



**LEGACY GASTRO SUITES**  
Iconic Hospitality

**Fact Sheet**

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Located in one of the most privileged spots in the city of Heraklion, "Legacy" is a leading point of reference for both locals and food travellers in Crete.

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It's a reference point in one of the most strategic spots of the Cretan capital, and it is expected to illuminate Eleftherias Square in an entirely new way. It marks a new era for the region and the city bringing to the fore the genuine Cretan culture, praising the Light and Freedom, two concepts that have shaped the character of the people and the legacy of Crete.

Legacy Gastro Suites is a new, unique proposal of luxurious accommodation in Heraklion, premium Greek products presented in the suits food station, with the rich legacy of three of the most representative Cretan artists.

Our five-star hotel boasts twelve luxurious sea-view suites, all carefully designed to excite the senses. Through its classic, elegant ambience and design, Legacy Gastro Suites illuminates the gastronomy, culture, and hospitality, all staple ingredients of the authentic.

The pillar of inspiration behind the interior design of our suites, comes from the artistic heritage of the writer Nikos Kazantzakis, the poet Vincezos Kornaros, and the painter, sculptor and architect Domenikos Theotokopoulos (reknown as El Greco). Each space stands out through featured characteristics that have marked the life and work of these three great Cretan personalities.

In our hotel, the local Cretan traditions meet the modern world. Both universes combine naturally, incorporating the smartest technologies in every aspect of our services. Our guests live the thrill of our environment and share their experiences through our reliable and fast WiFi, touchscreen devices and every technological comfort of the current world.

Legacy Gastro Suites is a high-end luxurious hotel, connecting travelers through the concepts of iconic hospitality, gastronomy, and Cretan culture.



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## Culture

Poetry, painting, and writing impress their distinctive characteristics in every suite of our hotel, a place inspired by the splendor of the fifties urban deco. The years of the post-2nd world war era are brought back to life in relation with the times and the works of the three most preeminent Cretan artists.

The singular thematic events of the new Legacy Gastro Suites relate to the local culture and gastronomy, fundamental concepts that introduce our guests in the spirit of the Greek term "giorti", an idea conveying the idea of joy, feast, and celebration.

## Gastronomy

We have crafted an all-day meeting point as well as a landmark roof garden restaurant with contemporary yet authentic gastronomic proposal. Our cuisine ensures a combination of health and taste, adding an intuitive good mood and giving a new dimension to the everyday life of the city centre.

## Hospitality

Legacy Gastro Suites creates a unique emotional experience of luxurious accommodation in Heraklion city on Crete island, revealing the striking feature of our most authentic cultural heritage and the noble, tasty products of the Cretan land. A holistic experience made of taste, art, and traditions.

The gastronomic character of the suites allows guests to taste distinctive treats through a variety of specially selected delicacies belonging to the amazingly rich Greek cuisine giving to the guest a privileged insight into the identity of the local food culture.



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## “V” Suites

Sophisticated luxury with a poetic touch.

Inspired by the great Cretan poet Vincenzo Kornaros, refined decorative details create the sophisticated atmosphere of the suite. A touch of poetry hovers over the bed defining the expressive character of the room. Bonus to its luxury, the chic and comfortable sitting room space includes an elegant dining area, as well as a practical-serviced food station boasting authentic Greek delis along with a selection of prestigious Greek wine labels and spirits.



## “K” Suites

A writer's inspiration with luxurious aura.

Inspired by the Nobel prize nominated author Nikos Kazantzakis, the intellectual atmosphere and love for literature pervade the 32 square-meter suite made of pure style and character. As they walk in, guests immerse in the unique character of the room, highlighted by the magnificent wooden furniture and the spectacular bookshelf that frames the comfortable master bed.



## “L” Suites

Blending art & beauty with luxury.

Inspired by the famous painter Domenico Theotokopoulos (El Greco), an atmosphere of simplicity combines with art and beauty. The soothing colors and images of the famous Cretan artist naturally flow through the space and its furniture, giving shape to a distinguished environment. Luxury, beauty, and authenticity are the words that best define the character exhumed by L suites.



## Amenities

- Accessible by lift
- Air conditioning
- Balcony
- Bathrobe
- Body soap
- Bottle of water
- Children's cots/cribs
- City view
- Coffee machine
- Conditioner
- Desk
- Dining table
- Electric kettle
- Flat-screen TV
- Free toiletries
- Hairdryer
- Hardwood/Parquet floors
- Heating
- Kitchenware
- Landmark view
- Linen
- Minibar
- Outdoor furniture
- Patio
- Safety Deposit Box
- Sea view
- Seating Area
- Shampoo
- Shower cap
- Slippers
- Socket near the bed
- Sofa
- Soundproofing
- Tea/Coffee Maker
- Toilet
- Toilet paper
- Toothbrush
- Towels
- Trash cans
- View
- Wake-up service
- Walk in shower
- Wardrobe/Closet
- Wine glasses
- Wine or champagne

## Services

- 24h Front Desk
- Welcome drink upon arrival
- Standard welcome offer
- Premium welcome offer
- Early breakfast (upon request)
- Breakfast/ Lunch box upon request
- Express check-in, Express Check-out
- Complimentary Wireless and cable high-speed internet connection
- Complimentary pillow menu
- Daily maid service
- Daily turn down service
- 12-hour room service
- Express laundry and dry cleaning (extra charge)
- 100% Smoke free rooms
- Private indoor & outdoor parking areas close to the hotel (extra charge)
- Doctor on call
- Shuttle Service (extra charge) (TAXI)
- Porter service
- "Guide" app on your in-room tablet device. Your own personal guide to control personalized services, your room temperature, entertainment & communications

## General info

Credit Cards accepted:

Mastercard, Visa, American

Express, Diners, Maestro, Debit card

Check in time

15:00

Check out time

11:00

Currency

Euro

Time-zone

(GMT+2)

Latitude

35°20'23.53"B

Longitude

25° 8'9.81"A

## Food Drink

### Papi Restaurant

Papi restaurant's atmosphere becomes an ideal destination from early morning until late at night. The Italian roots of Michelin awarded chef, Ektore Botrini are turned into dishes full of inspiration. Italian recipes meet local nutritional richness. The complete breakfast choices and the rich brunch are an excellent start for a day full of energy. The best coffee variety, freshly squeezed juices, homemade baguettes and delicious omelets. During the day, interesting tastes come to the fore giving another dimension to classic recipes. Fresh pasta, Scaloppine al marsala, tagliata Brunello, spaghetti Benedetti cavalieri, aim to introduce more and more people to this inspired cuisine!

The epilogue of each meal is written with the finesse of the creamy light Tiramisu and the bonet Piedmontese. The wide variety of Greek and international wines gives a whole new dimension to pleasure.

This is how moments are turned into memories and what drives you to Legacy.

### Epsilon Restaurant

We raised the earth to the sky and set the sea on fire! This is how the idea of the open fire restaurant "Epsilon" was born. The Michelin-starred Chef EKTORAS BOTRINI and his team reveal authentic flavors that literally 'come out' of the flames of a wood-fired oven or a traditional "parastia". A masterful combination of Earth and Sea, herbs and tradition, memory and surprise, delves into local and Mediterranean flavors. Fire is the common language of them all, and reveals its essence through a mixture of tasty meats, tender shoots of the mountain, and treasures of the sea. Their freshness leads to a colorful menu, depending on the season. The premium local ingredients are collected with care, cooked exclusively on fire and release their most authentic taste.

Experience, patience and instinct are the necessary ingredients in every gastronomic creation! The menu is complete with specially selected wines of Greek and International vineyards, and with fine labels of alcoholic beverages prepared directly at your table. The atmosphere is warm, filled with earthy colors, and a panoramic view of Eleftheria Square and the city's port. A cinematic scene. An elegant space with an open kitchen, allowing a clear view of the action unfolding, while the visual appeal of the open fire is the focal point!

## Heraklion,

The capital of the island of Crete, is a vibrant cultural city, the heart, and soul of the most authentic experiences Cretan life has to offer. Every day, hundreds of visitors reach Heraklion and discover the traits of a past that thrills them and makes them curious about its unique history and its gastronomic tradition.

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Home to Europe's most vibrant flora and endless millennial traditions, our island is home to the Cretan diet which has been inscribed by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Crete is an unspoiled, fertile land where the food culture connects with the most genuine feelings of hospitality. Legacy Gastro Hotel takes pride in showcasing the iconic tastes of the local tradition as well as the gastronomic treasures of Greece.

### From Heraklion Airport (Her) - Nikos Kazantzakis:

#### By car:

1. Coming out from the airport area, head right (west) towards the city centre where you meet Ikarou Avenue.
2. Continue straight ahead on Ikarou Avenue for about 4 km until you reach the Venetian Walls. When the road no longer continues straight but only left or right turn left and you will see the Liberty Square "Eleftherias"

#### By taxi:

There are always available taxis at the airport.

#### By bus:

Just outside the airport, opposite the arrivals area, you will find the city bus stop. The bus station in the city center of Heraklion where you should get off is the Liberty Square ("Eleftherias" square).

**Located in the heart on Heraklion city,** Legacy Gastro Suites offers the perfect holiday base from which to discover the island, visit all attractions and main places of interest. For your convenience, we have listed below some distances of the main attractions, hotspots and museums.

City Centre - Morozini Fountain	300 m
Central Market of Heraklion (1866 Street)	350 m
Heraklion N. Kazantzakis Airport	3.5 km
Harbour of Heraklion	850 m
Central Bus Station	450 m
Venetian Fortress of Rocca al Mare (Koules)	800 m
Knossos Antiquities	5 km
Archaeological Museum of Heraklion	150 m
Historical Museum of Heraklion	800 m
Museum of Natural History of Heraklion	1 km
Grave of Nikos Kazantzakis	1.2 km
Saint Titos Cathedral	150 m
Saint Minas Cathedral	650 m
Heraklion Beaches	5 km
CretAquarium	16 km
Wineries	20 km
Golfing in Crete	28 km
University of Crete	5 km
Foundation of Research & Technology	9.5 km
Technological Institute of Crete	5.5 km
University Hospital of Heraklion	7 km
Venizelio Hospital of Heraklion	4,5 km
Agios Nikolaos- Elounda	65 km
Rethymnon City	78 km
Chania City	137 km
Elafonissi Beach	210 km
Balos Beach	190 km
Samaria Gorge	180 km
Gortys (Gortyn or Gortyna)	50 km
Minoan Palace of Festos	55 km



Right in the heart of the city, Legacy Gastro Suites is the perfect starting point to its lively and interesting capital.

### **Archaeological Museum of Heraklion**

The Archaeological Museum of Heraklion is one of the most important and significant museums in Greece. The museum was built between 1937-1940, and boasts 20 rooms with exhibits originating exclusively from Crete. The collections come mostly from central and eastern Crete, and cover a span of 5.500 years.

The exhibits are presented following the chronological evolution of the Minoan civilization. It is located in the center of the town just 100 meters from the Hotel

Information: (0030) 2810 279000

### **Historical Museum of Crete**

The museum was founded in 1953 by the Society of Cretan Historical Studies. It is housed in a three storey neoclassical building, owned by the Kalokairinos family, and represents an important element of Cretan history and tradition. It comprises 12 rooms, showing the evolution of Cretan civilization, from the Christian period until the 20th century. Its collections include pictures, historical heirlooms, books, maps, Cretan costumes and many other exhibits depicting the Crete of the past.

Information: (0030) 2810 283219, 288708

### **Natural History Museum of Crete**

In the Natural History Museum of Crete, visitors become familiar with the flora and fauna of Crete and mainland Greece. A key focus of the museum is to enable visitors to understand the relation between the old civilizations and the natural environment; to learn about the impressive past, and the future of Crete and the Mediterranean, through fossils, rocks and minerals.

Information: (0030) 2810 324366, 282740

### **Museum of Visual Arts**

The Heraklion Museum of Visual Arts (METH) was established in 2000 by K. Schizakis and is a meeting place between artists and their publics. It is a place of intellectual development, education and entertainment. The museum hosts important art and culture events.

Information: (0030) 2810 226683

### **Koules Fortress**

The Venice of the East, as it was described during the Venetian rule, Koules is the trademark of the medieval city of Heraklion. Koules Fortress was built in 1523-1540 offering a spectacular view to the Cretan Sea, and is the vigilant sentry that protects the city of Heraklion.

### **Tomb of N. Kazantzakis**

The tomb of the most beloved writer of Crete is located on the southern part of the Venetian Walls, on the highest point of the Venetian fortification at the Martinego cavalier. Its wooden cross bears his famous quote: I hope for nothing. I fear nothing. I am free. Offering a view to the entire city of Heraklion, this landmark makes clear that no homage will ever be enough for this great man.

### **The Palace of Knossos**

Knossos is the most important and majestic creation of the Minoan Civilization, a sacred cultural heritage of Greece, and a world renowned monument. Located 5 km southeast of Heraklion, the Minoan Palace of Knossos, expanding over a surface of 22.000 m2, is visited by thousands of tourists and locals every year.

Information: (0030) 2810 231940, 2810226470

### **St. Markus Basilica**

St. Markus basilica is also located at Venizelou square and now used as: lecture hall, exhibitions, other cultural events and houses the municipal library too. Built by the Venetians in 1239. The Dukes used to attend the church services and also got buried there. From the entrance of the church the public herald announced (verbally) the Dukes' directives to the people.

### **Venetian Walls**

The Venetian walls represent the most formidable project of Venetian rule. They were first built in the 15th century whereas extensions and improvements were carried out during the 16th and 17th centuries. The main architect was one of the famous army engineers of the 16th century, Michele San Michele of Verona. The perimeter has a length of 3 km reinforced with three ramparts which are still maintained. It has four gates: the pier gate at the harbour, the gate of Lazaretto, the gate of the Pantocrator or Panigra known today as the gate of Chania, and the fourth gate is on the south side called the gate of Jesus or new gate. Proceeding along the perimeter we reach the impregnable bastion of Martinego, the highest point on a peak where the walls meet forming a triangle into the peninsula. Here in lies the tomb of Nikos Kazantzakis (1883-1957) from where one can enjoy a panoramic a breathtaking view.

### **Morozini Fountain**

This is situated in the center of Venizelou square, inaugurated by the Venetian administrator Francesco Morozini. Water issues from spouts in the mouths of four lions, dating from the 14th century, the decor of the eight troughs of the fountain consist of reliefs from scenes in Greek mythology on top of which is ensconced a gigantic statue of Poseidon holding his trident which unfortunately got destroyed during Turkish rule. The fountain was connected to the aqueduct (also constructed by Morozini) transporting waters from the Yuchta slopes to Heraklion.





