







HISTORY

The majestic history of the island starts at the Neolithic Times while the most well-known period during the Bronze Age developed the Minoan Civilization. The first palaces built in Knossos, Phaistos, Malia and Zakros in around 1950 BC. After 1500 BC many invaders conquered the island such as the Acheans, the Dorians, the Romans, the Byzantines, the **Arabs**, the **Venetians** and finally the **Otto**mans who maintain their occupation until 1897.

In 1913 the island officially unified with Greece after the independence negotiated by the great statesman Eleftherios Venizelos.

Since the ancient times the island has been associated with the most admired myths and legends. The Olympian god Zeus according to mythology established the hospitality spirit since Crete is considered the motherland of the Xenion Zeus.



CULTURE

Crete is considered one of the most popular ical and Folklore Museum, the picturesque touristic destinations in Greece with unique architectural, archeological and natural heritage combined with an exceptional touristic infrastructure. Due to its strategic geographical po- of the most historic cities in Mediterranean sition, Crete is a cultural crossroad with great historic importance characterized as the home central market, the imposing **fortress Koules**, of Minoan civilization.

The island is divided into 4 prefectures: Chania, Rethymnon, Heraklion and Lassithi. Crete combines mountains and sea, the new alongside with the old and ancient with contemporary history. The incredible scenery provides exquisite architectural examples of Venetian and Ottoman rule in the old towns and ports of the main cities. Some of the most important cultural sites worth visiting at the city of Rethymthe "Fortezza" (Venetian Fortress), the Histor- by the specialists in wine-making.

Old Town, the Rimondi Fountain, the Venetian harbor, the Gate Guora and many other monuments and attractions. Heraklion, one presents the **Venetian walls**, the **Loggia**, the

the Archeological museum, as well as Knossos, Phaistos and Archanes archeological sites.

The Cretans are famous for their nutritional habits and the Cretan diet is one of the most nutritious ensuring good health and longevity. The consumption of Cretan products is greater on local olive oil, pulses, vegetables, fruits, honey, wine and cheese. Enjoy the sounds of the **Cretan lyre**, a glass of authentic Cretan distilled spirit traditionally no are the imposing walls and battlements of known as **Raki** or **Tsikoudia** or a glass of wine







EXPLORE

Crete is the largest island of the country and peninsulas with endless sandy beaches as and to the east the **Karpathion Sea**.

line dotted with numerous coves, bays, and tional natural settlements.

the 5th biggest Mediterranean Island which lies well as numerous sites of interest waiting to in the southern frontier of Europe. To the north be discovered by the adventurous explorthe island meets the **Cretan Sea**, to the south ers of holiday treasures. The stunning Cretan the **Libyan Sea**, to the west the **Myrtoon Sea** landscape includes spectacular beaches, historical monasteries, beautiful gorges, picturesque fishing villages, ponds and rivers as It has an exquisite 1,000 kilometer-long coast- well as dozens wilderness paths and excep-

A WORLD MADE OF PRIVILEGES



M Y T H I C A

The Aquila Hotels & Resorts enhances a familiar feeling through exclusive benefits to enjoy the very best of everything we have to offer. The Mythica service caters to travelers who prefer to stay in upper level room types of the Aquila Hotels properties. A selection of luxury privileges are offered in order to make your stay more comfortable.

Mythica guests are entitled to services such as:

- Express check in / out
- Welcome champagne, fresh orange juice and water upon arrival
- Flowers, fruits & sparkling wine
- Specially selected gift
- Hotel tour (on request)
- Complimentary newspaper
- Exclusive quest relations service
- Free choice of dining options at all food and beverage outlets
- Turn down service
- Late departure (upon availability)



The "Best of the Best Loyalty Club" is a loyalty program designed to make stays at Aquila Hotels & Resorts even more rewarding. You can qualify for two different membership levels —The Platinum and the Diamond membership level- depending on how many points (stars) you earn which are credited to your member card upon departure. As a club member, you will earn stars as a reward every time you stay with one of the Aquila properties based on your selected type of accommodation. Member guests are able to redeem their stars for free nights at the lavish Aquila Hotels chain and also experience even more rewarding benefits such as: Room preference of your booked lodging type, basket of fruits, mineral water and welcome wine, traditional Greek sweets and "raki", flowers in your room and rate discounts in selected hotel departments.



Aquila Hotels & Resorts delivers value and flexibility that will help you succeed in your business meetings and events and gain more privileges by choosing one of the distinctive venues of Aquila properties. More is More business program is a great client experience since every time you book a business event you earn points according to your spending at any hotel department which are credited to your card. Points can be redeemed, within two years, against various privileges, which you can enjoy at your next event.



Centrally located, the Aquila Atlantis Hotel is a short walk from the bustling Heraklion downtown, a city steeped in ancient history.

The grandeur of this luxury hotel coupled with its reputation for turning moments into precious memories for leisure and business travelers.

Aquila Atlantis Hotel has been hosted to some of the most important meetings and events with countless local and international celebrities as well as successful tailor-made special occasions.

The luxury hotel presents an irresistible combination of elegantatmosphere, impeccable service, comprehensive meeting facilities and stylish accommodation.

Atlantis is open all year round offering also to its guests several choices of cultural activities, entertainment alternatives and leisure facilities.

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ACCOMMODATION

Aquila Atlantis Hotel provides 164 luxury accommodations designed in earthy hues, offering impressive views of the city harbor. Each of the hotel's spacious guest room and suite has been elegantly updated combining comfortable interiors with modern amenities.

All rooms are equipped with:

- Bathrobes & slippers
- Fine rain shower cabin
- Bath amenities & toiletries
- Pillow choice
- Premium line linen
- Hairdryer
- Direct dial telephone
- Alarm clock and voice mail
- Radio and music channels

- Satellite flat screen TV with international channels in four languages
- Wi-Fi internet access
- Electronic safe box
- Fully premium stocked mini bar
- Tea and coffee making facilities
- Double glazed windows
- Air conditioning / heating

COMFORT ROOMS

Spread through the five accommodation floors of the building, the Comfort Rooms are cozy and quiet with elegant decoration and windows that face the city or the hotel's atrium.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: All floors
- Total area: **20-24 m**²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 1-3 Adults
- Bed Type: **Queen bed** or **Twin beds**
- Extra Bed: **Twin bed**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: City view or Hotel's Atrium

Comfort Room





Business Room

BUSINESS ROOMS

Spacious rooms have been beautifully restored and come complete with large work desks featuring high tech facilities. From the private balcony guests enjoy stunning city or sea views.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: All floors
- Total area: 24 m²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 2 Adults
- Bed Type: **Queen bed** or **Twin beds**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: City or Harbor view



AQUILA ATLANTIS HOTEL

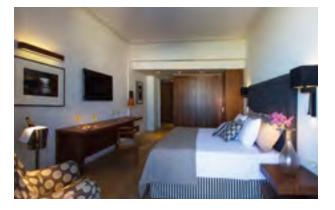
XECUTIVE ROOMS

Designed with elegant contemporary style and wooden floors the Executive rooms offer excellent room amenities and wonderful harbor views from the private balcony.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: First, Second & Third floor
- Total area: 26 m²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 1-3 Adults
- Bed Type: **Queen bed** or **Twin beds**
- Extra Bed: **Twin bed**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: Harbor view



Executive Room





Superior Room

Superior rooms

Each business-style accommodation enjoys the convenience of a work desk, richly colored décor with wood floors and modern appliances. The room balcony from the fourth floor provides lavish harbor view.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: Fourth floor
- Total area: 26 m²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 2 Adults
- Bed Type: **Queen bed** or **Twin beds**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: **Harbor view**



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DELUXE ROOMS

MYTHICA

The Deluxe rooms feature a fine stylish décor with all the latest modern amenities inspiring a comfortable and relaxing living space. The private balcony is ideal to admire elevated harbor view from the fifth floor.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: **Fifth floor**
- Total area: 26 m²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 2 Adults
- Bed Type: **Queen bed** or **Twin beds**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: **Harbor view**







Junior Suite

JUNIOR SUITES

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One bedroom premium suites display a well-defined bedroom with a living space. Furnishing is dressed in brown colors with fabrics of soft blue or beige tones providing utter comfort and luxury. Junior suites' guests receive premium amenities including daily maid service and free daily newspaper upon request. The marble lined bathrooms are equipped with a deep spa tub and a spa shower cabin offering the ultimate relaxation to each guest.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: Third to Fifth floor
- Total area: **35 m²**
- Max. Total Occupancy: 2 Adults
- Bed Type: **King Size bed**
- Bathroom: **Fine rain shower cabin**
- View: City or Harbor view



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GRAND SUITE

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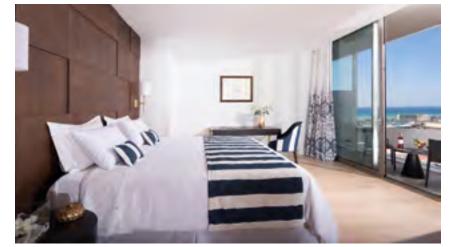
Best suited for guests who seek the ultimate indulgence and luxury, the exquisite Grand Suite consists of a graceful bedroom with a king size bed and a chic furnished living room with a dining area. The elegantly appointed suite features a bathroom with a deep bath tub and a spa shower designed to provide guests with a soothing setting for respite and relaxation.

The unique ambiance is complemented by the unrestricted sea view of the harbor from the top fifth floor of the building. The Aquila Atlantis Hotel has been hosted at the Grand Suite famous stars, leading figures and powerful business personalities over the past few years. Daily maid service, free daily newspaper, private parking upon availability and complimentary transfer from and to the airport are complimentary services provided for the suite's guests.

- No. of bedrooms: 1
- Level: Fifth floor
- Total area: 90 m²
- Max. Total Occupancy: 2 Adults
- Bed Type: **King Size bed**
- Bathroom: Fine rain shower cabin
- View: **Harbor view**



Grand Suite







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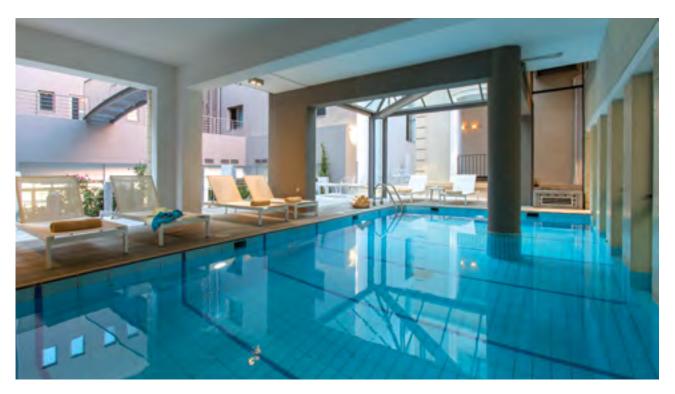
CONFERENCE FACILITIES

Experience stunning newly renovated downtown meeting facilities at Aquila Atlantis Hotel, exceptionally equipped for any type of conference, convention or event. Working travelers and professional visitors appreciate the largest and full service business center in the city of Heraklion. From intimate boardrooms to large halls offering over 1.000 m² of unobstructed meeting space suitable for up to 900 delegates, the hotel caters to functions of every size with extraordinary expertise and professional staff dedicated to success.

State of the art audiovisual equipment includes:

- Microphone system with wired and wireless microphones.
- Screen, data projector, overhead projector, slides projector, laser pointer, minute's tape recording system.
- Lectern, flip chart, presidium podium, all necessary tables, possibility of installing translation cabins.
- DVD / CD player for the transmission of video / music.





HOTEL FACILITIES

- 24 h Room Service
- Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access
- Currency exchange
- Guest Relations & Concierge
- Car rental services
- Local bus service nearby
- Limousine service upon request**
- Taxi service on request**
- Parking area
- Laundry service
- Massage & Beauty treatments
- Medical assistance nearby
- Fresh water semi-covered swimming pool 32m²
- Rooftop fresh water swimming pool 30m²
- Sports*
- Golf*
- Horse riding club*
- Tennis courts*
- Water sports*





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** with extra charge

^{*} outside the premises





RESTALIRANTS & RARS



"ARIADNI" MAIN RESTAURANT

"ARIADNI" main restaurant offers an array of options to cater for every palate, providing guests with an abundance of enticing dishes cooked to perfection using fresh local products. Either you choose to dine at the open-air pavilion or the adjacent indoor area, Atlantis restaurant creates a bright comfortable setting for business lunches or social dinners.

'AKALI" LOUNGE BAR

With its relaxed atmosphere and impressive artful décor, the "AKALI" lounge bar makes it the perfect stopover for every occasion from a delicious selection of sweets to your favorite coffee, tea or signature cocktail.



Environmental Awards







GOLD TRAVELIFE AWARD

Aquila Rithymna Beach, Aquila Porto Rethymna and Aquila Elounda Village have been honored with the prestigious Gold Travelife Award. Travelife is an international sustainability certification scheme. Travelife is a non- profit organization that supports an efficient and cost effective introduction of sustainability principles regarding tourism.

BLUE FLAG & GREEN KEY AWARD

Apart from the annual eco-label award of Blue Flag for all members of Aquila Hotels and Resorts, regarding the sustainable development of beaches and marinas, the Aquila Group is also proud to have received one more distinction for its environmental consciousness and ethics. The Green Key Award requires the implementation of numerous ecological criteria which all the hotels of the group - Rithymna Beach, Porto Rethymno, Elounda Village and Atlantis Hotel- successfully established at their premises.