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 to the prefectures of Achaia and Corinthia and is bounded bythe watersheds of the rivers Vouraikos, Krathis, Aroanios Ladon and the coastal zone of Diakopto, with a total area of
647.000 acres. The Global Geopark of Chelmos-Vouraikos is 647.000 acres. The Global Geopark of Chelmos-Vouraikos is
one of the five regions of the country that have joined the UNESCO Global Geopark Network. So far the Network con-
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tional and tourist infrastructure such as the Cave of the Lakes with its 13 amazing underground lakes, the spring waters of
the Aroanios river in Planitero, the Gorge of Vouraikos river the Aroanios river in Planitero, the Gorge of Vouraikos river
with the outstanding Diakopto-Kalavrita Odontotos rack railway, the beautiful mountain lakes of Tiviou and Doxa, the mythical water of Styx, the facilities of the Environmental Ed-
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Center, the Aristarchos Telescope etc. The enormous ecologCenter, the Aristarchos Telescope etc. The enormous ecologrichness, as it hosts a great number of plant and animal species. Responsible for the conservation and protection of the Geopark is the Management Body of Chelmos-Vouraikos,
established in 2002 and supervised by the Ministry of Enviestablished in 2002 and supervised by the Ministry of Envi-
ronment and Energy. Some of its important actions are the Geodiversity and Biodiversity conservation, the organization of environmental education programs as well as the guided
tours within the Geopark. Through the great success of the region's designation by a Global Organization such as
UNE of this region as a major tourist destination and for the sustainable local development are strengthened.












The geosites of Chelmos-Vouraikos are found scattered all over the area of the Geopark. So far, 40 geosites (o) have been featured, including unique rock formations, important fossil sites, caves and other karst formations, gorges, lignite depos-
its, rocks with impressive folds and faults, particularly important for the natural environment water forms (lakes, rivers, springs), elements of human interaction with the relief, all of which make up the history of Earth and man in the Geopark.


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## CHELMOS MOUNTAIN， $\mathbf{2 . 3 5 5 m}$

 Chelmos or Aroania mountains are the highest mountain chain of Pelo－ ponnesus（highest peak Psili Korfi）． At its eastern side the widd and steepcliffs of Styx are found（mythical water of Styx）．According to the an－ cient Greeks the water of this spring－

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CAVE OF THE LAKES， 827 m
It is located at the village of Kastria close to the town of Kalavryta，pre－ leological interest．A natural monu－ ment，unique as a cave due to the thirteen echelon underground lakes The explored part of the cave is 1.980 meters，of which 500 meters are accessible to the public for
guided visits． guided visits．

MEGA SPILAIO， 899 m ．
Across the Vouraikos gorge we come across the holy Mega Spilaio monastery，built at a spectacular langlomerate rock cliff at the en－ trance of a rock shelter．The monas－ ery was founded at this location in 362 A．D．

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 The sophisticated Aristarchos tele－ scope of the National Observatory of Athens，the largest of the Baikans and the second largest of continenta Europe，has been placed on the second highest peak of Chelmos， areas of EuropeLAKE DOXA， 900 m
Lake Doxa is located at Feneos Pla－ fir，oak and black pine trees It is an fir，oak and black pine trees．It is an
artificial lake（reservoir）which was built to cover the irrigation needs of the Feneos valley．

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## VOURAIKOS GORGE

The Diakopto－Kalavryta Odontotos The Diakopto－Kalavryta Odontotos rack railway，with its route through the gorge of Vouraikos River con－
sist some of the most important at－ tractions of the country．The rack railway track is also followed by the international E4 trail．The river，with a length of 40 km ，springs at moun Chelmos and outfalls at Diakopto．


