

Greek Legend

Frangokastello



Frangokastello is located in southern Crete, about 12 kilometers from Sfakia. It is a medieval castle built in the late 14th century by the Venetians to protect the area from pirates and the Venetians from the frequently revolted Sfakians.



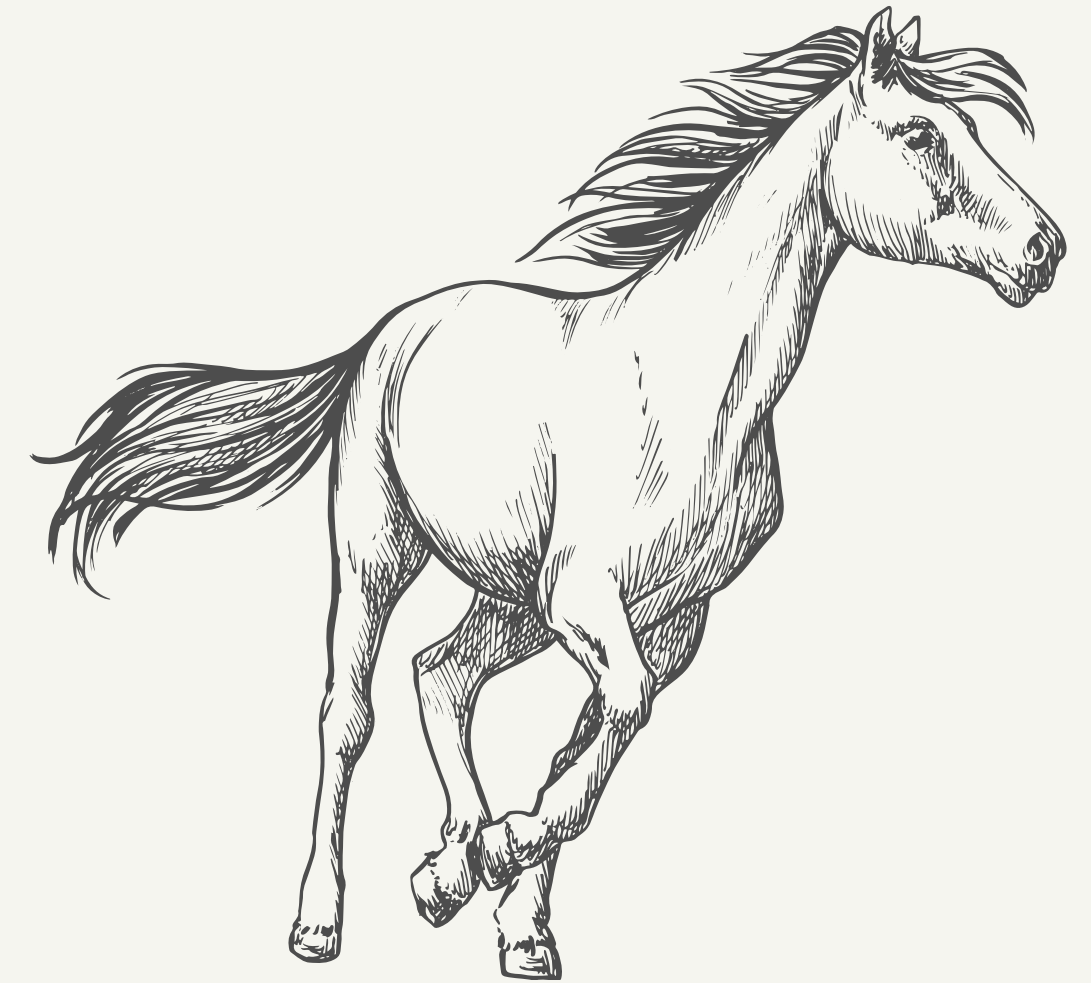
The Venetians built the castle by day, but at night the Sfakians, led by brothers Patsu, tore down what had been built.



The Myth



Many times anthropomorphic shadows have been seen, blackened, walking or galloping on horses, holding arms, from the Church of Agios Charalambos to Frangokastelo and disappearing into the sea.





The forms appear in the last days of May and early June, in the early morning hours, and walk behind each other for about 10 minutes, when apnea and high humidity prevail.



According to the legend, the bodies of the Greek warriors were left untouched, until a strong wind carried sand from the beach of Corinth Sand and covered their bodies. Although thousands of people have seen the phenomenon, it has never been recorded, since in those hours the light is minimal.



Thank you!

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