

Marikes

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Marikes beach, also known as "Nirea's beach" is located approximately 1.5 kilometers outside of Rafina. it owes its name to Marika Hilbert, an Austrian who arrived in Rafina with her family after 1920 and who owns the house at the edge of the beach.

Marikes beach is approximately 700 meters long. It has sand and is surrounded by rocks. It is known only to the residents of Rafina and the surrounding areas, so it is not as crowded as most of the residents of Athens.

What makes Marikes beach stand out from many others is that next to the beach is Askitaro, an important archaeological site of metallurgy from prehistoric times. The settlement was created by ascetics in 3,000 BC. and morphologically resembled Mount Athos. It is a cape on the western side of the beach where there is a flat peak in the shape of an isosceles triangle. the two sides of the triangle enter the sea, while the third is separated by a neck.

People arrived in the area probably from the Cyclades and built the first Proto–Helladic settlement. The prehistoric settlement was discovered by archaeologist Dimitris Theocharis from Skyros in 1954.

Overview

Purpose: Excursion	Type: Beach	Country: Greece
City: Rafina		

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