### Overview

The first section of the route, reported here, is the crossing of Zouzouliotiko stream towards Ag. Nikolaos chapel on the slopes of Taliaros mountain. A beautiful and wild hike though the trail is not maintained and orientation may be difficult.

### Description

Walk down towards the northern tip of the village and continue on a track among fields. Where the track ends continue among fields along the broad ridge. Just before coming to the lowest of these fields turn right into the forest and you should immediately find the footpath and the first signpost after a while. The footpath descents along a ridge in and out of oak forest. A few meters before the river the path fades out. Just continue straight carefully down the clay slope to reach the river bank.

Cross the river diagonally to the north and once in the forest turn steeply right climbing the obvious ridge ahead. You should encounter the first signpost after a few meters. The paths climbs with short switchbacks to the base of a steep slope. Continue steeply on loose rock to easier ground and then towards a saddle on the ridge. Descent on the other side of the saddle to a small stream. Crossing the stream the path becomes fuzzy for 100m and there are no more signs. Continue up the ridge and you should easily join the path soon, that climbs with switchbacks. After that the ridge gradient becomes smoother and the path becomes indistinct again due to forestry works, but after 200m, keeping on the ridge it becomes clear again and finishes before the chapel of Agios Nikolaos. Continue on the track behind the chapel to join Eptahori-Dotstiko road.

### Amenities

### Signposting

A few E6 signs along the first part of the route.

### Transportation

None.

### Notes

There are misleading E6 signs near the stone bridge over Zouzouliotiko stream that is 40 minutes south-east of the village. Although a dry crossing of the river was possibly in August. This may not be the case early in the season or after heavy rainfall. In that case you may choose the stone bridge to cross the river. The old footpath after the bridge continues north east traversing a steep and eroded clay slope. It then disappears in undergrowth. Continue along abandoned fields to join the paved road.

### Maps

Anavasi map "Gramos, Smolikas, Voio, Vasilitsa" (1:50000)