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recommendations



DINING



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GETTING AROUND



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- ✕ **Agreco Organic Farm** - is near Rethymno and has a great organic restaurant using local products
- ✕ **Alana Restaurant** - stands out amongst the crowd of ubiquitous taverns and restaurants in and around the Old Port of Chania, enjoy Alana's menu featuring a harmonious mix of creative Greek and Mediterranean cuisines
- ✕ **Avli Fusion Enoteca** and **Avli Creative Cuisine** - is set in 1530's Venetian villa with blossoming gardens and meticulous decor, AVLI's culinary offerings satisfy the most demanding customers. Both restaurants serve authentic Cretan dishes while Fusion Enoteca boasts a 500-year-old wine cellar housing 460 labels
- ✕ **Myrogdies** - (live music every night). The name of this quaint taverna means aromas, serving authentic and creative Cretan cuisine in the stone-walled garden where a real pomegranate tree dominates
- ✕ **Lemonokipos** - set in a gorgeous garden located on the central square, amidst important historic building monuments
- ✕ **Koukouvagia** - (Chania) best for afternoon coffee and sweets and to take in the breathtaking sunsets
- ✕ **Salis** - (Chania) A chic alternative to its neighboring taverns, Salis takes an innovative turn on traditional Cretan gastronomy



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- ✕ **Knossos** - this is the site of the most important and best-known palace of the Minoan civilization. According to tradition, it was the seat of the legendary King Minos and the location of the mythical Labyrinth of the Minotaur
- ✕ **Heraklion Archeological Museum** - houses artifacts of Cretan history covering a chronological span of over 5,500 years from the Neolithic period to Roman times
- ✕ **Historic Town of Rethymno** - this town shows off the influence that the Venetians had on Crete. Don't miss the Fortezza and Folklore Museum
- ✕ **Arkadi** - the monastery there is famous for being a site of an uprising in 1866 that would eventually lead to Crete's liberation from Turkey
- ✕ **Chania** - Crete's second largest town. Some of the must-sees in town include the Venetian harbor, the archeological museum and the Maritime Museum
- ✕ **Cretaquarium** - located in Gournes near Heraklion, the aquarium offers a unique opportunity to explore the world of Mediterranean sea life. A great family activity!

- ✕ **The village of Margaritas** - known for its pottery maker and a great place to witness the centuries-old tradition alive in modern day
- ✕ **Wineries** - Crete produces some excellent wines and has endless wineries to visit. Lyrarakis and Boutari are two of the most well known wineries
- ✕ **Nikos Kazantzakis Museum** - this museum pays tribute to one of Greece's most important writers of modern times
- ✕ **Samaria Gorge** - the most famous gorge in Greece is known for its dramatic natural beauty. The hike takes approximately 5-8 hours depending on your pace
- ✕ **Stagakis** - a Cretan Lyra workshop based in Rethymno. Since 1945 they have built and sent lyras all over the world wherever there is passion for the traditional Cretan art & music
- ✕ **Kournas Lake** - a beautiful lake near Rethymno suitable for swimming or a leisurely walk in nature
- ✕ **Patsos Gorge** - located near Rethymno, it is a great option for walkers of all levels
- ✕ **Matala** - famous for its cave dwellings and the surrounding area has some fantastic beaches
- ✕ **Phaistos** - after Knossos, this was one of the most important centers of Minoan civilization and the most wealthy and powerful city in southern Crete.
- ✕ **Agia Triada** - situated a couple of kilometers from Phaistos, this site is best known for its Royal Minoan Villa
- ✕ **Gortys** - located in south central Crete in the fertile Messara plain, this was one of the most important cities in Crete with an unbroken history of 6,000 years



GETTING AROUND

- ✕ **Bus** - The island has a bus system that will get you to most major towns
- ✕ **Taxi** - There is taxi service on the island
- ✕ **For more freedom** - you may want to rent a car / moped / ATV for a day or two. The hotel staff can assist you

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