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THREE LOW-KEY LUXURY CYCLADIAN ESCAPES FOR TRUE RETREAT

Discover three serene Greek island retreats offering privacy, design and restorative escape from the crowds

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Greece is hardly undiscovered. But with thousands of islands and islets, it offers endless opportunities for escape and exploration. Despite its popularity, you could visit every year and still never see all of it. The Cyclades, which means ‘encircling islands’, is so named because this group of islands forms a rough circle around Delos, the legendary birthplace of the sibling Greek heroes Artemis and Apollo. The Cyclades cluster, with its white sugar-cube architecture, is wildly popular for good reason.

Within this iconic part of the Aegean archipelago, you can still find peaceful retreats — and with many of them just a short ferry ride apart, you can enjoy great variety in one holiday.

THE FEET-UP RETREAT

ANDRONIS MINOIS, PAROS

Paros is one of the most versatile islands in the Cyclades, in that it has abundant old-world charm but also sophistication in spades. This sums up **Andronis Minois** — a member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World™. The newest addition to the Andronis collection, Andronis Minois strikes a perfect balance. With 44 suites, which each lead onto its own terrace or patio, some with private pools, it boasts the spaciousness of a resort and the intimacy of a boutique hotel — while its interiors encapsulate the spirit of the Mediterranean.



Andronis Minois strikes an ideal balance between intimacy and anonymity, offering an escape that allows for true relaxation

Settling in from day to night, guests can camp out on the vibrant lounge deck by the shared swimming pool. For long-stay guests, a well-equipped outdoor gym will keep your routine intact and a subterranean spa offers extra relaxation. On one side of the hotel, a superb breakfast buffet sets you up for the day. On the other side, the scenic restaurant, OLVO — tiered and offering beautiful sea views — elevates the dining experience with fresh and authentic Greek fare.

To ensure a seamless stay, a nifty app really seals the deal in service. Here, you can order a steamer for your clothes, book a shuttle to town, or request a pillow — all at your fingertips.

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