#### RETHYMNON - CRETE - GREECE

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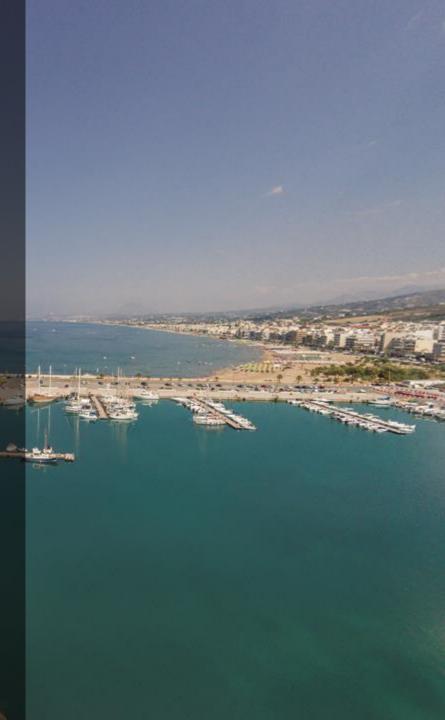
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# The port of Rethymnon

The port is a mixed use port divided into two sectors:

- The western sector
- A passenger and cargo port hosting cruise ships.
- It includes five (5) wharfs.
- Accommodates up to seven (7) ships at the same time.
- The wharfs are 810 meters long, 6-8 meters deep and 25,500.00 square meters wide.



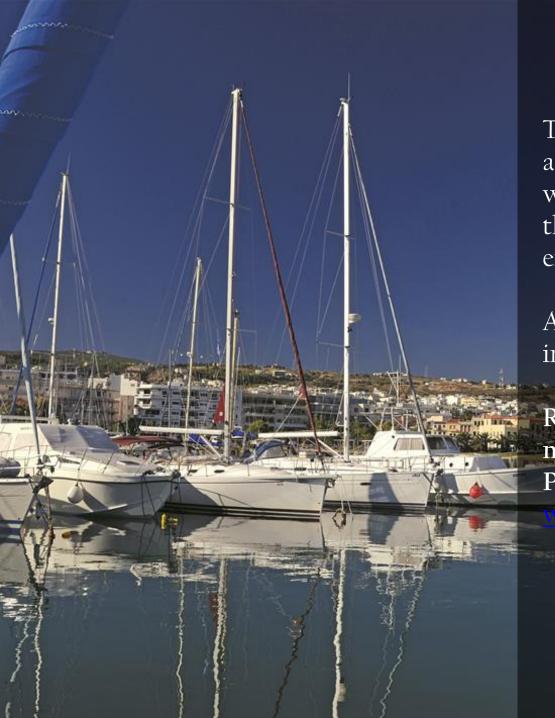
#### The eastern sector is a passenger port

It can serve both cruise ships and ferryboats

This sector of the port is 33,500 square meters wide

It includes two piers 125 meters and 140 meters long, with draught of 8 meters



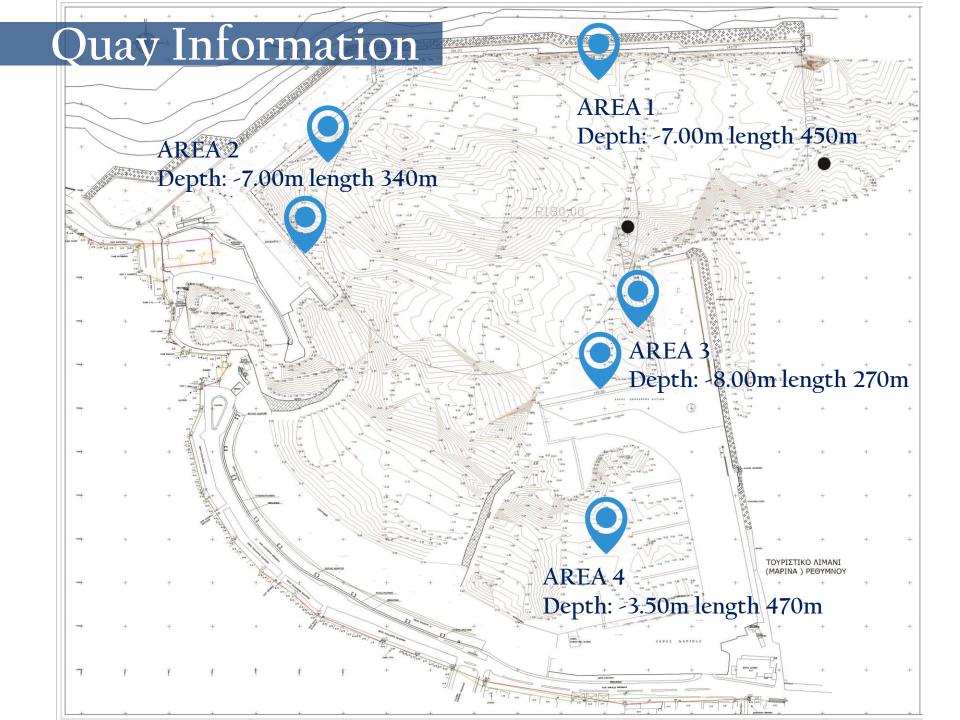


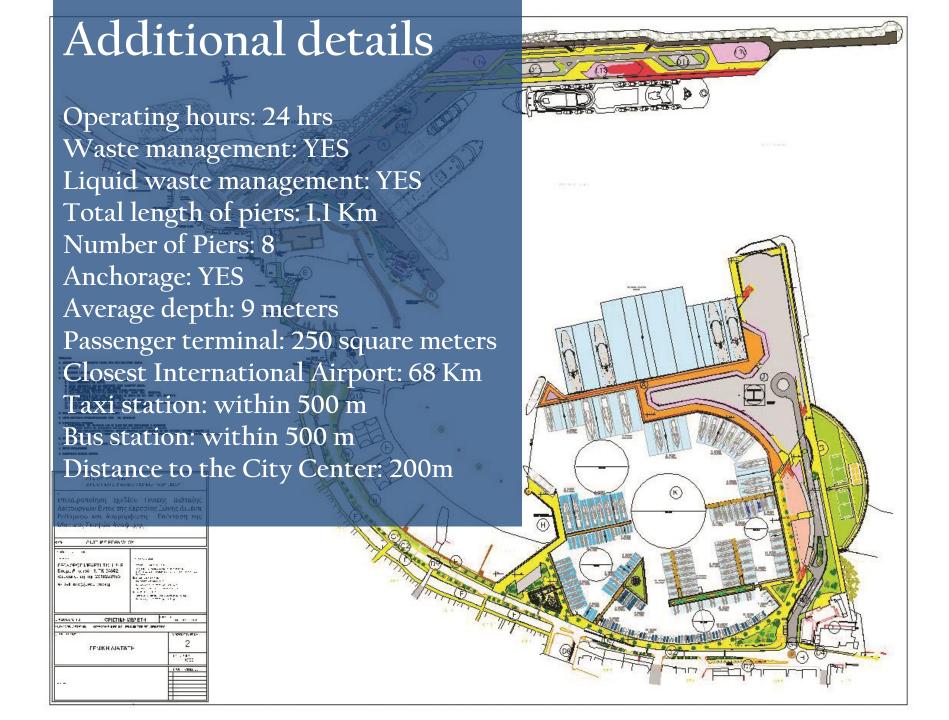
There are anchorage locations at the north side of the windward mole to serve ships that do not wish or cannot enter the port.

A water aerodrome license is in the final stage of approval.

Rethymnon port is a member of the Hellenic Ports Association

www.elime.g







## Security

Rethymnon Port is a secure and safe International Port for Passenger and Commercial Use.

It is officially certified from the International Maritime Organization (IMO) with unique number GRRET-0001.

It is in FULL compliance of International Ships, Port and Port Facilities Security Code (ISPS CODE), secured and operated under the ISPS code of guarding.

Security Services 24 hrs/day through physical checks and electronic recording devices.



### Security

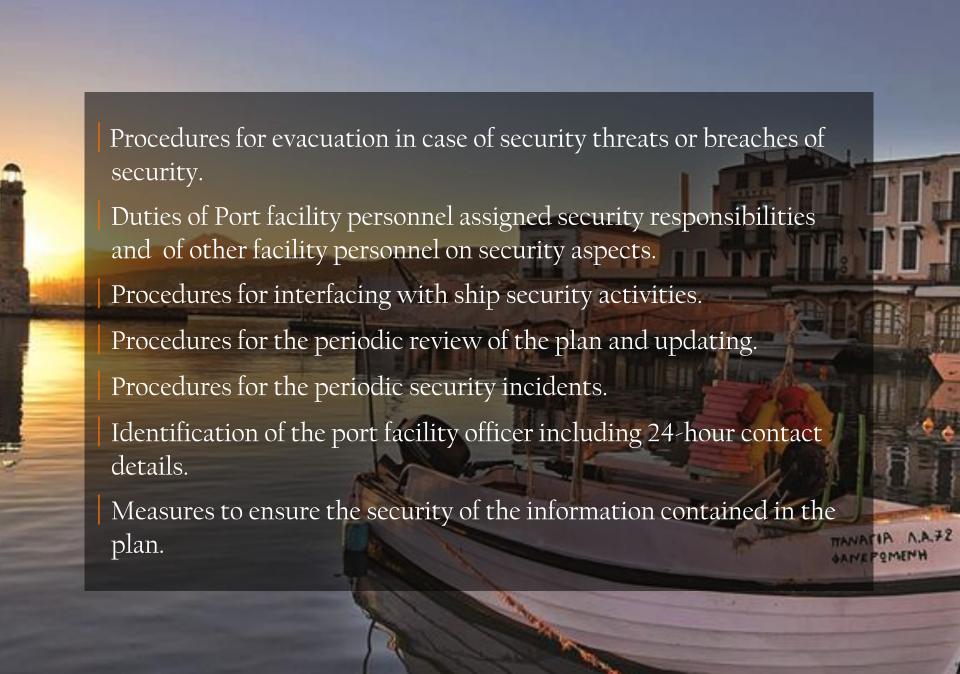
Rethymnon Port has developed an updated Port Facility Security Plan with the latest Anti-terrorism international guidelines, which gives the necessary framework to establish:

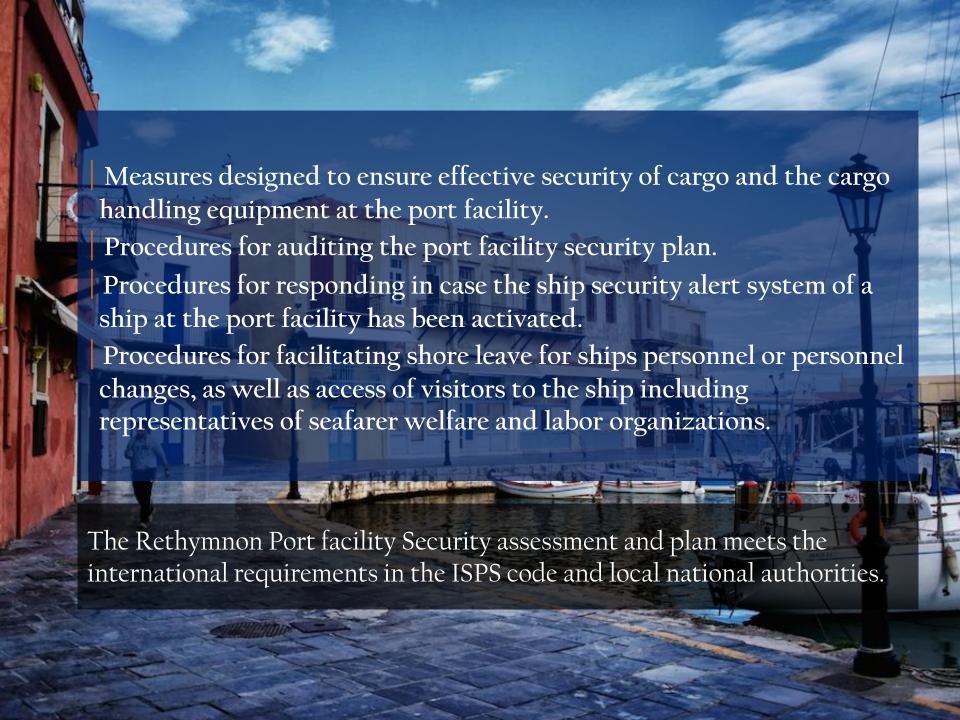
Measures designed to prevent weapons or any other dangerous substances and devices intended for use against persons or ships and not authorized carriage from being introduced into the port facility or on board a ship.

Measures designed to prevent unauthorized access to the port facility, to ships moored at the facility and to restricted areas of the facility.

Procedures for responding to security threats or breaches of security, including provisions for maintaining critical operations of the port facility or ship/port interface.

Procedures for responding to any security instructions the Contracting Government, in whose territory the port facility is located, may give at security level 3.





### The town of Rethymnon



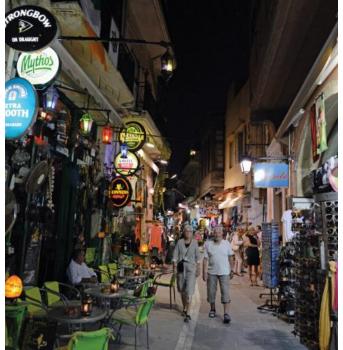


The port of Rethymnon is situated IN the town of Rethymnon.

It only takes ten minutes walk to reach the old Venetian town & stroll around the picturesque little streets with well preserved Venetian and Turkish buildings. There are various shops, traditional and modern coffee shops and restaurants offering Cretan food specialties.

Rethymno is a walkable, accessible city, child friendly and bike friendly with 8 km of cycling paths.





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A few meters away from the port, the long sandy cosmopolitan beach of Rethymnon, awarded with a blue flag offers a variety of facilities and services.

Rethymnon is the habitat of the Loggerhead sea turtle Caretta caretta.

Fortezza is the Venetian fortress that dominates the city of Rethymnon throughout the centuries. It is a monument worth visiting for the breathtaking view: Rethymno from above.

The Old city is a car free zone.







#### Culture

While in Rethymno one must visit

The Archaeological Museum of Rethymnon which hosts significant collections from the Post –Neolithic period up to the Roman period.

The Contemporary Art Center

The Historical and Folklore Museum

The Paleontological Museum of Rethymnon housed in the reconstructed Mastamba Mosque





### Historical places to discover around Rethymnon

The museum of Ancient
Eleutherna– Homer in Crete,
the first archaeological site
museum in Crete, although
smaller in size is similar to those
of Olympia, Delphi and Vergina.
(en.mae.com.gr/museum.html) and it is
only 12km northeast from the city
of Rethymno.

Argiroupoli a picturesque village built in the ruins of the ancient village of Lappa that flourished in 3<sup>rd</sup> century BC as a rival of Knossos.

## Speleological discoveries

The hills and mountains of Rethymno are well endowed with caves. There are around 850 caves of extreme natural beauty, a number of them accessible await your amazement.

One of the most famous caves in Greece, the Idaian Cave of Psiloritis is located here. Zeus the father of gods, according to the myth, was nurtured here.



## Speleological discoveries

Do not fail to visit the cave of Melidoni, which was the center of cultic worship from the early Neolithic until the Romal period.

The cave of Sfentoni at Zoniana with its rich array of stalactites and its Neolithic remains.

The cave of Agios Antonios in Patsos, also an important center of religious practices from the Late Minoan to the Roman period.





## Main cultural events

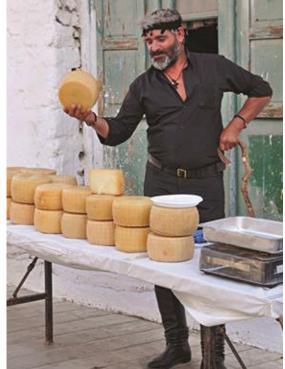
The famous Rethymnon carnival with over 12,000 participants it is celebrated with great enthusiasm since 1914 during the carnival period. www.rethymnocarn

The Renaissance festival celebrating the period of Cretan renaissance and bringing to light the local cultural identity and historical cultural exchanges that created new paths and lead to flourish of Cretan literature and poetry. Most of the events are taking place at the Fortezza castle was a second control of the con

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Every July enjoy the Cretan diet festival from 1st -7th a week full of tastes, color and music dedicated to the cretan diet which is considered to be the healthiest diet and it is based on the high fibre fresh fruits, vegetables, cretan olive oil as well as fish and dairy products.









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