

# Villa Pallas

Region: Kalyves    Sleeps: 10

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## Overview

Villa Pallas is a perfect contemporary abode for a spot of switch-off. This stunning property is a truly wondrous, stylish gem that sits just off the coast near the traditional village of Vamos, southeast of Chania. Nestled on a gently sloping hillside, it offers breathtaking views of the Aegean Sea and the surrounding countryside that will entice your gaze and tranquillize your soul. It is built from local white marble stone and boasts many incredible contemporary design features. Full of sumptuously stylish fabrics, trendy furnishings and the most amazing bathrooms and kitchen, you will be forgiven for thinking that you are in a luxury boutique hotel. This truly stunning property epitomises luxury holiday rental accommodation and will impress even the most discerning of guests. With five sensational bedroom suites, Villa Pallas is perfect for large families or groups of friends wanting to spend quality time together in Crete.

In the foothills of the White Mountains, the charming village of Vamos allows you to step back in time, enjoy friendly local faces and enjoy delicious Cretan meals. It is nestled 25km from the beautiful city of Chania and 35km from the ancient city of Rethymno. Vamos enjoys an amazing history and its architectural heritage is well-preserved. Important buildings are the Chapel of the Virgin Mary and the Karidi Monastery which enjoys spectacular scenery. The village is surrounded by olive groves and wonderful countryside yet this lovely village is only minutes from the nearest beaches. Aptera's famous ancient archaeological site is close by, as is the charming Old Town of Chania, one of the most alluring, captivating towns of Crete. With picturesque, narrow alleys draped with colourful bougainvillea, a fabulous dining scene which will get your tastebuds tingling, atmospheric bars, the most amazing sunsets and gorgeous little boutiques lining the cobbled streets, you will quickly lose your heart



and want to return time and time again. The beautiful town of Rethymno and the spectacular Samaria Gorge are also within easy reach and the archaeological sites of Knossos and Phaestos are roughly one and a half hours away.

Villa Pallas is a private paradise for your Crete getaway. It is a capsule of contemporary cool where space, breathtaking views and lux living come in lavish abundance. You will discover light-flooded, chic interiors with ample living, dining and sleeping spaces and exceptional outdoor entertainment spaces that may tempt you to hole up in this fabulous hideaway. Designed with giant walls of glass, your views are maximised and every element of the design has been created to work in unison with the concept of indoor, and outdoor living. Villa Pallas' interiors boast natural materials throughout with many exposed stone walls blending perfectly with trendy wooden design features and lavish contemporary furnishings. All of this invites relaxation and peace. You will spend serene evenings in the gorgeous open-plan living space which offers one hundred and ten square metres of exquisite space. All in white, ivory and cream, the space is elegant and inviting. The kitchen and dining area is sublime. Your chef's dream of a kitchen is sleek and stylish with its rich warm woods, giant stainless steel appliances and marble breakfast bar seating five. A chic dining table and chairs sit alongside looking glamorous and stylish. The entire space looks out to mesmerising views. Villa Pallas enjoys a brilliant well-equipped gym for those that want to maintain their fitness levels. There is also a massage room if you want to request some wellness treats.

The villa boasts five incredible bedroom suites, all enjoying in-room or ensuite bathrooms, exquisite design features, super sea and mountainside views, lavish kingsize beds and luxurious touches. The heavenly master bedroom suite enjoys two terraces, a large walk-in dressing room and an in-room trendy bathroom with both a giant walk-in shower and a freestanding bath. Here you can soak any remaining stresses away while enjoying captivating sea views. The remaining four bedrooms all boast beautifully dressed kingsize beds and immaculate, contemporary ensuite bathrooms. The sublime views from the bedrooms

mean you will never miss a moment of coastal bliss.

The exterior of Villa Pallas is also exceptional. It blends naturally with the wonderful landscape thanks to the use of warm white marble stone. The terrace boasts a stunning infinity swimming pool, a fabulous sun deck with luxury loungers and parasols, a sensational alfresco dining area and a summer kitchen which sits under a contemporary pergola and wonderful garden areas sprinkled with lush lawn, olive trees and Mediterranean planting. The alfresco dining area also features a bar which looks out to spectacular views that will entice your gaze and lift your heart.

Villa Pallas also comes with access to a dedicated concierge team who hope to ensure that you experience the holiday of your dreams. You will definitely return home with magical holiday memories when staying at Villa Pallas.

## Facilities

Villa • Boat Trips • Air-Con • Scuba Diving • Sailing • Private Pool • Historical Sites • Ideal for Kids • Walk to Village • Special Offer • Maid Service Available • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • Chef/Cook Available • Instagrammable • Modern • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • Rural Location • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Gym/Fitness Room • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Villa Pallas is a 5 bedroom villa sleeping up to 10 guests, with private pool

### *Interior:*

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Living room
- Master bedroom with ensuite
- 4x Double bedrooms with ensuites
- Gym

### *Exterior:*

- Heated swimming pool
- BBQ
- Dining area with pergola

### **Additional facilities**

- King-size beds
- Security system
- Sound system
- Iron/Ironing board
- Garden
- Sun loungers
- Concierge service



## Location & Local Information

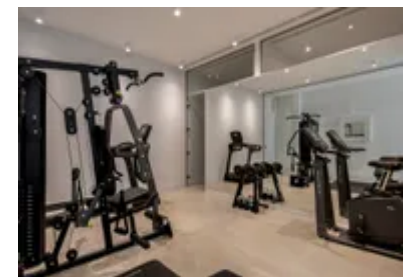
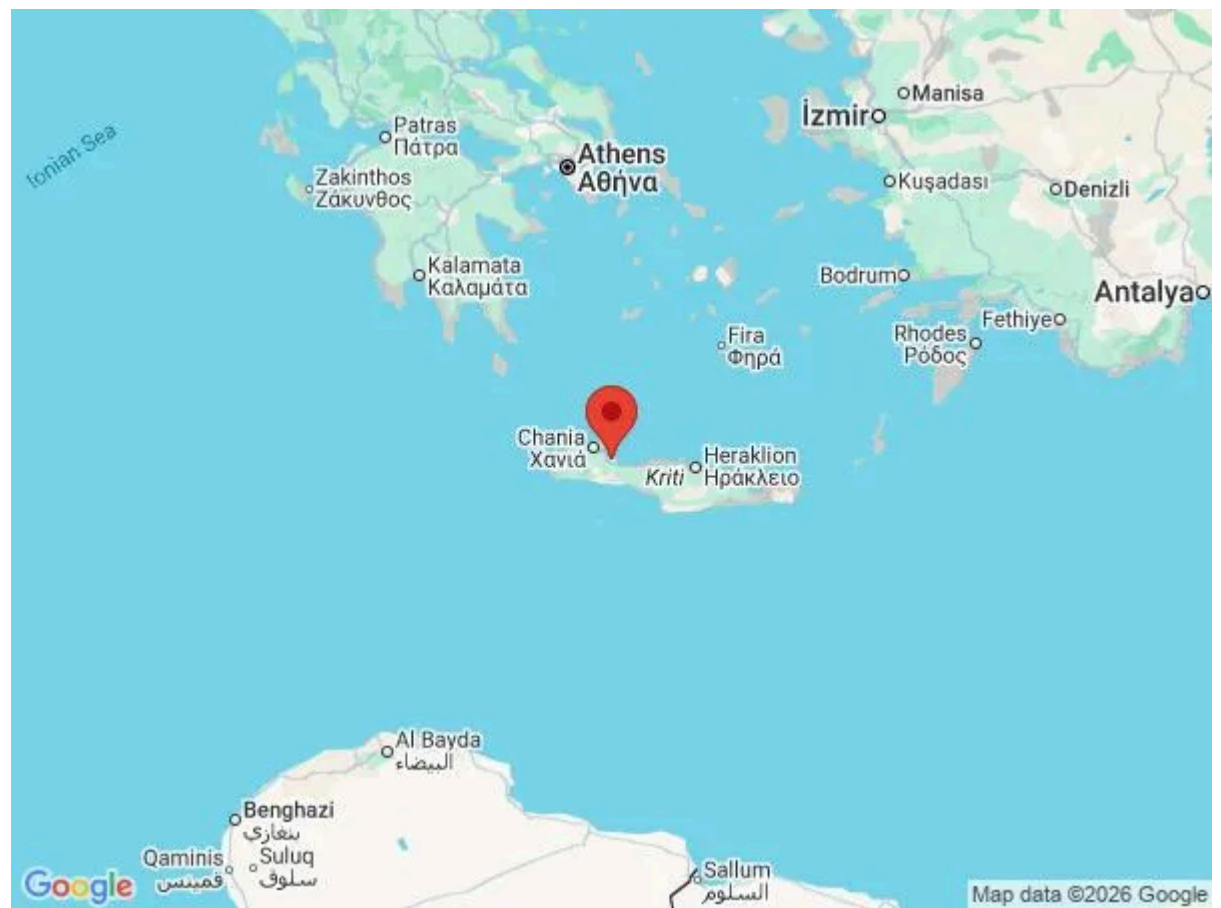
Villa Pallas enjoys a fabulous position near the traditional village of Vamos. Vamos is a semi-mountain village, three hundred metres above sea level, which is surrounded by wild nature. It enjoys a blissful setting with stunning sea views. The nearest beach is only seven kilometres away. Vamos is very attractive, sprinkled with ancient buildings and a wonderful array of restaurants, bars and mini-markets. It hosts many events including its Jazz in July Festival.

The nearest beaches to Villa Pallas are Almirida Beach, Kalives Beach, Kiani Akti, Kera, Ombrosgialos, Kalivaki and Georgioupoli Beach. Some are very touristy with loungers, restaurants and tavernas while others such as Kera are very quiet.

The nearby village of Aptera is also known as Megala Chorfia. Wildflowers bloom along narrow roads and shepherds tend to their flocks in the fields surrounding the village. There are some lovely amenities. The archaeological remains of ancient Aptera dating from the Minoan and Roman times are located just outside the village and beyond this is a Turkish castle which is perched strategically on the headland overlooking the sea. Just along from Aptera is Souda, the second biggest port of Crete. In the middle of the bay is a small islet of the same name with a beautiful Venetian castle standing in its centre.

The Monastery of Agios Georgios in Karydi is also worth visiting. You will discover the remains of a beautiful olive press built in 1860 and consisting of twelve stone arches. There is a fascinating information room. Just before reaching the monastery, you can take a right turn to visit the beautiful church of the Koimisis of Theotokou with its 11th to 14th-century frescoes.

Known as the Venice of the East, Chania Old Town is magical with unique shops lining its cobbled streets, a brilliant dining scene, trendy waterfront bars serving delicious cocktails and its famous Venetian harbour and





imposing lighthouse. The harbour was originally built by the Venetians between 1320 and 1356 and is now a vibrant, cosmopolitan spot. The Egyptian lighthouse is much photographed, especially at sunset. You can take a slow meander to the lighthouse to take in the stunning views of the harbour, the Old Town and the backdrop of the majestic White Mountains. On the waterfront, the Giali Tzamisi is the oldest Muslim building in Crete. The Turkish name is translated to 'The Seaside Mosque'. It plays host to various cultural events and exhibitions. One visit will not be enough!

In the opposite direction, Rethymno is roughly forty minutes away and definitely worth a visit. You will be rewarded by its history, the delicious local wine, its waterfront tavernas and its stunning beaches. In the old quarter, the buildings date back to the 16th century and its pretty, cobbled streets and stamp-sized piazzas are lined with restaurants and unique shops. The Venetian-styled harbour is beautiful and is overlooked by the castle. The nearby beach resorts of Bali, Agia Galini, Plakias and Adelianos Kampos are gorgeous. The historical monasteries of Preveli and Arkadi are very popular visits.

Following the Minoan Palace of Knossos, the second most visited tourist attraction in Crete is the dramatic and imposing Samaria Gorge. It sits at the foothills of the White Mountains and is the longest and most famous gorge in Europe. Within the White Mountain's National Park, it rises to an altitude of 1,230m, is 150m at its widest point and 3m at its narrowest and continues down to Agia Roumeli on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. The park and gorge offer protection to over four hundred and fifty species of plant and animal, of which seventy are endemic to Crete. This includes the rare kri-kri which are wild goats.

If you get time to visit Balos Beach, Elafonisi or Falasarna Beach, you will remember them forever. They are three of the best beaches in all of Greece. In the protected 'NATURA' area of Balos Bay, Balos Beach's glistening white sand and turquoise sea are incredible. Not far away is Falasarna, a wondrous Cretan lagoon with pool-like waters and pink sand. It has been awarded the best beach in Crete and one of the top ten beaches in Europe. Elafonisi

also enjoys pinkish sand, shallow water and the most incredible sunsets.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Chania International Airport (35 km)
Nearest Town	Chania (28 km)
Nearest Beach	Omprogialos (6 km)
Sightseeing	Archaeological Site of Aptera (19 km)

## What we love

- Villa Pallas boasts fantastic architectural design, brilliant use of local white marble stone and glass and sensational interiors
- The villa boasts a phenomenal terrace and garden with an infinity pool, an exceptional alfresco dining and summer kitchen area and the most incredible sea and mountain views that will entice your gaze
- The villa is incredibly spacious and brilliantly well-appointed throughout. There is a fantastic gym and a massage room
- Cleaning included Monday - Saturday from 8.30 am-12 am, with sheets changed midweek

## What you should know...

- Though the villa is built on the hillside close to Vamos, it is only seven kilometres from the nearest beach
- Every bedroom at Villa Pallas comes with its own ensuite or in-room bathroom
- Your barbecue chefs will enjoy preparing delicious feasts in the superb summer kitchen which you can enjoy in an exquisite alfresco dining space
- The villa comes with an excellent concierge service



# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €6000 paid via bank transfer to the owner 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
- **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
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not permitted
- **Minimum stay:** 5 nights - Low/mid season 7 nights - High season
- **Pool heating charge?:** From 20th April till 15th November, pool heating is included in the price. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **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