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## Skopelos - where there's something for everyone

Skopelos is considered one of the most beautiful islands in Greece due to its natural beauty and rich history. The island offers a wide range of activities for all tastes.

### Skopelos Dive Center

*Create fantastic underwater experiences*

Skopelos Dive Center is a certified 5-Star PADI Dive Center, fully licensed by the Port Authorities of Greece and supported by DAN Europe (Divers Alert Network). Skopelos Dive Center is recognized by PADI as a 5-Star Dive Resort.

**A whole world of unique and exciting experiences awaits you in Skopelos once you're ready to take the plunge!**



## Our Diving spots in Skopelos



**Stop by either location to embark on your exciting underwater journey today!**

### Our bases in Skopelos Island

Base 1 -Panormos: Adrina Beach, Panormos Bay

Base 2 - Harbor: Main Harbor of Skopelos Skopelos town



## Alonnisos - natural beauty without limitation

Alonnisos offers a variety of attractions, from a relaxed day on one of its pristine beaches to a day of exploration of its submerged treasures.

Surrounded by the National Marine Park, Alonnisos is a nature reserve for a series of marine species and remarkable archaeological and historical monuments. Don't forget to visit the Knowledge Awareness Center for an immersive experience of the Underwater Cultural Heritage.

### Ikion Diving Center

*Find exciting underwater activities*

Ikion Diving is a notable, 5-star PADI Dive Resort that offers scuba diving activities for both early beginners and certified divers of all levels.



## Our diving spots in Alonnisos



**Our knowledgeable, friendly team is here to make your experience both safe and pleasant!**

**Our base in Alonnisos Island**

Alonnisos Base: IKION Diving, Steni Vala

# Christoforos shipwreck

## Skopelos

Diving in Christoforos shipwreck is a unique experience since it is very well preserved!

The deck of the shipwreck is at -32 to -35 meters depth. Swimming at -30 meters can give you a very pleasant view of the wreck.

The 83m long boat, lies on the seabed in one piece, in upright position, seeming like it sails on the sand.





## Christoforos dive site

### Skopelos

#### TYPE

Wreck dive

#### ACCESS

By boat

#### DISTANCE

0.3 nm from the dive base (Panormos bay)

#### DEPTH

30-40m

#### DURATION

approx. 30 – 40 min

#### MINIMUM LEVEL

Advanced diver (a check dive is required)

#### EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Dive Computer (can be rented from the diving center)

Because of its length there are many things to explore underwater! We recommend diving the wreck in parts so there is time to enjoy more details. Two to four dives are recommended to be able to see the entire shipwreck.

As Christoforos is a demanding dive site, a Tune-up dive or one of our easier dives is required before you dive at Christoforos shipwreck. This gives us the opportunity to meet you underwater and make groups that fit your level so you enjoy more your Christoforos' experience!

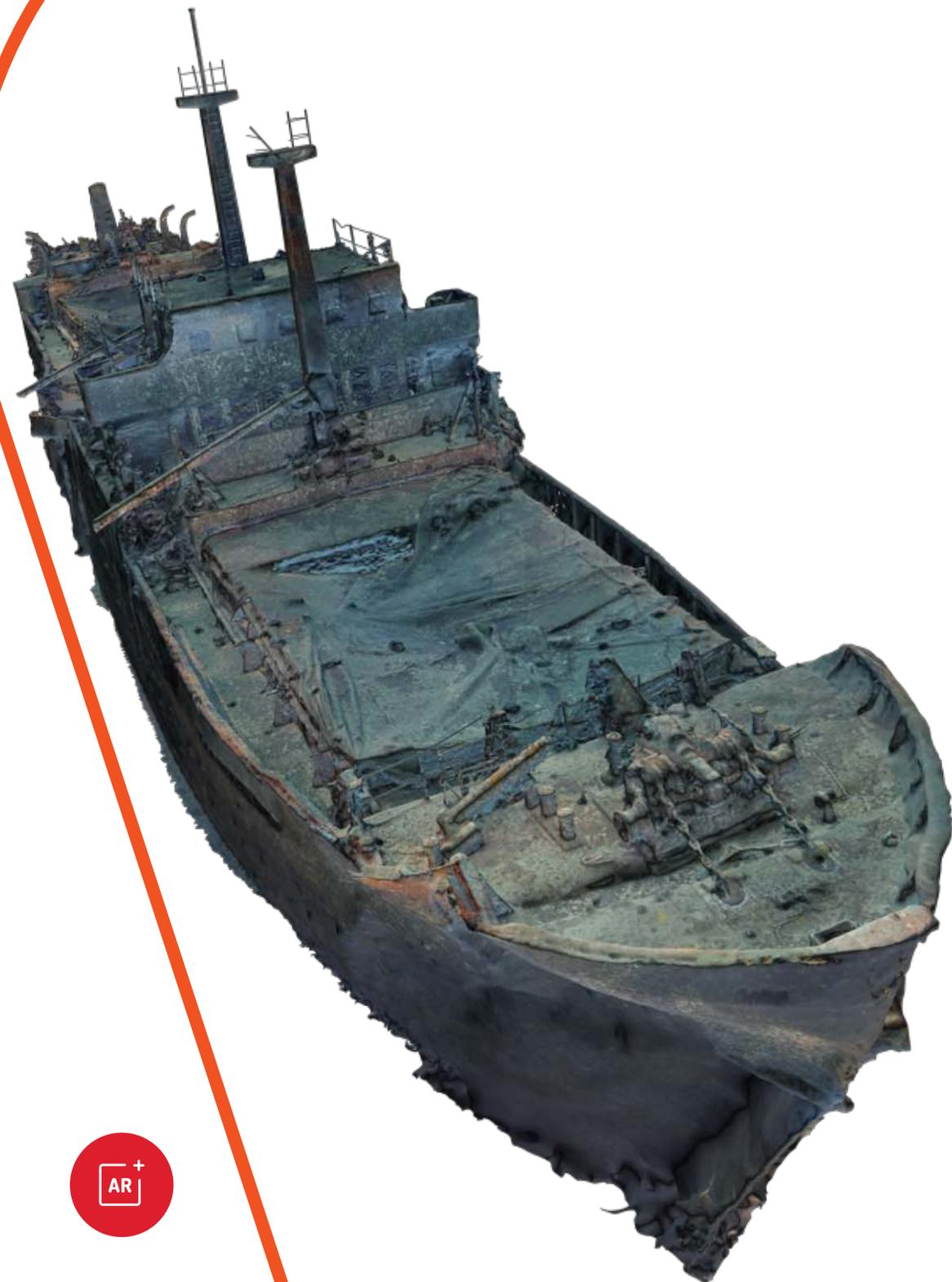
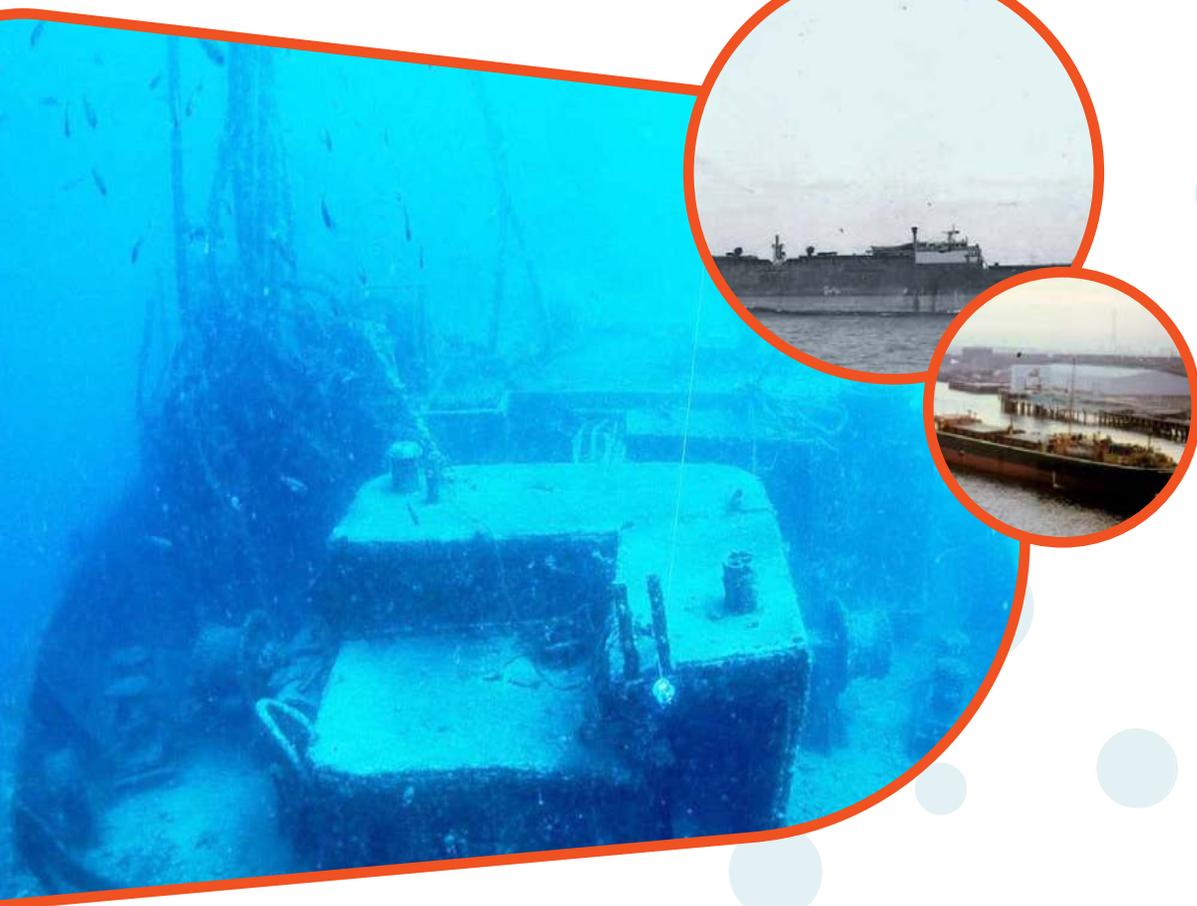
**Not a diver? No problem!**

**Find the virtual experience of Christoforos in the next page.**

# Explore Christoforos virtually

## Skopelos

On the 2nd of October 1983 the ship left the port of Volos for the port of Piraeus, loaded with 2.600 tons of concrete. During the day, an overcast with rain and strong North gales caused a 7 degrees list to the right. The ship changed course to a safe anchor. When it arrived in Panormos Bay at around 16:00, the waves had already broken one of the portholes of the bridge and the list increased in 17 degrees. At 22.00 the list of the ship had increased that much that the right gunwale was in the water. On the 3rd of October 1983 the efforts to save the ship were futile so it was abandoned. Christoforos sank in an upright position at around 05:30 at a depth of 43 meters.



## Highlights in Skopelos

### Dasia Canyon

At the north cape of Dasia Island, there is a small canyon formed by the rocks separating the cape from the main island. Anchoring the boat close to the cape, we start the dive encountering a beautiful valley of Posidonia Oceanica. Besides the landscape, the cape hosts hundreds of nudibranchs. As we swim around the cape, after about 30 minutes we meet the entrance of the canyon. The depth at that point is 8 m. This is an easy, enjoyable dive, suitable for all.



## Highlights in Skopelos

### Dasia Gallery

Dasia Gallery is one of our most joyful dives, regardless of the depth. We descend at a depth of 18, 25 or 30 m. depending on the diver's level. We follow the wall, enjoying the lovely landscape. After we enter the Gallery, we swim through a tunnel that leads to the other side of the cape, where the dive has started. Half the way of the Gallery, there is an opening at the roof, providing light and a spectacular cave seascape. Exiting the Gallery, we keep swimming underwater at a shallow depth until we reach the boat.



## Highlights in Alonnisos

### Agios Petros Reef

The most famous sea landmark of Alonnisos and formerly a pirate raid bay is famous for the wonderful shades created on its roof -from the reflected light to the turquoise waters-, but also for the unique underwater landscape. Following an impressive vertical wall initially up to 20m, we drive back to the entrance of the cave which gradually reveals its inner-most aspects, on a journey of adventure and exploration.



## Highlights in Alonnisos

### Blue Cave

A suitable site for all diving levels, the Reef outside the cove of St. Petros offers an enjoyable underwater experience both for the landscape, the visibility, and for the life that one encounters. Rocky and sandy seabed alternates on plateaus that gradually lead us deeper, up to 18m where we meet the impressive reef that expands vertically up to 6m and fosters rich biodiversity characteristic of the Mediterranean. One of the diving highlights of the area and an ideal place for night diving!



## Highlight dives in Peristera

### Peristera wreck

The ship was a large commercial vessel that sank around 425 BC. while carrying thousands of wine amphorae. Today it lies at a depth of 25 meters (80 feet) near the Greek island of Alonnisos, right off the islet of Peristera, in the Aegean Sea. Since August 2020, the site is accessible to recreational divers, making it Greece's first underwater museum. Note that along with the minimum certification requirements (min. level of Advanced Diver), adequate experience and excellent buoyancy is needed for a diver to participate, which can be assessed with with an introductory dive.



## Highlight dives in Peristera

### Black Cape

A diving spot on the south side of the uninhabited island of Peristera that offers strong thrills and opportunities to observe marine life as it is not often found in the Mediterranean Sea, except in marine protected areas with restrictions on fishing. The sandy-rocky seabed in consecutively deeper terraces composes the appropriate scenic background and together, the ideal shelter for the underwater fauna that abounds in the spot.



## Our Services



The first diving lesson for adults and children from 10 years old, to live a unique underwater experience.



A dive under the direct supervision of a PADI professional diver at selected points of interest.



Swim near the water's surface using snorkel equipment for panoramic underwater views.

## Our Services



A 3-hour or a 5-hour cruise with licensed skipper, snorkeling experience, snacks and beverages.



SUP lessons, rentals and tours are available in Skopelos Island.



Try seatrekking, a hiking and coastal open-water swimming experience.



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