved out of thousand years old white limestone cliffs, and to the so-called Smugglers Wreck, the rusty hulk of a Syrian cargo vessel that ran aground in the 1980's on a spectacular white beach overlooked by towering cliffs, which, for its secluded location, is almost impossible to reach if not by boat.

Photo: Jag cz/Shutterstock.com

Address: Zakynthos, Elation Blue caves, Zakynthos

Phone: + 30 26950 31241 Internet: www.potamitisbros.gr

### **Ancient Olympia**



The spectacular ruins of ancient Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games, are located only an hour away from Killini, the small port on the

Greek mainland opposite Zakynthos. The ferries to Killini are frequent and the journey takes approximately 90 minutes.

Photo: troy mckaskle (image cropped)

Address: Archaeological Site of Olympia, Greece

Internet: www.olympia-greece.org



# **Seaplane Flights**



There are no direct ferries from Zakynthos to other islands but you can choose to hop on one of the sea-planes operated by Hellenic-seaplanes.

The trip might be on the expensive side, but the experience is certainly worth it.

Photo: Josh Hallett (image cropped)

Internet: www.hellenic-seaplanes.com/index.php/en

#### **Tsilivi Water Park**



The ultimate water-park experience is in Tsilivi, among beautiful landscapes and lush vegetation. The Water Park comprises colourful

slides and themed swimming pools, in a family friendly environment that both grown-ups and kids will love.

Photo: VaLiza/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tsilivi 29100, Zakynthos, Greece Opening hours: Everyday 10am - 6pm

Phone: +30 2695 045256

Internet: www.tsiliviwaterpark.gr Email: info@tsiliviwaterpark.gr

### Formula Zante Go Kart



Formula Zante Go Kart is the biggest, and certainly the most-loved karting circuit in Zakynthos. Its 610m track features fast straight, corners and

hairpin bends, designed to create an exciting go-kart experience.

Photo: Fedor Selivanov/Shutterstock.com Address: Kalamaki, 291 00, Zakynthos Phone: +30 6932 577860 / +30 26950 24892

Internet: www.zantegokart.gr Email: koronioskart@gmail.com

More Info: Formula zante go kart is located on the main road

from Laganas to Kalamaki.

## **Scuba Diving**



Outdoor activities are certainly an excellent way to spend a day in Zakynthos, and scuba diving is a most-favourite. If you wish to unveil the

beauty of the island's seabed, Diving Center Turtle Beach is the ideal starting point for doing that. Located at Limni Keriou Beach, it provides the travellers with diving equipment and diving classes.

Photo: Jenny Mealing (image cropped)
Address: Limni Keriou, 29100 Zakynthos
Phone: +30 6944 375597 / +30 26950 49424
Internet: www.diving-center-turtle-beach.com

Email: info@keritravel.gr

### Laganas Horse Riding Center



Horse-riding in Zakynthos is an absolute must. The stunning surroundings made of long beaches and luxuriant vegetation are a feast for the eyes, making

a horse- ride a pleasant activity by discovering the best spots in Laganas, led by experienced guides.

Young kids will be provided with ponies.

Photo: Makarova Viktoria/Shutterstock.com

Address: Laganas Road

Phone: +30 6977 875792 / +30 6937 293752

Internet: www.laganahorseriding.gr Email: laganashorseriding@gmail.com

More Info: Main Kalamaki road, between Laganas and



Kalamaki, opposite Louis Zante Beach Hotel and next to Ilaria Hotel.

#### Aristeon Olive Press & Museum



One of the most traditional and iconic Greek products is olive oil. It is a key element of the Mediterranean diet and it is considered

positively thanks to its nutritional properties. If you are interested in knowing how the production of olive oil takes place, visit Aristeon Olive Press & Museum where you can have a free tour, try local olives and buy a variety of local olive oil products.

Photo: assillo (image cropped) Address: Lithakia, Zakynthos Phone: +30 2695 052888 Internet: www.aristeon.gr/en

#### Kalamaki Mini Golf



Kalamaki mini golf is a brilliant place to visit with your friends or family. It offers two 18-holes courses equipped with scenic

waterfalls, ponds and running streams. Located at Kalamki Resort, it features a bar/restaurant where to restore your strength and quench your thirst with an ice-cold beer or a soft drink.

Photo: Sean Locke Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kalamaki 29100, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 033037

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# Keri's Lighthouse



Keri's lighthouse is located about 20 km from the town of Zakynthos. It is built on the edge of a steep cliff at Cape Marathia and it was

constructed in 1925. The view is stunning and captivating, especially when the sun is setting: deep blue water and wild natural beauty combined with the green mountain landscape compose an unforgettable picture.

Photo: Live Zakynthos (image cropped) Address: Keri´s Lighthouse, Zakynthos

### **Bohali Castle**



This is a Venetian castle located in Bohali, just 2 km from the city. It is built on the top of a green hill where you can enjoy a spectacular view of the

sea. Although there isn't much of the castle it used to be left, it has a great historical importance because the capital of the island was situated in Bohali throughout the years of Venetian rule.

Get ready for a long climb up a steep walking path.

Photo: Heather Cowper (image cropped) Address: Bochali Castle, Bohali, Zakynthos

### **Marathonisi Island**



The only known resident of this island is the loggerhead sea turtle, making this secluded paradise Zakynthos´ marine sanctuary and a



dream destination that boasts some of Greece's best beaches and stunning caves.

Several tours of the island take place everyday and, though no restaurants nor bars are located in Marathonisi, a picnic boat cruises around, offering snacks and beverages.

Photo: Heather Cowper (image cropped) Address: Marathonisi, Zakynthos

### DINING



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Greeks understand good food and they truly take their time to appreciate it. You could say eating is a national pastime in Greece, boasting a hearty array of traditional dishes made of the healthiest ingredients. On a Greek table you will easily find some tzatziki, fresh catch seafood, meat, and of course, olive and cheese.

Zakynthos is certainly not short of cheerful, affordable and family-run dining options, especially in the most-coveted holiday resorts such as Zakynthos Town, Laganas or Tsivili, where you will be able to sample traditional delicacies or opt for an international eatery.

Just like night spots, restaurants and tavernas in the island's resorts may be open for a couple of seasons, then vanish when the lease runs out or when they fail to make a profit.

### The Golden Fish



The Golden Fish provides traditional British meals along with Greek cuisine. You will be able to savor fish & chips accompanied with cheese and curry

sauce or an original British pie like the chicken and mushroom or the steak and Kidney pie.

Photo: Paul Cowan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Planos, Tsilivi Phone: +30 26950 28885

More Info: The Golden Fish is located on Tsivili's main road.

## Bj's Fast Food & Burger Restaurant



BJ's offers fantastic fast food such as gourmet burgers, pizzas as well as pita fries and many dishes inspired by the Tex-Mex cuisine. Try

delicious burritos with one of their super milkshakes and enjoy the sound of house and pop music played 24/7.

Photo: Dani Vincek/Shutterstock.com

Address: 29100 Laganas main road Zakynthos

Phone: +30 26950 53375 Internet: www.bjszante.gr Email: info@bjszante.gr

#### Massa Mediterranean Restaurant + Bar



Massa Mediterranean's Italian inspired menu features some of the classics with a twist, adjusted to meet the flavours and the spices of

the Greek cuisine. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, the restaurant comprehends diverse options, ranging from seafood and grilled meat to pasta and salad.



Photo: karelnoppe/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kalamaki, Zakynthos

Opening hours: Everyday: 8am - Midnight

Phone: +30 26950 33279 Internet: www.massa.gr

More Info: Located next to Venus Hotel

### Votsalo



Votsalo Taverna is characterized by the rustic flavours of the traditional Greek cuisine, renowned for its hearty portions and unique

ingredients. The restaurant has direct access to the beach, offering an advantageous location to behold the Mediterranean sea.

Photo: grafvision/Shutterstock.com Address: Marathias, Zakynthos Phone: +30 2695 048044

### **Halfway House**



The Halfaway House offers fusion cuisine that blends a real sample of Greek delicacies with British flavours and a touch of Italian classics.

Located in the heart of Tsivili seaside resort and just some steps away from the beach, it serves quality food and premium cocktails and drinks.

Photo: svariophoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tsivili, Zakynthos

Opening hours: Everyday: 9am - 2am

Phone: +30 2695 024558

Internet: www.halfwayhousezante.com

#### **Essence**



Being run by an Austrian and a Slovak, Essence certainly does add to Kalamaki dining-scene a touch off eccentricity. Its Greek-inspired menu,

compulsory composed of dishes made of the freshest local produce, meets with international flavours, blending into full-flavoured delicacies.

Photo: svry/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ζακύνθου 92, Kalamaki, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 697 856 5232

Internet: www.restaurant-essence.com

## Calypso



Calypso, taking pride in preparing delicious Greek cuisine from the freshest ingredients, is one of Tsivili's most-loved and well-established

restaurants. Featuring a spacious outside terrace, the eatery has a vibrant atmosphere and an outstanding service.

Photo: ElenaGaak/Shutterstock.com Address: Tsivili main road, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 063425

Internet: www.calypsozante.com Email: info@calypsozante.com

#### The Waves



Located at the seafront,
The Waves enchant the
guests with the stunning
view of the sea and an
access to the beach that
allows you to enjoy your

meal and relax in the shadowy outside terrace. The pub/restaurant serves Greek specialties, snacks and refreshing drinks at a reasonable



price.

Photo: B and E Dudzinscy/Shutterstock.com

Address: Argassi, Zakynthos

#### **Panos**



Panos is pizza, mixed grill, pasta, seafood, Greek specialties and enormous portions, blending the best of the Mediterranean cuisine

into a menu that is flavourful and comprehensive. The restaurant is located in the lively Kalamaki Road in Laganas.

Photo: stocksolutions/Shutterstock.com Address: Laganas, Kalamaki road Zákynthos Opening hours: Everyday: 9am - 6pm

Phone: +30 2695 052685

### **Olive Tree**



Olive Tree is a picturesque restaurant located in Kalamaki - its shadowy terrace covered by exotic vegetation, wooden tables and

furniture and rustic interiors contribute in creating the perfect ambiance. The cuisine is Mexican-inspired, though it is strongly influenced by traditional Greek flavours.

Photo: George Dolgikh/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kalamaki Main Road, Kalamaki, Zakynthos

Opening hours: Everyday 1pm - Midnight

Phone: +30 2695049253

Internet: olivetreerestaurant-zakynthos.com

Email: olivetreezante@hotmail.com

# **Olympic Cuisine Bar**



This is an exclusive restaurant with an elegant feel. The menu contains traditional Greek cuisine, international dishes and Mediterranean

inspired food. Only the highest quality ingredients are used by expert chefs, who always strive to capture the warmth of the sun in their creations - fresh, light and pure.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Alykes, Zakynthos Phone: +30 269 508 3507

## Horizon Restaurant Bar Steak House



Horizon features a roof garden overlooking Laganas Beach, a brilliant view accompanied by tasty food. The menu consists of Greek and

international cuisine and a well-stocked bar that provides refreshment to the holidaymakers.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Laganas Beach, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 269 505 2791 Email: info@horizonzante.gr

# Mantalena Restaurant & Barbecue



Mantalena has been up and running since the 70's, earning its reputation of Alykanas´ favourite. This family run business offers a

comprehensive wine list of wines produced from grapes grown in its own vineyard, combining them with delicacies made from the freshest ingredients and vegetables grown locally.



Photo: lenetstan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tassos Pilarinos, Alykanas, Zante

Phone: +30 2695 083487

### Paradise Taverna Pizzeria



Paradise Taverna started out as an Italian restaurant, particularly renown for its pizza. Today, their menu has expanded to include

traditional Greek cuisine and turning Paradise Taverna into a most-loved dining destination with a vibrant atmosphere and Greek music in the background.

Photo: Fanfo/Shutterstock.com Address: Alykes Zante, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 269 508 3664

Internet: www.paradisealykes.com Email: paradisetaverna@gmail.com

#### Fidelio Restaurant Snack Bar



No matter what time of the day you choose to visit Fidelio's, there will be a tasty meal waiting to be prepared for you. Breakfast, lunch and

dinner - the menu is varied and highly appreciated among tourists and locals alike.

Photo: ORLIO/Shutterstock.com

Address: Alykes, Katastari 29100, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 083765 Internet: www.fidelio.com.gr

Email: denis skiadopoulos@hotmail.com

### **CAFES**



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Turning into life over the summer season, Zakynthos is more about ice-cream parlors and iced-coffees than proper cafeterias, although the hearty Greek are very fond of strong, black coffee in the "Italian way".

Breakfast spots pop-up everywhere throughout the island, offering, along with delicacies belonging to the Greek diet, no shortage of options for those who crave a more international first meal of the day.

### Vasilikos Coffe House



Vasilikos Coffee House is a quaint, intimate cafe where the coffee is delicious and the service outstanding. Run by the exceptional Yanni Tsakos,

who speaks English, Greek and German, this cafeteria offers a tremendous English breakfast and a homemade apple pie along with other snacks.

Photo: zkruger/Shutterstock.com

Address: Epar.Od. Zakinthou - Vasilikou, Vasilikos

Phone: +30 2695 035333

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### Base Cafe & Roof Bar



Base Cafe & Roof Bar is a popular hotspot in the town of Zakynthos. Its unique atmosphere is ideal for you to drink a freddo cappuccino or

savor one of their amazing pancakes. Visit also its roof bar at night, enjoying the view of the town's historical center while sipping a fruity cocktail.

Photo: Coffee Lover/Shutterstock.com

Address: Leonida Ziva Street 3, Zakynthos town Phone: +30 2695 042409 / +30 6973460332

Internet: basecafe.gr Email: info@basecafe.gr

### Flocas Cafe



Flocas is where to be headed to enjoy a full English breakfast and a lively atmosphere to simply kick-start your day. This intimate

family-run cafe features a great variety of breakfast delicacies, ranging from pancakes to pukka pies, transforming itself into an evening hotspot at night.

Photo: Galina Mikhalishina/Shutterstock.com

Address: Argassi, Zakynthos Phone: +30 26 95 024848 Internet: cafe.flocas.gr

More Info: Located next to the car hire Flocas PDQ.

### Piero's Gelateria Italiana



Get a real taste of traditional Italian gelato at Piero's Gelateria, where you could sample a great array of up to 40 flavours. The ice-cream is freshly prepared by Piero and Giulia, two Italian expats who carry on the Italian culture of delicious gelato.

Photo: Luboslav Tiles/Shutterstock.com Address: Odod Tavulari 66, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 045055

Internet: pierosgelateriaitaliana.weebly.com More Info: Located at Agios Pavlos Square.

#### **Kokkinos Vrachos**



Its perfect location in front of Zakynthos' main square. The sea only a stone's throw away. Homemade desserts and seafood specialties.

Delicious coffee and drinks of all sort. Elegant interiors and exceptional service. Kokkinos Vrachos is one of Zakynthos´ town favourite.

Photo: Tomophafan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Dionysios Solomos Square, Zakynthos Town

### **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Laganas is the raucous epicentre of Zakynthos' nightlife, that, with more than 50 clubs, music bars and pubs, rocks until dawn from May until September. The other resorts, especially Argassi, have plentiful to offer too, having developed around tourism in the last fifty years.



You can decide to have a colourful cocktail on the seaside or opt for an animated night out at one of the many options that the island's club scene features: Zakynthos'nightlife is vibrant and comprehensive, catering for the numerous party animals that fill the holiday resorts.

#### Cava Mezzo



Cava Mezzo is a unique wine bar in the town of Zakynthos where you can find more than 100 labels of wines from all over Greece. In addition, the

bar is offering an extensive range of gourmet tastes to accompany your wine.

Photo: Saveliev Dmytro/Shutterstock.com Address: Tavoulari 54, Zakynthos Town

Phone: +30 2695 028159 Internet: www.cavamezzo.gr

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Photo: Minerva Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Dionysios Solomos Square, Zakynthos Town

Phone: +30 2695 025820

### **Zoo Club**



Another great night out of Laganas club scene is Zoo Club, a perfect mixture of house music, ice-cold beers, delicious cocktails and a young crowd that

fills its dance-floor, with an addition of body painters creating beautiful designs.

Photo: Razumovskaya Marina Nikolaevna/Shutterstock.com Address: Laganas Main Road, Zakynthos

#### **Pure Beach Club**



Pure Beach Club is an upscale night-club equipped with a swimming pool and private cabanas, welcoming a great variety

of international DJs. The events hosted range from champagne parties to deep house sessions, making Pure one of the trendiest nightclub in Zakynthos.

Photo: YanLev/Shutterstock.com Address: Laganas, Zakynthos Phone: +30 694 462 3098 Internet: www.purezante.com

### **Island Club**



Have a cocktail or a beer at the outside patio while the night starts warming up, the dance-floor gets crowded at midnight, livened up by

international tunes that will keep you moving till 4am. Island is one of the most popular night-spots in Argassi.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com Address: Vasilikou Argasi, Argassi, Zakynthos



Phone: +30 694 585 9835

Internet: www.facebook.com/pages/Island-bar-club-Argassi-Z

akynthos/234150703295753

## **Zante Boat Party**



Zante Boat Party sails twice a week on Wednesday and Saturday throughout the whole summer, creating a floating experience that

will not be forgotten easily. It takes its guests to one of Santorini's islands, featuring an open bar that includes champagne and premium vodka all night long.

Photo: DenisFilm/Shutterstock.com Address: Laganas, Zakynthos Phone: +447473 376 534

Internet:

www.boatpartytickets.com/boat-parties/vvip-boat-party-zante

Email: info@boatpartytickets.com

More Info: The boat departs from Laganas.

### **Waves Snack Bar**



Located at the seafront, The Waves enchant the guests with the stunning view of the sea and an access to the beach that allows you to enjoy your

meal and relax in the shadowy outside terrace. The bar serves refreshing cocktails, chilled beers and soft drinks.

 $Photo: Oxana\ Denezhkina/Shutterstock.com$ 

Address: Argassi, Zakynthos

#### **Base Roof Bar**



Base Roof Bar is a popular hotspot in the town of Zakynthos. A breakfast spot in the morning, it turns into life at night to become a

popular roof bar from where you can enjoy the view of the town's historical center while sipping a fruity cocktail.

Photo: Moiseenko Design/Shutterstock.com

Address: L. Ziva 3, Zakynthos Phone: +30 697 346 0332 Internet: basecafe.gr Email: info@basecafe.gr

#### **Rescue Club**



This is an outside bar known for fire breathing and bottle flaring with a 500 people capacity.

After midnight the party moves inside where the

music and the experience is amplified by an impressive sound and light system.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1015 Laganas Main Road, Laganas, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 051612 Internet: www.rescueclub.net

## **Planet Pub**



The Planet Pub is located inside Tsilvi's resort.

They have a spacious bar with an adjacent dance floor, live DJ and widescreen TV's showing

sports events. The bar starts filling early in the morning and it closes late at night, serving also pub food such as burgers and steaks.



Photo: VGstockstudio/Shutterstock.com Address: Tsilivi Zante, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 697 299 8659 Internet: www.planetpub.gr Email: planettsivili@yahoo.gr

## **Buca Lounge Bar**



Buca Lounge Bar is a lively venue playing the latest hits and offering an array of exotic cocktails. Sip on a cooling drink and just enjoy the

atmosphere, or opt for one of their homemade ice-cream while sitting at the outside patio that overlooks the beach.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com Address: Alykes Beach, Zakynthos Opening hours: Everyday: 10am - 2am

Phone: +30 2695 084048

## **Molly Malones Irish Pub**



Molly Malone's has a wide variety of drought beers and cocktails.

There are 2 live DJ's every night spinning a mix of 70's, 80's, 90's and

of course, Irish tunes. After midnight the mood changes, transforming the pub and its surroundings into a dance-floor.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tsilivi, Zakynthos Phone: +30 697 366 7749

Internet: www.mollymalonesirishpub.gr Email: info@mollymalonesirishpub.gr

More Info: Close to the Mediterrannee Hotel

### **Zeros Club**



Zeros is famous for professional flair bartenders, fire breathers, exciting events and crazy bar games. The club has some excellent

DJ's kicking up the party mood to another notch, taking Laganas club scene to a whole new level.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: Main Road, Laganas, Zakynthos Internet: www.zerosclubzante.com

## **SHOPPING**



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Shops and roadside stalls offer the visitor plenty of opportunities to buy cheap and colourful beachwear, designer knock-offs and conventional souvenirs as well as local produce.

The main shopping street in Zakynthos Town is Odos Alexandras, two blocks back from the harbour esplanade, which has a great abundance of shops selling leatherwear and gold and silver jewelry, all of which are handmade and well designed.

Elsewhere, the shopping streets in the resorts concentrate on souvenirs and beachwear or toys and other essential holiday equipment such as sunblock, dive masks or snorkels. Ceramic workshops are also very popular among tourists,



offering numerous gift ideas and fine pottery.

#### **Zante Pleasure**



If you want to buy traditional pastry of Zakynthos, Zante Pleasure is the ideal destination for that. It is a family-run business which

produces Mantolato (nougat), Pasteli (Sesame seed candy), Loukoumi (Turkish delight) and Mantoles (Caramelized roasted almonds).

Photo: leonori/Shutterstock.com Address: Panagoula, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 26950 28317 / +30 6972 441139

Internet: www.mantolato.gr Email: info@mantolato.gr

More Info: You can find Zante Pleasure's products also in two retail shops located in 12 Lombardou street, Zante Port (next to Hotel Aigli) and 12 El. Venizelou street, Zakynthos town.

#### Piero's Gelateria Italiana



Get a real taste of traditional Italian gelato at Piero's Gelateria, where you could sample a great array of up to 40 flavours. The ice-cream is

freshly prepared by Piero and Giulia, two Italian expats who carry on the Italian culture of delicious gelato.

Photo: Luboslav Tiles/Shutterstock.com Address: Odod Tavulari 66, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 045055

Internet: pierosgelateriaitaliana.weebly.com More Info: Located at Agios Pavlos Square.

#### **Roma Street**



Roma Street, in Zakynthos Town, is by far one of the most popular streets in town for its numerous shopping options. As well as

clothing shops, handmade jewels and sweet treats, you will find a great assortment of souvenir shops, boasting folk art, gift ideas and unique handcrafts.

Photo: Koraysa/Shutterstock.com Address: Roma Street, Zakynthos Town

## **Blue Handmade Natural Jewels**



Bracelets, earrings, necklaces or rings: Blue Handmade Natural Jewels has what you need whether you are looking for a handmade souvenir

or you just want to treat yourself with trendy accessories and in-fashion jewels.

Photo: Svetlana Verbitckaia/Shutterstock.com

Address: 18, 21 Maiou, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 024720

### Anafonitria Shopping Village



On your way to Navagio Beach, don't forget to make a well-deserved stop at Anafonitria Village. Though Anafonitria is not

renowned as a holiday resort, it offers various traditional shopping options and quaint roadside markets and stores, ranging from handicrafts to local produce.

Photo: Tatiana Mihaliova/Shutterstock.com Address: Anafonitria Shopping Village, Zakynthos



### **Omorfia**



Start looking for natural perfumes and fashionable accessories in Omorfia, a beauty shop in the heart of Tsivili. The shop features international

brands as well as Greek jewels, comprehending endless gift ideas.

Photo: Svetlana Lukienko/Shutterstock.com Address: Arkadioi, Tsivili, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 301236

#### Razi Aroma



Zakynthos boasts a strong perfume making tradition inspired by the island's aromas and lush flora. Razi Aroma dates back to the 1963,

creating fresh and sweet fragrances with unique touches of jasmines, lilies or orange blossoms.

Photo: sarsmis/Shutterstock.com

Address: 17 Alexandrou Roma, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 26950 42477 Internet: raziaroma.com Email: info@raziaroma.com

### Adamieion Ceramic Art Studio



Located in Marineika,
Adaimeion Ceramic Art
Studio is nestled among
lemon and wine grows
and over a thousand
years old olive trees. The

shop features handmade pottery and artworks, offering the opportunity to take classes in the ceramic-making art.

Photo: Nenad Aksic/Shutterstock.com Address: 177 Marineika, Zakynthos Phone: +30 26950 62400 Internet: adamieion.com

Email: avouridionysia@gmail.com

## The Body Shop



Creating beauty products from natural ingredients, The Body Shop puts passion into offering the finest facial creams, make up or shampoos. Fully

committed into preserving the environment, it keeps in mind our planet and animals by selling vegetarian products only.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: 21st Maiou, Zakinthos Phone: +30 2695 045816

Internet: www.thebodyshop.com

## Grand Duka's Soap



As the name suggests, Grand Duka's Soap is all about soap. Offering luxury bath products made of 100% natural ingredients, this shop

follows traditional Greek recipes and creates unique and unusual soaps.

Photo: symbiot/Shutterstock.com Address: 7 Roidi, Zakynthos Phone: +30 698 946 5011



## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**



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# **Zakynthos International Airport**



Zakynthos Airport is midway between Kalamaki and Laganas. It is located about 4 km from the major holiday resorts such as Tsivili or

Laganas.

There is no public transport from the airport, though you will find plenty of taxi companies outside the terminal, or you can book one in advance.

www.zantetaxi4u.com

www.suntransfers.com/zakynthos-airport

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Zakynthos International Airport, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 023 970

# **Public Transport**



A regular bus service connects all the main resorts to Zakynthos Town, with buses running throughout the entire day and tickets sold on

board.

Car rental is widely available and perhaps the best option if you are planning a tour of the island. Scooters and motorcycles may also be hired, but inexperienced riders should take great care.

Smart Rental Car Hire Zakynthos: Agios Sostis Lithakia, Ag. Sostis, Zakynthos +30 2695 053100

Auto Traffic Rentals: Kalamaki, Zakynthos +30 2695 023430

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Address: Zakynthos Town, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 2695 022255 Internet: ktel-zakynthos.gr Email: info@ktel-zakynthos.gr

# Taxi



Taxis are plentiful, cheap and professional. Most taxi drivers speak English and taxis carry up to four passengers. The main taxi station is in the central

square of Zakynthos Town. Taxis can be booked for a whole day for a tour of the island.

You can either go to the main taxi station or book it online:

www.zantetaxi.gr

Phone: +30 269 504 8400



Internet: www.zantetaxi.gr

#### **Post**



The main post office of the island is located at Georgiou Tertseti, in Zakynthos Town, where you will be able to buy postcards, stamps and

mail letters. The post offices are run by the Greek company Elta and feature a blue sign on the outside.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: Georgiou Tertseti, Zakynthos

Phone: +30 26950 44875 Internet: www.elta.gr

# **Pharmacy**



There are several pharmacies in Zakynthos Town and at least one in most resorts. If you require medicine after midnight, a doctor must

contact the pharmacy first. For the location of the nearest pharmacy you should ask at your hotel.

Vorrisi Dionysia: 89 Alex Roma Street, 291 00 Zante Zakynthos

Klavdianou Maria: Tertseti 3, Zakynthos +30 269 502 3504

Pomoni: 41 Roma Dionysiou Street, Zakynthos +30 269 504 2567

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: Tertseti 3, Zakynthos Phone: +30 269 502 3504

# Telephone



Country code: 30

Island/Area code: 26950

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## **Electricity**



230 v 50 Hz two-pin (southern European) plug.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## **Population**

40,000

#### Currency

Euro, €1 = 100 cents

#### Opening hours

In summer, normally 8.00-12.00 and 16.00-20.00. Government offices and businesses: 8.00-12.00 and 16.00-20.00 Monday-Friday.

## Newspapers

Athens News (in English) Athens News Agency (in Greek and English) Ekathimerini (in English)

#### **Emergency numbers**

100 General Emergencies 199 Fire 166 Health emergencies

### **Tourist information**

There is no official tourist office on Zakynthos

