

THE CASTLE OF ZARNATA

One of the four largest castles in Mani, Zarnata was built by the Turks during the mid 17th century. The whole exterior of the enclosure has been built on the polygonal wall of a prehistoric acropolis, probably the one of Enopi, traces of which are still around. Today one can see the tower of the castle in ruins .

Inside the castle Zarnata there was the remarkable post-Byzantine church of Saint Nicholas, probably built during the second Venetian occupation. The church of St. Nicholas was abandoned and in its place was built in 1776 by the Church of the Life Giving Source.

