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Kaisari



About

Kaisari is a mountain village on the slopes of Mount Ziria, 32.5 km west of Corinth and about 14.9 km from Xylokastro.

What to expect

The village stands on the eastern slopes of Mount Kyllini (Ziria) at about 880 metres and had 354 permanent residents in the 2021 census. On a hill to the south-west are the ruins of the 'Goulas', a medieval round tower. The area is also home to the Monastery of the Dormition of the Virgin (Panagia Kaisariotissa), built around 1800, with a fine carved iconostasis from 1920.

Closest points

- Klimenti — 811 m
- Goulas of Kaisari — 1.7 km
- Velina — 3 km
- Chouni — 4.3 km

History and character

The village is dominated by the church of the Transfiguration of the Saviour. A plane tree more than a century old stands in the stone-paved square.

The medieval tower of Goulas, on the hill south-west of the village, overlooks the pass from the Kaisari valley to Stymfalia and is within sight of other castles in the area.

Practical notes

- Mountain road: in winter there may be snow or ice.
- A good base for walks on the slopes of Mount Ziria.
- At the monastery, dress modestly and respect visiting hours.

Useful information

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

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