

## ALASTAIR SAWDAY'S SPECIAL PLACES TO STAY

## GREECE

All the sparkle and magic of Greece, from the tiniest Cycladic isle to the highest Macedonian mountain.

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## Saronic islands: Spetses



Orloff Resort

Old Harbour, 18050 Spetses Town, Spetses

Here's a boutique resort to inject slick and sumptuous style into Spetses' ageing hotel scene. A discreetly plaqued gate in a high wall leads into an oasis of calm: an immaculate pool, a sail-shaded breakfast area, a pair of handsome tiled houses. Three colours: blinding white, sparkling azure and lime green, picked up in perfectly rolled towels on slatted sunloungers, or fresh-cut lemons on each breakfast mat. A twisted olive tree thrusts its elephant's foot into a pile of smooth stones; huge urns abound. Inside, the three Orloff sons — heirs to a distinguished island dynasty — gave free rein to designer Elisa Manolas, and she has had a ball. Against snowy walls and grey shutters are dollops of gorgeous colour (bright ochre, blood red) in the lampshades and billowing duvet covers. Natural materials are locally crafted: light oak bedside tables, bespoke wrought-iron lamps, floor-to-ceiling wooden doors hiding a kitchenette, streaked marble floors and corian tops in smart bathrooms. Walk to the picturesque old harbour for dinner in their lively restaurant. A sybaritic island haven within easy reach of Athens.



12 + 7: 11 twins/doubles, 1 suite. rooms 4 studios, 2 maisonettes, 1 house for 10. €90-€185. price Studios €100-€215 for 2-3. Maisonettes €160-€350 for 4-6. Suite €190-€335 for 4. Residence €450-€690 for 10. Restaurants walking distance. meals Partial self-catering. December-March. closed directions 3-min walk inland from Old Harbour.

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