



I should mention the restaurants that were lined along the quayside. Each seemed to have a different specialty and all but one had “Rooftop gardens”. They all had the same décor emphasizing old nautical finds, farm implements and huge, olive oil urns that were centuries old. These were not built up on a wheel but made by coiling a rope of clay around and around and then smoothed down and put on a wheel for the final finish. I would love to have something like that in my house.

The quayside at Sivota, lots of charter boats

We found out later that the restaurant that we picked was the same one that our son Nick used to spend a great deal of time in while he was having his diesel fixed about 5 years ago. Anyway, the food was delicious, the beer cold, and the view quaint and interesting. Our luck with lunch was better than our own odyssey of the outboard motor. We asked around and got the phone number of the Englishman but he did not have any suitable motors, but since it turns out, he knew Nick very well and would call all his contacts on the island to try to find us a motor.

We decided to continue on the road past Sivota to the next big bay because there was supposed to be a big sail boarding school and lots of wind. Indeed, we saw perhaps 50 or more of the boards screaming around the bay. At any given time it seems we could watch some spectacular crash; a moment later the boarder would be back up and racing around the bay.



Alice in front of the beautiful gardens by the restaurants, each vying with the next



Well, it seems these guys have all the wind!

We continued on making a loop of the island on good roads through beautiful inland valleys and ocean vistas, finally approaching Lefkas town from the high mountains to the northwest of the harbor. From here we could see the entrance to the canal, the Venetian fortresses guarding the entrance, the canal and town of Lefkas with the marina just to the south and east.



You can see the canal with the “ferry boat” bridge. The castle is to the right on the mainland. The canal continues past the marina about 3nm