



Crete, Greece

Plein Air Active Artist Retreat

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This week-long artist retreat, designed for fun and plein air creativity, will feature several days each in Matala and Agia Galini. Both seaside towns are on the south-central coast of Crete. Matala is a lively beach resort town, whereas Agia Galini is a picturesque harbor town dramatically situated on a mountainside. Included will be tours of the ancient Minoan palaces of Knossos and Phaestos and a visit to the primary exhibits of the Heraklion Archeological Museum.

Our daily routine will be morning of informal instruction en plein air, lunch in a taverna by the Libyan sea, then a choice of afternoon activities. These might include relaxing under an umbrella at the beach, hiking to a remote beach, or visiting nearby Minoan ruins, picturesque villages, and natural sites. Before dinner in a local taverna, we'll gather for a "Happy Hour" meeting and formal seminar.

8 AM Breakfast

9 - 1 Drawing and painting en plein air in seaside tavernas

1 - 5:30 Lunch and free time with optional van excursions

5:30 - 7 Formal seminar

7:00 Sunset and dinner



And of course there will still be opportunities on this active artist retreat for: journaling, photography, short stories, mythology, poetry writing swimming, beach letter-writing, reading, Greek dancing, eating, hiking, cave exploring, R & R, naps, snorkeling, sunset-watching, people-watching, shopping and disco dancing.

"What a wonderful way to see and experience the crossroads of civilization! Whether hiking, kayaking, painting, shooting, or just taking in local colors and tastes, Crete will become part of your soul." - Dave D. 2006

Trip Details

Skill Level 1
No Experience Necessary!!!

- 8 days, 7 nights
- Painting, optional sea kayaking and hiking
- Family-owned Inns
- From: Heraklion, Crete, Greece
- 2010 Price: \$1,895.00 (Single Supplement: \$475.00)
- 2010 Dates: October 3-10 **ONE DATE ONLY**
- 2011 Dates: October 2-09 **ONE DATE ONLY**
- Price includes: Personalized Instruction from Kathie Wheeler, local transportation, lodging, most meals (all breakfasts and 4 dinners), optional kayaking and instruction the first two days, and entry fees into ruins and museums.
- Price does not include: Air or ferry to Heraklion, lunches, drinks and 3 dinners, personal clothing and accessories, art supplies, baggage and trip cancellation insurance, airport taxes and gratuities.



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