

23-29 December
2017

Christmas in Crete!

It was a lovely week although the weather at the start made us worry a bit. Lots of rain + wind. By Christmas day it was sunny + warm and we headed back to Heraklion to visit Cret Aquarium. Great little place open 365 days/year! Sadly at this time of year the big Dinopark beside it was closed. We spent boxing day in Chania, great place to walk + explore, and boxing day is the Santa Run. We spent Wednesday driving to and from Rethymno but the kids needed a nap so we let them sleep + then stopped at a little beach where they threw rocks + went and got their toes wet!

Thursday we returned to explore Rethymno. It is a great little place to explore!

Friday is the home day for us. The apartment is lovely, the sauna is great! The hosts are even lovelier! We will definitely hope to return in early summer!

PC Photohost @ the Taverna with Eva SO worth it!

2017 Dec 31 to
2018 January 5

It was great to see the sun after 30+ days of cloud and rain in Brussels, Be (a record since 1934 - only 10+ hours of sun). We enjoyed the sun and the ocean, even though we had one cloudy day. It is a wonderful ^{place} island to visit; the local towns and the museums and sites.

1. ~~Heraklion~~ - museum and Venetian Fort
2. Chania - walking through the city and along the boardwalk
3. Balos Lagoon - spectacular site. Great hike on a beautiful sunny day (challenging hike which can be extended for hikers)
4. Rethymno - lighthouse and boardwalk.

All in all, a lovely visit. Thanks for the delicious food, Eva!

Highly recommended

Thanks

P.S. - Great spot for hikers and ancient history buffs. Beautiful country. Must come back when the beaches are full and the weather, hot.

Mar 24 - Mar 31, 2018

It was a fantastic week. However, a lot of the tours were not running until May. Regardless, we made the most of our time. We took the local bus to Rethymno and Chania. While there we walked around the towns, then returned on the bus. The bus system was easily accessible and very friendly. We spent a few days walking around the beach which was close by.

The pool was refreshing and kept clean. Also the sauna was very relaxing. The most amazing part of our vacation was the food that Eva + Yanni made. Their hospitality went beyond expectation. We will highly recommend this place to everyone.



March 31 - April 7 2018 -

Belgium (Canadian)

A Magical Week in Crete

We had the most amazing family vacation at Prinos Resort. Luxurious accommodations, with the warmth and attention of our gracious hosts Eva and Yannis.

From the moment we arrived, we felt peaceful and at home. Immaculate grounds and a fully equipped modern villa. The children enjoyed the pool and sauna - and the walk to the beach beautiful.

We visited a number of Beaches: (we rented a car)

Rethymon: close by, lots of waves, sandy/pebble mix

Bali Beach: close by, quiet sandy little cove, clear + calm water

Elafonissi Beach: Over 2 hour drive... But totally worth it! pink sand, crystal clear water, spectacular view

Food: Eva + Yannis are excellent and generous cooks. We enjoyed dinner and breakfast at their Taverna - highly recommend

This place is PARADISE! Smell the olives and honey in the air, listen to the birds singing and gaze upon the beauty that God has made.

We are sad to be leaving this breathtaking island, but we will return.

Thank you Eva + Yannis!

♡ Your Canadian Family

7-14 APRIL 2018 -

Thanks to Eva and Yannis! They are amazing guests. We got here late on Saturday night and we had a home made meal waiting for us at the appartement. The next day was Orthodox Easter and we have been invited to their family brunch, it was great traditional greek food.

We went to the "gorges de Rouvas" for a hike. It is the a easy one, it is only 6km but you go up approx. 100 ft. When we arrived at the end, there was a nice greek family that invited us for food and drinks (Easter Monday) It was the highlight of our trip. We visited Matala, it is far and you need a car, but it is worth the trip. Nice little peace and love city, with amazing little Tavernas and beach.

We also went to Santorini for 2 days, 1 night, 140EUR for the ferry, it was great, I would suggest you to stay to Oia, the nicest town in Santorini, it is also worth to go see the volcano's (on a boat).

We went to visit the Palais of Kressos in Heraklion. I don't think it is worth the trip and the 15.00€.

Go ~~to~~ to Rethymno instead, 15 min drive, and you can see the Fortezza for 4.00€, and walk around the old town. or even spend the day at the beach. It was our favourite town.

People are very nice here! We loved it. I will definitely come back to Crete.

*Come back.

14-21 April 2018

Wonderful vacations in Creta!

Thanks to Eva and Jannis for their warm and most welcome hospitality. The dinner they have prepared for us upon arrival was simply ~~as~~ outstanding. Here are a summary of what we did throughout the week:

- Chania Old Town: Walk the old town and a lot of shopping! ☺
- Bethymno: Walk, shopping and visited the Fortress
- Elafonissi Beach: Long drive to it but worth the trip.
- Kournia Lake: Very close to the resort. We rented a pedal boat, saw turtles and enjoyed a nice meal on the lake.
- Palos Lagoon: Another amazing place, worth the two hours drive and the bumpy road. No facility nearby though.
- Arkadi Monastery: Very close to the resort. Enjoy visiting this historical sites.
- Zeus Cave (Ditkeon): A very long ride to a wonderful area, but the cave only takes 15 minute to visit. Would not recommend as it is too far.

We really enjoy our stay at the resort. We took fully advantage of the pool, sauna, BBQ and the ping pong table. One of our highlights was on our way back from Arkadi Monastery when we stopped at a wood shop (Adele Village) to buy some olive wood items. The owner who is the artisan was so friendly.

We hope to be back in the future. Love our trip!



April 21-27, 2018 -

Wonderful holiday filled with wonderful food, friends and people. It was spectacular, the Cretan sun & sea warmed our spirits after a very dark Berlin winter. The accommodations were wonderful. ^(6-19mm) Jamie and Ede not only met our wishes but exceeded in showing us Greece and hospitality! Here is our summary of what we did this week!

- Rethymno - walk around the old town, enjoyed the board walk, the water front cafe, and a spectacular meal at Sunika
- Spili - a nice 30 min drive - stopped off for breakfast and a visit to the monastery - great views through the mountains
- Matela Beach - Spectacular - about a 2 hour drive - well worth it. took a quick dip in the Ocean (Chely 18°-20°C) but hot sand, sea and spectacular beach! Old caves once used as Crypts and in the 1970's a hippy colony! - loads of fun
- Chania - about 1.5 hours drive. Beautiful waterfront with great cafe. Took a horse drawn carriage ride through the city (reasonable rates)

We regularly ate at Evos restaurant - good fresh food for breakfast - great way to start day!

ate dinner there also - mixed grill!

- Pool was nice & hot...

going back home with fond memories to last us until next time