



**DREAM YACHT
WORLDWIDE**

Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION



THE MEDITERRANEAN | KOS

BASE ADDRESS

Kos Marina

Papandreou 2

First Floor

Kos 85300

GPS POSITION: 36 53.519' N 27 18.128' E

OPENING HOURS: 8am – 6pm

BASE MAP



BASE CONTACTS

If you need support while on your charter, contact the base immediately using the contact details in this guide. Please contact your booking agent for all requests prior to your charter.

BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Name: Michalis Kanalis

Phone: +30 (694) 0434894 & +30 6973747231

BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bar |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laundry | <input type="checkbox"/> ATM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi | |

BASE INFORMATION

LICENSE

Sailing license required: No Yes

PAYMENT

The base can accept: Visa MasterCard Amex Cash

EMBARKATION TIME

Boarding time is made by appointment when you arrive at the marina base.

YACHT BRIEFING

The chart and technical briefing take approximately one hour. All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-90 minutes, depending on yacht size and crew experience

The team will give a detailed walk-through of your yacht's technical equipment, information about safe and accurate navigation, including the yacht's navigational instruments, as well as mooring, anchorage and itinerary help. The safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.



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For all our charters starting and/or ending in Kos, the first and last night at the marina is free of charge.

DISEMBARKATION TIME

To facilitate a smooth check-out process, all yachts must return to the marina no later **than 5:00 PM on the day prior the official check-out**. Please be aware that Fridays are particularly busy, especially at the marina's fuel station, and that each yacht is subject to both a **technical inspection** and an **underwater check by a diver**.

If you have an early departure flight on Saturday and intend to **disembark before 9:00 AM**, we kindly suggest returning to the marina earlier on Friday to ensure a smooth and stress-free departure.

Before returning the yacht, please ensure the following:

1. **Remove all personal belongings** from the boat.
2. Place all **safety equipment neatly on the saloon table** for inspection.
3. **All culinary items**, including dishes, glassware, cutlery, and cooking utensils, **must be washed** and returned to their assigned positions.
4. **Dispose of any trash** in the designated bins ashore (ensure all **garbage is properly separated** as failure to do so may lead to penalties).
5. **Notify the base manager** or technician upon completion.

It is mandatory to leave the boat by 9:00 AM on check-out day.

The team will inspect your yacht's equipment and a general visual check of its interior and exterior. A diver will check its hull, keel, rudder(s) propeller(s) and /or bow thruster. General inspection will take approximately one hour.

BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS

- Base emergency telephone number: +30 (694) 0434894
- Marina emergency telephone number: +30 22420 44150
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: 108
- VHF marina channel: 77
- VHF emergency channel: 16



HOW TO GET THERE?

ACCESS BY PLANE

Kos International Airport Ippokratis (KGS): The airport is 24km from the base, which is a 30-35-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from Athens with Aegean Airlines and Olympic Air. Please check the schedule on the [airport website](#).

TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

If you need organized transfer from the airport, please contact your aftersales team. Major car rental companies operate from the airport, please refer to airport website for info, working hours and contacts. Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings.

ACCESS BY ROAD

Kos Airport is 24 km from the city of Kos and easily accessible by the road Kos-Kefalos. The journey to and from the city center takes about 30-35 minutes. Head west and follow Epar.Od. Ko-Kefalou to Makrigianni in Kos. Continue on Makrigianni to our base.

ACCESS BY BUS

A transit bus service is provided between the airport and the city of Kos, Mastichari, Kardamena and Kefalos. There is a public bus stop 50m from the terminal building. Tickets can be purchased by the bus driver. For more information visit the bus service [website](#).

PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service: Yes No

LOCAL SUPERMARKET

Super Market Kostas
Papandreou 2
Marina Kos

Day	Time
Monday-Sunday	8am – 8pm

Opening hours may differ during public holidays and are subject to change without notice.

FUEL AND WATER

The Kos Marina conveniently refuels water and fuel. This also applies to all islands in Dodecanese with the exception of non-inhabitable islands.

HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- **Blue Lagoon City Hotel**
- Leof. El. Venizelou 73, Kos 853 00
- **Diamond Deluxe Hotel (adults only)**
- Nea Alikamassos Lambi, Kos 853 00
- **Neptune Hotel Resort, Convention Center & Spa**
- Mastichari, Kos 853 02
- **Mitsis Norida Beach Hotel**
- Kardamaina, Kos 853 00

RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- **Petrino**
- **Ali Restaurant**
- **Broadway Restaurant**
- **Oromedon Restaurant**

AREA GUIDE

LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

The Dodecanese Islands lie to the east of the Cyclades in the southeastern Aegean and are an island hopping dream with more than 163 islands and islets to sail.

The Dodecanese archipelago is said to be the sunniest part of Greece. Sitting off the coast of Turkey, the group of 15 larger islands and 150 smaller islands offer a diverse cruising ground. When sailing from Kos, you can sail south to the striking island of Symi, or north to the northernmost islands of Leros, Lipsi and Patmos.

While on Kos Island, enjoy Mandraki Port plus the medieval fortifications, including the impressive turrets belonging to the Castle of the Knights of St. John on one side of the harbor. Stroll the bazaar or tour the ancient ruins in the Western Archaeological Zone or the Temple of Apollo. For sandy beaches, sail to Kefalos, Marmari and Tigaki.

To sail in Kos you will need a sailing license that is recognized by the local port authorities, or you can hire a skipper.

TOP THINGS TO DO IN KOS:

1. Visit the traditional village of Mylotopi: At Kefalos you can see the restored traditional village of Mylotopi on the island of Kos. Tour the fascinating architectural landmarks, including a windmill, tunnel, house and a restaurant, which displays the conditions of the inhabitants a century ago.
2. Enjoy a drink in Eleftherias Square: With so many things to do in Kos, make sure you visit this lively market square surrounded by historic buildings and soak up the atmosphere with a drink or a meal in the local restaurants and cafes. The markets stalls offer local honey and herbs – a great place to stock up on gifts to take back home.
3. Sail to Symi: Head to the south of the Dodecanese during your Kos yacht charter and explore Symi's impressive architecture. A clock tower dating from 1890 stands guard at the port entrance and is one of this island's trademarks. Shops, bars and cafes lure you in, while later on a lively nightlife awaits you.
4. Relax on Agios Fokas Beach: Many of the locals enjoy this superb little beach, complete with crystal seas, snack bar, sunbeds and umbrellas. Take your beach shoes and goggles with you so you can enjoy a swim from this pebbly beach.
5. Discover Casa Romana: Casa Romana, or the Roman House, showcases the architecture of the Hellenistic and Roman times. Tour this beautiful mansion that's known for its elaborate frescos and statues - it's one of our favorite things to do in Kos.

CURRENCY: Euro (EUR)

VOLTAGE: 220 V

DIALING CODE: +30 2242

INTERNET

There is internet access at our marina and via cafes and Wi-Fi hotspots, which you can use during your Kos yacht charter. Onboard Wi-Fi service can be added to your charter upon request for an additional fee.

ENVIRONMENT

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand
- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

REGULATIONS

Fishing without permission is prohibited in Kos, while sailing is permitted at night. [Information subject to change without notice](#)

BEWARE OF POSIDONIA SEAGRASS MEADOWS!

You are going to be sailing in areas where there are Posidonia seagrass meadows. We urge you to be extremely vigilant. These meadows form crucial underwater ecosystems in the Mediterranean, but they are fragile and threatened by a number of human activities, in particular anchoring of recreational craft.

An underwater plant of the Mediterranean

Posidonia (*Posidonia oceanica*) is a unique marine plant that's endemic to the Mediterranean Sea. It is not a seaweed but a true flowering plant, with roots, stems, leaves and flowers. You'll recognise it by its long, green, ribbon-shaped leaves. Posidonia grows in meadows, forming vast underwater prairies. It reproduces mainly by rhizomes and sometimes by seeds.

Posidonia meadows are found in the shallow coastal waters of the Mediterranean, from a depth of 1 to around 40 metres, in clear, well-lit waters. These meadows are particularly abundant in sheltered bays where conditions of temperature, salinity and light are ideal for their growth.

Practically the whole of the Mediterranean coastline is involved here: the shores of France, Italy, Croatia, Greece, Spain, Turkey, Tunisia, and more.

An essential ecological role

Posidonia seagrass meadows provide a habitat and a source of food for a multitude of marine species, including fish, molluscs and crustaceans. They are also ideal spawning grounds and nurseries for young fish.

Like real underwater forests, seagrass beds act as carbon sinks, helping to combat climate change: they can store up to 300 tonnes of carbon per hectare. That's 3 to 5 times more than tropical forests, and this, over hundreds of thousands of hectares. And not to mention their contribution to the production of oxygen, the protection of coasts by attenuating the impact of waves, the preservation of beaches where it accumulates in banks, etc. The loss of these meadows would have serious ecological and economic consequences for the Mediterranean.

A protected species under threat

Despite their importance, Posidonia meadows are extremely fragile and are threatened by a number of human activities. Boat anchoring, pollution, coastal urbanisation, trawling and climate change are all factors that contribute to their degradation. Seagrass beds are particularly sensitive to anchoring by boats: anchors can uproot these plants and create almost irreparable 'scars' in Posidonia meadows, as Posidonia rhizomes grow very slowly (a rate of just 1 cm per year).

The presence of these meadows dates back between 60 and 100 million years, when terrestrial flowering plants, which resembled the rushes plant family of today, returned to the marine environment where their distant ancestors came from. Don't be the one to destroy this extraordinary heritage in a matter of minutes.

Please note: Posidonia has been a protected species throughout the Mediterranean since 1995 and is classed as a habitat of European interest. Ensure you are aware of the regulations in force!

As a boater, you have a key role to play in protecting Posidonia meadows.

Here are a few measures you can take to minimise your impact:

1. Before setting off, consult the maps that indicate the presence of Posidonia meadows. There are several free apps that can help you, such as Nav&Co or Donia. Download them.
2. Don't anchor in Posidonia meadows: opt for sandy bottoms or consider picking up a mooring buoy whenever possible.
3. Respect protected areas: some regions have marine protected areas where anchoring and other activities are regulated to protect the seagrass meadows.
4. In all cases, adapt your anchoring technique: to avoid scraping the seabed, you must take care to bring your anchor back up in line with the boat, even if you are on sand.
5. Avoid generating any pollution at sea.
6. Share with others: not all boaters are aware of the importance of Posidonia seagrass meadows. And set an example!

By adopting these practices, you'll be helping to preserve Posidonia seagrass meadows and the health of Mediterranean marine ecosystems. Protecting these underwater treasures is an essential and shared responsibility for future generations.



SAILING AREA

From Kos, visit Nisyros Island, a great place to stop off for inland exploration during your Kos yacht charter, particularly to view the active volcano and impressive caldera. Stroll dark, volcanic beaches, such as Gialiskari and Pahia Ammos, or Mandraki's whitewashed streets.

Be ready with your camera when entering the port at Symi's port, Gialo. The waterfront of this glamorous little town is lined by unique neoclassical period architecture. You'll want to try the famed Symi shrimp at one of the many tavernas and restaurants.

Head to nearby Kalymnos, which features a steep and rocky coastline, now well-known to rock climbers. The island also has a long tradition of sponge diving and you can still buy natural sponges here.

Further north on your Kos yacht charter, Patmos offers secluded pebbled beaches and crystal swimming coves, but it's perhaps best known as the island where St. John wrote the last book of the bible. The Monastery of Saint John and the cave where he wrote are the island's most important sights.

WEATHER

The best time to visit Kos is in the summer when you can enjoy hot, dry and sunny days. Temperatures can reach 86°F in the summer months, peaking in August.

TEMPERATURE

Climate in Kos:

- Summer High: The August high is around 79°F
- Winter Low: The February low is 50°F

WIND SYSTEMS



The sailing conditions for Kos include a NW prevailing wind in summer, force 4-6. Keep your distance from the shoals extending from Akrotiri Ammoglossa and be aware of the meltemi and its strong gusts into the bay.

When returning to base, go stem to and use the mooring lines, not your anchor. At the entrance to the port call channel 77 and the marina office will send a pilot to assist you.

LOCAL FORECAST

You can find Kos weather forecasts on the [Meteo website](#). You can also monitor VHF channel 16 for weather reports ahead of your vacation sailing the Dodecanese Islands.