

# Villa Barozzi

Region: Rethymno Sleeps: 11

## Overview

Step back in time to the Venetian splendour of 15<sup>th</sup> century Crete, in this grand, 540 square metre stone mansion, first constructed in 1429, and now renovated to the highest level including a heated pool.

Accommodating up to 11 guests, Villa Barozzi offers something to please all ages and different holiday makers, from relaxing in the Jacuzzi and chilling in front of the home cinema, to heading for some of Crete's finest beaches just 3km away and meandering round the historic hillside town of Maroulas and Rethymno. There are also plenty of toys and games for the youngsters, and baby care equipment on hand for the littlest ones.

The staff provide an environment of absolute relaxation, allowing you to ease into the authentic Cretan way of life as they take care of housekeeping and laundry, and can serve local dishes at your request. They are also on hand to advise the best local archaeological sites, exclusive boat trips, and any other excursions you might fancy!

Staying in a village that is listed an official heritage site, with blissful sea views and enjoying the chilled island way of life, Villa Barozzi is an unforgettable holiday destination where there is something for everyone.

**Good news! For a little extra, this property is available as a Vill'otel**

### Yey! Wait... what is that?

It's the perfect combo of the privacy of your own personal villa, with all the luxury and convenience of a hotel.

### What can be arranged?

Breakfast, cleaning, welcome drinks and hamper, plus more! Check the Extras tab for all the details.

## Facilities

Quirky • Vill'otel (Like a Hotel!) • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets Welcome • Hot Tub • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Cable TV • Wine Cellar • Home Cinema • DVD • Working Fireplace • Heating • Ceiling Fans • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Tourist Towns & Villages





# Interior & Grounds

A conservatory style entrance leads you into the main living area. The design is open-plan: You will find a huge lounge with a stunning white marble floor, a kitchen and dining area, a vaulted television room, and hi-tech office space. The kitchen is fully equipped - dishwasher, microwave, oven etc.

Techno facilities here include: PC, WIFI, giant screen (3.5m x 3.5m), overhead projector managed by computer, a telephone, fax, television, video tape recorder, hi-fi, CD-DVD....

The dining area is spacious and there is also a children's play space. The living area leads out to a small inner courtyard which houses a Jacuzzi which is big enough for at least seven people.

Your additional fifth bedroom is also located in this part of the building.  
Sleeping Area The villa has five bedrooms, all with air conditioning for the summer - and central heating for the winter. We provide you with all bed linen and hand towels, and we also provide a daily (aside from Sundays) fully comprehensive domestic cleaning service.

## The Bedrooms:

Bedroom 1: (on the ground floor) Has an independent entrance. The room has a double king size bed and an en-suite bathroom with bath, toilet and hair dryer (possibility to add 1 baby cot)

Bedroom 2: (on the first floor) Has a great sea view, a double queen size bed and en-suite bathroom with bath, toilet and hair dryer (possibility to add 2 baby cots)

Bedroom 3: (on the first floor) This room has a small double bed and shares a bathroom (just in front) with Bedroom 4.

Bedroom 4: (on the first floor) Has 2 single beds and a double bed separated by a fix wardrobe (quadruple). This bedroom shares a bathroom with bedroom 3. The bathroom has bath, toilet and hair dryer (possibility to add max 1 baby cot )

Bedroom 5: (on the ground floor) Has a double king size bed. Shower and toilet are along the corridor (possibility to add 1 baby cot or a small extra bed for children until 12 year old)

Outside Area There is plenty of outdoor space within the grounds of the villa. You have the large courtyard with the swimming pool and the smaller 'Jacuzzi' courtyard. But you also have a massive roof terrace (120m2) on the first floor of the building, which has loungers, chairs, tables, in fact all the



garden furniture one could possibly want. From here you have a superb view of the village, the sea and the surrounding countryside.

A pre-stock and welcome drinks are at the villa for your arrival.

## Location & Local Information

Situated on the north coast of Crete and 8 km away from Rethymno, the 3rd largest town of the island, the historic village of Maroulas is located at equal distance of the international airports of Chania (CHQ) and Heraklion (HER).

The lively small town of Platanias and its long (17 km) sandy beach is only 3 km away from your holiday home in Crete. The Venetian village of Maroulas has a few taverns and cafenions, and, 1 km away, you will find a large grocery store open 24 hours a day.

Slightly off of the centre of the village, your villa, combining charm and tranquility, is the ideal starting point to discover the island. Your host will be pleased to advise you exclusive routes and original outings. The village boasts 3 taernas, a cheese factory and herbal shop. A public bus service insures the link with Rethymno but a rental car is anyway strongly advised.

Maroulas is a quiet village situated on the heights above Rethymno, facing the sea at an altitude of 150 metres and surrounded by greenery, a spring and several valleys.

In 1980, Maroulas was listed for its historical monuments but also for some of its houses including Villa Barozzi.

Amongst its rich historical heritage, visitors can discover important remains of ancient tombstones dating back to antiquity, two wonderful Venetian towers one of which is 44 metres high, a Byzantine church dedicated to the Ascension, a more recent church dedicated to the Virgin Mary and lastly a small chapel with iconostasis which adorns the small village square.

During the first Venetian invasions, the middle class houses of Maroulas were used as second homes or agricultural warehouses by the nobility of Rethymno. Its high position facing the sea and its narrow lanes without any main square make Maroulas a typical example of the kind of fortifications built at that time. Inspired by the works of Venetian engineer Fr. Barozzi dating from 1577, the Venetian constructions were aesthetically considered as state of the art. Later, the Turks would add architectural elements from Anatolia like chimneys, wells, hammams or fountains. Today, Rethymno is more a tourist destination with quaint shops, horse drawn vehicle and lovely fish restaurants. Head beyond the ancient fort at Kissamou for something special.

Nowadays, Maroulas reveals itself through a maze of alleys where visitors can stroll, meet with the locals and enjoy its tavernas and cafes.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport

**Heraklion (HER) or Chania (CHQ)**  
**(91-90 Km)**

Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Heraklion or Chania (81-90 Km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Maroulas (under 1 Km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Rethymno (6 Km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>In Maroulas</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Platania (3 Km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Maroulas (Open 24/7 Under 1 Km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Platania (3 Km )</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Elounda (over 100 Km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Platania (3 Km)</b>

## What Oliver loves...

- Stay in a luxurious Venetian villa that is classified by Greek Archeological authorities!
- Ideally equipped for a big family holiday, there is plenty for kids to do on site and in the nearby area, and you're just 3 km from some of Crete's most beautiful beaches.
- Gorgeous, long Cretan summers can be enjoyed from private historic terraces, and around the pool, which s heated for the cooler winter months.

## What you should know...

- As it is such an old building it is not suitable for wheelchair access.
- A car is recommended for getting around the island, and exploring the wild mountainous interior.
- Although there are amazing sea views, you are not directly on the beach front.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: 500€ in cash
- Arrival time: After 4 PM
- Departure time: Before 10 AM
- Energy costs included?: Yes
- Heating costs included?: Yes
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes
- Linen & towels included?: Yes
- Pets welcome?: On request
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside
- Pool heating charge?: €200 per week
- Internet access?: Yes (no Wi-Fi access available)