

Welcome to Epikourou 16 (EP16)

EP16 is the first completed project of a new company in Greece called Boutique Athens. Boutique Athens is owned by Yorgos Tserexidis and Dean Hewett.

We welcome you to “your apartment in Athens”.

Our aim with the renovation of EP16 has been to retain as much of the original features of this 1930’s Modernist building as possible, while at the same time modernising services that the 21st Century traveller demands.

In EP 16 you will find the original parquet floors and high ceilings, windows, doors and door-handles and of course the beautiful window shutters.

You will also find modern, functional kitchens with gleaming marble surfaces, marble bathrooms with stainless steel European fittings, bedrooms and lounge rooms heated with natural- gas hydronic heating and cooled with the latest in air conditioning units.

And of course your interiors are furnished with a range of furnishings designed exclusively for EP16 by Chris Connel of Map International. MAP’s furniture is featured in the permanent exhibitions of MOMA in New York and the V&A Museum in London.

PLEASE NOTE EP16 HAS A STRICT NO SMOKING POLICY IN THE APARTMENTS. ASHTRAYS ARE PROVIDED AND SHOULD BE TAKEN ONTO YOUR BALCONY, THE ROOF OR THE COURTYARD WHERE YOU CAN SMOKE FREELY.

The Apartments

Please respect your apartment. Be gentle with the furniture and the interior fixtures and fittings.

Each apartment has free wireless access to the internet and more than ten TV channels including CNN. The TV also has a DVD/CD player.

Your apartment is equipped with a small printer allowing you to print maps, information, photographs, documents or whatever you wish.

Each apartment has marble bathrooms and marble kitchens. To care for marble you should never put anything on it that can mark it, i.e. red wine, beetroot or a hot pot/pan.

Please be careful not to let windows and french doors slam shut from the wind. Some windows have a “chock” in the window-sill which you can use to stop the slamming.

Otherwise place something (a chair, for example), in front of the window or French door to stop them from slamming shut.

In the bottom drawer of each kitchen, you will find manuals for the appliances in your apartment. If you still need assistance, you may call the mobile number we will give you when you arrive.

Your apartment will be serviced regularly, depending on the length of your stay and your individual requirements. We will change your sheets, towels and clean the apartment. We will let you know what days we will clean when you check in so you know in advance when we will be coming into your apartment

PLEASE TURN OFF THE AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING, ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND LIGHTS WHEN YOU ARE NOT IN THE APARTMENT.

Roof Garden and Internal Courtyard

All residents of EP16 have full access to the roof garden and to the internal courtyard.

Residents of apartments 2 and 4 can access the roof and courtyard from the French doors off their bedroom. 1 and 3 residents will need to use the internal marble staircase to go down to the courtyard and then walk up the exterior staircase to the roof.

Please be respectful of our neighbours when using the courtyard or the roof. **Remember siesta is between 3pm and 5pm.** Many people sleep at this time so please be careful to keep noise down. Also, keep noise to a minimum after 11pm.

You are welcome to use the BBQ on the roof. Operating instructions are next to the BBQ. We have also provided you with cleaning instructions and materials. Please clean the BBQ after using it.

You will find a fridge on the roof just inside the entrance to the small building. The ouzo, wine, beer and soft drinks inside are a gift to our guests. Feel free to use anything in the fridge. We replace the contents once a week.

You will find the lights for the roof inside the little building, on the wall just outside the toilet.

Note: Please do not water the plants.

Car Parking

Parking your car around Athens can be difficult. There are several car parking businesses in the area. Please use them, as cars parked in the street are booked regularly, or worse, are broken into.

At Epikourou 8 - 10, two doors down toward Psirri centre, you will find a safe and inexpensive car parking business that is open during the day.

At 29 Sarri St, 150 metres away, there is an overnight car park. It is also a Mobil petrol station.

Make sure you confirm with them their opening hours.

Surrounding Area

Psirri has a reputation as the Soho of Athens. Around your apartment you will find some of the most important art galleries in Europe, some of the best museums in Greece, some of the most intriguing bars and night spots, some of the best restaurants, tavernas and cafes and at the same time you will see brothels, drug takers and more graffiti than can be washed off in a year.

You are surrounded by ancient Athens. You will find ecclesiastical candle makers, leather sandal makers, street stalls full of old Athenian collectables, examples of Bauhaus and Neo Classical architecture intermingled with 1950's and 1960's giant concrete apartment blocks.

And at the same time you are surrounded by the newest and brightest of the Athenian fashion designers, architects, painters, actors, sculptors, filmmakers and video artists. There are dozens of live theatres, cinemas (indoor and outdoor), galleries, studios and stores where you can investigate what is happening in this vibrant inner city region.

You are a five minute walk to the wonders of the birth of western civilization; The Acropolis, Thission, The Ancient Agora, Keramikos and many other ancient sites.

From Your Apartment you can explore Athens on foot, using the metro or by taxi. Our recommendation is to walk wherever you can and return by taxi or metro if you need to.

Athens is a safe and wonderful city. Enjoy it!

HOT WINTER TIP:

AT FRESH HOTEL, 26 SOFOKLEOUS ST, (TWO MINUTES WALK FROM EP16) THEY HAVE CREATED AN ICE BAR. EVERYTHING IS MADE OF ICE...THE GLASSES, STOOLS...EVERYTHING. OPEN FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT FROM 9PM.

