

Silver Olive

Region: Rethymno Sleeps: 4 - 7

Overview

Villa Silver Olive is overflowing with rustic charm, nestled in the countryside near the north coast of Crete, one of the largest Greek islands, set in the Aegean Sea. This beautiful property has been lovingly restored by the descendants of the original owners, who have retained many of the unique characteristics that make this villa so special.

Villa Silver Olive is a property of two parts, with two private entrance self-contained apartments, joined by a communal courtyard, with a centrepiece swimming pool. The villa has three spacious double bedrooms, and can comfortably accommodate up to seven guests, ideal for a large family holiday, two small families sharing, or a friends' get-together. The property comes with off-street parking, complimentary Wi-Fi throughout, ceiling fans, and smart televisions in all the rooms. The villa is built out of local stone, with cool stone floor tiling, and floor-to-ceiling doors, that open out onto garden-view terraces and balconies.

The interiors still have the authentic architectural curved ceilings, and the traditional parasia fireplace, which once heated the whole home, and cooked the food, is in-situ from when the house was first built. The décor is decidedly contemporary, the furniture is natural wood, the linen is the finest, the lighting atmospheric, and the colour palette is one of subtle soft whites with elegant earth tones. The ambience is one of a relaxing home-from-home, beach house-style, cosy cottage in the country.

Enter the villa through the main entrance into the communal courtyard, where you will find two separate apartments. On the ground floor of the first apartment is an open plan living space decorated with lots of family-owned artefacts, with a single sofa bed, an open fireplace, a smart television, a dining set, and a small, yet fully-equipped kitchen. There is a beautifully-appointed bedroom, with a super king-size bed, open wardrobes, an in-built corner seating area, a flat-screen television, a dressing table desk, and an ensuite shower room, with a hand basin, and WC. Take the stairs to the first floor, where there is a second seating spot, with floor-to-ceiling windows, which open onto a furnished garden view balcony, the perfect place to enjoy a morning coffee. There is an exquisitely dressed bedroom with a king-size bed, fitted wardrobes, a TV, a dressing table desk, and a thoroughly modern bathroom, with a walk-in rain shower and hand basin. A separate loo completes this accommodation.



Across the courtyard access the second apartment, which has a ground floor open plan living space, with a sofa, smart TV, dining table, small kitchen, and a shower room with a WC. On the first floor, there is a bedroom with a double bed, open wardrobes, and a flat-screen television. The communal courtyard is captivating, with a step-entry swimming pool, that is surrounded by curved sun loungers, and shady silver olive trees.

There's an outdoor workstation, and a selection of books and games to keep both children and adults amused. A built-in, pergola-covered, soft seating area is ideal for meeting as dusk falls, for sundowner cocktails on the terrace. There is a ten-seater dining set, where you can feast alfresco with dishes freshly cooked on the barbeque and wood oven, as the Cretan stars come out to shine.

Facilities

Villa/House • Instagrammable • Modern • Self-Catered • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • TV • Heating • Parking Space • Watersports • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

156sqm 3 bedroom villa with two separate living areas, and communal terrace with private pool, to sleep up to seven guests

Apartment 1:

Ground floor:

- Fully fitted kitchen
- Dining set
- Living area with sofa bed
- Bedroom with super king size bed, open wardrobes, ensuite

First floor:

- Living room with sofa
- WC
- Bedroom with super king size bed, open wardrobes, work station, ensuite shower room, balcony with garden view

Apartment 2:

Ground floor:

- Living area with sofa
- Dining table and chairs
- Small kitchen
- Shower room
- WC

First floor:

- Bedroom with double bed, open plan wardrobes

Shared Exterior:

- Swimming pool
- Sun loungers
- Pergola
- Soft seating
- Outdoor
- Dining x 10
- BBQ
- Wood oven
- Gardens
- Top floor terrace with garden view
- Outdoor sink and preparation area
- Outdoor shower

Additional facilities



- Wi-Fi
- Satellite TV
- Off street parking
- Ceiling fans
- Parasia fireplace
- Washing machine
- Microwave
- Drip coffee maker
- Espresso coffee maker
- Fire extinguishers
- Smoke alarms
- First aid kit
- 1x High chair
- 1x Crib upon request

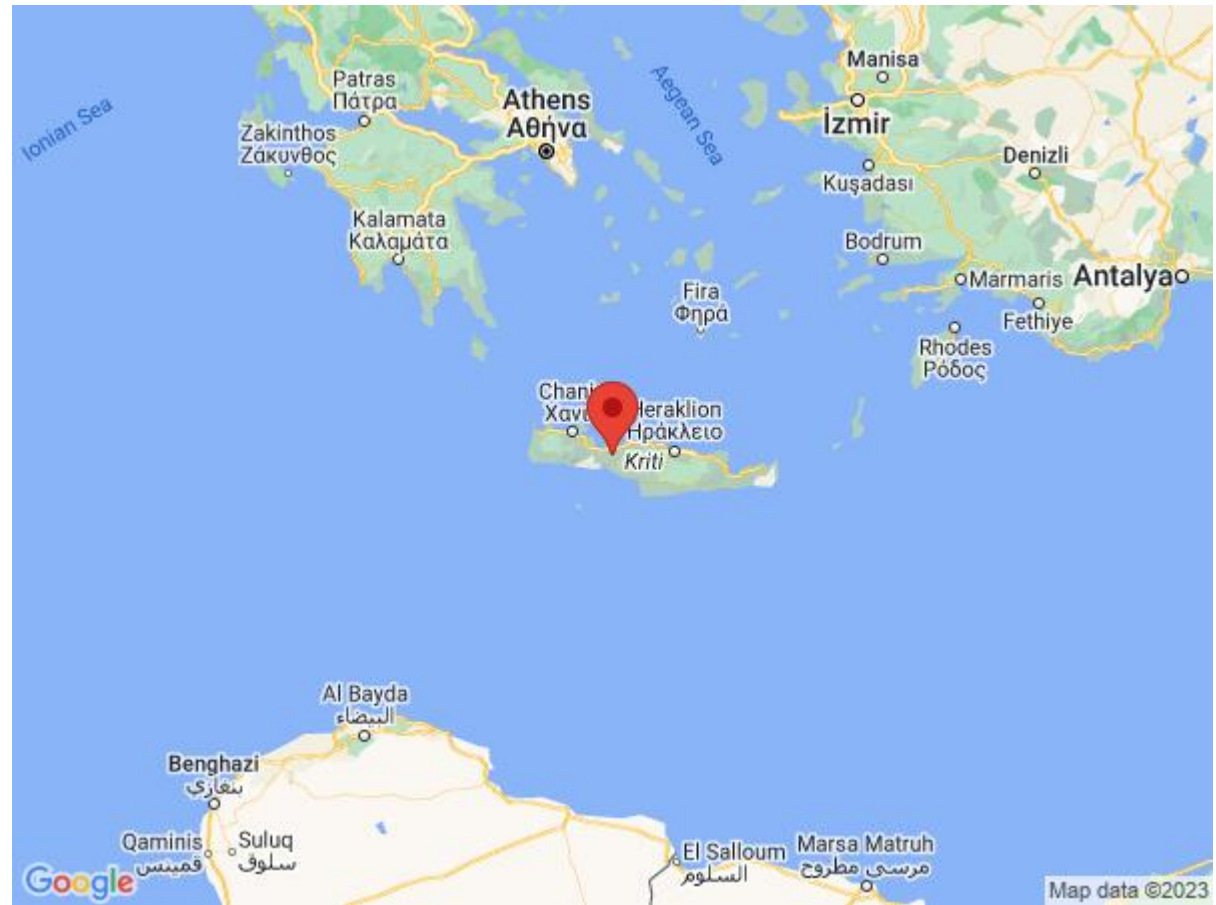
Location & Local Information

Villa Silver Oliver can be found nestled in the Cretan countryside, just two kilometres from the north coast of the Greek island of Crete, in the Aegean Sea. The villa is a seventy three-kilometre drive from Chania International Airport, passing avocado, orange, and olive groves, to your holiday home. The villa is near the small village of Armenoi, where you will find local shops for provisions to cater for your holiday, family-run bars and tavernas.

A ten-kilometre drive will take you to the old town of Rethymno, with its Venetian harbour, winding streets full of souvenir shops, a sixteenth-century citadel, Archaeological and Folklore Museums, and an 1830s lighthouse. The medieval town of Chania is only a twenty minute drive from the villa. Stroll down to the old port and harbour, visit the Maritime and Archeological Museums, seek solace in the Greek Orthodox Church of Agios Nikolaos, bargain in the local market, and then dine off freshly caught seafood by the seashore. For those who love hiking, there's the famous Samaria Gorge, the most walked trail in Greece. Explore the island's three hundred caves, and hike over hillsides, streams, and rocky ravines to discover watermills and ruins. All aboard a boat trip, where you can snorkel or scuba dive to underwater ruins, or jet skis or paraglide at one of the many water sports clubs.

A drive along the scenic coastal route will take you to the town and port of Heraklion. Take a tour around the ancient Palace of Knossos, visit the Archaeological Museum, and walk along the Venetian walls to the old quarter, where you can shop for souvenirs. 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, and bird watching. 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, where you can see beautiful Byzantine icons.

Take a boat tour to visit the intriguing island of Spinalonga, once a former leper colony and home to a Venetian fortress, it is now an open-air museum. Visit Agios Nikolaos, a harbour town that uniquely houses a lake in its centre, and is home to an Archaeological Museum, full of Minoan treasures. Stroll its charming streets packed with shops, cafes, bars, and tavernas, in which to sit and watch the local life go by. Unwind with a wine-tasting tour, and don't forget to take a bottle or two home with you.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Chania/Heraklion Airport (73 km/93 km)
Nearest Town/City	Rethymno (11 km)
Nearest Village	Armeni (1 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Taverna Alekos (1 km)
Nearest Supermarket	(950 m)
Nearest Beach	Rethymnon beach (11 km)

What we love

- Villa Silver Olive oozes rustic charm, the original stone house has been lovingly restored and is now a beautiful holiday home
- The communal terrace is a winner, with a private swimming pool and ten-seater dining table for some fabulous al fresco family dining
- The rooftop terraces have splendid panoramic views over the local village and villa gardens, the perfect place to enjoy a sunset cocktail
- Villa Silver Olive is nestled in the countryside, near a traditional village, blue flag beaches, and historic sites, something for everyone when you holiday here

What you should know...

- The villa has two separate apartments each with their own private entrance, and a shared terrace, great if its two small families or friends sharing
- Villa Silver Olive is eleven kilometres from the nearest beach, but once there the northern coastline is populated with a superb selection of blue flag beaches
- Villa Silver Olive can accommodate up the seven guests, with three double bedrooms, and a single sofa bed in the larger apartment
- Although there are two seperate apartments, the property is always booked as a whole and privately

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: 15.00
- Departure time: 11.00
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in rental price
- End of stay cleaning included?: Extra €51.50 per stay. 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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- 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.
- Minimum stay: 4 nights
- Changeover day: Flexible
- Smoking Allowed?: Not permitted
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- 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.
- Other 2: If the reservation is for 4 or fewer guests (not counting guests younger than 2 years old), there will be no access to Apartment 2. No other guest will stay there, the accommodation will be exclusively for you, however, Apartment 2 will be closed. In order to have access to Apartment 2, the reservation must be made for 5 or more guests. (Can sleep up to 7)
- Other 3: To oblige with Greek law, guests will need to provide their passport/ID details, a few days before their arrival. Reservations can only be made by persons over 18 years of age. At least one of the guests staying at the property must be over 18 years of age.