

Villa Ying

Region: Heraklion Sleeps: 8

Overview

Channel your inner zen at four-bedroomed Villa Ying. The luxurious villa taps into the tranquil Buddhist practice with its simple, yet sophisticated layout and natural use of materials, helping you to be the most relaxed you. Think sleek whitewashed walls and bamboo features. The hillside surrounds are just as peaceful, in the picturesque and authentic Cretan village of Koutouloufari. The sleepy village is tucked among olive groves and boasts stunning views of the coast.

The villa itself is truly unique, with an elegant combination of classic and contemporary décor. The exterior has the feel of a traditional Mediterranean cottage, with its rustic walls draped in pretty bougainvillea, while the interior radiates modern style. The four bedrooms each have their own balcony with views of the sparkling blue Aegean to the north or the breathtaking salt-water pool to the south. The master steals the show with a private bathroom, kitted out with a Jacuzzi, that directly overlooks Hersonissos port. Light the surrounding candles and sink in. Whichever room you choose, when you get back after a busy day of exploring, lay back in the cooling air conditioning. All rooms have Wi-Fi, so you can keep your family or friends updated on your adventures.

The ground floor provides the perfect place to unwind, dine or cook. There's a spacious fully-equipped kitchen (with a dishwasher and tea and coffee making facilities) and a comfortable living and dining room with a beautiful fireplace and beamed ceilings. The living room leads directly out to patio, where you will find the pool with a slide and garden, dotted with cushioned sun loungers, a hammock and bean bag chairs. There's a sheltered terrace with a chic swinging day bed – perfect for curling up on with a good book on – and an alfresco dining table. Lemon trees, potted plants and a bamboo fence all set the serene setting.

Culture fiend or foodie? With its local tavernas serving traditional cuisine, and old cobblestone streets, Koutouloufari is an excellent choice for you. Crete's soft sandy beaches are also within a short drive of the villa, as well as the cosmopolitan town of Hersonissos with its lively nightlife and shops.



Facilities

Villa/House • Quirky • Instagrammable • Modern • Wellness • Private
Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet •
Air-Con • Hot Tub • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport
• BBQ • Coffee Machine • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • Smart TV •
Satellite TV • Spa/Massage • Gym/Fitness Room • Cot(s) • Parking Space
• Watersports • Sailing • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Horse
Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist
Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Romantic • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Ying is a traditionally built, semi-detached villa (private with it's own front door and with a garden and views over the port of Hersonissos and the sea. The owner., who resides next door will require access to the pool area for 1 hr in the mornings to clean pool, garden and deliver basket breakfast). There are 4 bedrooms, and 2 bathrooms, and it can accommodate up to 8 guests.



Ground Floor

- Living & dining room
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Access to the patio & pool area
- Bathroom, balcony to pool area

First Floor

- Four double bedroom
- Family bathroom
- Jacuzzi

Exterior

- 30m² Swimming pool with a slide, 1.8m deep with a 'beach' type entrance
- Outside sitting & dining area
- Sun loungers
- Large patio area
- Covered terrace
- BBQ area
- Private parking
- Hairdryer
- Basket on arrival- Bottled mineral water, fruit, coffee, tea, sugar & a bottle of wine

Other

- Filter and Nespresso machine
- Dishwasher
- Washing Machine
- Iron and Ironing board
- Music Stereo
- The house has 2 baby cots, please request



Location & Local Information

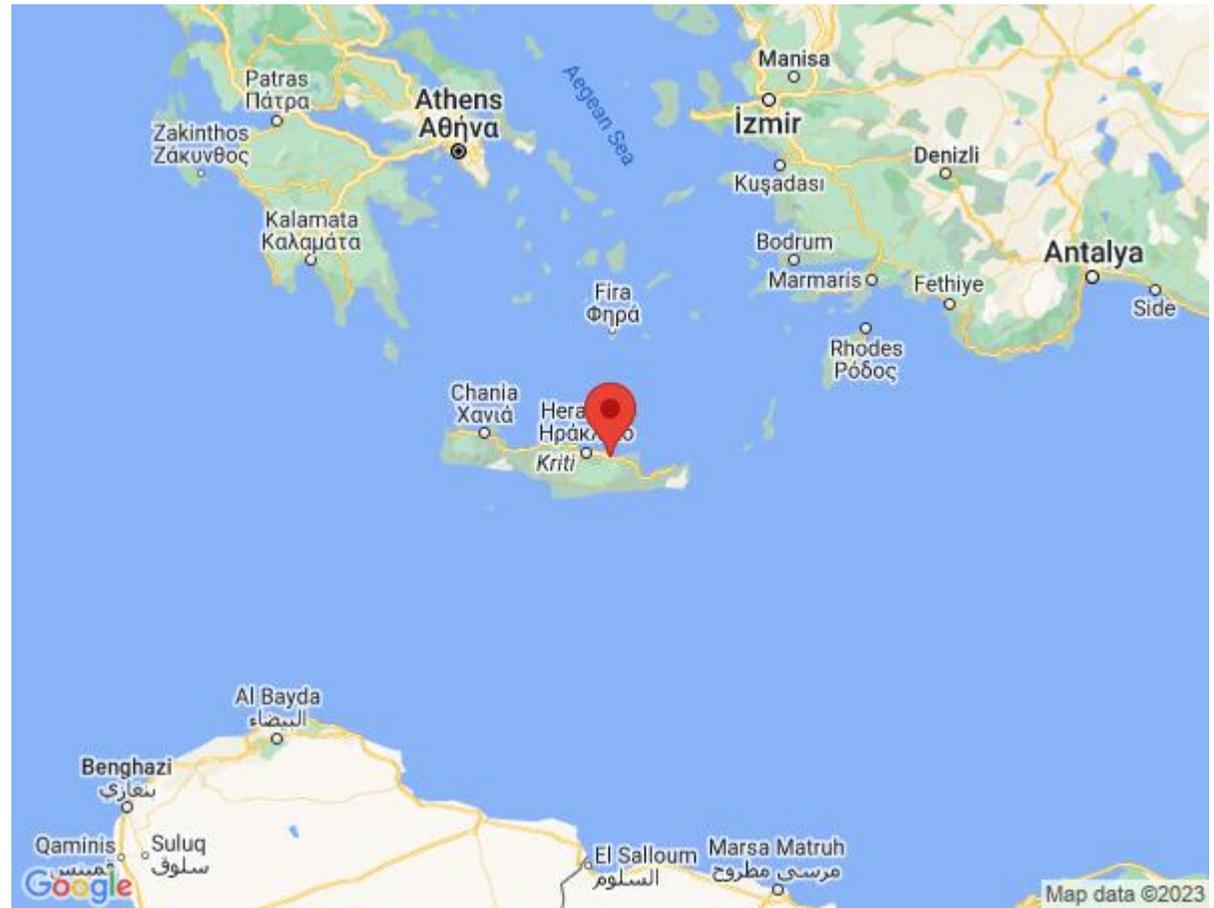
Koutouloufari is a peaceful Cretan village overlooking the vibrant port town of Hersonissos on the east side of Crete. It's nestled in the tree-lined hillside and is renowned for its excellent traditional tavernas and architecture. Look out for Souvlaki and Moussaka dishes, as well as after-dinner cocktails and crepes. Choose an outdoor seat and watch the world go by. The setting provides a quiet and romantic atmosphere with the mountain-side view of Hersonissos town and coastline.

To quench your culture thirst, you can explore the narrow cobbled streets and old Cretan houses, stop for an iced coffee in one of the many cafes or browse the quaint gift and souvenir shops. The old church of Agios Vassilios (St Basil) is also worth a visit or you could go for a walk around the sleepy neighbouring villages of Piskopiano and Ano Hersonissos.

Hersonissos, the livelier cosmopolitan town is a short drive away. There you'll find a vibrant nightlife and a multitude of shops. It is also within a short drive of some of the loveliest beaches in Crete. There are three popular family-friendly beaches to choose from, plus a handful of smaller, sandy coves that hug the rockier parts of the coastline. Nearby beaches include Kokkini Hani, Malia, Agios Nikolaos and Elounda. You could also jump on a boat trip to Dia or Dragon island, so called because it's shaped like a sleeping dragon. Some boat tours stop for swimming and snorkelling and provide a barbecue-style lunch.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Heraklion Airport (30km)
Nearest Village	Koutouloufari (2km)
Nearest Town/City	Anissaras (6km)
Nearest Restaurant	Restaurants & Shops (1km)
Nearest Beach	Stone Beach (4km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Course (8km)



Sightseeing

**Malia Palace Archaeological Site
(10km)**

What we love

- The villa taps into the ancient Buddhist practice of Zen and uses natural materials like driftwood, bamboo and stone, as well as light-coloured furnishings to create a truly tranquil space
- Everything at this villa is designed for your comfort, from the outdoor rain shower to the spa-like Jacuzzi and swinging day bed
- Stunning views of the Aegean Sea and Hersonissos port
- It's in a superbly peaceful spot, surrounded by trees and olive groves, yet you're a short walk from the centre of Koutouloufari Village with shops and local tavernas
- Massage and wellness services can be booked in resort, there is also an exercise room should you wish to book yoga or PT services.
- Televisions are not placed in the bedrooms, supporting the laid back philosophy

What you should know...

- On the ground floor, there's a private office space, with sofa bed, which can be used as a fifth bedroom upon request, although total headcount mustn't exceed 8 people
- The villa is in Koutouloufari village, some 100 metres above sea level, so it's slightly easier getting to the town and the beach than it is getting back

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: Credit cards details may be requested as guarantee
- Arrival time: Check in – Anytime after 14:00
- Departure time: Check out time – 10:00 – 11:00 am
- Energy costs included?: Included in the rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Linen & towels included in the rental price
- Pets welcome?: Pets not allowed
- End of stay cleaning included?: Included in the rental price
- Smoking Allowed?: Guests are requested not to smoke inside the villa
- Insurance: It is recommended that all guests take out insurance to cover against potential cancellation, personal accidents and any accidental damage caused during your stay at the property
- Minimum stay: 3 nights
- Tax: Included in the rental price
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi connection included
- Other Ts and Cs: Due to neighbouring properties guests are requested to be quiet between 00:00 and 09:00