

# Villa Alabaster

**Region:** Kissamos   **Sleeps:** 6

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## Overview

Villa Alabaster is a newly opened, contemporary villa that began welcoming guests in April 2023. Located in the Falasarna area of Crete, it offers a luxurious and comfortable stay with three stylish bedrooms, open-plan living spaces, and exceptional outdoor areas featuring uninterrupted sea views.

This villa provides a tranquil atmosphere and refined interior design, ideal for relaxation and rejuvenation. Its setting near one of Greece's renowned beaches enhances the self-catering experience, combining comfort with convenience.

The surrounding area is renowned for its natural beauty and variety of flora and fauna. Falasarna is part of the Natura 2000 network and features white sand, clear water, and impressive sunsets. Nearby, Elafonisi Beach, recognized by the BBC as one of the top five secret beaches, and Balos Beach, known for its pink sand and shallow waters, are easily accessible. The lively resort of Kissamos is less than twelve kilometres away, and the Venetian harbour of Chania's Old Town is about sixty kilometres away.

Villa Alabaster is well-suited for families or friends, with minimalist, light-filled interiors that create a relaxed atmosphere. The ground floor includes an open-plan living area and a double bedroom with a king size bed and access to a family bathroom. On the first floor, there are two additional bedrooms with contemporary open wardrobes, luxury linens, and en-suite bathrooms featuring high-quality toiletries, fluffy towels, bathrobes, and slippers.

The villa's open-plan living space features a well-equipped kitchen, including filter and espresso coffee machines.



The living area is furnished with contemporary sofas and a large smart television. The neutral colour scheme throughout contributes to the villa's serene ambience.

The terrace is a highlight of Villa Alabaster, offering spectacular sea views and quality outdoor furnishings. The swimming pool features a unique design and a sunken lounge area with a fireplace is ideal for pre-dinner drinks while enjoying the sunsets. There is also an alfresco dining area under a pergola and a barbecue, providing opportunities for outdoor dining and relaxation.

## Facilities

Seaview • Hairdryer • Boat Trips • Sailing • Historical Sites • Watersports • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Coffee Machine • Villa • Washing Machine • Chef/Cook Available • Private Pool • Maid Service Available • Cots (Cribs) • Modern • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Yoga Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Babysitting Available • Car Included • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Heating • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

### *Ground level:*

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Dining area
- Living area
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom with shower
- Laundry room

### *Upper level:*

- 2x Twin bedroom/or double with ensuites

### *Outdoor:*

- Heated swimming pool
- BBQ
- Dining area
- Sun loungers

### **Additional facilities**

- A/C in all rooms
- Iron/ Ironing board
- Washing machine
- Drying machine
- Safe box
- Dishwasher
- First aid kit
- Outdoor lighting
- Bath amenities
- Pool & bath towels
- Bathrobes & slippers
- Baby cot
- High chair
- Child cutlery
- Daily maid service

We offer our guests (with a valid driving license for at least a year) a manual small car (group A) as an additional amenity. This service is complimentary for the entire duration of the stay at the villa. Additionally, we provide free pick-up and drop-off from Chania Airport. (for other destinations, there is an additional charge.)

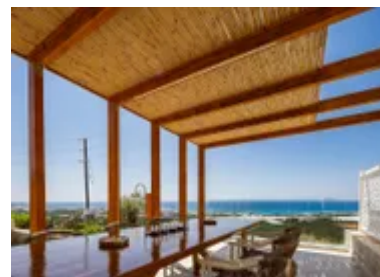
\*If you would like to upgrade to a higher car category, you can do so by paying an additional fee. \*\* Simple car insurance is included (you can upgrade to full insurance at an extra cost)



## Location & Local Information

Villa Alabaster enjoys a superb location with uninterrupted sea views in the Falasarna area of Crete. The main attractions of Falasarna are its superb sandy beaches, its turquoise crystal clear sea and its ancient harbour. With its fabulous array of flora and fauna varieties, the enchanting Falasarna promises wonderful paradise beaches with glistening white sand and crystal clear water. There are several companies offering watersports including Falasarna Activities which offers wakeboard and jet ski tuition. At the northern end of the beach, there are ruins of the ancient Greco-Roman city of Falasarna. Falasarna actually consists of five beaches with the main beach called Pachia Ammos. Livadi is another of the long beaches, a good choice for snorkelling. Livadi is surrounded by important wetlands with ponds and a wonderful array of bird life.

Like Falasarna, Elafonisi and Balos enjoy being on the list of the world's top beaches. They are definitely must-visits. Elafonisi is connected by a sand bar to an island nature reserve with pink sands, wildflowers and unusual rock formations. There is no shade on the island but there are delightful little coves and pockets of sandy beach. It is home to more than one hundred rare plants including summer sea daffodils and winter-flowering *Androcymbium rechingeri*. You may see rare loggerhead sea turtles and you will definitely enjoy picture-perfect sunsets that will stay in your memory for a very long time. Due to its natural beauty, Elafonisi is often featured on postcards and posters. On the Gramvousa peninsula, in the protected 'NATURA' area of Balos Bay, Balos' glistening white sand, rare species of flora and fauna and turquoise sea are incredible. Beyond the rocks at the boundaries of the lagoon, the water is deeper and ideal for snorkelling. Eleonora falcons, shags and cormorants nest in the caves and the area is a shelter for protected monk seal and loggerhead sea turtles. Balos can be reached by car or you can take a boat trip to the beach from Kissamos. North of Balos, in Cape Korykon, there are remains of the small Roman town of Agnio including the temple of Apollo and the picturesque chapel of Agios





The bustling tourist resort of Kissamos sits on the edge of the Gramvousa peninsula and is within easy reach of the villa. Kissamos is also known as Kastelli Kissamou in reference to the former Venetian fortress that used to dominate the town. Kissamos boasts many traditional tavernas, bars and shops as well as stunning beaches. Surrounding the town are fertile olive groves and vineyards. The main beach is Mavros Molos which is sprinkled liberally with trees, sunbeds and parasols. The Archaeological Museum of Kissamos is located on the main square, Stratigou Tzanakaki, boasting an impressive collection of local discoveries from a wide range of historical eras. A little further north from the main port of Kissamos is the quaint, colourful Old Port of Kastelli Kissamou which is brimming with brightly coloured fishing boats, a photographer's dream.

Platanias sits a little further along the coast, a large tourist resort which boasts electric bars and nightclubs. If you are looking for a late night out, it is probably the best place to head. Platanias is followed by the lively Agia Marina where you will find a gorgeous beach, glorious sunsets and excellent feasts at its many restaurants.

Roughly sixty kilometres from the villa and not to be missed is the charming and picturesque Old Town of Chania. Its atmospheric 14th-century Venetian harbour, old port, narrow, cobbled shopping streets, colourful bougainvillea and waterfront and rooftop restaurants make this a top-notch evening out. The views from the harbour are breathtaking, especially at sunset with the Venetian lighthouse in the background.

Samaria Gorge is the longest gorge in Europe at sixteen kilometres which takes roughly six hours. For a shorter hike, you can drive to Chora Sfakion and take a boat to Agia Roumeli and walk a few kilometres at the end of the gorge. The Imbros Gorge is also very beautiful and takes approximately two hours. You can combine this walk with swimming at Fragokastelo Beach.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Chania International Airport (67 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Kissamos Port (9 km)
Nearest Beach	Falasarna (2.8 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Taverna Spilios (0.3 km)
Nearest Airport	Limeniskos (2 km)

## What we love

- Villa Alabaster is brand new and beautifully presented with contemporary furnishings, a fabulous open plan living space, dreamy bedrooms, a wonderful unique swimming pool and a superb terrace
- The villa's location is wonderful, a tranquil spot in the Falasarna area with spectacular sea views. It is very easy to visit Crete's other sensational gems, Elafonisi and Balos from here!
- It is always so lovely to stay in a brand-new villa. Everything is so shiny and beautiful! The design of this wonderful villa makes the best use of its out-of-this-world sea views!

## What you should know...

- The swimming pool has the option to be heated by a pool heat pump to approximately 26-27 degrees depending on weather conditions for an extra fee. Three to four days' notice is required for this
- We also feature Villa Porcelain (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/greece/crete/kissamos/villa-porcelain/>) in the same location should you want to invite friends along to share your holiday
- Though the interiors of Villa Alabaster are divine, you are likely to spend most of your time on the terrace at this wonderful villa, captivated by the blue sea and sky collage and sunsets
- One of the bedrooms is located on the ground floor, ideal for anyone with mobility issues

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** There is no security deposit, but should there be any damage or loss caused by you or your guests during your stay you will be liable for the cost
- **Arrival time:** 17.00
- **Departure time:** 10.00
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in rental price
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in rental price. Changed every 3 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. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not permitted
- **Minimum stay:** 3/4 nights
- **Pool heating charge?:** the swimming pool can be heated from March till the end of May and from 15th September till the end of November, upon request free of charge by a Pool Heat Pump at about 26 - 27°C depending on weather conditions. We request three days' advance notice for this facility.
- **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