

23 ZOBOLO

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GRADE RANGE	up to 5b+	5c to 6a+	6b to 7a	7a+ to 7c	7c+ and up
ROUTES	12	54	43	18	0

ZOBOLO is on the southern tip of the Peloponnese peninsula near Cavo Maleas. A breathtaking location, *Cavomaliás*, as the cape is known locally, was infamous amongst ancient mariners for its unpredictable seawaters, and later on it became known for its enormous stone lighthouse. Still remote and impressive with blue expanding as far as the eye can see, it is an area of serene, unspoiled beauty.

Zobolo and **Cavo Maleas** belong to a wider area called *Vátika*—the southernmost tip of mainland Europe, which protrudes sharply into the Myrtoan Sea. This enchanting part of the Peloponnese holds small surprises for everyone: ancient

temples for the archaeologists; old shipwrecks for the divers; monasteries and churches for the believers; an amazing fossilized palm forest for the nature lovers. For hikers, a web of trails leads through landscapes that alternate like the pages of a good book. For cavers, underground caves can be found beneath almost every cliff formation. For most people, the tranquil blue waters and intimate coves of the *Vátika* coastline are enough to awaken the senses and sooth the soul. And lounging on the phenomenal sandy beaches of *Elafonissos*, a small island just across the water from Neapoli, is the ultimate way to spend your rest day.



BEST OF BECAUSE: PEACE + QUIET, BEAUTIFUL BLUE SEA, AND ABUNDANT LIMESTONE WITH LOTS OF LONG ROUTES OF ALL GRADES, INCLUDING SOME SUPERB MULTI-PITCHES.

Climbing: On high-quality limestone with prominent features—small tufas, steep slabs, cracks, roofs, caves and walls. Equipping started in March 2009, with about 150 sport routes to-date. Bolting is mostly very “encouraging”, while the majority of routes are between 5b–6c and many are suitable for training purposes. There is no shortage of harder lines, either. There is vast potential for new sport routes up to five pitches in Zobolo, and plenty of undeveloped rock in the wider area of *Cavomaliás*, like in Kotroni and Lykogremo. Equipping continues whenever possible, most recently in late 2016.

Zobolo development is a case study in teamwork and community involvement. Residents from nearby *Agios Nikolaos*, a small village, volunteered to clean the approach paths and the terrain beneath the cliffs alongside the equipping team. Eager to promote climbing

tourism, the local municipality secured additional funding for bolts. Dimitris Titopoulos and Dimitra Kladouatou were key in bringing the project to fruition and equipping most routes, along with George Koukis, Dimitris Tsitsikas, Yannis Torelli and Claude Remy.

Conditions: Ideal for spring, autumn and winter. Summer climbing is also possible by picking the right crag and staying out of the sun. The main cliff (**West Zobolo** to **Protos Tihos**) faces mostly southeast, so it’s very hot during the day and perfect for cooler months (Nov–April). For summer, **Hionia** and **East Zobolo** have longer shade.

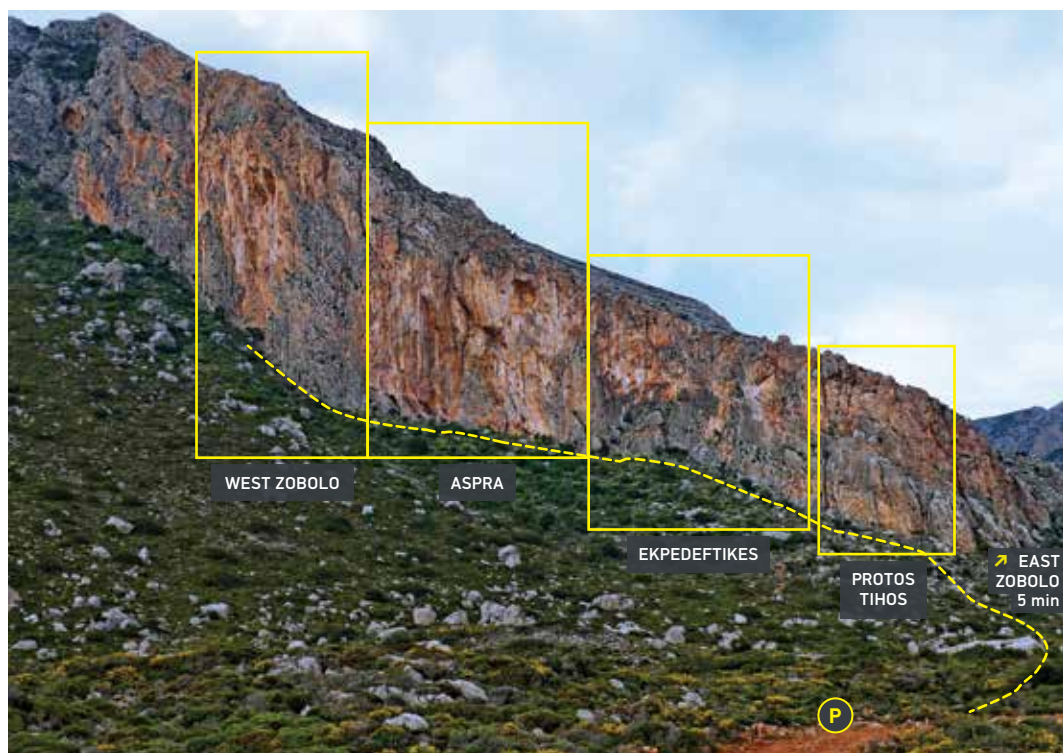
Gear: A 70m rope and 18 QD for longer routes.

Kids: Overall, very good. Approaches are short and the terrain beneath most of the cliffs is suitable.

Accommodation • Food • Shopping: For hotel accommodation, Neapoli (15km from the crag) offers a host of options. In the summer there are also rooms for rent in the hamlet of Profitis Ilias, closer to the cliffs. For **camping**, there are several spots for camper vans or tents, but nothing organized. For food, there is one option in Agios Nikolaos (*Neraida* restaurant, which is a culinary experience not to be missed), as well as two mini-markets and a bakery. For more mainstream food and shopping options, Neapoli should have you covered.

Opposite, Christine Remy on “Nysteri” 6a+ (page XXX).

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Getting to ZoboLO: Your target is the town of **Neapoli** (354km from Athens). A big part of the road to Neapoli is non-motorway, so allow a minimum of 5 hours from Athens. From the Athens International Airport, take the Attiki Odos motorway towards Elefsina. Follow the signs to Korinthos then on to Tripoli, Sparti, Molaoi and finally Neapoli. The cliffs are 15km after Neapoli. When you arrive at the beach of Neapoli, follow the signs to Agios Nikolaos. After 8km, you will come to the village of Agios Nikolaos and a fork in the road. At the fork, turn right. Continue by following the signs to Profitis Ilias. 5.3km further, turn off left onto a dirt road following the sign to "Agia Marina, Fossil Forest, Kavro Maleas Monastery, Climbing Park". The dirt road is smooth, OK for any type of vehicle. After 1.8km, turn left towards an obvious clearing, and park there (36.440791, 23.130848.)

In total, the crag/parking area is approx. 7km from the village of Agios Nikolaos.

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| GENERAL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kavomalias-climbing.gr • visitvatika.gr |
| HOTELS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vatika.gr |
| FOOD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • limiramare.gr • verginahotel.com • neraida.com.gr |

WEST ZOBOLO is an impressive big wall with lots of potential for good multipitch routes. At the moment, only a few worthwhile routes have been equipped.

Climbing: Good variety with slabs, corners, cracks and vertical walls full of hidden pockets.

☁ **Shade:** Only until 12:00. **Exposure:** SW

- Project** ?★ ? ? m
3 pitches. A classic steep wall testpiece. *Yiannis Torelli*
- Zea** 3★ **6b+** **150m**
6 pitches. **Pitch 1:** 6a+ 25m, 9 bolts. Crack/corner with hidden holds and a short balancy slab. **Pitch 2:** 6b+ 30m, 13 bolts. Wall + crack with a crux at the end. **Pitch 3:** 6b+ 28m, 13 bolts. Hard start on wall, then easier on big holes. **Pitch 4:** 7b+ 25m, 11 bolts. Slightly overhanging with many small pockets, then easier ramp + corner. **Pitch 5:** 6a+ 30m, 14 bolts. Wall with hidden holds, then easy ramp and black wall with good holds. **Pitch 6:** 2, 10m. Almost walking.
FA: D Titopoulos, 2016
- Stathakis Yiannis** 2★ **6b+** **105m**
4 pitches. A mixed-style route requiring a trad rack. All anchors have 2 bolts. **Pitch 1:** 5c 35m, no bolts. Crack and ramp. Easy to place trad protection. **Pitch 2:** 6a+ 25m, 2 bolts. Thin roof, small cracks, and not very easy footwork. **Pitch 3:** 6a+ 20m, 2 bolts. A nice red corner with good holds. **Pitch 4:** 6b+ 25m, 3 bolts. Technical corner and wall. Not so easy to protect. *FA: D. Titopoulos, M Bachtis, 2013*
- Tou Laou** 3★ **5c** **135m**
4 pitches. A worthwhile, very well-bolted multi-pitch. **Pitch 1:** 5b 35m, 12 bolts. Well-bolted short corner and slab. If you go for the whole route, belay at the anchor 3m after the first lower-off. **Pitch 2:** 5c 35m, 13 bolts. Wall, arête and corner with good holds but poor footholds. **Pitch 3:** 5b 35m, 12 bolts. Ramp, slab and fantastic headwall with small holds. **Pitch 4:** 5c+ 30m, 11 bolts. The icing on the cake: an overhanging wall with good holds, an interesting corner, and a crux near the end. *FA: D Titopoulos, 2012*
- Kipouros** 3★ **6a+** **135m**
5 pitches. One more excellent, very well-bolted multi-pitch. **Pitch 1:** 5a 25m, 12 bolts. Stemming moves on good, but vegetated, holds. **Pitch 2:** 6a+ 25m, 12 bolts. Ramp with big holds and narrow crack. **Pitch 3:** 6a 30m, 14 bolts. Wall with small holds then easier with good side holds. **Pitch 4:** 5c 25m, 11 bolts. Traverse right with good holds then corner. **Pitch 5:** 6a 25m, 12 bolts. Slab and corner with many hidden holds. *FA: D Titopoulos, 2016*

Conditions: Best in cool conditions (November–March) when climbing in the sun is possible. In warm months, climb early in the morning.

Approach: From the parking area, follow the obvious well-maintained path to the cliff then traverse to the left. **Walking time:** 20 min.



ASPRA is one of the main crags, and the gem of Zobolo. It is a big, immaculate, well-featured yellow and white wall with plenty of long and sustained climbs, mostly in the 6b–7c range. Most routes were equipped by Dimitris Titopoulos, Yannis Torrelis, George Koukis, Dimitris Tsitsikas, Nikos Hadjis, George Aliferis, and Haris Orfanoudakis.

Climbing: Steep, athletic climbing on small tufas, cracks, “Spartan” walls and some unusual rock formations, and lots of potential for more single or multipitch routes.

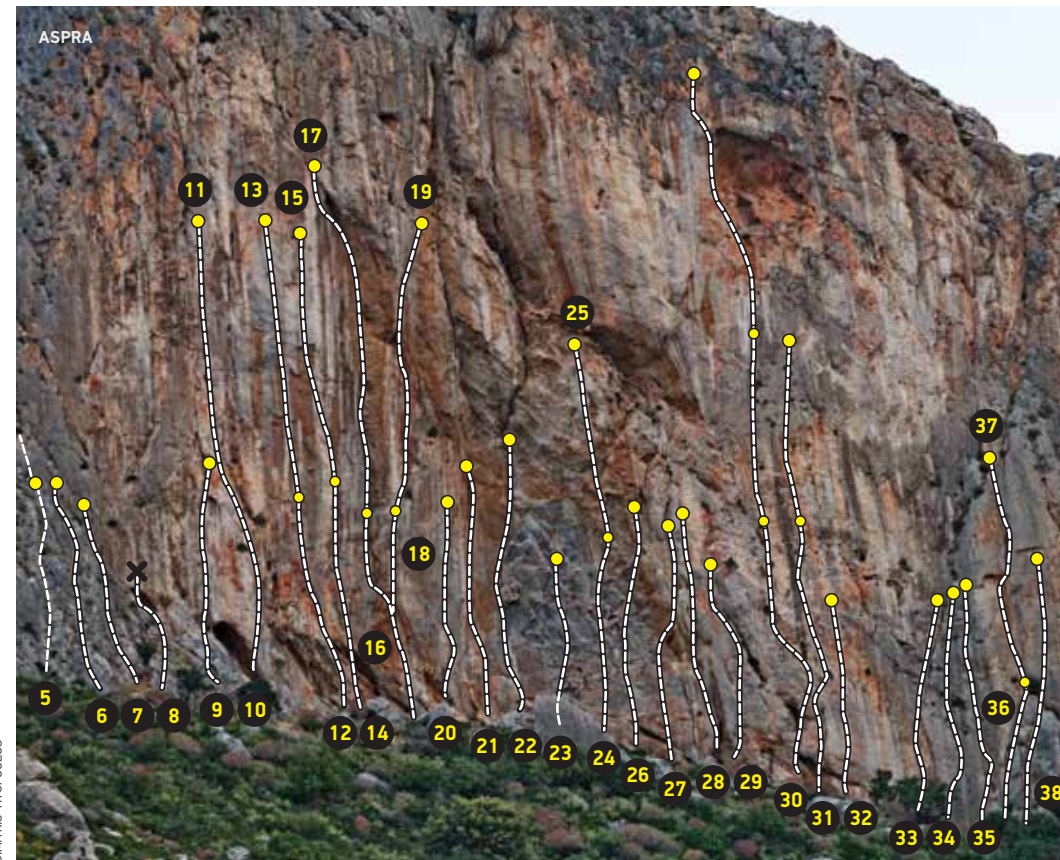
Conditions: Best in cool months (November–March) when climbing in the sun is possible. In warm months climb early in the morning. **Aspra** is not good on humid days.

☁ **Shade:** Only until 11:00. **Exposure:** SE

Approach: From the parking area, follow the obvious well-maintained path to the cliff then traverse to the left. **Walking time:** 15 min.

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| 6 | Bouhlou-Bouhlou | 1★ | 5a | 20m |
| Low-angle climbing on a wall with good, small holds. | | | | |
| 7 | Merokamato | 1★ | 5c | 20m |
| Easy until the mid-point then a nice final passage. | | | | |
| 8 | Project | ?★ | ? | ? m |
| 9 | Tsakali | 2★ | 6c+ | 20m |
| A hard start then a slab with crimps and an interesting end. | | | | |
| 10 | Diedriki Apati | 2★ | 6c+ | 20m |
| A challenging intro leads to an impressive corner. | | | | |
| 11 | Diedriki Apati Ext | 2★ | 7b | 45m |
| Only one bolt. Requires a full trad rack. | | | | |
| 12 | Boubou | 3★ | 6c | 20m |
| A wall with tufas. Easier for the tall. | | | | |
| 13 | Boubou Ext | 2★ | ? | 45m |
| Crimpy and sparsely bolted. | | | | |

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| 14 | Kritheas | 2★ | 7b+ | 20m |
| Nice moves on small holds and a slabby crux at the end. | | | | |
| 15 | Kritheas Ext | 2★ | ? | 45m |
| A sparsely-bolted project. | | | | |
| 16 | Myrtoo Pelagos | 3★ | 7a+ | 20m |
| A steep wall and small corner with tufas. | | | | |
| 17 | Myrtoo Pelagos Ext | 3★ | ? | 50m |
| A project up a crack and slab. | | | | |
| 18 | Kythera Sea | 2★ | ? | 20m |
| Another project, this time up a steep, runout wall. | | | | |
| 19 | Kythera Sea Ext | 2★ | ? | 50m |
| A project with only four bolts. Requires trad gear. | | | | |
| 20 | Agios Nikolaos | 3★ | 7c | 28m |
| Small tufas then an immaculate crimp wall. | | | | |
| 21 | Dimitra | 🎵 | 6c+ | 30m |
| Superb climbing in a groove with tufa blobs. A highlight! | | | | |
| 22 | Karydia | 2★ | 6b | 30m |
| Alternates between a groove and a corner with a late crux. | | | | |
| 23 | Opa | 1★ | 6c+ | 20m |
| A hard technical intro is followed by big holes. Watch out for loose rock. | | | | |
| 24 | Vourogorgis the Pirate | 1★ | 6a | 25m |
| As unpredictable as a pirate with balancy moves. Watch out for loose rock. | | | | |
| 25 | Vourogorgis the Pirate Ext | 2★ | 7b+ | 50m |
| A runout route. | | | | |
| 26 | Farmakotrifitis | 2★ | 6a+ | 30m |
| Highly-featured rock: big huecos, tufas, and a late crux. | | | | |
| 27 | Yogi Geoponos | 2★ | 6c+ | 28m |
| A technical start leads to a flake with delicate moves. | | | | |
| 28 | Melomeno Kotsi | 🎵 | 6c | 30m |
| Splendid groove climbing between rock colors, big holds and good rests! | | | | |
| 29 | Economist | 2★ | 6b+ | 25m |
| A corner, slab, and big corner flake. | | | | |



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| 30 | Voias | 2★ | 7b | 80m |
| 3 pitches. Pitch 1: 6c 30m. The best pitch, with a dyno and wall with good holds. Pitch 2: 7a 20m. Crimps and small finger holes. Pitch 3: 7b 30m. A slab and cruxy bulge with runout bolting. FA: H Orfanoudakis, 2010 | | | | |
| 31 | Cavo Malias | 2★ | 7a+ | 50m |
| 2 pitches. Pitch 1: 7a 30m. Dyno to the hole then continue on small holds. Runout! Pitch 2: 7a+ 20m. 2 bolts. Quite sharp with some tufas and finger holes. | | | | |
| 32 | Ripi Anemou | 3★ | 7c | 20m |
| An exciting blank line on a technical fingery wall. | | | | |
| 33 | Lelos | 1★ | 6b+ | 25m |
| A crack with “iffy” holds; easier 2nd part. So-so bolting. | | | | |
| 34 | O Kivos Erifithi | 1★ | 7a+ | 25m |
| A hard start, then a flake and slab. The first bolt is too high, and the rest of the bolting is not great, either. | | | | |
| 35 | Zobolo | 2★ | 6b+ | 25m |
| Interesting thin cracks, holes, and an easy final bulge. Poorly-bolted, though. | | | | |
| 36 | Neraida | 3★ | 5a | 15m |
| A short corner/ramp. | | | | |
| 37 | Neraida Ext | 3★ | 6a | 40m |
| A superb crack/corner. | | | | |
| 38 | Athinaios | 3★ | 6c | 28m |
| An easy corner start, then a hard crimp slab. | | | | |

EKPEDEFTIKES features an assortment of easy and mid-grade well-bolted training routes good for beginners, as well as some newer 2nd pitches (2016) from 6b–7b.

All routes were equipped by Dimitris Titopoulos, George Koukis and Dimitra Klaoudatou in 2009/2016, except "Moutsos", which was equipped by Dimitris Tsitsikas.

Climbing: Balancy slab and grey wall climbing.

Conditions: Best for spring, autumn and winter. Summer climbing is possible only in early morning.

☁ **Shade:** Only until 11:00. **Exposure:** SE

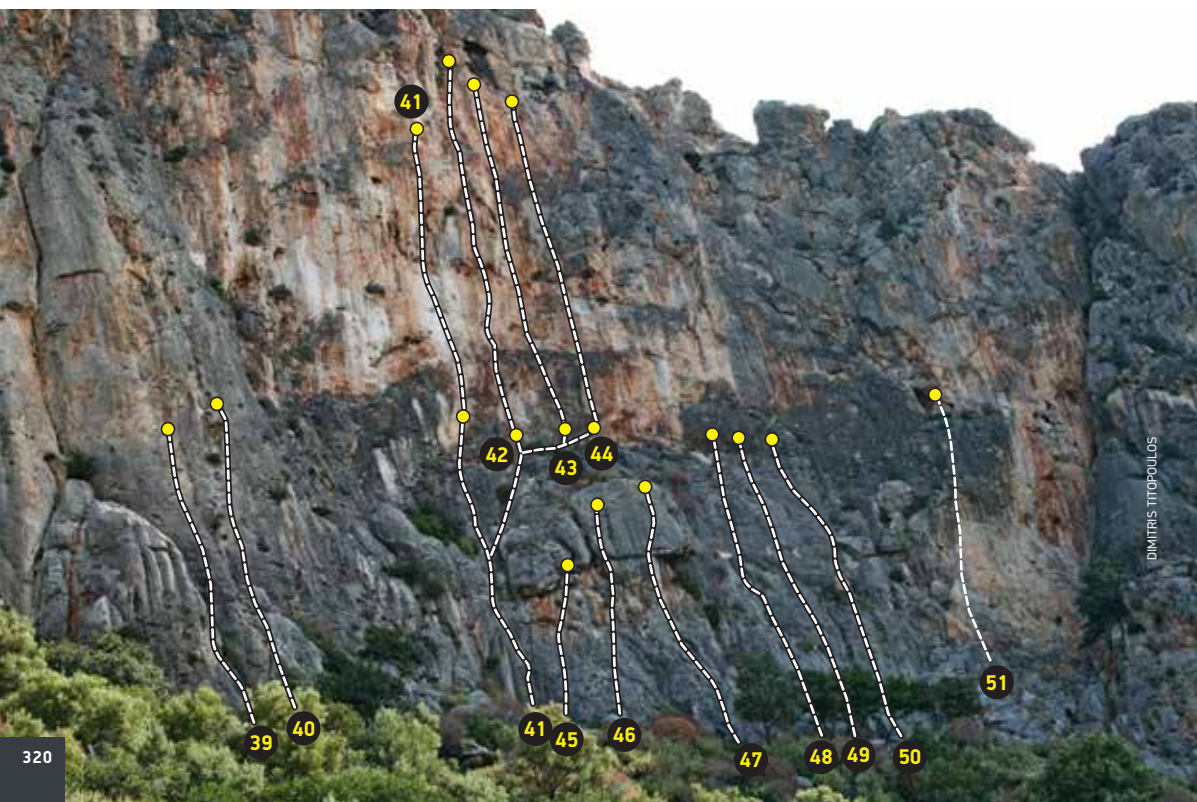
Approach: From the parking area, follow the obvious clear path to the cliff, then left.

Walking time: 11 min.

- 39 Axonas X** 2★ 5c 25m
An easy ramp and a balancy wall with good holds.
- 40 Scholarhio** 2★ 5c 25m
Wall and slab with good holds, crimps and finger holes.
- 41 Alfa Vita** 3★ 7b 40m
2 pitches. Pitch 1: 5c, 20m. Easier 2nd part, but not very well-bolted and the anchor is not easily clippable. Pitch 2: 7b, 20m. Wall with small pockets then bulge with slopers and side holds.
- 42 Litisios Apollon** 3★ 6c+ 25m
Small corner then thin wall and crack. To belay, start up Pitch 1 of "Alfa Vita" then go to the anchor to the right.
- 43 Silinos** 3★ 6b+ 25m
Pocketed wall + corner, steep finish. To belay, start up Pitch 1 of "Alfa Vita" then go to the anchor to the right.
- 44 Maleatas** 3★ 6b 23m
Wall, corner and thin crack. To belay, start up Pitch 1 of "Alfa Vita" then go to the anchor to the right.

- 45 Skonaki** 1★ 5a 12m
Easy climbing with an interesting finale.
- 46 Exisosi** 2★ 6a+ 15m
A technical bulge with slopers and small holes.
- 47 Provlima** 2★ 6a+ 20m
A hard bulgy crux and a reachy move with hidden footholds.
- 48 Apovoli** 1★ 5c 30m
An easy entry but a balancy exit from the corner.
- 49 Kopana** 2★ 5b 30m
A well-bolted slab, good for beginners.
- 50 Bougelo** 2★ 5b 30m
Another easy climb with one body-jamming move.
- 51 Moutsos** 1★ 6c 25m
A slab leading to a steep, sharp headwall. Then, a bouldery move on crimps and bad footholds.

- 52 Captain** 2★ 6b+ 28m
An early crux on hidden crimps leads to fun climbing on a well-pocketed red wall.
- 53 Emmanuella** 2★ 6a 30m
A classic corner climb.
- 54 Microepemvasi** 2★ 5c+ 25m
Good holds at first, then a slabby, foot-smearing crux.
- 55 Finikodasos** 2★ 6a 20m
A slab with pockets, crimps, holes and good friction.
- 56 Apolithomeno Dasos** 2★ 6b 28m
An easy first section leads to a harder crimp slab.
- 57 Ripeos Anemos** 2★ 6c 28m
A technical, balancy second part follows an easier start.
- 58 Antipnea** 3★ 6a 28m
Becomes balancy on crimps and slopers as you go up.



DIMITRIS TITOPOULOS



EKPEDEFTIKES

PROTOS TIHOS is the first cliff the path comes to. There are 10 routes on vertical and slightly sharp rock as well as a 3-pitch line up the distinctive groove. Most routes were equipped by Dimitris Titopoulos, George Koukis and Dimitra Klaoudatou in 2009.

Climbing: Balancy slab and grey wall climbing.



PROTOS TIHOS

Conditions: Best for spring, autumn and winter climbing. Summer climbing is possible only in early morning.

☁ **Shade:** Only until 11:00. **Exposure:** SE

Approach: From the parking area, follow the obvious well-maintained path to the cliff then traverse to the left. **Walking time:** 8 min.

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| 59 | Rizmari | 2★ | 5c | 70m |
| 3 pitches. A well-bolted natural line. Pitch 1: 5c 15m. Corner technique and hidden pockets. Pitch 2: 5b 25m. Slab and ramp with small holds. Pitch 3: 5c 25m. Fun corner moves on well-pocketed red rock. FA: D Titopoulos, 2012 | | | | |
| 60 | Neo Melos | 2★ | 6a+ | 25m |
| Corner with big holds then wall with small pockets and unusual flakes. | | | | |
| 61 | Bara | 2★ | 5a | 15m |
| Nice and easy, full of pockets and absorbing moves. | | | | |
| 62 | Kyla o Kyla | 1★ | 5c+ | 25m |
| Interesting and not very obvious after the ledge. | | | | |
| 63 | Faros | 1★ | 6a | 25m |
| Nice start on big pockets then an intriguing slabby wall. | | | | |
| 64 | En Plo | 2★ | 5c+ | 25m |
| Big holds at the start followed by a crimpy slab. | | | | |
| 65 | Lepida | 2★ | 6a | 22m |
| Big pockets and very thin flakes, sharp as <i>lepides</i> (blades). | | | | |
| 66 | Nysteri | 2★ | 6a+ | 18m |
| Steep wall climbing with big but sharp holds. | | | | |
| 67 | Peri Orexeos | 1★ | 5c+ | 18m |
| Vertical red rock with small pockets and a cruxy start. | | | | |
| 68 | Rizimia | 1★ | 5c | 18m |
| Small pockets followed by bigger—but sharp—holds. | | | | |
| 69 | Diava | 1★ | 5c | 18m |
| Easy climbing on good, sharp holds. | | | | |



Above, the main stretch of south-facing cliffs. Below, Dimitris Titopoulos climbs the superb "Dimitra" 6c+ (page XXX). PHOTOS: CLAUDE REMY



EAST ZOBOLO is a long, shady escarpment which is especially popular. It features more than 40 routes up to 20-25m high, the majority of which are in the easy and mid-grades. Additionally, the cliffs get shade in the afternoon. Routes were primarily equipped by Dimitris Titopoulos and Dimitra Klaoudatou in 2011, with additional equipping by George Koukis, Dimitris Tsitsikas, Panayotis Livanos and Yannis Delakovias. The last five routes, along with "Livanos" and "Pantelis" were equipped by Claude + Christine Remy.

Climbing: Mostly balancy, fingery climbing on red and grey rock which is occasionally rough.

Conditions: Good for afternoon climbing in warmer months.

☁ **Shade:** After 14:00. **Exposure:** E

Approach: From the parking area, follow the well-maintained path to sector Protos Tihos (8 min) and keep walking to the right for another 6-7 min.

Walking time: 15 min.



1 Zoogonos Arhi 2★ 5b 20m
A wide corner with good holds.

2 Xefytrose 2★ 5a 18m
Easy, steady climbing up the groove.

3 Laconiki Pantofla 1★ 5c 15m
Sharp rock, big holds, and a hard exit from the bulge.

4 Super Kokos 2★ 5c 18m
Sandpaper-like slab with big pockets and underclings.

5 Kokomat 2★ 5c 18m
A slab with small pockets and a crux after the ledge.

6 Malako Agori 1★ 5c+ 18m
A fingery crimp crux after the ledge.

7 Apse Svise 1★ 5c 18m
An easy corner start leads to a crux later on.

8 Edema Herion 1★ 6b 18m
Starts hard, then eases off.

9 Tsouloufi 1★ 5c 18m
Easy corner until the bulge. Not so easy to clip the anchor.

10 Ligo Aristera, Ligo Dexia 1★ 5c 18m
A harder start, then a ramp and fun headwall.

11 Alati kai Piperi 1★ 6b 20m
Varied, sharp and sustained all the way.

12 Tyhaia Selida 2★ 6b+ 18m
Nice climbing on good pockets and a great finale.

13 Mavros Karharias 3★ 6c+ 20m
Beware of the shark's teeth! Huecos and foot friction.

14 Mnimonio 2★ 7a+ 22m
Easy until the overhang then bouldery on small pockets.

15 Alodapi Xanthia 2★ 6b+ 20m
A slab leads to a tempting, bulging wall.

16 Veloudini Idea 2★ 6a+ 20m
A sharp slab then big underclings and foot smearing.

17 Idiki Periptosi 3★ 6a+ 22m
The slab leads to an absorbing headwall.

18 Drouli, Drouli 2★ 6b 20m
A reachy crack, then crimps and friction to the final wall.

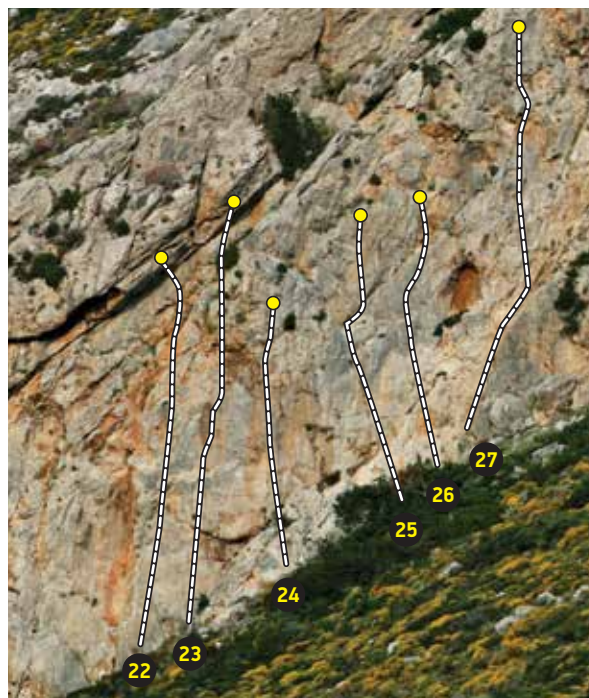
19 Neapoli 2★ 6a+ 18m
A good flake leads to a sloping finish.

20 Vatika 2★ 5c 20m
Pleasant climbing on good pockets and flakes. The anchor is harder to clip for the short.

21 Drakos 3★ 6a+ 20m
Start with a nice red corner, but watch out for the dragon (*drakos*) at the end.

- 22 Balarina** 2★ 5c 16m
Balancy with crimps and flakes.
- 23 Plaketofagos** 1★ 6b+ 18m
A hard, fingery start, then sustained climbing all the way.
- 24 Konti** 1★ 6c 12m
Short, tough and fingery.
- 25 Panigyrtzides** 1★ 6b+ 15m
Sustained wall climbing on small and slippery holds.
- 26 Arhaia Vromi** 2★ 6a 15m
Gets harder and more beautiful as you go up.
- 27 Besas** 1★ 6a+ 22m
A diagonal crack, hard bulge, edges and hidden holds.
- 28 Ypsili Piesi** 2★ 7a+ 18m
An easy start, then fingery with an elegant finale.
- 29 Akrotiri** 2★ 6b+ 18m
A delightful, pocketed headwall.
- 30 Livanos** 2★ 6c+ 18m
A slab then wall, and gripping moves up the tufa.
- 31 Pantelis** 1★ 6a+ 12m
Slab climbing on good pockets.
- 32 Pantelis Ext** 2★ ? 25m
Was a nice 7a until a good flake broke. Early crux.
- 33 Klotho** 3★ 6c+ 18m
Enticing and sustained climbing with small pockets, crimps and slopers.
- 34 Lachesis** 2★ 6c+ 18m
Similar to #33: continuous and rewarding.
- 35 Atropos** 2★ 7a+ 18m
A blank, crimpy wall.
- 36 Katsapias** 2★ 5c 30m
A long corner with a pleasant second part.

- 37 Spilia ton Zoon** 1★ 6c 28m
An impressive cave with corner-style climbing, and a hard headwall with sharp finger pockets.
- 38 Athinaios 2** 2★ 6a+ 18m
Good cracks and holds on steep red rock.
- 39 O Pinakas tou Nikou** 2★ 6b 30m
Good holds on red rock. You can lower from #40 to protect your rope.
- 40 BB 2** 2★ 6a+ 25m
An easy start, then good cracks and holds.



- 41 Mono Mati** 2★ 6a+ 18m
A bit sharp, but pleasant wall and crack climbing.
- 42 M M (Motörhead-Metallica)** 1★ 6a+ 18m
Start by #43, cross the vertical wall, then finish by #41.
- 43 Katie** 3★ 6a+ 18m
Sharp again, but steady climbing on good rock.



Dimitris Titopoulos
on the great upper
part of "Tyhaia Selida"
6b+ (previous page).
PHOTO: CLAUDE REMY

HIONI is not easy to get to, but it is a beautiful crag with lots of variety and shade. Routes were equipped in 2011/12, mostly by Dimitris Titopoulos, Yiannis Torelli, Dimitris Tsitsikas, Yiannis Delakovias, Panayotis Livanos, Giorgos Aliferis and Yiannis Rekas. "Ti Kaneis" was equipped in 2013 by Claude + Christine Remy.

Climbing: A bit of everything. Beginner slabs, red walls with amazing mid-grade climbs, and "insane" tufa caves.

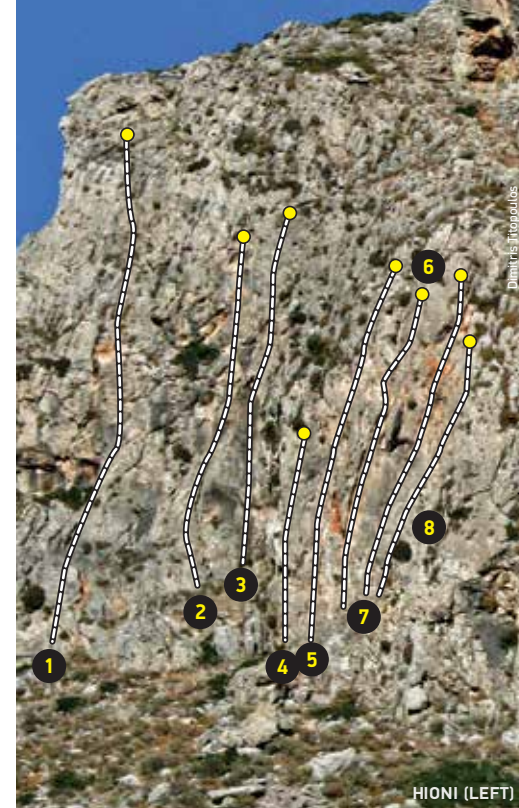
Conditions: Best for spring, autumn and winter climbing. Summer climbing is possible until early afternoon.

☁ **Shade:** Until 14:00. **Exposure:** W

Approach: Follow the directions to Zobolo (page XXX). When you are on the dirt road, do not turn off left to the parking area. Instead, continue on the dirt road heading east. After 350m, turn left. Continue approx. 1.3km to a fork in the dirt road. At the fork, go left. Continue for about 2.3km and park on the big bend (36.454496, 23.152564.) The road is bumpy and rough, but if you drive slowly you can make it even without a 4x4 vehicle. Then, follow the well-defined path. **Walking time:** 5 min.



A busy day at East Zobolo (previous page). PHOTO: CLAUDE REMY



HIONI (LEFT)



Dimitris Titopoulos

- 1 Aeraki** 1★ 5c 30m
2 pitches. A good multi-pitch practice for beginners.
Pitch 1: 5c 15m. Reachy moves to big pockets. Watch out for loose rock at the start. **Pitch 2:** 5b 15m. Easier, with good jugs.
- 2 Iero Homa** 1★ 5c+ 20m
Unusual climbing.
- 3 Skouloumountria** 2★ 6a 20m
A grey corner, then a pocketed slab.
- 4 Xepeta** 1★ 5c+ 10m
A "quickie" climb up a sustained wall.
- 5 Teres** 1★ 5c 18m
Two slabs. The second is better, with good pockets.
- 6 Kourasmenos** 1★ 5c 18m
A corner with good cracks. Climb the slab from the right to avoid loose rock.
- 7 Tza** 1★ 5b 18m
Two corners, each a different color.

- 8 Paidiki** 1★ 4b 15m
A low-angle wall with big holds, suitable for children.
- 9 Paroligo** 1★ 6b 35m
An easy ramp then a steep slab + wall with varied climbing.
- 10 Hortastiki** 2★ 6b+ 35m
A long, sustained, varied climb.
- 11 Entasi** 2★ 7a+ 28m
A line with a challenging upper part.
- 12 Kaligoulas** 3★ 7a+ 28m
A slab with slopers leads to a bulge with good holds. Then, a hard headwall after the ledge.
- 13 Antidoto** 3★ 7a 25m
Fantastic, on red featured rock with a hard crimp finale.
- 14 Ti Kaneis** 3★ 7b 35m
Overhanging with good holds all the way, except for a short section and the last move.



Above, Dimitris Tsitsikas narrowly escapes the jaws of "Mavros Karharias" 6c+ (page XXX).
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Below, Dimitra Kladoulatou climbs "Kopana" 5b (page XXX). PHOTO: DIMITRIS TITOPOULOS



HIONI (RIGHT)

15	AAT	1★	?	35m
A project in the small cave to the left. Not pictured.				
16	Skourkofovia	3★	?	20m
Stalactites, a crack and a roof!				
17	Varitita	3★	?	18m
A "wicked" overhang but quite runout.				
18	Skotini Energeia	3★	?	18m
Steep rock with stalactites and runout bolting.				
19	Spitha	2★	7b	17m
Overhanging rock with flakes, slopers and small pockets, but runout bolting.				
20	Tsak Bam	1★	6b	10m
An open corner.				

21	Hrysa	1★	6c+	20m
A natural line with edges and slopers.				
22	Vrachys Aion	2★	7a+	20m
Tough upper and spaced bolting, due to unsuitable rock.				
23	Klios	2★	6c+	15m
Several small bulges. Not easy for the short to clip the anchor.				
24	Stagdin Vradeos	2★	6c+	16m
A red wall with small holds and bigger features at the end.				
25	Ora Aixmis	2★	6a+	16m
A popular climb with a rather hard start followed by big spaced pockets all the way.				

26	Katalili	3★	6b	20m
Varied climbing for all tastes, with wall, corner, and a small cave.				
27	Diavgia	2★	6b+	20m
An easy ramp followed by a sustained, thin wall.				
28	Poiitis	2★	6a	20m
Nice moves to the crux. Left or right?				
29	Tetarti Stasi	2★	7a	20m
Sustained wall with sidepulls, slopers and crimps.				
30	Korali	3★	7a+	18m
Beautiful! A hard start on tufa blobs and sustained climbing to the end.				