

Villa Zaimis

Region: Chania Sleeps: 10

Overview

The superb, contemporary Villa Zaimis sits just outside the beautiful city of Chania in gorgeous gardens. With five exceptional bedrooms, the villa sleeps ten guests in luxurious comfort. Villa Zaimis boasts extraordinary contemporary architecture, exquisite interiors and plenty of the wow factor!

The nearest beaches to the villa are at the laid-back resorts of Kalamaki and Agii Apostoli. You will discover a fantastic range of restaurants, bars and taverns plus a variety of shops. It is a wonderful area where you can truly relax and easily explore the many charms of Crete. Just moments away, Chania Old Town is one of the most alluring, captivating towns of Crete. With picturesque, narrow alleys draped with colourful bougainvillea, a fabulous dining scene, 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. Crete is also home to three of the most sensational beaches in all of Greece, Balos Beach, Elafonissis and Falasarna. You really must try and visit at least one of them while you are staying at Villa Zaimis. The dramatic, mountainous interior landscape of Crete is also well worthy of exploration, remaining unspoilt and sprinkled with sleepy villages, incredible churches, imposing gorges and stunning valleys.

Villa Zaimis is very striking with sophisticated steel, wood and glass architecture. You will be constantly gazing around, noticing a new feature that impresses you. The villa is drowned in natural light, particularly though the central light dome but also through the walls of floor-to-ceiling windows and doors. It is built over five semi levels, sparing no expense and using the very best materials. Outside, the superb swimming pool is surrounded by a gorgeous terrace and stunning landscaped gardens which



offer astonishing sea views. Guests enjoy total privacy and seclusion and also the services of an exceptional Concierge Team who are on hand to ensure that you enjoy the holiday of your dreams. They can arrange private chefs, transfers, excursions, supermarket deliveries, massage and much more.

The living areas are amazing in shape and style. They boast extraordinary light, gorgeous contemporary furnishings and a magical blend of simplicity, minimalism and sumptuous design. The villa's Italian designed kitchen is a trendy space with the best stainless steel appliances where you or a hired chef can create delicious masterpieces using fresh local ingredients of the highest quality. It is a sociable space where guests can open a chilled bottle of Greek wine and keep the chefs in your group company. You can dine in style surrounded by vibrant modern art on the otherwise dazzling white walls, all the time enjoying the wonderful panorama. A lavish contemporary sofa, accent chairs and stools are perfectly placed to enjoy the spectacular views as well as a television should you need to chill a bit. Another living area leads to a terrace for alfresco dining. On a lower level you will discover an excellent games area with table football, film watching area and a pool table so you will know where to find your teenagers if they are not in the pool. The design of the this magnificent building creates a huge, spectacular, seriously high atrium.

The bedrooms enjoy complete privacy from each other. The first master is incredibly romantic with a lavish kingsize bed, a sensuous jacuzzi tub where you can totally relax, a walk-in closet, a stereo sound system and astounding views through a very grand giant window. The second master sits on the highest level of the villa with a beautifully dressed queensize bed, an ensuite bathroom with a shower and a lounge area in a bay that opens out onto a fabulous terrace with breathtaking sea views. There are two further bedrooms, one that enjoys twin beds (which can be set up as a large kingsize bed) and the other with a double bed. They share an immaculate family bathroom. In addition, there is a separate guest suite which adjoins the back of the villa. This suite boasts a kitchenette and a bathroom as well as a queen bed. This is

perfect for a couple that would like a little independence, perhaps grandparents.

Having looked around the seriously impressive interiors, it will be hard to imagine that the exteriors could match up to the quality and comfort but they do. The villa offers a series of beautiful terraces that sit carefully on the hilly landscape leading to the villa and pool. The stunning pool enjoys a jacuzzi section where the water cascades into the larger, almond shaped, deeper section. It looks even more wonderful at night when the lights come on. There are plenty of luxurious shaded spots if the sun becomes too much, all surrounded by towering palms and lush lawn. A gas barbecue is supplied for some alfresco dining under an ancient olive tree.

Villa Ziamis is joyful, imaginative and a totally secluded paradise which you will not want to leave. However, the charms of Chania Old Town, the glorious sandy beaches, the friendly tavernas and fine dining restaurants are all waiting for you to discover them.

Facilities

Historical Sites • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walking/Hiking Paths • Watersports • Sailing • Boat Trips • Cooling Jacuzzi • BBQ • Coffee Machine • Villa • Washing Machine • Hairdryer • Walk to Village • Beach Nearby • Private Pool • Gym/Fitness Room • DVD • Maid Service Included • Indoor Games • Cots (Cribs) • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Games Room • Chef/Cook Available • Modern • Water excursions/Boat trips • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Yoga Classes Available • Transfers Available • Catering Available • Board games • Babysitting Available • Children's books • Meal delivery service • Ideal for Kids • Stair gates • Mattress protector • Booster seat • Plastic crockery • Baby bath • Bath toys • Changing mat • Potty • Pushchair • Ideal for Teens • Bottle steriliser • Walk to Restaurant • Bibs • <1hr to Airport • Baby monitor • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Smart TV • Satellite TV • Table Football • Home Cinema • Heating • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

5 Bedroom Villa sleeping up to 10 guests, with private pool and sea views

Lower Ground Floor

- Washing machine and tumble dryer
- Pool table,
- Table football
- Large tv/
- Cinema projector
- Sofas
- Gym equipment, a couple of weights, machines and yoga mats
- Children's play area with toys

Ground Floor

- Bedroom with twin beds (can be converted into double)
- Bedroom with Queen size bed
- Family Bathroom with bath and shower

First Floor

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Large dining area with view

stairs each to

Master 1: King size bed, Jacuzzi tub, and spectacular view.

Master 2: Queen size bed, shower room, sitting area. Its large terrace boasts the most breathtaking view.

Access from outside

Guest Suite: A fifth bedroom is part of an adjoining suite, with double bed, kitchenette and bathroom. This has a separate access from outside

Exterior grounds

A series of tended terraces lead up the hilly landscape to the house and pool. The large pool is exclusive to Villa Zaimis dwellers' pleasure. It is divided into two sections - a circular shallower jacuzzi whose water cascades into the larger almond shaped deeper section.

The poolside and garden offer spots both of cool shade and radiant light, as well as privacy and an infinite view.

- Bar area with fridge
- Barbecue

Additional Facilities

- Blackout curtains, blinds
- Washing Machine
- Tumble dryer
- Air-conditioning
- Iron and ironing board

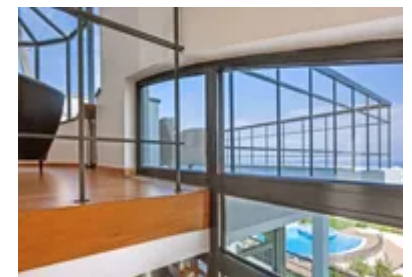
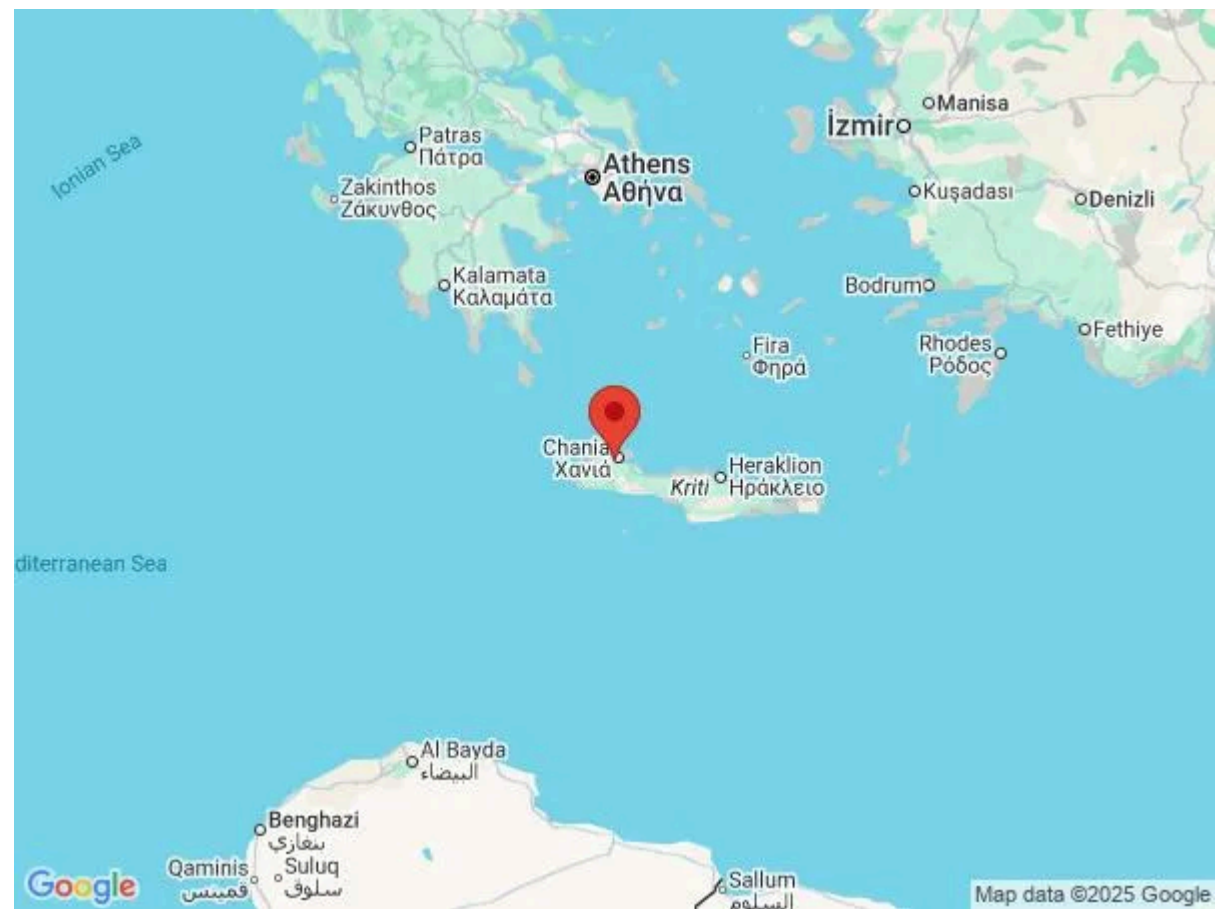


Location & Local Information

Villa Zaimis enjoys a secluded position in an upmarket area just outside of Chania. It is moments from sandy beaches, wonderful restaurants and the stunning Venetian harbour of Chania. Watching the sunset by the old lighthouse is an truly unmissable experience, as is dinner in one of the rooftop or alley restaurants. 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. 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. You will also enjoy many buskers on the streets playing a wonderful selection of music.

Villa Zaimis is very close to Agii Apostoli Beach and its natural park. The beach extends to Kalamaki, a very friendly, laid-back resort just outside of Chania. You will enjoy gorgeous sandy beaches, amazing restaurants and tavernas and some useful shops. There is even a huge LIDL close by for supplies. The beach restaurants are wonderful and generally always offer a glass of raki and some fruit or a mini pudding as a treat afterwards. There is a good range of restaurants, some serving traditional Greek specialities and others offering fine dining such Corinna Star at Corinna Mare in Kalamaki and the restaurant at the Domes Noruz Chania Hotel. You are very spoilt for choice if you decide not to cook in the villa!

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.

Though the four local beaches are wonderful, you may want to spend a day on the exotic, spectacular, famous beaches of Balos, Falasarna or Elafonissi. If you get time to visit Balos Beach, you will remember it forever. In the protected 'NATURA' area of Balos Bay, its glistening white sand and turquoise sea is incredible. Not far away is another Cretan wonder, Falasarna, another nestled lagoon with pool like waters and pink sand. It has been awarded the best beach of Crete and one of the top ten beaches in Europe. Elafonissi is equally wonderful and worth the drive.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Chania Daskalogianni Airport (CHQ) (16-20 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Souda Port (12 km)
Nearest Village	Daratso (Under 1 km)
Nearest Town/City	Chania (5 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Nikos Taverna (Under 1 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Bamboo (Under 1 km)
Nearest Shop	Koutoulas (Under 1 km)
Nearest Supermarket	INKA (Under 1 km)
Nearest Beach	Kalamaki (1 km)
Nearest Golf	Heraklion (Over 100 km)
Nearest Tennis	Syrios Village

What we love

- Villa Zaimis enjoys very unusual striking, contemporary architecture and is beautifully presented with trendy furnishings and elegant decor
- The villa is located minutes from the beach and natural park at Agii Apostoli, a charming resort with excellent amenities and from where you can easily wander along to Kalamaki and visit the Venetian harbour at Chania
- You will just love the outside spaces at Villa Zaimis. With a landscaped garden, an fabulous pool, a jacuzzi and a number of excellent balconies and terraces offering beautiful alfresco dining and lounge areas, you will remember your stay for a very long time
- Guests receive a welcome basket, six day housekeeping service plus assistance from a fantastic Concierge Team
- For full availability of all bedrooms please choose the 10 person option, as only four bedrooms will be available to you if you select 6 person price.

What you should know...

- If you are heading into Chania for dinner, it is best to pre-book a dinner table though there are also plenty of walk-ins. We thoroughly recommend the rooftop terrace for dinner at Pallas if you manage to get a table and Tamam on one of the charming little passageways
- The main road towards Kalamaki has a number of small mini-markets but there are also two very large supermarkets including a LIDL very close to the villa
- The walk to the beach is 25 mins downhill, but remember that will be uphill on the way back, so you may prefer to drive or get the local bus or a taxi
- It can be difficult to park in Chania Town so you may prefer to catch the bus, which runs close to the villa
- There are many steps in this villa which may make it unsuitable for guests with mobility issues

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** After 4:00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** Before 11.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Included in rental price
- **Linen & towels included?:** Included in rental price
- **Pets welcome?:** Please contact owner
- **Changeover day:** Saturday preferred, but flexible out of high season
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes and 6 day light 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?:** Outside only
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights between June - Mid September, otherwise 4 nights
- **Heating costs included?:** Included in rental price
- **Tax:** Not included in rental price
- **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