

In September 2015 a climbing sector was created in Lesbos for the first time. It is situated in the area 'PanagiaKrifti' less than 10km from Plomari, 12 km from Agios Isidoros, approximately 50km from Mitilini and less than 30km from Vatera and Agiassos, on the characteristic grey wall, between the edge that separates 'PanagiaKrifti' from 'Drota'. Twenty six sport climbing routes were bolted, with a variety in difficulty, by the climber and climbing trainer certified from the Hellenic Federation of Mountaineering and Climbing, Kostas Mougkolias. The project was financially supported by the luxury villas, Ouzo Villas ([www.ouzovillas.gr](http://www.ouzovillas.gr) & [www.ouzovillas.eu](http://www.ouzovillas.eu)), in cooperation with Plomari Forum, a non profit company for the development of the area ([www.plomariforum.gr](http://www.plomariforum.gr)), in an effort to promote and develop alternative tourism in South of Lesbos.

The rock is good quality limestone and is located 200m above the sea level. The climbing walls contain horizontal edges, holes and small cracks. The routes start on the edge, which offers spectacular views of the Aegean Sea.

From September until June it is possible to climb all day, however, during the warm months of July and August, climbing is recommended early in the morning or after 17:00.

In the past the place was used for extracting talc and marbles and it is named after that 'Tis Kriftis Ta Marmara' which means the marbles of Krifti

At the sea level, beneath the sector there are rocks, which are ideal for water solo, traverse and boulder. Best seasons for such activities are spring, summer and autumn.

A little pool with hot spring water can be found by the sea, near the church, which offers a fantastic way to end a day of climbing!

**Approach:** From Plomari you are heading towards Palaioxori via Melinda. After you go past Melinda, follow the dirt road towards "PanagiaKrifti". After approximately 2km, an a tight left turn there is a concrete fountain on the right side. This is the place where you can park your car.

The marked path starts by the fountain and leads you to the climbing sector in 15min.

#### INFORMATION

Routes	26
Range	3-6c+
Exposure	Southeast
June - September	Sun Until 17:00
October - May	All Day
Approach	15 min
Necessary gear	Rope 70m 15 Quickdraws

The approaching paths are already cleaned and marked. Helmet is necessary for safety.

All routes are bolted with HANG FIX Stainless Steel Bolt M10L Raumer 316L Marine. The Top Anchors are automatic

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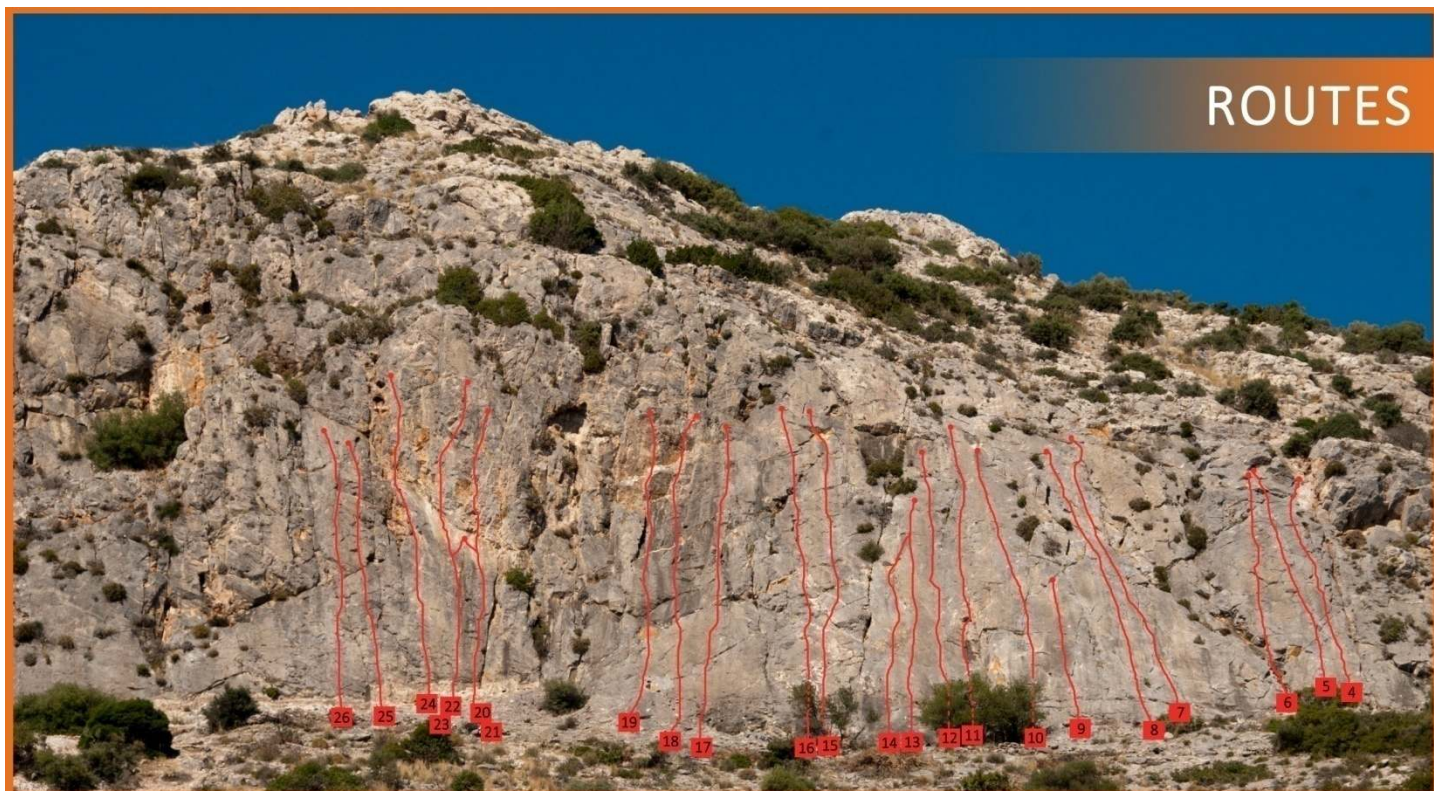
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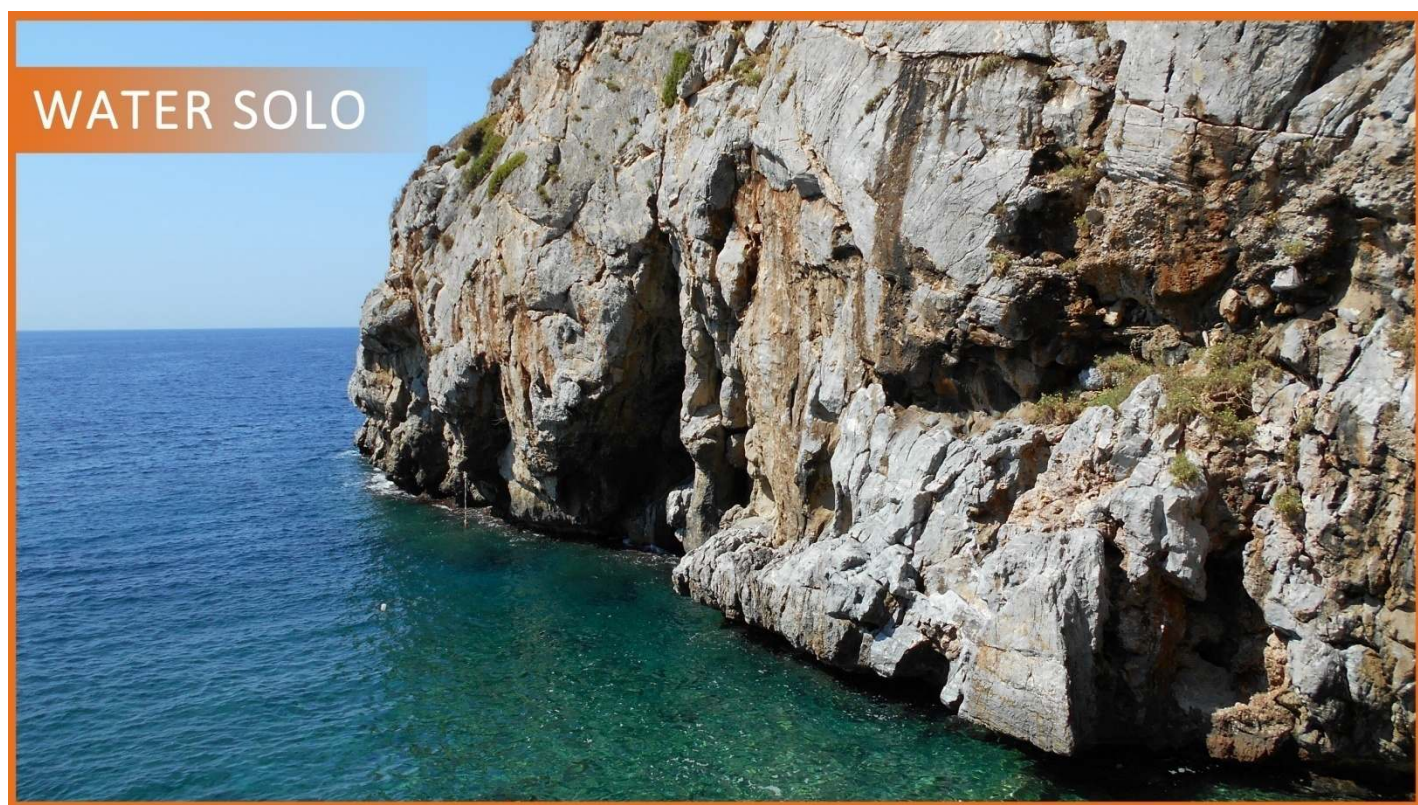
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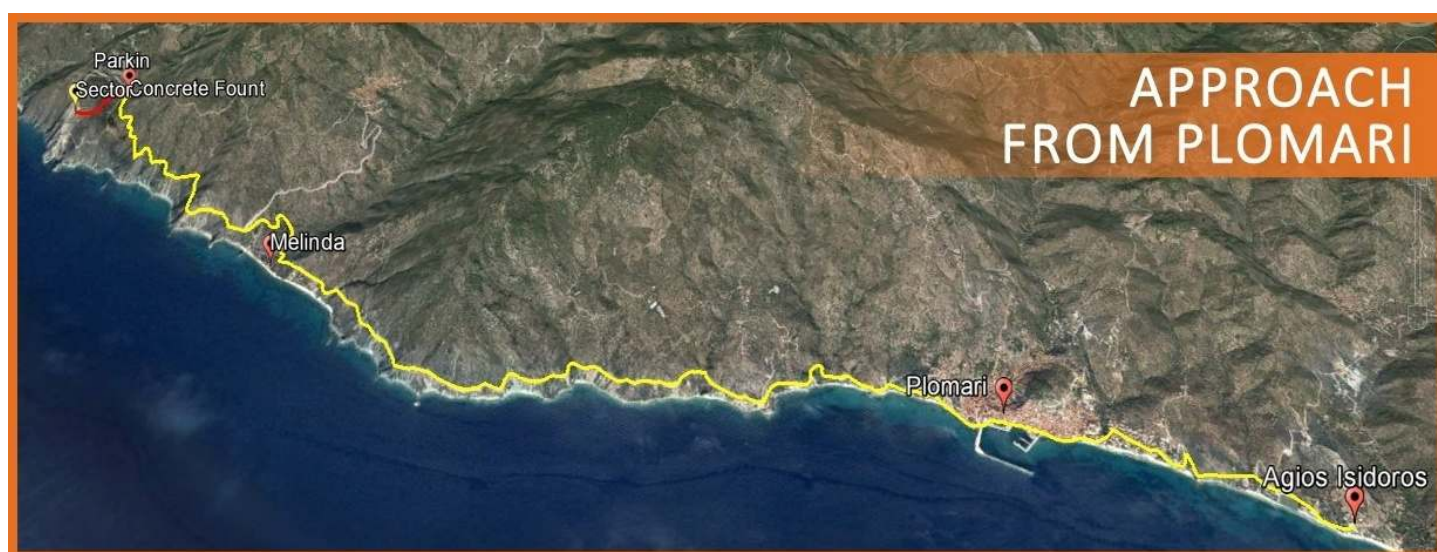
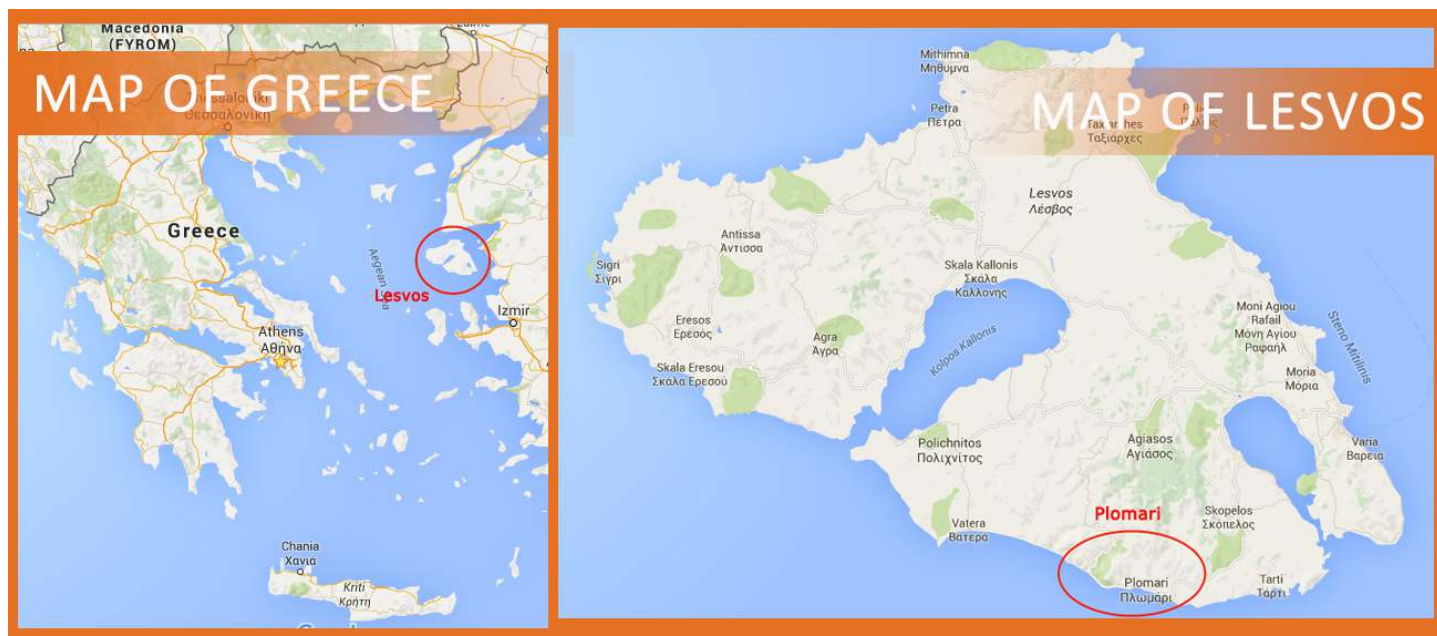
A/A	Name	Grade	Lenght	Information Quickdraws
1	Orpheas	3	15m	7 quickdraws *inrightrock
2	Mai	3	17m	9 quickdraws *inrightrock
3	Gi	3	18m	10 quickdraws *inrightrock
4	Good Start	4b	20m	8 quickdraws
5	Finger Crack	4b	19m	10 quickdraws
6	Uprooting	4c	15m	8 quickdraws
7	Kaliopi	5a	22m	12 quickdraws
8	Evelin	5a	21m	11 quickdraws
9	Kontoula Lemonia	5a+	13m	6 quickdraws
10	Klio	5b	22m	Slab / 11 quickdraws
11	Διέδρο	5b+	25m	Small Overhanging crux / 11 quickdraws
12	Efterpi	5b+	23m	Slab / 10 quickdraws
13	Hollow Earth	5c+	20m	Run out in the crux / 8quickdraws
14	Thalia	5c	20m	Sharing last bolt and top anchor with Hollow Earth / 8 quickdraws
15	Melpomeni	5b+	25m	10 quickdraws
16	Terpsixori	5c	25m	11 quickdraws
17	Erato	6a	25m	10 quickdraws
18	Nioti	6a	25m	10 quickdraws
19	Arxisan ta Organa	6b+/c	25m	Overhanging crux at the end / 13quickdraws
20	Polimnia	5a+	13m	Sharing top anchor with Ourania / 6 quickdraws
21	48% vol	6c+	25m	Overhanging with holes / extention from Polimnia / 11 quickdraws
22	Ourania	5b	13m	Sharing top anchor with Polimnia / 5 quickdraws
23	Ouzopower	6b+	28m	Overhanging with edges / extention from Ourania/12 quickdraws
24	Black Jack	6a	27m	Nice movements / 9quickdraws
25	Arionas	5b+	20m	7quickdraws
26	Alkaios	5c	21m	8quickdraws



\* The routes 1,2,3 can be found on the positive slab at the right side of the sector .







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Climbing gear is available for renting to experienced climbers who will be responsible for using them properly. Climbing gear may also be rented to beginners that are taking classes with the trainer.