

# Villa Zander

Region: South Crete   Sleeps: 12

## Overview

Villa Zander is designed for those seeking a quiet and private holiday, ideally located on the southeast coast of Crete in the Mediterranean Sea. This beachfront villa, situated on a high bluff near the village of Goudouras in the Lassithi region, offers panoramic sea views. It features six ensuite bedrooms and can accommodate up to fourteen guests, making it suitable for large family gatherings or groups of friends.

The 400 square meter, two-story property is built on private land with a stone wall, paved terrace, private swimming pool with four splash pools, and lawned gardens. Villa Zander includes private parking, air conditioning, Wi-Fi, and satellite televisions in all rooms. The villa's architecture combines classic Mediterranean whitewashed walls, stone walls, and tiled paving, with floor-to-ceiling sliding doors providing natural light and sea breezes. The interiors are furnished with natural wood pieces and parquet flooring, decorated in whites, browns, and blues.

The ground floor offers open-plan living with floor-to-ceiling windows, a seating area with leather sofas, a dining area, and a fully equipped modern kitchen. Two double bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms and garden access are on this level, along with a separate studio with a private entrance, lounge, kitchenette, double bed, and ensuite bathroom. A laundry room with washing, drying, and ironing facilities is also available. The first floor features a hall with access to outdoor sea-view terraces, a guest cloakroom, an open-plan living space with a sea-view sitting room and fireplace, a dining area, and a fully fitted kitchen with built-in appliances. There is also an office that can be converted into a bedroom and a guest toilet. Three ensuite double bedrooms with balconies and sea views complete this floor.



The outdoor area includes a tiered terrace with lawned gardens, a large swimming pool with splash pools, and sixteen sun loungers. Guests can enjoy activities such as ping pong, table football, basketball, and fitness equipment. The shaded seating area is ideal for morning coffee, and the terrace is perfect for cocktails and alfresco dining with a built-in barbecue.

## Facilities

Villa • Boat Trips • Scuba Diving • Historical Sites • Air-Con • Watersports • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Private Pool • Ideal for Parties • Chef/Cook Available • Special Offer • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Walk to Beach • Pets on Request • Heated Pool • Instagrammable • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Beach Nearby • Beachfront • Modern • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Gym/Fitness Room • Dishwasher • Microwave • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Table Football • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Transfers Available • Catering Available • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

A 6 bedroomed villa sleeping 12 people

### *Ground Floor:*

- Fully equipped kitchen, dining, living area
- Double bedroom with ensuite bathroom
- Double bedroom with ensuite bathroom
- Laundry room with washing machine, dryer, ironing



### *Self contained studio with own entrance:*

- Double bed, ensuite bathroom
- Sitting area
- Kitchenette

### *First Floor:*

- Access to first floor terrace
- WC
- Dining room
- Stylish living room with fireplace
- Fully equipped kitchen
- 3 x double bedrooms, ensuite bathrooms
- Office
- WC

### Exterior:

- Private parking
- Private swimming pool
- 4 splash pools
- Gardens
- Sunloungers
- Outdoor seating
- Table tennis table
- Football table
- Outdoor dining set
- BBQ



### Additional facilities

- Air conditioning
- Wi-Fi
- Pool towels
- Children's games
- Microwave
- Fireplace
- Dishwasher
- Hairdryers
- Safe
- Music sound system
- Gym equipment

# Location & Local Information

Villa Zander is located in a secluded spot, high on a bluff overlooking the azure blue seas of the Mediterranean, situated on the south east coast of the Greek island of Crete. The villa is near to the quiet and quaint coastal village of Goudouras, in the hot spot tourist area of Lassithi. The nearest international airport is at Heraklion, one hundred and thirty kilometers away, you can fly in to Sitia from Athens, or island hop and take a ferry. The villa is within walking distance of the village, where you can find local shops for your holiday provisions, family run cafes, bars and restaurants for some refreshments, and sandy beaches for sunbathing.

The immediate area is renowned for its ancient olive groves, and lush soils for growing fruit and veg. The nearest beach is just one hundred and forty metres from the villa, an easy stroll to a little place of paradise. To the west is Votsalaki beach, set in a beautiful bay, with small pebbles, crystal clear water, which takes on hues of blues, greens, and reds from the soil, and where you may even meet a naturist or two. Nearby is Vai beach, set in a horseshoe bay, surrounded by a backdrop of Europe's largest protected pine forest, and offering golden sands and calm seas. For the beach babies this area of Crete is pure paradise, take a romantic walk on the long sandy beach of Voulisma or Golden Beach, get active in the wind-sheltered Ammoudara Beach, famous for its water sports, or sit in a taverna sipping retsina on the thick sand of Pacheia Ammos, a protected bay with a small harbour.

The area is soaked in history, particularly Minoan and Dorian, in the fifteenth century the island was conquered by the Venetians, who built fortresses to keep the Ottoman pirates at bay, then finally gained independence in the nineteenth century and became part of Greece. Get active and explore the three hundred caves the island hides, hike over hillsides, streams, and rocky ravines to discover watermills and ruins, and stop off along the way at a local winery and taste the fruits of the many vineyards. Explore Psychro Cave, reputedly the birthplace of Zeus, and rock climb Mount Ida to find the Ideon Cave. Sitia Geopark is three hundred and fifty square kilometres of the island's diverse eco-system, where you can trek through gorges, bathe on beaches, walk the wetlands, become a bird-watcher, and be at one with nature.

Go north to exclusive Elounda, shop in luxury designer boutiques and dine on local delicacies. Then take a boat across the sea to the intriguing island of Spinalonga, a former leper colony until as recently as the 1950's, once home to a Venetian fortress, and now an open-air museum. No visit to Crete is complete without a trip to Agios Nikolaos, seventy three kilometres north of Villa Zander. Agios Nikolaos is a harbour town that uniquely houses a lake in its centre, it is home to the Archaeological Museum full of Minoan treasures, and full of tavernas, shops, bars, and restaurants in which to sit and sip an ouzo and watch the local life go by.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Heraklion International Airport (128 km)
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Nearest Beach	<b>Kalamia Beach</b> (0.14 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Sitia Port</b> (41.2 km)
Nearest Town/City	<b>Sitia</b> (41.1 km)
Nearest Village	<b>Gourouras</b> (3.6 km)

## What we love

- Villa Zander is a stunning huge villa with 6 beautifully bedrooms, but what we especially love about it, is that it is a villa of two halves, each floor is complete in itself, great for two families.
- We loved the flexibility of some of the rooms, the studio can become a baby room or fitness studio, the office can become a bedroom, there's always room for manoeuvre at Villa Zander
- The sea view tiered terrace has to be seen to be believed, it is epic, but what we really loved was the steps down to the super-size swimming pool, with its four splash pools, great fun for all the family
- Villa Zander is secluded & private, yet a great place to host a party or wedding reception, it really does tick all the boxes

## What you should know...

- Pets and parties allowed, bring your dogs and cats and have some fun!
- The office can be transformed into an extra bedroom on request
- The property can be used to host a wedding reception for up to one hundred guests
- Baby cot and high chair on request
- Due to the seclusion of the property we highly recommend hiring a car to get the most out of your holiday and see all the sights you wish to see

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 15.00
- **Departure time:** 10.00
- **Energy costs included?**: Yes, Included in rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?**: Yes, Included in rental price. Changed every 3/4 days.
- **Pets welcome?**: Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that on occasions, in Greece, extremes in weather can cause water and/ or electric supply to be cut or reduced. Services are normally restored as soon as possible.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?**: Yes and mid-stay cleaning also included. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?**: Not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 4 nights in low season. 7 nights in high season.
- **Heating costs included?**: Yes, Included in rental price.
- **Pool heating charge?**: For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge of €650 per four days (€150.00 per day extra) to be paid along with balance. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures and requires advance notice.
- **Internet access?**: Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access included in rental price. It is good to note that the speed is dependent on local provider and technical issues may cause reduced speed or cut of service.

The Greek government requires owners to collect a Tourist Climate Tax, your property manager will collect this in cash:

March-October €15 per night per unit

November-February €4 per night per unit