



## Catamaran Cruise

A must-do and dreamy experience!

Time to hoist the sails! It's one thing to view the geo-morphological wonder that is the caldera and its cliffs from land and another to see it from the sea. Renieris Santorini Sailing Center runs private and semi-private day and half-day cruises of Santorini aboard catamarans and sailing yachts, as well as private tours with motorboats. A wide range of tours is available with routes that features swim and snorkel stops, including the volcanic island of Palea Kammeni and its therapeutic sulfur springs. Capture photos of the Red Beach, White Beach, Akrotiri Lighthouse and a cliff-face that resembles the face of an American Indian. A sunset cruise is guaranteed to render your partner speechless. Tours include a BBQ meal, snacks and drinks onboard and a return shuttle bus service. Speak with our concierge who can arrange a tour for you!



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## Private yacht and speed boat cruises to nearby islands

Feel the rush of flying across the Aegean in a private speedboat cruise to the nearby Cycladic islands of Ios and Koufonisia. Your driver will collect you from the resort and take you to Vlychada Bay, where you will meet your skipper and board the boat. Spend a full day on Ios strolling through its labyrinthine main town, combing sandy beaches such as Magganari which starred in Luc Besson's film *The Big Blue*, and dropping anchor to swim in sheltered coves. Lovebirds flock to the twin petite isles of Koufonisia to bathe in its shallow cerulean waters, savor the meaning of slow food at waterfront tavernas and track down curious trinkets in village lanes. Discuss options with our concierge, who can make your booking!



## Visit Fira

The capital of the island, Fira, offers a broad variety of shops with local and designer's items, restaurants, cafes, the Archaeological Museum of Akrotiri and the Orthodox Metropolis.

## Pyrgos Village

You may also explore the fortified settlement of Pyrgos, which is a typical fortress settlement of the Middle Ages in the Cyclades. Traditional architecture, remains of neoclassical mansions, narrow winding paths leading up the hillside, small white houses and blue dome churches led the village to be declared a protected settlement in 1995. In continuance you will drive at the top of the mountain of Prophetes Elias for breathtaking panoramic view of the entire island. A great place to take pictures!!

### TIP

**A private car tour can also be booked to take guests around the island to visit the most important sites.**

## Ancient City of Thira

The Ancient City of Thira is open from 08:00-15:00. The ruins of the City transfer you thousands of years back, before the big eruption of the Volcano that destroyed half of the island.

## Photograph Santorini

There is something very special about the light of Greece and nowhere is it more evident than on Santorini. Take a day or evening tour of the island led by a professional photographer guide who will take you to quiet locations off the beaten path and show you how to shoot Santorini in its best light. Your guide will train your eye to look beyond the obvious and seek out the unexpected. immortalize scenes of Cycladic beauty that will keep the island close to your heart. Book a tour via our concierge.



## Vedema, a Luxury Collection Resort, Megalochori Santorini

In the centre of the traditional village of Megalochori, one of the oldest villages on the island, visitors can explore the traditional architecture of Santorini. Also, in Megalochori, our sister property Vedema Resort, which is built around a 400-year-old winery with volcanic stones, features the Alati Restaurant, which invites diners to a unique seafood dining experience of an innovative menu of fresh fish from the Aegean Sea and its treasures, yet always with a refined touch...

ALATI showcases two completely different sceneries, to choose from... One is movie set worthy, located within the stone walls of a 400 years old winery, creating a romantic atmosphere, while outdoor dining in the upper terrace, with elements and motives inspired by the Greek summer, is open to the star gazing. A medieval venue in the old winery, where you can enjoy gourmet Greek contemporary dishes under the mystical lights of candles.



## Visit the traditional wineries and explore Santorini's world of wine

There are many wineries to visit, as Santorini has a big reputation on wine production, dating from the ancient times! You can have a wine-tour experience, by visiting inside one of the wineries and learn about the production methods used and may taste a glass of wine as well! So, if wine is your passion; Vedema or Mystique could be the right place to be for a wine tasting experience. The old setting of Canava Wine Bar or the Secret Wine Bar wine cellar serves as delightful backdrop for our sunset wine ceremony. The unforgettable tasting of 7 exquisite indigenous wines with an excellent variety of Greek cheeses and crackers will evoke the spirit of Santorini and offer the outmost satisfaction.



## Mystique, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Oia Santorini

Best for last, Oia village, where our sister property Mystique is located, offers the most amazing romantic view to the sunset, with unobstructed views to the Aegean Sea, the Caldera and the Volcano. What makes it more attractive is the privacy, since no outside visitors are allowed in the hotel. Mystique has two of the best Gourmet Restaurants, Charimsa, with Mediterranean fusion cuisine and Asea, with Japanese cuisine.



We provide complimentary transfer from Istoria to Mystique and back.

Oia also offers many gourmet restaurants and traditional fish tavernas, shops, art galleries, jewelry shops.

## Private candlelit dinner in the Secret Wine Cave or under the stars



Woo your amour over culinary pleasures and wine with a private dinner under the sublime glow of candlelight. Make your honeymoon, anniversary, vow renewal or first holiday together especially memorable.

Choose between the seductively dramatic Secret Wine Cave, formerly a 150-year-old wine cellar, the privacy of your own suite or villa terrace, or a secluded balcony at the caldera's edge under the starry night sky.

A dedicated waiter will serve a five- or seven-course degustation menu, or dinner from the a la carte menu, featuring dishes sourced from the land and sea. Menus are paired with wines from Greece and the world's most esteemed wine estates. Feel all five senses fire into action and make the one lifetime connection that genuinely counts.



## Cooking lessons in our famous “Alati” Restaurant

Is cooking among your favorite hobbies? Then, expand your knowledge and skills by getting familiarized with the Santorinian cuisine!

Learn how to prepare a full Santorinian meal from our experienced Chef Melina Chomata, in our sister Marriott property, Vedema Resort! Prepare, cook and then enjoy a delicious meal from your own hands, using the testier and freshest local products! You will have the chance to learn how to cook, among the others, the famous Santorinian salad, the tomato fritters and stuffed tomatoes, using the famous cherry tomatoes, which are grown in property's farm and picked every day!

And what better to enjoy your meal along with a glass of local Santorinian wine. Certificates of attendance and recipes will be given to all our participants.

Please, feel free to ask our concierge about all relevant details! Kindly let us know about your participation, one day in advance.



## Horseback riding

Start the day riding to the top once again, an early start if you don't want to find crowds along the beach at Monolithos. If the full two-and-a half hour ride seems a little too much for you, ask to do the short ride of just an hour to the nearby beach at ExoGonia. After your morning dash, visit Panagia Episkopi, the most important Byzantine monument on the island. A swim at Kamari and as soon as the sun begins to go down, a walk round Messa Gonia.



As you stroll through the ruins of houses deserted by the villages after the earthquake of 1956 you can still see some traces of their daily lives here. If there's time, make your way down to see the sunset from Faros-the lighthouse-at Akrotiri. Take the road on the other side of the mountain, which comes out at the Pyrgos crossroads, and continue towards Akrotiri. Instead of turning left into the village, go straight following the sights to the lighthouse (Faros).

## Hiking

Hiking in Santorini is a lifetime experience! While the views from Thira town or Oia are enough to satisfy most travelers, even more spectacular panoramas await those who trek to small villages at higher elevations such as Imerovigli, Skaros and Pyrgos. From cliff-top walks to volcanic vistas, the island of Santorini boasts some of the Mediterranean's best hikes. Through hiking tours, visitors can explore untouched landscapes, be wondered by the stunning views of the deep blue waters of Caldera, and visit picturesque villages, in places where locals still embrace their traditions. The natural beauties, the historical monuments, the churches and chapels and the beautiful trails assist in the selection of impressive routes for interested visitors.

## Water sport events and scuba-diving

Water sports are available at the beach of Perivolos and can vary as follows: windsurfing, water-ski, paragliding, canoe, jet-ski, tubes etc.

## Scuba-diving and snorkeling

The Mediterranean Dive Club started operating in Santorini summer of 1998 as a fully organized diving center and we are proud to state one of the most up to date in the Cyclades islands. Located on Perissa beach, with the harbour and the dive sites just around the corner, the certified staff organizes speedboat diving, snorkeling or giving PADI courses. It represents one of the most interesting experiences during the summer season. Diving in the Mediterranean, experiencing the big blue, watching new interesting animals, plants, lava formed bottoms, caves, drop offs; all in the crystal-clear waters surrounding Santorini and the Volcano Islands.

## Black Sand Beach

**The Black Sand Beach** is a place one needs to experience while on the island.

Vedema offers complimentary use of its private beach facilities in Perivolos. Access is very easy by car or taxi and the distance is approximately 40 minutes driving. A day on the beach soaking up the Aegean sun is de rigueur. Santorini is home to some spectacular beaches, such as Perivolos, which is located in the southeast of the island. It is known for its soft back sand and refreshing, deep blue waters. Stretch out on the complimentary towels and comfortable sun loungers and later, enjoy a sumptuous meal at secluded seaside restaurant Mr. E. Try out various water sports, play a game of beach volleyball and take a romantic stroll along its long shore, toward the rugged mountain of Mesa Vouno which rises up to the north. Speak with our concierge to arrange a transfer to the beach club.







## SPECIAL THINGS TO DO IN SANTORINI:

1. Go to the picturesque **Vlychada** and taste fresh local fish in the traditional tavernas.
2. Visiting **the Museum of Prehistoric Thera and the Archaeological Museum** is as if plunging into the long and rich history of the island.
3. Visit **the ancient Minoan city of Akrotiri**, an inspiring site overshadowed by an impressive medieval fortress, one of the most important prehistoric settlements of the Aegean. The first habitation at the site dates from the Late Neolithic times.
4. Visit the traditional **village of Emporio** and admire its fortified castle.
5. Try the local delicious cuisine with Santorinian fresh and healthy products.

## Fine Dining top suggestion

❖ Alati, Megalochori, [lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/alati-restaurant](https://lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/alati-restaurant)

Vedema's signature restaurant showcases the creative fish and seafood inspired menu, within the stone walls of the 400-year-old winery or on the terrace, which is open to stargazing and features views to the village and surrounding vineyards.

❖ Charisma, Oía, [lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/charisma-restaurant](https://lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/charisma-restaurant)

Open-air dinning with a Greek inspired mouthwatering menu that highlights the freshest local ingredients seasoned with regional flavors. Free transfer from Vedema Resort offered upon request.

❖ ASEA, Oía, [lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/asea-restaurant](https://lcsantorinirestaurants.gr/asea-restaurant)

ASEA is Mystique's artisan Japanese restaurant offering fresh sushi with a Mediterranean flourish in a dreamscape of unique infinity views to the deep blue sea. Free transfer from Vedema Resort offered upon request.

❖ Mr. E, Perivolos Beach, [www.istoriahotel.gr](http://www.istoriahotel.gr)

Facing the most famous black sand beach of Perivolos and located within Istoria Hotel, Mr.E is the newest addition in Santorini's restaurants. Offering innovative Mediterranean cuisine, an exclusive, upscale setting and unique ambiance, Mr.E is an experience not to be missed.

❖ Amvrosia, Oía, [www.restaurant-ambrosia.com](http://www.restaurant-ambrosia.com)

In this special restaurant of Oia, you will be delighted by the Mediterranean cuisine and the very romantic ambiance and sea view.

❖ Koukoumavlos, Fira, [www.koukoumavlos.com](http://www.koukoumavlos.com)

Located in the main town of Fira, Koukoumavlos, offers a great gastronomic experience with personalized and warm ambiance facing the Volcano scenery.

❖ Selene, Pyrgos, [www.selene.gr](http://www.selene.gr)

The restaurant's awarded fine dining cuisine paired with the awe-inspiring views from its exclusive location at the highest point of the island, will delight your senses.

❖ Red Bicycle, Oía, [www.redbicycle-oia.gr](http://www.redbicycle-oia.gr)

Within walking distance of Oia Castle, Red Bicycle overlooks the entire crescent-shaped island within a calm and relaxing ambiance.

## More Dining options

❖ The Athenian House, Imerovigli, [www.theathenianhouse.com](http://www.theathenianhouse.com)

Located in Imerovigli with breathtaking sunset views, the Athenian House offers creative Greek cuisine, using new and current gastronomic technologies.

❖ Ovac, Imerovigli, [www.cavotagoo.com/santorini/ovacrestaurant](http://www.cavotagoo.com/santorini/ovacrestaurant)

The restaurant of Cavo Tagoo Hotel, located in Imerovigli, Ovac is right next to the hotel's cobalt blue pool and offers Mediterranean fusion cuisine and creative cocktails.

❖ La Maison, Imerovigli, [www.lamaison-santorini.com](http://www.lamaison-santorini.com)

La Maison Restaurant offers innovative Mediterranean cuisine ranging from simple dishes to molecular gastronomic approaches, within the picturesque village of Imerovigli, overlooking the Caldera.

❖ Catch, Oía, [www.catchrestaurant.gr](http://www.catchrestaurant.gr)

Described as new age gourmet restaurant, Catch offers modern Greek cuisine and special cocktails in an inspiring modern space.

❖ Katharos Lounge, Oía, [www.katharoslounge.com](http://www.katharoslounge.com)

On the road leading from Oia to Ammoudi, Katharos is a lounge restaurant by the beach, rarely crowded, ideal for relaxing and watching the sunset, in a bohemian setup with Asian-inspired cuisine.



# Traditional Restaurants – Tavernas

## NORTH OF SANTORINI

❖ Ammoudi, Oía, [www.ammoudisantorini.com](http://www.ammoudisantorini.com)

A fish tavern right next to the sea, situated at the old port of Oia. The Sunset view from here is unique and the seafood paramount.

❖ Roka, Oía, [www.roka.gr](http://www.roka.gr)

A little out-of-the-way, yet worth searching out for, this warm and cozy tavern invites you to try a variety of Greek 'mezedes,' wines and ouzo.

❖ Fino, Oía, [www.finosantorini.gr](http://www.finosantorini.gr)

Fino offers creative Mediterranean cuisine and intriguing cocktails in minimal yet warm surroundings.

❖ Kantouni, Pyrgos

A traditional 'kafeneio', where visitors can enjoy Greek 'mezedes' under the shade of the pine trees.

❖ Krinaki, Finikia

A traditional meat taverna in the purely traditional village of Finikia, only 15 minutes walk from Oia. Fresh ingredients and a local ambience that give an unbeatable casual dining experience.

## SOUTH OF SANTORINI

❖ Delfinia, Akrotiri, [www.thedolphins.gr](http://www.thedolphins.gr)

This Greek fish 'taverna' is located on the sea front village of Akrotiri, right next to the excavations of the ancient town of Akrotiri (the Aegean Pompeii).

❖ Dichtia, Perivolos, [www.tadichtia.gr](http://www.tadichtia.gr)

Ta Dichtia (The Nets) of Michalis Troullakis offers a unique experience to those who have an appetite for fresh fish and seafood right on the seafront.

❖ Psaraki, Vlychada, [www.topsaraki.gr](http://www.topsaraki.gr)

Located in the village of Vlychada, next to the main black sand beach and overlooking the marina, Psaraki offers its guests Greek and Mediterranean dishes of exceptional taste.

❖ Metaxi Mas, Exo Gonia, [www.santorini-metaximas.gr](http://www.santorini-metaximas.gr)

Located in the traditional village of Exo Gonia, here you will enjoy a great local ambience, as well as a variety of the island's greatest starters ('Mezedes') of the island.

❖ Feggera, Megalochori, [www.feggera.gr](http://www.feggera.gr)

On the terrace of an old mansion, in the heart of the traditional settlement of Megalochori, Feggera restaurant is participating in the Aegean Cuisine initiative and gracefully combines the organic products of Crete with the products of the arid land of Santorini to create traditional Santorinian recipes.

❖ Mousiko Kouti, Megalochori

You will find it hidden inside a small yard decorated with bougainvilleas, set up in a relaxed mood, colorful aesthetic, retro design touches, wooden traditional tables and chairs. Mousiko Kouti is a place for everyone, for every mood, every hour and every age. Let yourself take a tasty journey with the large variety of local and Aegean tapas (in Greek “mezedes”), the homemade cuisine and the friendly environment. From noon until night, enjoy an exploration of Greek cooking tradition.

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