Cyprus

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Cyprus Overview

- The eastern Mediterranean island of Cyprus has a rich, turbulent history stretching back to antiquity. Many countries have fought to control the island. The most recent fight was in 1974 and has resulted in a divided island with both Greece and Turkey claiming the island.
- Known for its beaches, it has a rugged interior with wine-growing regions.
- It is separated into a Greek south and Turkish north. The capital city Nicosia also divided.
- Coastal Paphos is famed for its archaeological sites relating to the cult of Aphrodite, including ruins of palaces, tombs and mosaic-adorned villas.

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United Nations Buffer Zone
UK Sovereign Base Area
30 mi
30 km
Rizokarpaso
Korucam Peninsula
Kyrenia
Karpasia Peninsula
Morfou Bay
Northern Cyprus
Morphou
Famagusta Bay
Akamas Peninsula
Nicosia
Famagusta
Cyprus
Mt. Olympus
Polis
Republic of Cyprus
Ayia Napa
Troodos Mtns.
Larnaca
Kiti
Vasilikos
Paphos
Episkopi
Limassol
Episkopi Bay
Akrotiri Peninsula
Mediterranean Sea
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LOW / HILLS / MOUNTAINS

Top Attractions

- The many archaeological and antiquities sites
- the beautiful coastline of the island
- Nicosia, the capital as it has a wealth of history, preserved Venetian walls surrounding the city—it is the only divided capital city in the world.
- Pafos, especially the mosaics

Kolossi Castle

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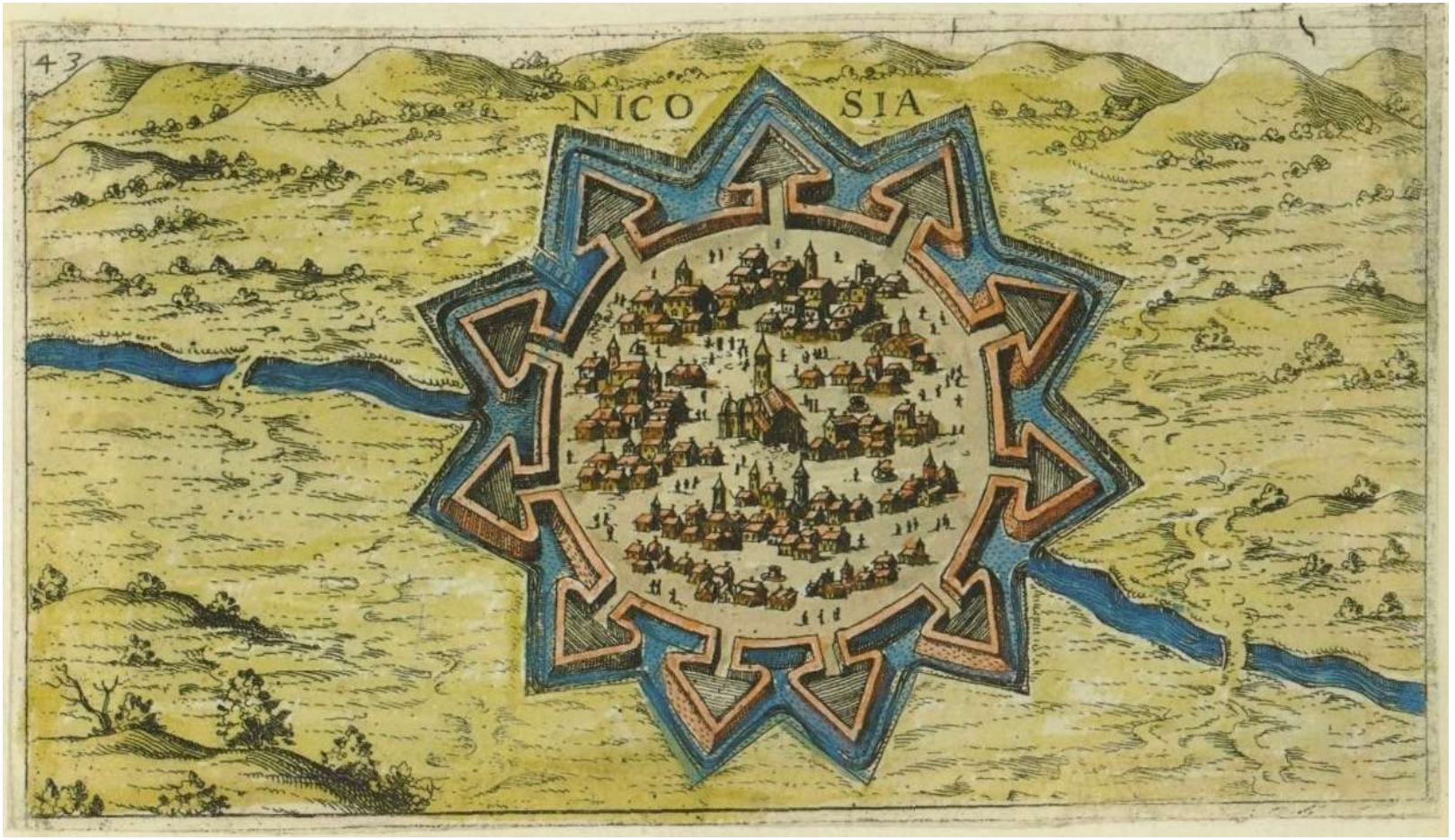
Letkosa Old Town Diagram It is now part of the capital city of Nicosia Photo Wikipedia Creative Commons Attribution



Ancient Pafos—birth place of Aphrodite

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Paphos Castle

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St Hilarion Castle—it was the inspiration for Disney's Magic Kingdom Photo Wikipedia Creative Commons Attribution

Ancient Salamis Ruins

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Helpful Travel Info

- **Capital**
- **Languages**
- **Currency**
- **Size**
- **Best Buys**

- Nicosia
- Greek, turkish
- Euro
- 3,572 square miles
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More Travel Info

- **Drive On**
- **Tipping Practices**
- **Phone County Codes**
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- **From US to**
- **From other Europe country**

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- Taxis:
- Hotel Staff:
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- 011+357+Local number
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