USEFUL INFORMATION

How to reach Patras

You can reach Patras from abroad by plane via Athens International Airport.

Athens International Airport

Athens International Airport (www.aia.gr) is the best solution for reaching Greece / Patras from abroad, as there are regular flights from all over Europe and overseas. The distance from Athens airport to Patras is 230 km and detailed information for the trip to Patras is following.

Athens International Airport to Patras

There are four ways to reach Patras from Athens International Airport: **a)** by bus, **b)** by combination of train and bus, **c)** by car rental and **d)** by taxi.

A) Bus

The first option is to get on a bus from Kifisos Bus Station (KTEL), which is the main bus station in Athens. There are buses to Patras approximately every thirty minutes and the journey duration is 2.5 hours (Express Buses) and 3 hours (Normal Buses). An approximate price for one-way trip is 20 Euro (return ticket can also be purchased).

From Athens to Patras

Athens to Patras	Athens to Patras
Express Buses - Daily Timetable	Normal Buses - Daily Timetable
06.30	05.30
08.30	07.15
10.30	08.00
12.30	09.00
14.30	10.00
16.30	11.00
17.30	12.00
18.30	13.00
19.30	14.00
	15.00
	16.00
	17.00
	18.00
	19.00
	20.15
	21.15
	22.00

Telephone Number for reservations: 0030 210 5147310

Site: www.ktelachaias.gr

There are two alternatives to reach Kifisos Bus Station (KTEL) from Athens International Airport. Firstly, is to take a taxi and go directly to Kifisos Bus Station (KTEL), the taxi will cost you about 45-50 Euros. Secondly, is to use the bus number **X93** which will take you directly to Kifisos Bus Station (KTEL) and will cost you 6,00 Euros (you can buy the ticket from the driver of the bus). There are frequent services from Athens International Airport, approximately every 30-40 minutes. More information can be found at www.athensairportbus.com.

B) Train and Bus combination

In this option you will have to take the suburban railway (Proastiakos) from Athens airport to Kiato (distance about 120 km and duration: 1h30) and then the direct connection by bus from Kiato to Patras (duration: 1h30). The timetables below will help you in order to reduce the waiting time between arrivals and departures.

From Athens Airport to Patras

Airport -> Athens metro/ Piraeus -> Kiato -> Patras						
Airport	Doukissis	Piraeus	Piraeus	Kiato	Kiato	Patras
departure	Plakentias	arrival	departure	arrival	departure	arrival
	(Connection to					
	the Athens					
	metro)					
05:52	06:10		06:17	07:55	08:30	10:00
06:09	06:27	07:09	07:17	08:55	10:30	12:10
06:52	07:10		08:17	09:55	12:30	14:00
07:09	07:27	08:09	09:17	10:55	13:30	15:10
07:52	08:10		10:17	11:55	14:30	16:00
08:09	08:27	09:09	11:17	12:55	16:30	18:10
08:52	09:10		12:17	13:55	17:30	19:00
09:09	09:27	10:09	13:17	14:55	18:30	20:10
09:52	10:10		14:17	15:55	19:30	21:00
10:09	10:27	11:09	15:17	16:55	20:30	22:00
10:52	11:10		16:17	17:55		
11:09	11:27	12:09	17:17	18:55		
11:52	12:10		18:17	19:55		
12:09	12:27	13:09	19:17	20:55		
12:52	13:10		20:17	21:55		
13:09	13:27	14:09	21:17	22:55		
13:52	14:10		22:17	23:55		
14:09	14:27	15:09				
14:52	15:10					
15:09	15:27	16:09				
15:52	16:10					
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18:09	18:27	19:09		
18:52	19:10			
19:09	19:27	20:09		
19:52	20:10			
20:09	20:27	21:09		
20:52	21:10			
21:09	21:27	22:09		
22:09	22:27			
22:50	23:10	23:13		

The price for the suburban railway (Proastiakos) is 14 Euros (for one-way trip). The price for the bus (Kiato-Patras) is 16 Euros (for one-way trip).

C) Car rental

The third option to get to Patras is to rent a car. You can rent a car at Athens International Airport. The distance is 230 km and it is approximately 2.5-3 hours driving.

Six car rental companies currently operate at Athens International Airport with offices located at the Arrivals level. The car rental area is within walking distance from the Main Terminal Building, located at the northern side of the building.

COMPANY	WEB SITE	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
AVIS	http://www.avis.gr	(+30) 210 3530578-9 & 210 3531432
Budget.	http://www.budget.gr	(+30) 210 3530553-5
Europear	http://www.europcar- greece.gr	(+30) 210 9735000
LIGHT	http://www.hertz.gr	(+30) 210 3534900
≋National CarRental. Alamo	http://www.nationalcar.gr	(+30) 210 3533323-4 & 210 3533354
SIXT	http://www.sixt.gr/en/	(+30) 210 3530576 & 210 3530556

D) Taxi

Final option in order to get to Patras is to take a taxi from Athens International Airport directly to Patras. This option is the most expensive, as the one-way cost is about 250 Euros.