## <u>Aidipsos</u>

## The Location

Aidipsos is a village and a former municipality in Euboea, Greece. The municipality Aidipsos was founded in 1997 by the merger of the municipality Loutra Aidipsou with the communities Agios and Gialtra.



## **The Surrounding**

In the center of the village is the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin which is built since 1860, inaugurated in 1872 and is a basilica. The Church celebrates on the 15th of August, where a festival is organized and on the Eve a procession of the icon takes place.



Behind the square, on a small hill and next to the cemetery of Edipsos, is Saint Nicola's church. It dates back to before 1800, while its lowest entrance is typical, which was used during the Turkish occupation so that the Turks would not loot the temple.

A few meters higher is the church of Prophet Elias, in which traditional services are held on the Eve and on the day of his feast and whose view - the North Evia and the area of Edipsos - is magnificent.



On the southwest side of the village, on a hill is the primary school of the village, which was built in 1930. It was first used after the Second World War. It is a stone building and boasts a big yard with a basketball court, a football field and an open theatre for the school shows.

The beach of the village of Edipsos is Agios Nikolaos, an area with beautiful beaches and seaside taverns, pizzerias and

cafes / bars. There is also a church of the same name, with a long history. On the day of the Epiphany, the sanctification of the waters takes place.



Outside Edipsos, on the mountain, is the church of Agia Paraskevi, which is especially worshiped by the locals, with

several women bearing the name of the Saint. The view of the area is idyllic. The relatively newly built church has been built a few meters away from the old one, for which the only elements available are some stones.



We also have the thermal springs that are located in Loutra, which Aidipsos is famous for. Thousands of visitors and tourists come to Aidipsos all year round to enjoy the spa facilities. The economy of the area is mainly based on the thermal spa.

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