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Plan of Hellas Open 2004 site & Rhodes Town



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◎ Central Court

○ Outside Courts

1 Town Hall

The Town Hall of Rhodes will house most of the services of the Hellas Open 2004.

2 National Theatre

The National Theatre was built in 1937 by an unknown architect in a unique combination of International and Fascist style. Originally called "Teatro Puccini", it is also a fine specimen of the cannabic technology (Finta Pietra) and the use of glass bricks masonry in Greece. Today it is still used as a theatre and cinema.

3 Prefecture

The Prefecture was built in 1927 by Italian architect Florestano de Fausto in a Venetian Gothic style and is ornately decorated on the outside on the side facing the sea. The side facing Town Hall Square has a colonnaded arcade. The building was formerly the Italian Governor's Palace. And now houses the Prefecture of the Dodecanese.

4 Cathedral

The Cathedral church of the Evangelismos (Annunciation) was built in 1925 on the model of the Knights' Church of St John in the Old Town (which was converted by the Turks into a mosque and destroyed when lightning hit its minaret in 1856). Adjacent is the bishop's residence.

5 Post Office

The Post Office is housed in an excellent specimen of the Renaissance Eclecticism and the "Finta Pietra" technology. Built during the first years of the Italian occupation by Italian architect Florestano di Fausto, it originally functioned as the Palazzo delle Poste, the Italian Post Office. It is still used as a Post Office by the Hellenic Post.

6 Port Authority

Situated next to the Post Office is the building of the Port Authority. Information on all sailings from Rhodes may be obtained here.

8 Police

The building housing the Police Headquarters of Rhodes forms the western boundary of the Town Hall Square.

7 Fountain

This fountain, outside the Cathedral, is a copy of the 13th Century Fontana Grande of Viterbo, Italy.

9 Mosque of Murad Reis, Ottoman Cemetery & Villa Cleobolus

The mosque of Murad Reis is named after the Turkish Admiral who was killed during the 1522 siege of Rhodes. It was fitted with a new minaret in the 1990s by the Greek Archaeological Service. Next to the mosque lies the Ottoman Cemetery and beyond that is the Villa Cleobolus, where Lawrence Durrell lived in the 1940s and wrote Reflections on a Marine Venus.

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1 Mandraki Harbour

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2 East Beach

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