

Press Release – Yperia 2014 Day 3

Chora - Katapola

The third day of the 12th International Convention on Tourism & Culture, YPERIA 2014 was dedicated to the area of Chora and Katapola.

In the morning, participants walked the old path from Chora to the famous byzantine monastery of Panaghia Chozoviotissa, built on steep rock cliffs, 300m above the sea. From there they could admire the Big Blue and enjoy a Loukoumi and the local Psimeni Raki.

Then, the participants went to Chora, the capital of Amorgos, to walk through the picturesque cobbled alleys and visit the archaeological museum.

In Jazzmin Café-Bar, the group enjoyed a coffee break offered by Theodoris and Yorgos, accompanied by relaxing music and beautiful view. There, they tasted chocolate sweets, offered by “Kallisto” Sweet Shop.

Biological garden

Katapola is the first port of Amorgos island and the safest natural port in Cyclades. The participants were first taken to Agios Georgios church where ancient columns stand, coming from archaeological sites of the area.

Nontas Biological Garden was the second stop of the tour in Katapola. This unusual and impressive garden produces vegetables and fruits all year round. Nontas and his wife took the participants in the garden for a tour and explained their work and the specificities of each vegetable. They also offered lunch with their products in the garden.

Back to Aegialis Hotel & Spa, the third day of screening of the 5th International Short Tourism Film Festival took place.

In the evening, Mr. Lonais Jaillais, a French European Mountain Leader, Water sports & Nature Guide living in Amorgos, spoke about the advantages of returning to nature with his presentation “Back to Nature: prospects and propositions for the island”. His speech was followed by the presentation of Mr. Nikos Goumenakis and Mr. Vasileios Laopodis President and Founder of CulturePolis NGO about a new project for Amorgos “Agri-Cult-Tourism: Combating crisis with new skills and innovative initiatives”.

Mrs Eleni Papadopoulou, architect and human geographer, presented the work of Mrs Vivianna Metallinou regarding the way for sustainable development in the rural areas of Greece.

The dinner was organized and offered by Panorama Taverna, in Tholaria Village.



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