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Award of Merit, Residential/Hospitality: Four Seasons Astir Palace Hotel Athens



An overhead view of the property featuring the two hotels, Arion and Nafsika, on the Astir Peninsula in Athens.

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Athens, Greece

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Owner: Astir Palace Vouliagmenis SA

Lead Design Firm: Meyer Davis Studio Inc.

General Contractor: AKTOR

Structural Engineer: Helliniki Meletitiki S.A.

MEP Engineer: LDK Engineering Consultants S.A.

Local Architect: AETER Architects

Landscape Architects: EDSA and Doxiadis Plus

Project Manager: Hill International Inc.

Consultants: Martin Brudnizki Design Studio; HIDI Group

This renovation of the iconic Astir palace hotel, originally built in the 1960s, transformed it into a modern Four Seasons property. The project consists of two hotels, Arion and Nafsika, with 303 rooms and 58 luxury bungalows. The 75-acre development, which sits on the shoreline of the Aegean Sea, also includes restaurants, infinity pools, conference and event space, beaches and other amenities. The project team worked to preserve the historic elements of the hotel while upgrading the surrounding facilities.

Executed during a time of turbulence for Greece, this project's foreign investment helped invigorate the local economy, create jobs and set a precedent for attracting additional investments into the country.

Safety seminars were provided to all members of the team and helped to deliver the project with no major incidents during the more than 2 million worker hours.

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