

# Villa Knossos

Region: Heraklion Sleeps: 12

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## Overview

Experience the serene atmosphere of Villa Knossos, located on the beachfront of Kokkini in northern Crete, Greece. This luxurious detached villa boasts six double bedrooms with en-suite facilities, accommodating up to twelve adults and optionally two children on sofas. It is well-suited for family holidays or group gatherings.

Recently renovated, this four-storey property is nestled within its own grounds, offering privacy and security with high-fenced walls and a garden featuring traditional potted plants and seasonal shrubs. The villa showcases classic Mediterranean architecture with whitewashed walls and floor-to-ceiling glass windows that invite ample natural light and cooling sea breezes. Amenities include a private garage, air conditioning, Wi-Fi, an internal elevator, an infinity pool, and a gym and spa suite. The interiors are meticulously designed with comfortable contemporary furnishings and a colour scheme inspired by nautical blues and whites, creating a laid-back yet luxurious ambience.

Upon entering the villa on the ground floor, guests are greeted by an open-plan living area with picture window doors leading to the pool terrace. The space features a deep-cushioned sofa, armchairs, a wooden coffee table, and a sixty-five-inch satellite TV. Adjacent is an elegant dining area with a wood dining table and turquoise upholstered chairs, perfect for indoor entertaining. The fully-equipped kitchen includes modern appliances, a four-seater dining set, and a coffee maker. A king-size bedroom with an ensuite shower room and a guest cloakroom complete this level.

The first floor, accessible by stairs or elevator, houses three beautifully appointed bedrooms, including a sea-view master bedroom with a king-size bed, ensuite bathroom, and a furnished balcony with a Jacuzzi. Two



additional double bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms and sea-view balconies are also located on this floor, along with a guest bathroom. The second floor features two more double bedrooms with king-size beds, TVs, workstations, ensuite bathrooms with Jacuzzi baths, and private sea-view balconies.

On the lower ground floor, guests can enjoy a fully-equipped gym with machines and free weights, as well as a football table. The cave-style spa suite offers a hammam, sauna, and marble bathroom for relaxation.

Outside, the sea view terrace boasts a fifty-square-meter saltwater infinity pool with a glass-fronted terrace overlooking the sea. Sun loungers with parasols, a soft seating set, a swing chair, and an outdoor dining area with a barbecue provide ample opportunities for relaxation and dining alfresco. Enjoy sunset cocktails, a game of outdoor pool, or simply unwind while taking in the scenic views.

Villa Knossos offers the perfect setting for a memorable holiday, combining luxury, comfort, and breathtaking surroundings.

## Facilities

Private Pool • Watersports • Walk to Village • Historical Sites • Sailing • Boat Trips • Ideal for Kids • Villa • Air-Con • Heated Pool • Chef/Cook Available • Ideal for Teens • Maid Service Available • Cots (Cribs) • Walk to Beach • Instagrammable • Beach Nearby • Modern • Saltwater Pool • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • BBQ • Seafront • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pool/Snooker • Hot Tub • Dishwasher • Safety Deposit Box • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Villa Knossos is in an ideal location, with the beach in front and restaurants and shops close by, no need to hire a car.

### Ground floor:

- Open plan living area: 2 sofa beds, armchairs, 65" HD flat screen smart TV, enclosed fireplace
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Indoor dining set x 8
- 1x double bedroom with king size bed, 45" TV, ensuite bathroom,
- Guest WC

### First floor:

- 3x double bedrooms with king size beds, TVs, and ensuite bathrooms
- Master bedroom with a Jacuzzi, all with furnished balconies
- Separate WC

### Second floor:

- 2x double bedrooms with king size beds, TVs, workstations ensuite bathrooms with Jacuzzi baths, and private balconies

### Lower ground floor:

- Gym with equipment and free weights
- Football table
- Hammam: sauna and steam room
- Bathroom

### Exterior:

- Sea view terrace
- Beachfront
- 50m2 private salt water swimming pool
- Pool table
- Sea view Jacuzzi
- Soft seating
- Outdoor dining
- Barbeque
- Preparation kitchen

### Additional facilities

- Internal elevator
- Soundproof windows
- Parking
- Airport transfers by arrangement
- Daily maid service
- Sun loungers
- Parasols
- 40sqm Private beach in front of Villa



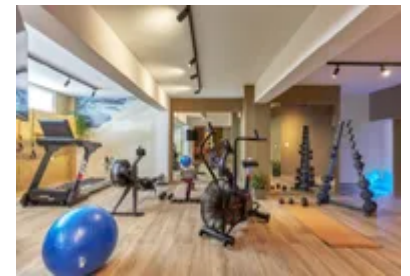
## Location & Local Information

Villa Knossos is situated on the beachfront of Kokkini Khanion, on the northeast coast of the Greek island of Crete, in the heart of the Aegean Sea. The villa is only seven kilometres from Heraklion International Airport, a short ten-minute drive. Whether you are looking for a relaxing time sunbathing on sandy beaches, yearning for some culture and visiting archaeological sites in the cradle of civilisation, or trek the trails through the local flora and fauna, before dancing the night away, there's something for everyone with a holiday on the island of Crete. The nearest beach of Kokkini Hani is just six metres from the villa, you can almost touch it with your toes. It's also a short walk to shops and tavernas.

Nearby the family-friendly beaches of Themis, Thalassa Konaki, Kokkini Chani, and Vathianos Kampos, are all within walking distance, under a kilometre away. These soft sandy beaches have easy shallow entry into the calm Aegean Sea, organised sunbeds with shady brollies, some with water sports activities, and promenades lined with cafes and tavernas. Explore the three hundred caves the island hides, hike over hillsides, streams, and rocky ravines to discover watermills and ruins, and stop along the way at a local winery and taste the fruits of the many vineyards. The area is soaked in history, particularly Minoan and Dorian, Crete was conquered by the Venetians in the fifteenth century, who built fortresses to keep the Ottoman pirates at bay, then finally gaining independence in the nineteenth century and becoming part of Greece.

All aboard a boat trip where you can scuba or snorkel underwater ruins, and jet ski or paraglide from one of the many water sports clubs. The town and port of Heraklion is just nine kilometres north of the villa, take a tour around the ancient Palace of Knossos, visit the Heraklion Archaeological Museum, walk along the Venetian walls, and stroll through the old quarter, where you can shop for souvenirs, before enjoying a souvlaki and ouzo like a local.

Go further afield to Vai, Crete's easternmost tip, an hour and a half drive away, where you will find lush forests and a



unique date palm. Visit 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 ecosystem, where you can trek through gorges, bathe on beaches, walk the wetlands, and bird-watch. Hike the Richtis Gorge, and stroll through streams to reach the twenty-metre waterfall, where you can cool off in the inviting pool. Find solace in the fifteenth-century Toplou Monastery, an hour-and-a-half drive through the Cretan countryside to see beautiful Byzantine icons.

Take a boat tour to visit the intriguing island of Spinalonga, once a leper colony with a Venetian fortress, and now an open-air museum. Take a trip to Agios Nikolaos, a harbour town that uniquely houses a lake in its centre, with an Archaeological Museum of Minoan treasures, and tavernas, shops, bars, and restaurants in which to sit and watch the local life go by. End your day dancing the night away in the holiday hot spot of Malia, a twenty-five-minute drive from the villa!

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Heraklion Airport (9.7 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>(26 m)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Heraklion Port (13 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Heraklion (12.6 km)</b>

## What we love

- The exterior living space at Villa Knossos is exquisite, most especially the soft-seating sea spots with stunning sea views are superb for sitting back and watching the yachts sail by
- There are six beautifully-appointed bedrooms at Villa Knossos, each with a huge double bed, their own TVs, workstations, and incredible ensuite modern bathrooms
- Villa Knossos is almost on the beach, you can feel the sand between your toes in seconds, and access the azure Aegean Sea for a swim before breakfast

## What you should know...

- The internal elevator is great for those with mobility issues, and the bathrooms are user-friendly with large accessible showers
- This villa is available to rent in low season, until Dec 30thThe villa has six bedrooms, all with double beds, and can sleep up to 12 adults, and up to two children on the sitting area sofa bed
- A children's crib and high chair is available on request

# 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:** 16.00
- **Departure time:** 12.00
- **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
- **End of stay cleaning:** 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:** 6 nights
- **Pool heating charge?:** For the periods 20/04-15/06 and 01/10-15/11 the swimming pool can be heated for an extra charge of 40 EUR per day, on request.
- **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.
- **Pool towels included?:**

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