

# The Palea Poli Post

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## THE MACEDONIAN TOMBS

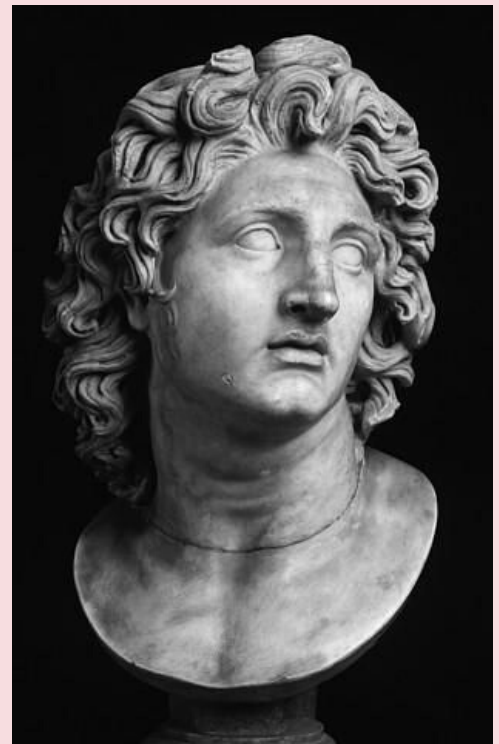
In the fertile plain at the foot of Vermio, between Kopanos, Lefkada and Naoussa, the archeological dig brought to light and continues to reveal the remains of an ancient city, which is identified with Mieza, one of the most important cities of the Macedonian kingdom in the period of its heyday (4th-2nd century BC).

The most eloquent elements come from the cemeteries and burial monuments of the area, which saved us the second most important set of Macedonian tombs after Vergina.

A total of six Macedonian tombs were found in the area. They have all the typical features of the monumental Macedonian tombs. It is worth noting that the frescoes of the Macedonian tombs are the only surviving specimens of ancient Greek painting on a large scale. As it can be seen from Vergina, these monuments were family tombs of members of the upper social hierarchy, probably associated with the royal dynasty. And perhaps it is no coincidence that the densest concentration of monumental Macedonian tombs is located in the area of Mieza, where the two capitals of the Macedonian kingdom, Vergina and Pella, were located.

A unique case is the tomb of Lysonas and Kalliklis (around 200 BC), as here are written the names of the first buried dead - Lysonos and Kallikleous of Aristophanes - as well as the names of at least four generations of the same family.

One of the most important known Macedonian tombs is the tomb of the Judgement (late 4th - early 3rd century BC), as it is one of the largest and most imposing monuments of its kind. The subject of the Judgment of the Dead is known from the written tradition, but it is rarely found in ancient Greek iconography.



## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Inside your Dreams. Greece.

After a long wait of 2020, Greek hospitality is ready to welcome travelers from every corner of the world.

Greece has been so many months a dream for most travelers. Endless options around 6,000 islands, sandy beaches and clear waters, bright as day. However it is not only the renowned "sun and sea" model, but also on the mainland, Greece is the ideal destination to rejuvenate from a tremendously intensive period.

Our beautiful country is "more than optimistic" and "ready" to receive visitors since we handled the covid-19 pandemic surprisingly well. We have the best image for the return to the normality of tourism : the Greek smile, the Greek landscape, and Greek hospitality. The Greek National Tourism Organization (GNTA) unveiled the latest campaign with the slogan "All you want is Greece".

All you want is definitely Greece, perhaps all you need is just Greece.

Eleanna Tabouri



## FINALLY... MUSEUMS!

Museums are finally reopening - and you don't want to miss them!

The Museum of the Royal Tombs of Aigai (Vergina) is located 75 km west of Thessaloniki, Greece, and just 35km away from Naoussa centered around the royal tombs built by the ancient Kingdom of Macedon at Aigai. The underground museum containing the burial cluster of Philip II of Macedon began construction in 1993 and was inaugurated in 1997.

Just 2 km away from the contemporary Naoussa, there is a sacred place with worldwide value. A place of universal interest, the ruins of Aristotle's School. A surrealistic experience to stand on the spot where Aristotle taught the boy Alexander the Great and his close friends between 343 and 340 BCE.

Book your stay and wonder around the Macedonian Heritage.

## 3 THINGS TO DO IN NAOUSSA TO FEEL LIKE A LOCAL

If you are interested in exploring out-of-the-beaten-track destinations and if you like wandering around to get the feel for a place, here's our top 3 suggestions to explore everything that Naoussa has to offer.

### 1. Wander the river-side path next to Arapitsa.

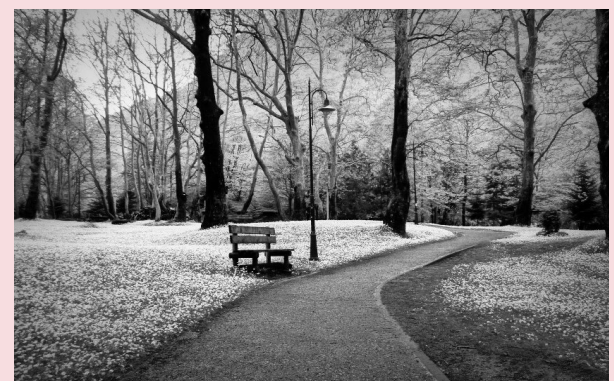
Head straight to the landmark of the town at the Stumbani site. The emblematic and imposing statue of the Naoussean woman has been placed there as an honor and remembrance to their bravery back in the 18th century, when Greeks fought and won their independence against the Turks.

### 2. Discover Aristotle's School, the place where all about Alexander The Great, started.

It will take you four minutes drive from the town center to arrive. The temple of the Nymphs, was assigned by King Filip to Aristotle to be the school where his son Alexander and his peers would be educated. To this very day, Aristotle's stone seats and shady walks, remain untouched.

### 3. Lose your pace and sense the calmness of St. Nicolas natural park

Just 4km away from the town, St. Nicolas is an earth paradise awaiting to welcome you. Follow trails that will lead you to streams, brooks, cliff faces, open spaces and explore this great and ancient mountain. For the adventure lovers, there are routes of varying difficulty that have been created across Vermio mountain.





LET'S EAT

Support your local takeaways!'

What's the best way for me to order to help your business grow?'

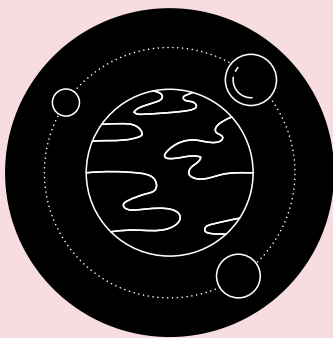
There is an economic argument to be made to support local businesses . The more we spend on local businesses, the more cash we pump into the local economy, the faster we will be able to recover from this recession.

So yeah, Stay local and support your local small business takeaways, cafes, and restaurants.

The next time you are craving chips, fried chicken or pizza, hit up your local takeaway. Not only will you be helping the local economy, you will be keeping your money out of the pocket of some greedy multinational corporation as well!



ASTROLOGY



The Zodiacs making Pizza

- **Aries:** "Guys just follow this recipe"
- **Taurus:** Throws up dough in the air, falls on Cancer
- **Gemini:** "Let's put EVERYTHING on it"
- **Cancer:** "TAURUS STOP IT!"
- **Leo:** "Let's just top the dough with sauce and cheese and get over with it"
- **Virgo:** Starts food fight
- **Libra:** starts slapping Capricorn with a spoon
- **Scorpio:** "STOP FIGHTING"
- **Sagittarius:** Jumps onto table and starts twerking
- **Capricorn:** Kicks Libra in the shins
- **Aquarius:** Perfectly makes a pizza and puts in the oven
- **Pisces:** I thought we were making a sandwich

ON THIS DAY

**June 1, 1946** - Television licences were issued in Britain for the first time; they cost £2.

**June 6, 1944** - D-Day, the largest amphibious landing in history, began in the early-morning hours as Allied forces landed in Normandy on the northern coast of France.

**9 June 1934** - The world's most famous duck, Donald, makes his first appearance in the short Walt Disney cartoon The Wise Little Hen, based on the fairy tale of The Little Red Hen

**June 10-June 11 323 B.C** - Alexander the Great dies in, Babylon [near Al-Hillah, Iraq]]

**June 12, 1929** - Anne Frank (1929-1945) was born in Frankfurt, Germany. She is perhaps the best known victim of the Nazi Holocaust.

**June 13, 1971** - The New York Times began publishing the Pentagon Papers, a collection of top secret documents exposing U.S. strategy in the Vietnam War.



WANNA HEAR A STORY?

So, Wanna Hear a Story?

This month's tale is a Castle in the Hills of Umbria.  
(plus 9 more farmhouses).

Location : Hills of Umbria, south of Florence, north of Perugia, not far from Cortona, almost in the middle of Italy.  
Name : Castello di Reschio  
Owners : Count and Countess Antonio Bolza, son Benedikt Bolza and wife Donna Nencia.

Short Story : Thhe Bolza family found their peaceful holiday retreat in 1984. A decade later, Antonio sold his successful publishing company, invested all the proceeds in buying the surrounding 1,500-hectare Reschio estate. Unbeknownst to him it included fifty abandoned farmhouses and an ancient castle. Together with his family of five children, they set up home in relatively unknown Umbria.

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

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“The secret of happiness, you see, is not found in seeking more, but in developing the capacity to enjoy less”

Socrates, 469 BCE

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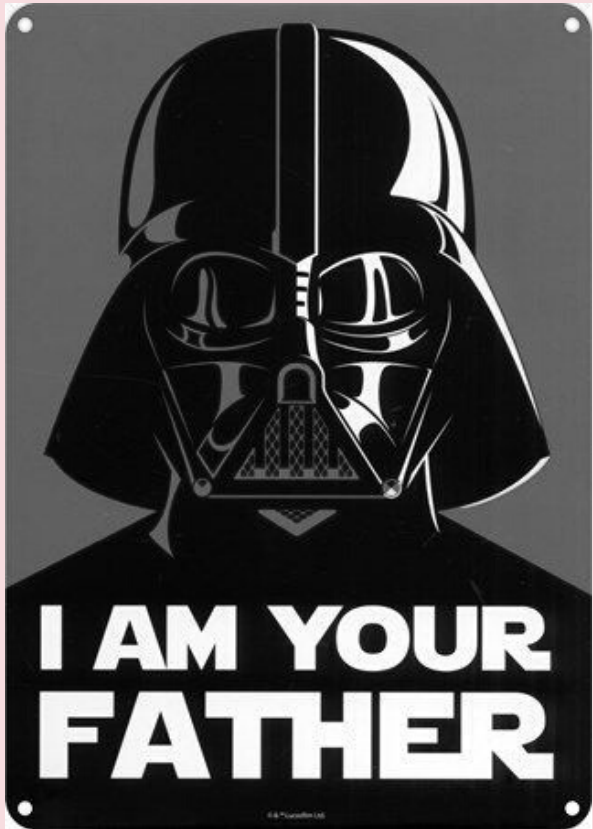
MOVIE OF THE MONTH

Although Thor is getting mixed reviews, all critics seems to share an unabashed love of Loki and the actor that plays him, Tom Hiddleston.  
Tom, you are "incomparable"!

" Loki "

Tv Series

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



He decided to share their utopia with like-minded souls, those seeking tranquility and seclusion in an unspoilt swathe of Italian countryside. Fortunately, this aristocratic family had the wherewithal within their ranks. In 1999, their son Count Benedikt returned from studying and practicing architecture in London and immediately took up the reigns, designing and building masterful creations from the original farmhouses, winning awards along the way.

Benedikt, together with his wife, Donna Nencia, lived in the dilapidated castle where their five children were born. Benedikt visualised a phenomenal hotel and set about the metamorphosis of the ancient castle into the magnificent 36-room Hotel Castello di Reschio.

Highlights :

- The stable of 40 magnificent Spanish horses, bred and trained for dressage.
- Today half the abandoned farmsteads are beautiful villas;
- The 1940's tobacco warehouse has become the Tabaccaia where the vibrant architectural & design studio realise Benedikt's designs; furniture & lighting made by local artisans, have evolved into B.B. for Reschio.