

# Villa Rosette 2

Region: Heraklion Sleeps: 6

## Overview

Vacation in a traditional Greek village, when you stay in Villa Rosette 2, set in the heart of the countryside in the centre of the lush green island of Crete, in the heart of the Aegean Sea. This charming villa has two bedrooms and two bathrooms, and can comfortably accommodate up to six guests, ideal for a family or friends sharing a holiday. The villa is one of a set of three similar properties, perfectly positioned with vistas over the Cretan mountains and countryside. Villa Rosette 2 is also near many ancient historic sites, dating back to the time of the Minoans and the Palace of Knossos.

For the beach bunnies, the villa is ten kilometres from the Cretan coastline, which is populated with superb sandy shores and crystal-clear waters. This modern two-storey villa is built of classic Mediterranean whitewashed stone, and set in its own small grounds with tall wooden fences. The property comes with private parking, and complimentary air conditioning and Wi-Fi throughout. Each villa has a terrace with a small garden and a private swimming pool. The interiors have been stylishly furnished with contemporary pieces, lots of natural wood, and cool marble, whilst floor-to-ceiling French doors open to let in lots of natural light and cool mountain breezes.

Enter the villa at the ground floor level, where you will discover a light and airy open-plan holiday home from home. The seating area has a smart steel grey sofa, which converts to a double bed, with a matching footstool, and a wooden coffee table, facing a flat-screen television, and an enclosed fireplace, perfect for those cooler months and evenings. There is a natural wood dining set, ideal for enjoying some classic Cretan dishes. The grey and stainless steel fully equipped kitchen is fitted with all the appliances you will need to cater for your holiday, including a family-size fridge freezer, a built-in oven and hob, and a microwave and dishwasher. The first of the bedrooms can be found on the ground floor, furnished with a double bed, side tables, and wardrobes. A separate marble bathroom with a walk-in shower, hand basin and WC completes the ground floor.

Take the wooden staircase to the first floor, where there is a beautifully appointed grey and white bedroom with a double bed, side tables, and a flat-screen television. The ensuite marble bathroom has a walk-in shower, hand basin, and WC. Double doors from the bedroom open onto a furnished balcony with a scenic vista, ideal to take tea in the morning and watch the sunrise over the mountains. The decked terrace is home to a centrepiece



swimming pool, cushioned sun loungers for lazy days, and a soft seating area for a morning coffee catch-up, and sundowner cocktails. The state-of-the-art barbeque is perfect for grilling up some Greek meze and enjoying a fabulous feast.

The photos are of one of three villas that are identical [Villa Rosette 1](#) and [Villa Rosette 3](#) which can also be booked.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Modern • Self-Catered • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Coffee Machine • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Watersports • Sailing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, modern, countryside views, villa with private pool

### Ground floor:

- Living area with sofa bed
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Dining area
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom

### First floor:

- Double bedroom with ensuite

### Outdoors:

- Swimming pool
- Sun loungers
- Small garden
- Seating area
- BBQ
- Parking





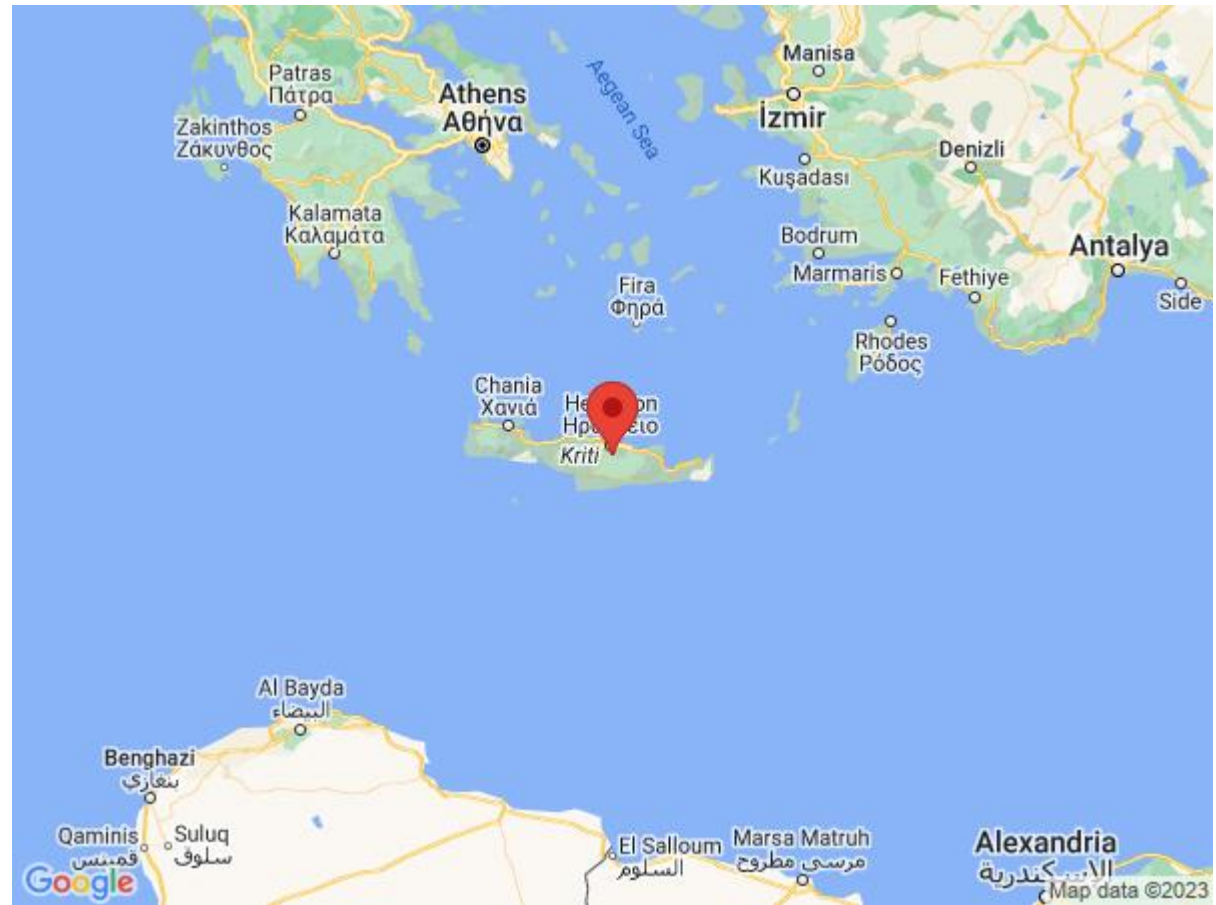
## Location & Local Information

Villa Rosette 2 can be found snuggled in the heart of the countryside in the village of Kato Arkhanai, in the centre of the Greek island of Crete, a jewel in the Aegean Sea. The villa is only ten kilometres from Heraklion International Airport, a scenic twenty-minute drive to your holiday home from home. As the island is equidistant from east to west, you'll have no difficulty getting to any attraction of your choice. Whether you are looking for a relaxing time sunbathing on sandy beaches, yearn for some culture and visit 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. In the village, you will find provisions to cater for your holiday, family-run tavernas serving traditional Cretan food, and cosy bars for a glass of local wine.

For those who love walking, explore the three hundred caves on the island, 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 ancient 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. The Nikos Kazantzakis Museum is just four kilometres from the villa, and well worth a visit. The town and port of Heraklion are a short drive from the villa, don't miss a tour around the ancient Palace of Knossos, a visit to the Archaeological Museum, a walk along the Venetian walls, and a stroll through the old quarter, where you can shop for souvenirs, before enjoying a souvlaki and ouzo like a local. The nearest organised beaches of Karteros and Amnissos are ten kilometres away, where you will find soft sand and crystal clear waters for swimming and snorkelling.

Go further afield to Vai, Crete's easternmost tip, where you will find lush forests and a unique date palm. Explore 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, become a bird-watcher, and be at one with nature. Get active and hike the Richtis Gorge, and stroll through streams to reach the twenty-metre waterfall, where you can cool off in the inviting pool. Find peace and solitude in the fifteenth-century Toplou Monastery, where you can see beautiful Byzantine icons.

If you prefer the sea to land, all aboard a boat trip where you can scuba or snorkel underwater ruins, and strap on your jet skis or paraglide with one of the many water sports clubs. Take a boat tour to visit the intriguing island of



Spinalonga, a former leper colony until as recently as the 1950s, home to a Venetian fortress, and now an open-air museum. No visit to Crete is complete without a trip to Agios Nikolaos, a harbour town that uniquely houses a lake in its centre, is home to the archaeological museum of Minoan treasures, and is full of tavernas, shops, bars, and restaurants, in which to sit and watch the local life go by.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Heraklion Airport (12.7km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Constantine's and helen's (260m)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Karteros beach (13.7km)</b>
Nearest Airport	<b>Mini Market (300m)</b>

## What we love

- We are a sucker at Oliver's Travels for a view, and Villa Rosette 2 delivers scenic countryside mountain vistas in spades
- We love that Villa Rosette 2 is off the beaten tourist track, perfectly positioned in the heart of the countryside, far from the madding crowds
- Villa Rosette 2 is a charming bijou, it can accommodate up to six guests, in a very thoughtful arrangement
- If you love ancient history, and exploring old sites, then you'll love staying in Villa Rosette 2, near an original Minoan settlement, and within driving distance of so many other historic places

## What you should know...

- We recommend hiring a car to see all the sights you'd like to see, although there is public transport to Heraklion from the village
- There are two double beds and a double sofa bed to accommodate up to six guests, no twin beds
- The villa is inland, and the nearest beach is approximately ten kilometres away, but it is surrounded by some fabulous Cretan countryside
- Hurray, your pets are allowed!
- The Villas photos are one of three identical Apartments [Villa Rosette 1](#) and [Villa Rosette 3](#)

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: None required.
- Arrival time: 15:00
- Departure time: 12:00
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the 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 included?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival.
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- Other 2: Social gatherings not permitted.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Minimum stay: January to May, October to December 2 Nights June, September 3 Nights July, August 4 Nights.
- Internet access?: Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access is included in rental price. It is good to note that the speed is dependent on the local provider and technical issues may cause reduced speed or cut of service.