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Don't forget sunblock, a hat and your camera! Enjoy! The map is on the 2nd page.

Directions Walk 2 by Beautiful Plakias (<https://beautifulplakias.com>)

### Short walk

You start at the bridge in Plakias and walk towards the pier - you take the first right in between the supermarket and the "hippie" shop – you pass some tavernas and a bar - right after you pass big parking areas on both sides the road curves to the left and back to the right - cut the corner by passing the house on the right and turn right - the road will take you left over a small bridge - keep walking straight ahead, don't take any right turns - you will pass the Plakias Youth Hostel – a little further there is a little kink in the road where usually some water flows over the road, take a short right-left to keep going straight on - you pass the Plakias lending library - keep going straight ahead - the path will be joined by one from the right - keep walking straight ahead for 100 metres till the road splits and take the one that goes down on your left hand - you pass trees on both sides till you end up in after 35 meters in small open field - here you walk left towards the river - there is a small path (usually marked with a pile of stones) that will take you to the river - you hop from stone to stone to the other side and turn right - follow the path, now unfortunately passed the new waste disposal facility, till you see an old stone bridge (when you walk into a little chapel you went a little too far!) - cross the bridge and there you will find the old water mill - walk around and enjoy the mill and its surroundings

Walk back over the bridge again and if you chose to do the short and easy walk you go back on the same path but when you get to the point where you crossed the river you keep walking straight ahead - stay on the path, don't take any right turns and you walk straight back into Plakias.

### "Medium" walk

Climb up to the mill and you will find a path to the right – it winds back to the mill and then towards the Kotsifou gorge – after 100 meters the path makes a U-turn back towards the sea – follow this path with some stunning views down to the mill – the small path leads you to a wide dirt road – keep going in the direction of the sea with some great views over Plakias – when you see a gate, go through it, and close it – walk along the irrigation canal to the paved road – turn right and walk down to Plakias

### Adventurous walk

For the adventurous walk you cross the bridge again at the Old Water Mill (see short walk) and find a place on your right hand, north of the bridge, to enter the river - keep wading and climbing rocks while enjoying the magnificent surroundings till you end up at what looks like a broken off road - this is the turning point but instead of going back in the river you go to the left side and walk till you see a big metal rusty manhole cover - go left here and you will see a path - walk up the path - you will walk into a gate - take the U-turn to the left here - follow the path which will lead you to the main road, you will pass a small church on the way– follow the main road down to Myrthios

Enjoy a drink and/or a meal in one of the tavernas and enjoy the stunning views over Plakias Bay before you walk down to Plakias – At the small parking lot next to a tavern called Plateia, across the road from a gift shop, you will take the steps going down – it curves to the right and on your right hand you pass a donkey sanctuary and on your left hand a taverna – when you hit the road take a left and then the first right turn and follow the road down to Plakias.



3.5km/4km\*/5.8km\*\*  
1h/1h30\*/2h20\*\*  
Crete flat/Hilly\*/Including 1km of  
rock climbing up and in a river\*\*  
\*Back via path behind the mill  
\*\*Extension for adventurers

Myrthios

Plakias

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- Start
- Finish
- Youth hostel
- Library
- old water mill
- old stone bridge
- Taverna
- Museum
- Connecting walk