

Directions to PanoKosmos!

[Panokosmos Map](#)

From Chania Airport

It may look intimidating when presented in junction by junction detail below, but basically you are heading from the airport to Souda, onto the main E75/90 road towards Rethymno. Coming off at Kalyves you head through Armeni and Neo Horio towards Stylos, before turning up to Samonas and Chiliomoudou. It should take about 45-55 mins.

There is also a route from the main road, going off towards Kalami, to Stylos and up to Samonas, but we recommend the following:

Set your **mileometer to 0** at the airport – the distance will then correspond (give or take a few tenths) to those given below. *Italics* are the names on the direction signs.

- Follow the road out of the airport, past the Shell petrol station on your right – good place to fill up!
- **0.8:** *Rethymno 69* - turn **left** shortly after leaving the airport behind you. Carry on until you come to a roundabout:
- **3.4:** *Roundabout: Rethymno 66; Chania 12* – take **first exit/right**, opposite is the NATO base. There are more petrol stations (very expensive) EKO then BP on the right. Carry on through the villages of Aroni and Pithari. Don't worry about the signs being in Greek; signs in English will follow them. You pass by a large COCO MAT building on the right.
- **7.7:** *Roundabout Souda 7* – take **2nd exit/branch left**, road drops down to sea level, first glimpses of the Mediterranean at Souda Bay on left, with Greek statues and shrines sales yard also on left.
- **10.9:** *Souda 4* – **stay on main road**. Road continues to drop downwards first Shell then EKO station on left. Continue into Souda village.
- **13.1:** *Traffic Lights: Chania/Kissamos/Irakleio* – **right**, with SYNKA supermarket on right hand side. After a few hundred metres at a big tarmacked area junction
- **13.4:** *Big Junction: Rethimno/Kisamos/Iraklio* – take the **left** so that you go past a BP garage on the right hand side (do not go hard left, back into Souda).
- **14.2:** *Under bridge: Rethymno E90* – go into the **left hand lane**, under the bridge and **turn left** to join the main (dual carriageway) road. This is the main east-west road on the island (E75, 90), nicknamed the Ethniki
- *Ignore the next three junctions off the Ethniki* – to left Souda; then right to Megala Chorafia/Aptera/Stylos; then left to Kalami/Kalyves. **Stay on the main road**
- **25.2:** *Slip road: Kalyves, Vamos, Neo Horio and Armeni* – go **right** onto the slip road, then **right** towards *Armeni*.

- **27.1: Armeni** – **pass through** the village, with a plane tree in its centre, butchers shop on the right, the road curving to the right past the big church on the left. There is an Aegean petrol station on the left before you enter *Neo Horio* village where there is the junction:
- **28.9: Stylos** – take the **right** at another plane tree in the middle of *Neo Horio* village.
- **Keep straight on** at the next junction, signed to many destinations (including *Chiliomoudou*). **Do not take this turning** signed to *Chiliomoudou*, but continue to:
- **30.3: Chiliomoudou** - **left** at the village sign for Stylos. The turn is over 300 deg, almost back on yourself, and upwards. Signs to follow from here on are for the **Taverna Lemonia**, and the **Church of Agios Nicolaos** – sign in brown with yellow text.
- **30.9: in Provarma**: **right** turn part way thru the village (straight on is a cul-de-sac).
- Climb up our hill, going around a number of hairpins, coming out on top of the hill into *Samonas* village.
- **Keep left** thru two small junctions, passing the Samonas Apartments a three storey stone block on the left.
- **35.1: Chiliomoudou/Ramni...** - **left**, with signs also to Taverna Lemonia and the Church of Agios Nicolaos, the road winds more or less level to reach Chiliomoudou – sign missing various letters! Reaching the turning to the Lemonia (off upwards to the left), continue on the main road, which drops gently downwards, passing two houses on the left, then rises.



- **36.3**: look out for the sign to *Panokosmos Holiday Suites* on the left, pointing to the **right** on the concrete track going upwards between ruined stone buildings.
- Continue on this track for 250m to the end, we are visible above on the left, a big white house with blue windows.

If you find yourself in the little village triangle, with the bus shelter on the left hand side, you have gone too far, and need to retrace your steps!

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Follow the road out of the airport, past the Shell petrol station on your right and turn left at a bend in the road shortly after leaving the airport behind you. Carry on till you come to a

roundabout at the junction with the main road opposite the NATO base. Turn right (1st exit) onto the main road, in the direction of Chania.

Go through the villages of Aroni and Pithari. Don't worry about the signs being in Greek; signs in English will follow them.

After leaving Pithari you will come to a roundabout with signposts for Rethymnon and Chania. Take the 2nd exit, you will then see a signpost for Souda, 7 kms. Stay on this road and Souda Bay from now on will always be on your left.

Continue all the way down the hill. You will eventually come down to sea level and to the outskirts of Souda, evidenced by increased buildings and a sign for an Inka supermarket which is a good place to stock up on essentials for your stay. The supermarket is on your right just before a set of traffic lights. If you want to stop here to shop, it's easy to park your car behind the supermarket.

At the traffic lights by the Inka, turn right and then second left at a difficult and busy junction – you will go past the BP station on your right. You are now on a two lane road which runs under a bridge carrying the main east-west road on the island (E75, 90), nicknamed the Ethniki. Immediately after the bridge, take the left turn up onto this road, direction towards Rethymno.

Once on the Ethniki highway you are going straight on for approx 11 kms. Take care to keep to the speed limit as there can be police with radar guns. You will pass an exit on the right for Megala Chorafia, Aptera and Stylos. Then a big taverna on the left called "Kalami Parking", after which DO NOT take the exit on the left for Kalami and Kalyves. Continue on the main highway for 2-3 kilometres until you reach another junction signposted to Kalyves, Vamos, Neo Horio and Armeni.

Off the slip road off the main carriageway take the right, towards Armeni off the main carriageway and drop down to the road beneath. Take the right, under the bridge towards Armeni. Go through this village, which has a large plane tree and charming kafenio at the centre, at which point the road turns right and heads towards the next village, Neo Horio. Past an Aegean petrol station on the left, the road runs into the middle of the village where there is another large plane tree in the centre of the road, which divides. Again take the right fork, signposted Stylos.

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Take the next left signed to Chiliomoudou, just at the sign for the start of the village of Stylos, turn is over 300 deg, almost back on yourself, and upwards.

Here you will see also the signs to Taverna Lemonia and the Church of Agios Nicolaos – follow these all the way to Samonas. You head up, thru Provarma, where you take a 90 deg

right part way thru the village, straight on is a cul-de-sac. Go around a number of hairpins, coming out on top of the hill into Samonas village. Keep left past a couple of minor turnings, passing the Samonas apartments, a three storey stone building on the left.

Coming out of Samonas, take the left turn signed to Ramni and Chiliomoudou, (right is Municip of Kerameia) the road winds more or less level to reach Chiliomoudou – sign missing various letters! Reaching the turning to the Lemonia (off upwards to the left), continue on the main road. This drops gently downwards, passing two houses on the left, then rises.



Look out for the sign to *Panokosmos Holiday Suites* on the left, pointing to the **right** on the concrete track going upwards between ruined stone buildings.

Continue on this lane for 250 m, it comes out onto the edge of the gorge, with an expat house on the right, and we are visible above on the left, a big white house with blue windows.

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[Routemap from Chania airport](#)

From Iraklio/Heraklion Airport

From the airport the road out climbs up and you will see a turning right onto the “Ethniki” – the main road (E75, 90) which runs east-west right across Crete. Travel for about 1-1.5h to the West, signposted Rethymno/Chania. Keep going, and about 30 mins after Rethymno, begin to look out for Kalyves. *Italics* are the names on the direction signs.

- **0:** *Slip road: Kalyves, Vamos, Neo Horio and Armeni* – go **right** onto the slip road, then **left** towards *Armeni*.

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- **1.9:** *Armeni* – **pass through** the village, with a plane tree in its centre, butchers shop on the right, the road curving to the right past the big church on the left. There is an Aegean petrol station on the left before you enter *Neo Horio* village where there is the junction:
- **3.7:** *Stylos* – take the **right** at another plane tree in the middle of *Neo Horio* village.
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- **5.1:** *Chiliomoudou* - **left** at the village sign for Stylos. The turn is over 300 deg, almost back on yourself, and upwards. Signs to follow from here on are for the **Taverna Lemonia**, and the **Church of Agios Nicolaos** – sign in brown with yellow text.
- **5.7:** *in Provarma*: **right** turn part way thru the village (straight on is a cul-de-sac).
- Climb up our hill, going around a number of hairpins, coming out on top of the hill into *Samonas* village.
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- **9.9:** *Chiliomoudou/Ramni...* - **left**, with signs also to Taverna Lemonia and the Church of Agios Nicolaos, the road winds more or less level to reach Chiliomoudou – sign missing various letters! Reaching the turning to the Lemonia (off upwards to the left), continue on the main road, which drops gently downwards, passing two houses on the left, then rises.
- **11.1:** Look out for the sign to *Panokosmos Holiday Suites* on the left, pointing to the **right** on the concrete track going upwards between ruined stone buildings



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When you see the first turning to Kalyves, signed also to Vamos, Neo Horio and Armeni, take the slip road to the right off the main carriageway and drop down to the road beneath. Take the left, under the bridge towards Armenoi. Go through this village, which has a large plane tree and charming kafenio at the centre, at which point the road turns right and heads towards the next village, Neo Horio. Past an Aegean petrol station on the left, the road runs into the middle of the village where there is another large plane tree in the centre of the road, which divides. Again take the right fork, signposted Stylos.

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SatNav Coordinates: Panokosmos

Latitude: 35.410255°

Longitude 24.109496°

From Ramni

In the centre of Ramni, facing the kafenion and taverna, there is a T junction. Take the road to the left, to Chiliomoudou.

Down the hill take the turn to the right, also signed to Chiliomoudou. Follow this road past the church of Agios Nicolaos on the left and climb up the hill and enter the village. There is a small triangular centre with a wooden bus shelter and you take the left out of it for 50m.

Look out for the sign to *Panokosmos Holiday Suites* on the right, pointing to the **left** on the concrete track heading back upwards towards you between ruined stone buildings.



Continue on this lane for 250 m, it comes out onto the edge of the gorge, with an expat house on the right, and we are visible above on the left, a big white house with blue windows.

If you find yourself passing the Lemonia Taverna sign on the right, you have gone too far, and need to retrace your steps.

[Route Map from Ramni](#)

From Kalyves

Going thru the village in an easterly direction you cross over a small river, just past which is the Kalyves Beach Hotel on the left. Take the next right, where there is a laundry on the corner, signed to Armenoi. Drive out of the village, past Piscines Ideales on the left, and under a bridge carrying the main E75, 90 road, into Armenoi.

Go through this village, which has a large plane tree and charming kafenio at the centre, at which point the road turns right and heads towards the next village, Neo Horio. Past an Aegean petrol station on the left, the road runs into the middle of the village where there is another large plane tree in the centre of the road, which divides. Again take the right fork, signposted Stylos.

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[Routemap from Kalyves village](#)