

A PRIVATE VILLA POOL. *RIGHT*: THE VILLA ENTRANCE AREA. *EAR RIGHT*: SECULDED BAYSIDE DINING; ALL AT NAFPLIA PALACE HOTEL AND VILLAS



ABOVE: A FIRESIDE JACUZZI IN AN EXECUTIVE VILLA. *BELOW:* AN AMBASSADOR VILLA BEDROOM WITH BATH





Enjoy a view beyond compare at Nafplia Palace Hotel & Villas, set in an ancient Greek fortress

The picturesque Greek fortress Akronafplia has seen many invaders come and go over the centuries. It dates back to 3BC, when it was established as a town in its own right, and was later transformed into part of the city of Nafplion's fortifications. It is now home to one of the world's most remarkable and luxurious resorts, which is open all year round and boasts breathtaking views over the Argolic Gulf.

A short tour of Nafplia Palace's 33 newly renovated villas, each with its own unique character, and a glance at the outdoor pool, nestled between ancient fortress walls and miles of spectacular coastline, will tell you all you need to know about Nafplia Palace Hotel & Villas – a more seductive view would be hard to find. The resort is also extremely well equipped, featuring state-of-the-art facilities. Villas are provided with luxuries such as private pools, home cinemas and pivoting fireplaces; and, with their marble floors, hydro-jets, chromotherapy bathtubs and Hermès products, each bathroom is transformed into a personal spa. A dedicated spa and fitness suite will also be opening at the resort in 2007.

The spectacular amphitheatre of Epidauros, host to a fabulous annual theatre festival, is only a 20 minute drive and a perfect place to explore ancient Greek history. After your visit, stroll to the nearby beach or explore the delights of Nafplion old town. Try ouzo and mezze in Syntagma Square, or go all-out with an à la carte dinner at the hotel's Amimoni restaurant, where you can enjoy fine Greek wines and delicious black taglioni with shrimps and saffron sauce, as well as live music and breathtaking views of the bay. *Nafplia Palace Hotel & Villas, Akronafplia, Pelopponese, Greece (+30 27520 70800; reservations@nafplionhotels.gr; www.nafpliapalace.gr)*.



ABOVE: A BATHROOM IN AN AMBASSADOR VILLA. *BELOW*: A PRIVATE POOL WITH SEA VIEWS

