**Visit the Beautiful Greek Island of Crete**

The beautiful island of Crete has everything and anything anyone could ask for from a Greek island. From pristine beaches, picturesque seaside villages, breathtaking mountainous views to exquisite Cretan cuisine and exceptional heart felt hospitality. Crete has it all!

Crete is a land of great history, culture, traditional values and undeniable natural beauty. A destination that will fulfill all of your expectations and will leave you with unforgettable memories, ones that you will cherish for a lifetime!

**How to Get to Crete**

Crete is the largest and most popular island in Greece, located in the southern Aegean Sea that hosts millions of passengers from around the world each year. It can be easily accessed by any of the two major international airports in Heraklion and Chania or the smaller airport in Sitia. It can also be reached from the ferry dock ports located in Heraklion, Chania, Rethymno, Sitia and Kissamos.

Once you arrive to the island, avoid the inconvenience of waiting for a bus or taxi and rent a car Heraklion so you can begin your journey on the island. You can rent a car Chania from any of the well-known rent a car agencies including Hertz, Avis, Budget and Imperial Car Rental. If you don’t know your way around the island, request that a GPS device be included in your rent a car Hersonissos. It is the best way to come and go as you please to any and all locations you desire easily with no hassle or delays.

**Must See Locations in Crete**

**Fascinating Cities**

* **Heraklion** the capital city of Crete- visit the museums of art and history
* **Chania** a unique city bearing rich history and culture
* **Rethymno** a seaside city with traditional beauty and relaxing atmosphere
* **Agios Nikolaos** a gorgeous city known for its long sandy beaches and beautiful bays

**Historical & Archeological Sites**

* **Knossos Palace** in Heraklion
* **Venetian Fortress Koules** in Heraklion
* **Old Venetian Harbor** of Chania
* **Venetian Fortress** in Rethymno
* **Venetian Fortress Kales** in Ierapetra
* **Minoan Town** in Malia
* **Minoan Palace** in Malia
* **Ancient City of Olous** in Elounda
* **Spinalonga Island - “Leper Colony”**

**Picturesque Villages**

* **Matala** popular seaside village with sandy beaches & caves carved in the mountains
* **Elounda** beautiful coastal village, popular summer holiday destination
* **Malia** seaside village and the most popular destination in Crete
* **Bali** spectacular seaside village that combines sea and mountains
* **Maleme** charming seaside village, residents are known for their Cretan hospitality
* **Kolymbari** quiet, picturesque traditional village surrounded by sea & olive groves
* **Milatos** hillside village with panoramic views of the Mediterranean Sea

**Popular Resorts**

* **Amoudara** holiday resort perfect for sun seekers and sports enthusiasts
* **Agia Marina** a popular holiday resort with sea, sun, sand and palm trees
* **Georgioupolis** seaside resort situated in a lush valley filled with rivers and springs
* **Stalis** beautiful well-organized resort with amazing beaches
* **Kokkini Hani** popular summer resort ideal for family and romantic holidays
* **Platanias** popular beach resort with a long sandy beach and watersports

**Pristine Beaches**

* **Vai Beach** exotic location with palm trees, white soft sand & crystal clear sea water
* **Balos Lagoon** most photographed beach in Crete
* **Falasarna Beach** large sandy beach and tropical color sea waters
* **Bali Beach** sandy coves with calm turquoise sea water
* **Matala Beach** sandy beach, clean sea water and carved caves in the mountains

**Locations of Natural Beauty**

* **Elafonisi Island** an exotic place with exceptional beauty
* **Chryssi Island** powdery pink sand, shallow sea waters & acres of rare cedar trees
* **Lake Voulismeni** a bottomless lagoon ringed by steep rocky cliffs
* **Richtis Gorge** a lush landscape ideal for hiking, alos features a waterfall
* **Lake Kournas** enchanting landscape surrounded by high mountains & olive groves

When visiting the beautiful island of Crete experience and enjoy all it has to offer from food and desserts to fun-filled locations to visit. Be sure to stop at one of the many local taverns or restaurants and taste the exquisite Cretan cuisine dishes: Dakos, Gamopilafo, Apaki, Kaltsounia and Marathopita to name a few. After every meal the Cretans also offer an alcoholic beverage like Tsikoudia, Raki or Rakomelo free of charge to clear the pallet from the food that was previously consumed. Also stop a seaside cafe or bakery and try the delicious Cretan desserts: Amygdalopita, Patouda and Portokalopita. Next visit the many fun-filled attractions: The Golf Club, Hersonissos Aquarium, Labyrinth Theme Park and Dinosauria Park.