

### *Interesting facts about the villa*

- 1. The original stone tower house was built late 17th Century and was renovated between 2005 - 2009.*
- 2. To stop goats entering the property the owner decided to build a stone wall around the property. However, due to the steep terrain, transporting the cement and stones by mechanical means would destroy the natural landscape inside the property. The solution to this was a 14 year old Mule named Hara that managed to transport all the materials to build the wall without damaging the flora and landscape. Hara is now enjoying her retirement in a nearby field where she is looked after by an older Maniatis.*
- 3. In order to avoid the fitting of the usual wooden electricity poles that would be a visual nuisance, and after 2 years of haggling with the Greek bureaucracy, the owner managed to convince them to connect the electric cables underground. At the owners expense a channel was built along the pathway from the road to accommodate the electric cables and thus saving dotting the whole mountain area with the unseemly electricity poles.*
- 4. When the renovation was under way, one of the problems was matching the existing stones of the tower house, which were over 100 years old, with the new stones to be added. This was solved by grit blasting the entire tower house after the renovation was complete to the point where one cannot tell the difference.*