

The Greek island of Kea suffers, like many places, from unemployment, especially among young people. Healthy trees are better at preventing soil erosion and oak forests that provide a sustainable income for farmers are more likely to be protected and even extended. Kea is just one example of a growth in small-scale tourism. Over the world and helping communities to become. For hundreds of years, these were exported to leather tanneries, Acorn caps are boiled in water and animal skins are then soaked in the resulting liquid to help in the creation of leather clothes. Marcie an American is married to a local man, had the idea to use crowdfunding to publicise the acorns and purchase machinery to help in harvesting and transformed the island's fortunes. The acorns have more than one use, Contracts have been signed with luxury leather-making firms for the hamada, Acorn caps are natural and produce a better quality of leather than chemicals. Ken's acorns became unwanted and neglected.