

One notable monument of the city and a martyr site is the Place of Sacrifice, on the hill of the Holocaust, located east of the town of Kalavrita (500 meters from the center) on the way to the Ski center. There, the men aged 14 years and over, were led by German occupation forces, on 13 December 1943, where they were executed.



Now back to the Holocaust hill, there is a huge cross reminiscent of the horrific crime. The site was carefully selected by the Nazis. The amphitheater slope would not allow anyone to escape. Locals were forced to watch their homes and entire city, burn down, and with them their women and children to be confined in the school building which was also under fire, guarded by fully armed soldiers. The columns surrounding the central area, carry the names of the families of the executed, while in the catacombs, there is an equal number of small candles for the executed families.



Figure 1: The stone sculpture of the seated figure, which is the main attraction of the Kalavrita Site of Sacrifice. The sculpture is made of a single piece of stone and is believed to be a representation of the Virgin Mary.



Figure 2: A view of the Kalavrita Site of Sacrifice, showing the landscape and the cross-shaped markers. The site is located in a mountainous area and is believed to be the place where the Virgin Mary was sacrificed.

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