

Travel Tips Santorini, Greece

How to Get There

FROM THE U.S.

There are no direct flights to Santorini (JTR). You can fly to Santorini from Athens or from cities in western Europe such as London, Manchester, Paris, Amsterdam, Rome, Naples, or Venice

FROM GERMANY

There are no direct flights to Santorini (JTR); you must connect through another European city.

How to Get There

FROM ATHENS

- Aside from flying to Santorini, you can also arrive by ferry: https://www.ferryscanner.com/en/ferry
- The average travel time is 5 hours while the flight is 30 minutes.
- Santorini also has ferry links with Mykonos and other Greek islands.

RENTAL CARS, TAXIS, BUSES, & AIRPORT SHUTTLES

• Once you're on the island of Santorini, both locals and tourists agree that renting a car from the options listed in subsequent slides is the best way to get around. Santorini is 11 miles long, and traffic permitting, it takes about 40 minutes to travel from one end to the other. Legally, an International Driver's Permit is required to rent a car, but almost all places will rent to you with a U.S. license.

Transportation



The Goulielmos Hotel transfer fee is 40€ for up to 3 persons, with an additional 5€ for each extra person.

In case the arrival or departure time is between 23:00-07:00, an extra fee of 5€ will apply.

If you wish to confirm this service please reach out to [hotelgoulielmos@gmail.com] with the following details:

- Airline + Flight Number (e.g., DL002)
- Origin of the flight
- Arrival time
- Number of persons

Transportation

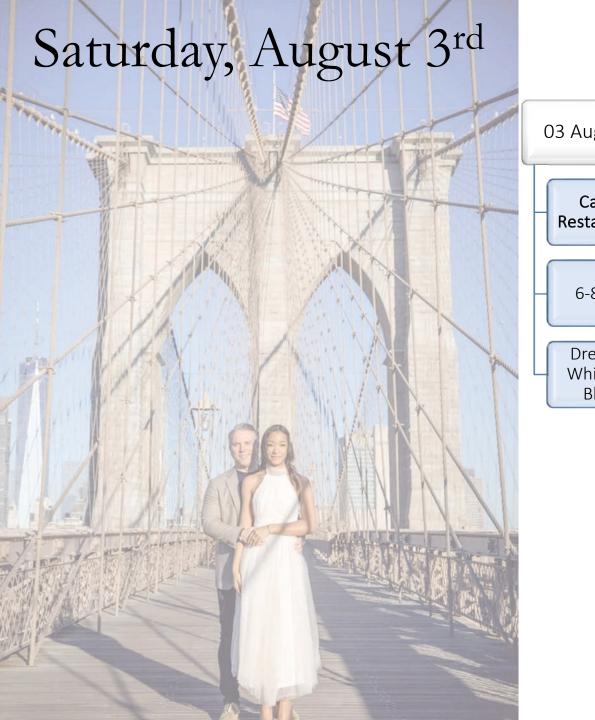


The Apanemo Hotel transfer fee is 50€ for up to 4 people, each way.

In case the arrival or departure time is between 23:30-06:30, an extra fee of 10€ will apply.

If you wish to confirm this service please reach out to [info@apanemo.com] with the following details:

- Airline + Flight Number (e.g., DL002)
- Origin of the flight
- Arrival time
- Number of persons



03 August

Capri Restaurant

6-8pm

Dress in White or Blue

04 August

Cavo **Ventus**

5:30 Welcome Drinks

6:00 Ceremony

6:30 Cocktail Hour+ passed horsd'oeuvres

> 8:30 Dinner

10:30

Party!



Transportation

Wedding Day

While guests are encouraged to arrange their own transportation for personal convenience, we've made arrangements to provide transportation back to Apanemo and Goulielmos at approximately 11:30pm and 1am.



After Party

Wedding Day

If, at 1am, the night is still young, here are a few places you can visit in Fira - (note, this is the only area with bars open after 1am):

Two Brothers
Enigma
Koo Club
Murphy's

While Santorini is blessed with breathtaking views everywhere you look, there are a few locations that truly stand out.

First up is **Oia**, a charming village perched on the cliffs, offering panoramic views of the Caldera. While it's famous for its stunning sunsets, it can get pretty busy, especially in the evenings and during the day when cruise ship tourists arrive. For the best experience, it is recommended to visit early in the morning or during late lunchtime to avoid the crowds.

Fira, the island's capital, hosts an array of superb dining establishments catering to diverse tastes. **Athermi** delights with authentic Greek specialties such as Moussaka and Souvlaki, while **Imerovigli Grill** tempts with an international selection including sushi and steak. Both venues offer outdoor seating with captivating Caldera vistas, perfect for sunset dining.

Meanwhile, in Oia, Lotus stands out with its wide-ranging menu encompassing Greek and international flavors. Additionally, KooKoo Bar Restaurant Rooftop View, The Finch, and Gia Mas in Aktaion promise to be delightful dining experiences.

OIA CASTLE | One of the most popular sunset spots in Santorini!

OIA WINDMILLS | The Oia windmills are just a couple of the handful of traditional windmills remaining on the island, historically used for milling flour.

ATLANTIS BOOKSTORE | Full of cozy nooks, a great selection of books, and a beautiful deck with epic views over the caldera.

THE BLUE DOMES OF SANTORINI | The churches of Agios Spyridonas and Agios Anastasis are among the most recognizable icons of the Greek islands, and the many laneways and alleys around here are gorgeous to get lost in.

KASTRO HOUSE | An ideal retreat for Greek enthusiasts, it is situated in the heart of a historical Venetian castle neighborhood.

SKAROS ROCK Just a short hike from **Imerovigli**, this ancient rock formation provides a backdrop straight out of a fairy tale.

KAMARI BEACH | With its black sand and dramatic cliffs, it's a popular choice. However, if you're looking for something a bit quieter, **Vlychada Beach** offers a more serene setting with its unique cliffs.

AKROTIRI LIGHTHOUSE | This landmark offers stunning views and photo opportunities. It's a bit of a hike to get there, but trust me, the views are well worth it.

CHURCH OF PANAGIA PLATSANI | Famous Santorini attraction - it's located in Oia's bustling main square, in the heart of the town.

PRE HISTORIC VILLAGE | Visit the only pre-historic village worldwide at Akrotiri:

http://www.akrotiri-santorini.org

FIROSTEFANI VILLAGE | Enjoy breakfast or coffee at Galini Café http://www.galinicafesantorini.com

OIA VILLAGE | Visit Oia village to explore its charm. Walk through the pathway with old "Captain houses", then descend to the quaint port of "Ammoudi" for fresh seafood at its fish taverns. Discover the traditional village of "Finikia" nearby. For panoramic views, hike up to Pyrgos traditional village. Additionally, enjoy a scenic walk from Imerovigli village to Fira or Oia, soaking in stunning sea vistas.

WINERIES | Enjoy a wine-tasting accompanied by local dishes at: the multi-awarded Sigalas winery: http://www.sigalas-wine.com/english/index.asp or the newer Vassaltis winery: https://vassaltis.com

Where to Eat

Fira (capital of Santorini):

Kaliya: https://www.kaliya-restaurant.com/

Firostefani:

Aktaion: https://www.aktaionsantorini.com/

Oia:

Sphinx: https://www.sphinxwinerestaurant.com/

Akrotiri:

Nikola's Cave: https://www.nikolascave.gr/en/

Tips!

WEATHER

* Even if the weather is warm, it may get chilly after sunset. We recommend you dress in layers, including a pashmina or light jacket for the evening, and bring sunscreen!

TIMEZONE

* Eastern European Standard Time. Greece is 7 hours ahead of New York.

LANGUAGE

* Greek. It may be helpful to <u>learn a few basic phrases</u>. Locals will often switch to English for your ease and comfort, but they appreciate the initial effort.

VOLTAGE/PLUG TYPES

* You will need a European travel adapter like this one (320V, 50Hz).

Tips!

CURRENCY

- * The Euro. Always exchange currency in an official exchange office.
- * Do not use EuroNet ATMs; instead, use ATMs from Greek banks.
- * ATMs are readily accessible all over Santorini, but expect fees.
- * The daily withdrawal limit is between 800 and 1000 euros.
- * Credit cards are widely accepted (except in smaller shops, cafes, taxis, and on the bus).

TIPPING

* Tipping is not obligatory in Santorini, however, a 10-15% tip for exceptional service is appreciated.

Tips!

DRINKING WATER

* Tap water in Santorini can be used to wash and brush your teeth, but is not recommended for drinking—stick to bottled water instead.

SNEAKERS

* Depending on where you want to visit on the island, be aware that stairs are often involved, so plan accordingly!

STAYING IN OIA

* If you're considering staying in Oia, keep in mind that we will be there during the high season. Our wedding planner advises against staying in the area due to the heavy influx of tourists arriving from the cruise ships each day.



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	Vazeos	http://www.vazeos.gr
	Motorinn	http://www.motorinn.gr
	Hertz	http://www.hertz.gr/en/santorini
	Europcar	http://www.europcar.com/car-rental-GREECE-SANTORINI_FIRA.html

Useful Numbers

European Emergency Number: 112

Police: +30 22860 22649

Port Police: +30 22860 22239

Post Office: +30 22860 22238

Airport: +30 22860 28400

Radio Taxis: +30 22860 22555

Local Buses: +30 22860 25404

Public Hospital in Karterados Village:

https://www.santorini-hospital.gr/en/

General: +30 22860 35300

Ambulance: +30 22860 25368

Private Hospital in Fira: https://santorinicentralclinic.gr/

General: +3022860 21728

Useful Numbers

Pharmacies:

Pharmacy (Fira) +30 2286 022700

(Fira) +30 2286 023444

(Fira) +30 2286 025310

Pharmacy (Oia) +30 2286 071464

Pharmacy (Kamari) +30 2286 032440

Pharmacy (Messaria) +30 2286 032566

Private Doctors:

Dentist (Fira) +30 2286 023685

(Fira) +30 2286 023769

(Fira) +30 2286 022212

General Practice / Family Medicine Specialist

(Messaria) +30 22860 33300

Ophthalmologist (Fira) +30 22860 25488

Chest Specialist (Messaria) +30 22860 32916

Throat and Ears Doctor +30 22860 25559

Useful Numbers

Beauty Services (requires an appointment):

La Plaisir Hair Salon (Fira): +30 22860 23214

Lalique Hair Salon(Kamari): +30 22860 34060

Sophia's Hair Salon (Oia): +30 22860 71536

Del Mar Nail and Spa services (Fira): +30 22860 34144

Beaches

All beaches of Santorini are unique, characterized by black sand, formed by the island's ground during the significant volcanic eruption around 1500 BC. The sand consists mostly of tiny pebbles, which is quite comfortable, as it does not easily stick to clothes and shoes.

Baxedes - Oia:

Near Oia, this beach is considered more "primitive" and is mostly visited by local people. Unlike other beaches, it doesn't have too many sunbeds and is definitely quieter. The popular beach in this area is "Koloumbos," a hidden gem cherished by locals. It's a long sandy beach with unique beauty, nestled next to a cliff, and it's the last beach in Santorini that remains completely unorganized. Located 10km northwest of Fira town.

Perivolos:

Perivolos is the place to have a great time with well-organized beach bars and restaurants. The beach bars offer plenty of fun, combining a "day club scene" with swimsuits, beach volleyball, and various events. Located 10km south of Fira town.

Kamari:

A tourist hotspot situated on the southeast side of Santorini, this area boasts hotels, restaurants, bars, and numerous shops catering to various tastes and budgets. Located 8km southeast of Fira town.

Red Beach:

The most famous beach on the island, Red Beach is renowned for its unique sand color and the red rocks of the hill behind it. Accessible either by boat, with several connections to Perissa and Akrotiri, or by foot (a 10-minute walk from Akrotiri, near the Agios Nikolaos church next to the excavation area). Swim at the Red Beach of Vlihada during sunset, when the rocks turn "redder". Located 10km southwest of Fira town.

