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Vacation House in Livadia Chanion by Palyarch

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Leaning on the rock of the mountain almost at the top of Cape Koutoulos, integrated to the wild landscape and made of earthy materials, this elongated residence protected from the northern wind, overlooks the Western Cretan Sea towards the South.

Architect: **Palyarch**
Location: Livadia Chanion, Crete
Year: 2018
Plot area: 4.800 sq.m.
Building surface: 216.00 sq.m.
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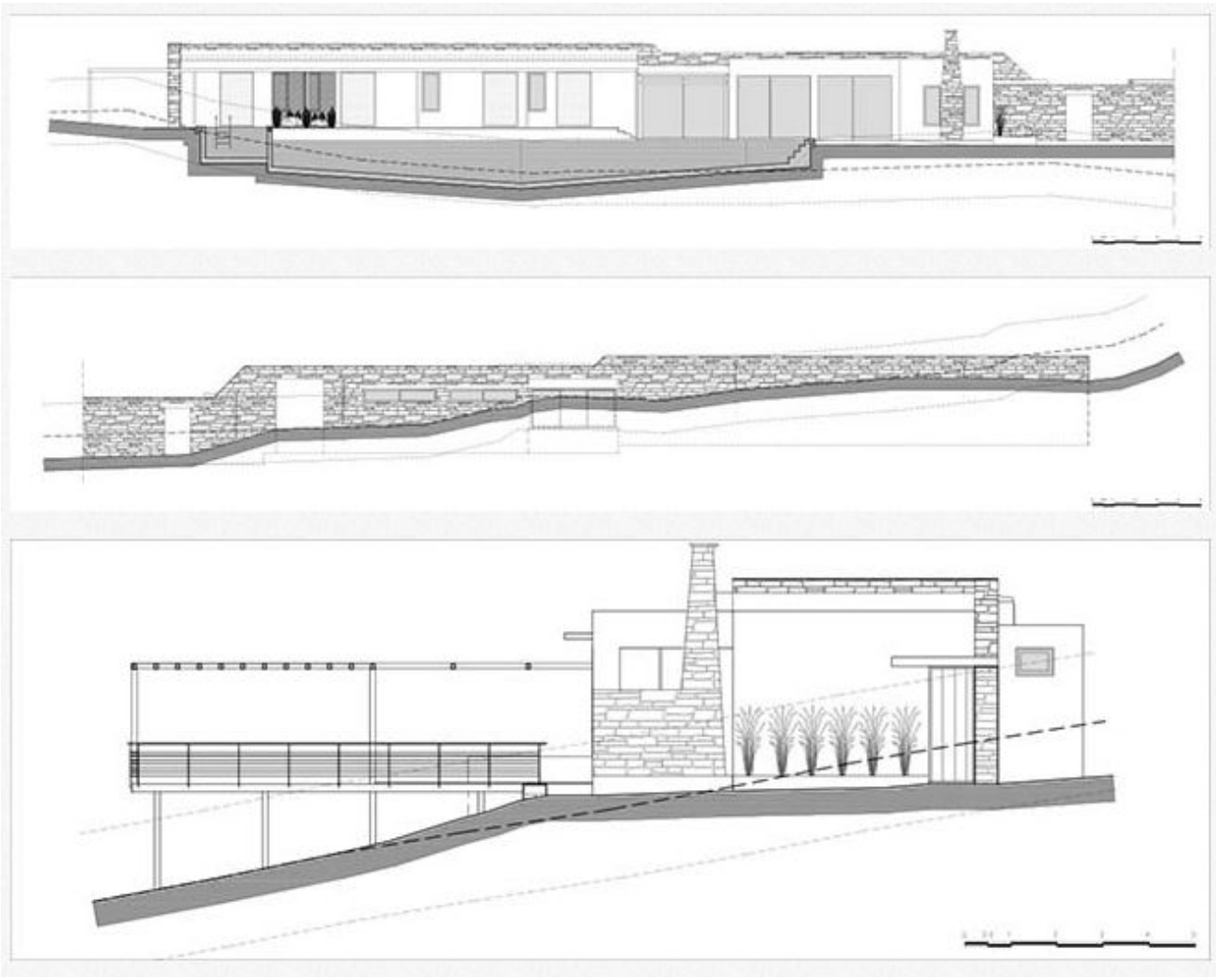
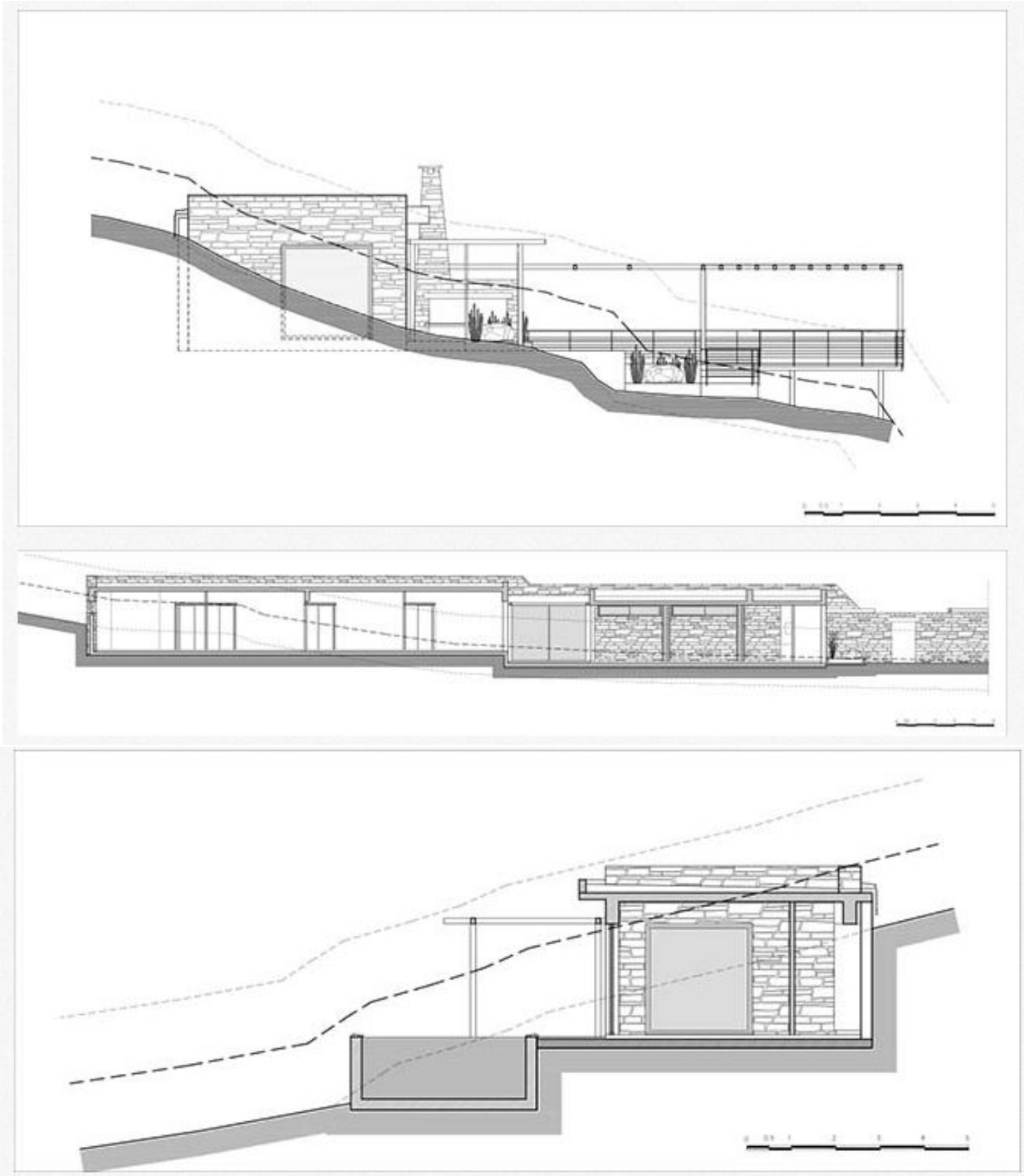
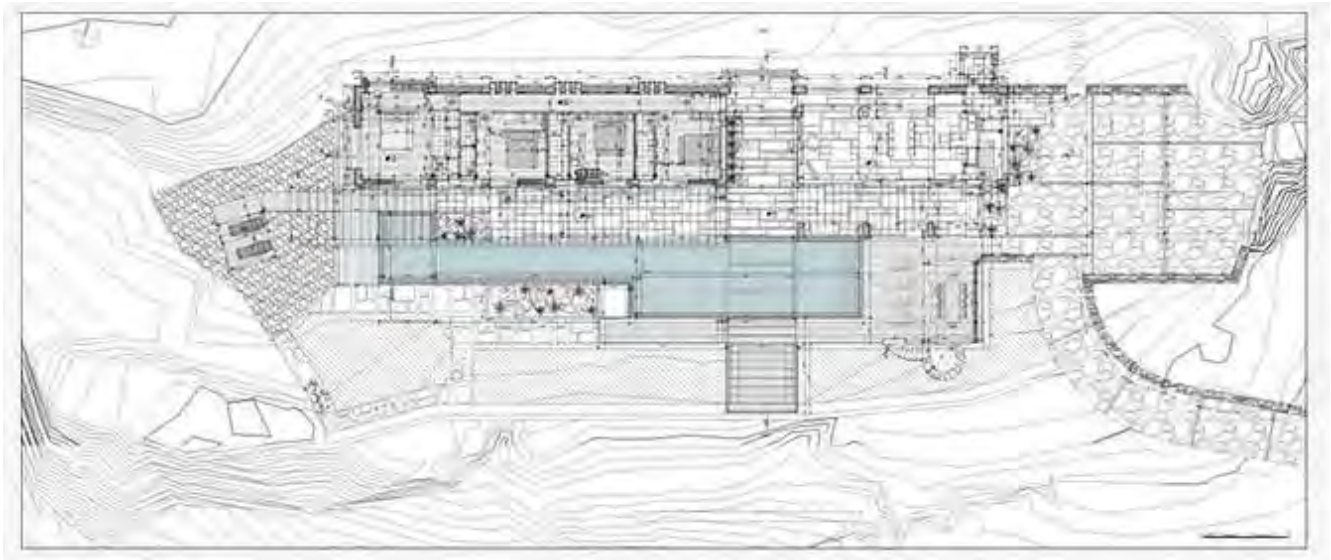
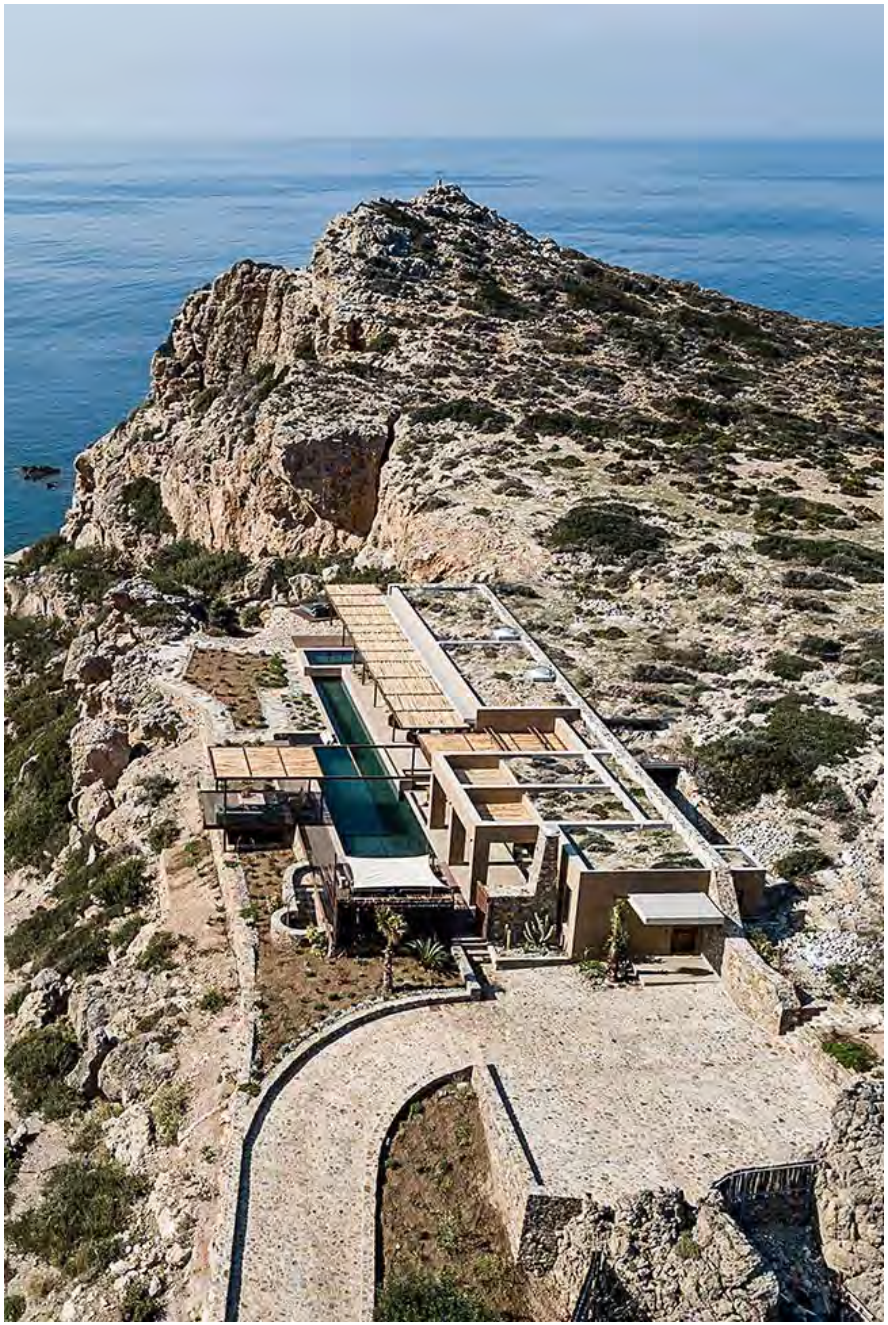
Structural engineer: Apostolos Andreadis
Decoration: Manos Kypritidis
Photography: George Anastassakis

From the architect: A robust L-shaped wall made of stone serves as a continuation of the mountain and defines the arrangement of all the indoor spaces. Two clean volumes, one consisting of the living room, kitchen and dining room and the other consisting of the bedroom suites, are interconnected through a long semi-open living area, starting from the rock and ending on an elevated platform floating between the mountain and the sea, the sky and the earth.

Grey colored bare concrete in the slabs, clay coating in the color of the soil on the outside walls, rusty metal, natural wood in the pergolas and local natural stone are the basic materials used. The interior consists of four bedrooms with bathrooms along with an open space area with kitchen, dining room, living room and wc.

Pergolas, open-air barbeque, outdoor dining and seating area on a platform and a protected semi-open space with a fireplace contribute to enhance the sense of a relaxed way of living and create a dialogue with nature.