

Navarino Agora: 2025 Season kicks-off with a vibrant Line-up of events



<u>Navarino Agora</u> at <u>Costa Navarino</u> officially opened its doors on Wednesday, April 9th, welcoming residents and visitors of Messinia, Greece to a vibrant hub of shopping, dining, and cultural experiences. The destination features a diverse schedule of events that celebrate local traditions, art, fashion, and gastronomy.

New Arrivals

- Barbounaki by Papaioannou: The seafood tavern by renowned chef George Papaioannou brings authentic flavors to Messinia.
- Ena Athletics: The premium Greek sportswear brand opens its first store outside of Athens, introducing its innovative collections to a new audience.
- Wine Bar by Cellier: A refined tasting experience offering premium labels, signature cocktails, and a curated selection of organic and vegan wines.

Easter Festivities

Navarino Agora will embrace the Easter season with a festive spirit and authentic Greek traditions.

- Good Friday & Holy Saturday: Interactive workshops for children and adults, including Easter cookie decorating, lantern crafting, and candle making.
- A festive Easter Market featuring gift ideas from Cellier, Coffee Island, Kostarelos, Martin's Premium, Milkshakes & Dreams, and the charitable organization The Smile of the Child.
- Traditional Epitaph accompanied by the Philharmonic Orchestra of Pylos, followed by the Resurrection Service at the chapel of Saint Helen.
- Easter Sunday: Sunset DJ set by Elias Fassos, offering laid-back festive vibes.



2025 Season Events Line-up:

• Photo Exhibition with the Iliopoulos Museum (June–September): A tribute to Messing Control of the Iliopoulos, capturing everyday life of a bygone era and iconic archaeological and cultural landmarks across the Peloponnese.

In collaboration with the Captain Vassilis & Carmen Constantakopoulos Foundation, Navarino Agora will host a curated program of events celebrating art and local heritage:

- Messinia Terroirs Wine Festival (June 13–15): Now in its third year, the festival highlights the region's winemaking legacy, connecting local tradition with modern viticulture and culture.
- Kalamata Guitar Festival (July 13): Featuring world-renowned guitarists in an evening of musical excellence.
- Kalamata International Dance Festival: Innovative workshops (July 15) and live performances (July 19) by acclaimed local and international artists.
- Book Presentation "A Greek State in the Making The Beginnings of Mycenaean Pylos" by Jack Davis & Sharon Stocker (July): The lead archaeologists of the Palace of Nestor excavations explore the pivotal role of Pylos in the cultural exchange between Minoan Crete and mainland Greece.

Signature Events by W Costa Navarino

- May Boho Event with Polyamorous (May 3): A colorful celebration of May Day, featuring floral wreath-making, herb-infused cocktails, and boho-chic vibes.
- Symposium Festival (July 11–12): Inspired by the ancient Greek symposium, this modern celebration blends street food with haute cuisine through a collaboration with acclaimed Athenian bars The Bar-in-Front-of-the-Bar, Line Athens, and Barro Negro.
- Candlelight Concerts (July 26–27): An enchanting musical experience under the glow of candlelight, debuting at Navarino Agora.

Outdoor Cinema Nights at Danaos Open Air

- Danaos Starry Nights Parties (June-September): Sunset DJ sets and cocktails beneath the stars.
- Musical Legends Nights at the Cinema (July-September): A dynamic tribute to iconic
 music figures through biopics, documentaries, and live acts. The spotlight in July will be
 on La Divina: Maria Callas—featuring the film screening alongside a night of music and
 fashion celebrating the legendary soprano.

Fashion & Creativity

- Fashion Weekend "W Wears Greece" by W Costa Navarino (June 20–21): A celebration of Greek fashion with DIY styling workshops in collaboration with Ergon Mykonos.
- Apoella x Greek Designers (July): Hosted by The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort, and Navarino Agora, this exclusive series spotlights top Greek brands including Zeus+Dione, Ancient Greek Sandals, and Callista, with designer meet-and-greets and personalization workshops.



Gastronomy, Shopping & Entertainment

Gastronomy is a core part of the Navarino Agora experience, with a wide range of venues offering Mediterranean and fusion cuisine, local and international flavors, street food, ice cream, and a variety of beverages and wines. With over 20 stores, visitors can explore a curated selection of fashion, footwear, beachwear, accessories, eyewear, jewelry, books, beauty and wellness products, home décor, and more. The destination also offers beauty services, travel assistance, a museum shop, a summer cinema (from June 1), and immersive VR experiences.

Book Market (May–September): A pop-up offering handpicked Greek and international titles for literature and history lovers.

For more information about Navarino Agora, <u>click here</u>. For related photo material, <u>click here</u>, and for video content, <u>click here</u>.

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About Costa Navarino

Costa Navarino is a sustainably driven destination in the Mediterranean, located in Messinia in the southwest Peloponnese of Greece. Graced with a breath-taking seaside landscape, this is a region shaped by 4,500 years of history. The Costa Navarino philosophy is driven by a genuine desire to preserve the natural beauty and heritage of Messinia. The destination comprises several distinct sites featuring five-star hotels, luxury private residences, a world-class golf experience, and many year-round activities. Navarino Dunes is home to The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort, The Westin Resort Costa Navarino and Costa Navarino Residences. Navarino Bay is the setting for Mandarin Oriental, Costa Navarino, W Costa Navarino and Navarino Agora, a curated marketplace. Both sites have signature golf courses, while at Navarino Hills there are two further signature golf courses.

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