

9ICEG
25-28 June 2023



Trip to Balos & Gramvousa

28 JUNE



Amazing Nature

Gramvousa is an island that lies in the extreme northwestern part of Crete. The cruise starts at the port of Kissamos, circumventing the northern tip of the peninsula of Gramvousa to see a huge cave, that is believed to have been the ancient shipyard of "Tarsanas". At the end of the Gulf you will notice an impressive geological phenomenon where, as a result of the passage of time, the western part of the island is rising, while the eastern part is sinking. This phenomenon was mainly created by catastrophic earthquakes. According to scientific estimates, the phenomenon continues today, but at a much slower rate.

After one hour, the boat arrives at the port of Gramvousa. The island's eminent castle was built by the Venetians in 1579 at the highest point of the island and was used by the pirates in the 18th century as a hideaway.

The trip leads further on to the bay of Balos, a lagoon beach which is listed among the most beautiful beaches in the world. In this lagoon with its fine coralline and sea-shell sand you will have plenty of time to admire the landscape and panoramic views and swim into the blue water or sunbathe under the sun.



Remember to bring suncream, sunglasses & hat, long-sleeved shirt for sensitive skin, bottle of water & light snack, swimsuit and a beach towel.



TIMETABLE **

Wednesday, 28 June

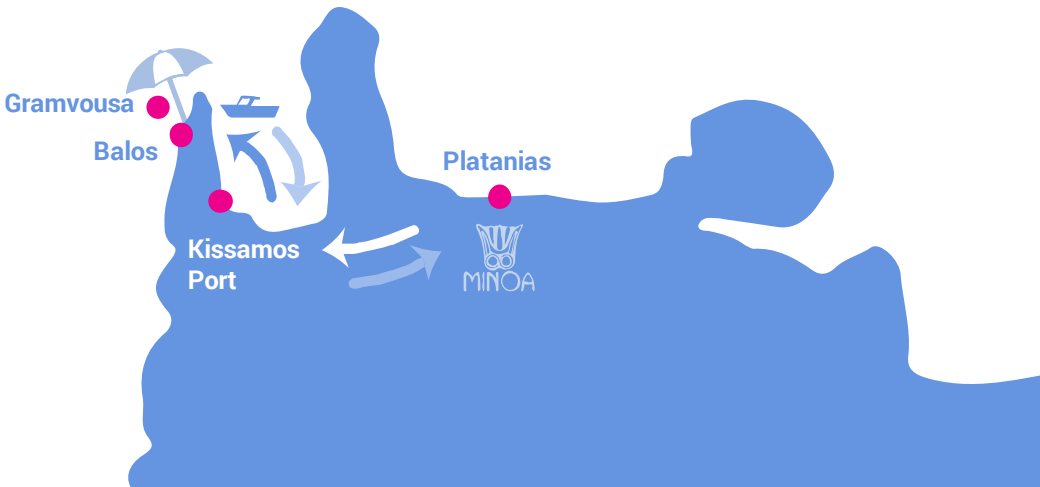
Departure from Minoa Palace Resort & Spa	8:55
Departure from Kissamos Port & Arrival at Gramvousa	10:20 – 11:30
Optional visit at Gramvousa Castle	
Departure from Gramvousa & Arrival at Balos	11:30 – 13:45
Free time for swimming	
Departure from Balos and Arrival at Kissamos port	16:30 – 17:45
Estimated return time between 18:30 – 19:00	

* plus 1€ municipality fee payed in the bus

** This trip is organized by our cooperating travel agent "Kyriakakis Travel". Their bus includes pick-up and drop-off points at: Kolimbari, Tavronitis, Maleme, Gerani, Platanias, Ag. Marina, Stalos, Kalamaki, Ag. Apostoli, Chania City, Halepa Area, Kalyves, Rethymno City. 9ICEG participants may board the bus at any convenient stop.

Please note that rubbish disposal apart from the designated areas is strictly prohibited.

Food & Refreshments are provided inside the vessel's restaurant and are not included in the price.





Balos Lagoon

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