

Costa Navarino presents “Hercules – Guardian of the Olympic Games”, a special summer show for families promoting the values of the Olympic Games and Fair Play

-Free events taking place throughout the summer on the biggest stage in the world for puppet theatre

4 August 2016, London – Costa Navarino, the prime sustainable destination located in the Greek region of Messinia, southwest Peloponnese, is pleased to present ‘Hercules – Guardian of the Olympic Games’, a new entertainment spectacle designed to enthrall and educate families this summer.

Adults and children alike will be captivated by the unique theatrical experience featuring marionettes reaching one metre high, creating a visual spectacle not to be missed. The original story includes Gods and demigods from Greek mythology, promoting the values of the Olympic Games and the importance of fair play. **Sample the show through the [video](#).**

A timely addition to Costa Navarino’s plentiful range of family activities set against the backdrop of the Summer Olympics in Rio, the puppet show invites families to join together whilst discovering ancient Greek mythology and the relation of Hercules to the region of Messinia.



Performances are offered for free, every Friday in English, throughout the summer until 10 September, at the Great Hall, Cosmos, at The Westin Resort Costa Navarino.

The story unfolds on the stage of the Greek Marionette Theatre, the longest established in Greece, having featured over 15,000 live performances since 1960. The biggest stage in the world for puppet theatre, the audience can reach a capacity of 300. An impressive set and costume design, extensive audio, lights and special effects systems, as well as a team of historians, educators and artists supporting the project, combine to create a unique entertaining and educational experience.

The vibrant culture and age-old traditions of Messinia are an essential element of the Costa Navarino experience. The destination supports a wide range of local groups, organisations, festivals and activities, embracing the entire spectrum of the local culture,

from food, wine, local products and celebrations to music, dance, arts, crafts, poetry, literature and architecture.

The goal is to preserve this priceless heritage, pass it down to future generations and invite visitors to come closer to the heart of Messinia and return home enriched with knowledge of its cultural heritage.

As well as cultural festivities, Costa Navarino encourages families to immerse themselves in outdoor living this summer with a range of sporting programmes and activities on offer including golfing at the destination's signature courses, racquet sports, hiking, rock climbing (indoor and outdoor at the nearby Proti islet), bike trekking, yachting and diving, Go Karting at the high standard race track of Navarino Speed Experience Park equipped with brand new CRG karts, kite surfing and other water sports, all to be enjoyed at a relaxed pace in a pristine natural setting.

Enjoying unparalleled hospitality, guests can choose as their base for a family break, to stay at one of the two luxury five-star hotels located at Costa Navarino's first resort area, Navarino Dunes: [The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort](#) or [The Westin Resort Costa Navarino](#).

Book now for summer 2016: Scott Dunn offers seven nights at The Romanos, A Luxury Collection Resort, Costa Navarino, from £1,975 per person. This is based on a family of four sharing on a half board basis and includes return flights and private transfers. To book: www.scottdunn.com / 0208 682 5040

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Costa Navarino is the prime, sustainable destination in the Mediterranean, located in the Greek region of Messinia in the southwest Peloponnese. One of the most unspoiled and breathtaking seaside Mediterranean landscapes, this area has been shaped by 4,500 years of history. Its philosophy is driven by a genuine desire to promote Messinia, while protecting and preserving its natural beauty and heritage. It will comprise a number of distinct sites featuring 5-star deluxe hotels, luxury residences, conference facilities, spa and thalassotherapy centres, signature golf courses, as well as a wide range of unique year-round activities for adults and children. Navarino Dunes, the first area, is home to two luxury 5-star hotels, [The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort](#) and [The Westin Resort Costa Navarino](#); The Dunes Course – the first signature golf course in Greece- Anazoe Spa, a 4,000sq.m. spa & thalassotherapy centre; the state-of-the-art conference centre House of Events; specially designed facilities for children; as well as a variety of gastronomy venues, sports, outdoor and cultural activities. Navarino Bay, the second area is home to the signature golf course, The Bay Course.

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