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Ziria



About

Ziria is not a village but the mountain massif of ancient Kyllini, in western Corinthia: the second highest mountain in the Peloponnese, with its summit at 2,376 metres. The point on this page lies on its high plateaus, 44 km west of Corinth and about 19 km from Derveni.

What to expect

The **Flambouritsa valley**, a Natura 2000 protected area, divides the mountain into Greater and Lesser Ziria (2,117 m). The Sythas river rises here before reaching the sea at Xylokastro, and rare species such as the golden eagle find refuge in the valley. At 1,600 metres, from autumn to spring, **Lake Dasios** forms, one of the highest lakes in Greece, where the mountain's free-roaming horses come to cool off in summer. On the eastern side, at 1,750 metres, is the **Cave of Hermes**, where myth says the god was born.

In winter

At 1,500 metres the small **Ziria ski centre** operates, with a chalet, equipment hire and two runs. The road climbs from Xylokastro via Trikala.

Closest points

- Cave of Hermes — 784 m
- Kyllini (Ziria) — 3.2 km
- Perdikoula — 3.2 km
- Koutsiferi — 3.7 km

Practical notes

- Snow chains are needed in winter; mountain weather changes quickly.
- The trails and the summit call for experience, a map and proper equipment.
- You are in a protected area: take your litter with you and do not disturb the animals.

Useful information

Best time to visit	April–June & September–October (mild, uncrowded)

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