



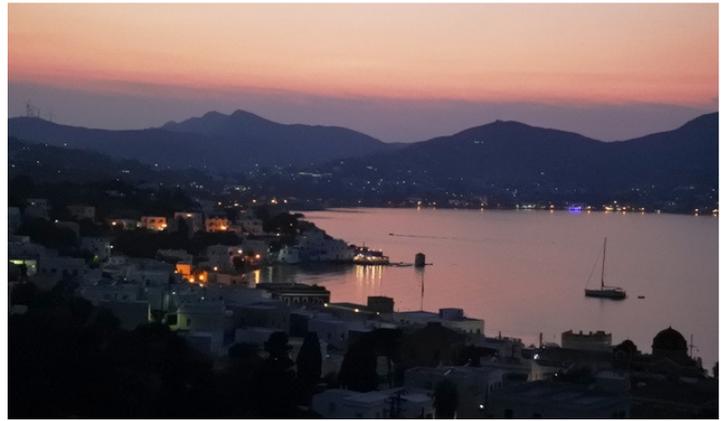
*Old Friends and New at the House on the Hill  
Leros, 2018*



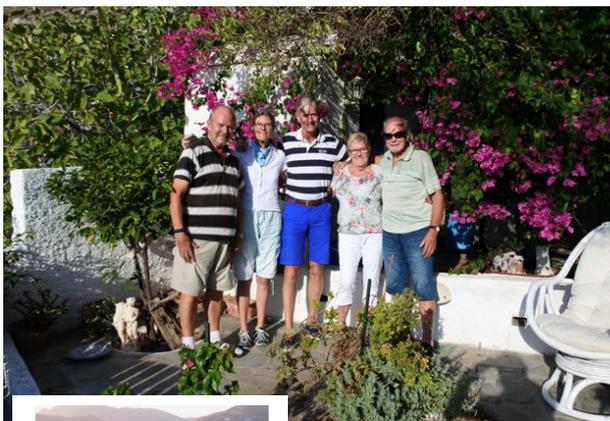
Barb & Neil with Klaus and Ute, former neighbours who live on Leros. Always so much fun to be with.



Much remains unchanged on Leros, which is how we like it though new shops, bars or cafes pop up from time to time, so there is not a lot to report. But what *is* nice is that our little island still remains as beguiling as when we found it, the locals are as warm as ever, the food as good, the beaches as unspoiled...and, happily our friends and family still seem to like it, too. It makes it even more special to be able to share it and know that others see what we see...and love it, too. This year, Hanne and Werner came back to enjoy the island again, as well as my sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and Neil, who made the long journey from the west coast of Canada for the second time. It was great to be able to celebrate a couple of milestones together! We really enjoyed every minute of those visits. A big thank you to all for coming and sharing Leros with us.



It was also a pleasure to be able to invite Erik and Leni Schroll from the good ship "Andrea" who finally made it all the way to Leros from Denmark in the footsteps of Havana! And it just shows how the world has shrunk because new friends, Rob and Cheri from Australia, whom we met on the canals in the south of France, stopped off on their island-hopping tour to spend a few days on Leros, too! Not to mention, "Pige", the "kitten" we saved last year, (now all grown up and complete with her own kitten, Itty-Bitty) whom it didn't take long to suss out that we were back. Both are now firmly entrenched in the little house on the hill, with about 6 other cats who drop by for dinner and are then firmly shoed out by the dynamic duo.



Above: Rob and Cherie from Australia.  
 Group to the left with Erik and Leni, Denmark.  
 Row above that: Hanne and Werner, Denmark.

Our new favourite -tonic with rose´.