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Taste of
mountains
& coasts



MELESSES - ALAGNI - KASTELIANA



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A. Heraklion >

B. Melesses >

DOMAINE PATERIANAKIS: 22km/30min from Heraklion
(35°:10'.51.22" N / 25°:11'.46.85" E)

C. Melesses > Alagni

LYRARAKIS WINES: 25km/35min from Heraklion
(35°:11'.04.79" N / 25°:12'.79.73" E)

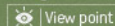
C. Alagni > Kastelliana

STRATARIDAKIS BROS WINERY: 47km/60min from Heraklion
(35°:02'.35.20" N / 25°:14'.23.63" E)



TIPS:

1. Minoan wine press in Vathipetro
2. Ross Daly's Labyrinth musical workshop (Houdetsi)
3. Ethia traditional village



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Adventures and tastes of the south

The south part of the island is the purest and wildest one. The narrow roads and steep edges are not always welcoming for guests and travellers to drive around. However, if you decide to head south, Crete will reward you with secrets and marvels.

Houdetsi is a small village, not far from the city of Heraklion, with a great 'secret': the musical workshop and museum Labyrinth, where international musicians meet every summer to play and create music together! Not far from here lies the minoan villa of Vathipetro where you can visit an ancient wine press.

Head east towards the village of **Melesses** and the Paterianakis domaine where you will admire the hundreds of acres of vineyards spreading around you! Taste the organic wine that the **Paterianakis** family has been producing for three generations now.

Continue to the south of the island and you will reach the village of

Alagni; in its outskirts, the Lyrarakis estate is located. You shouldn't miss a tour in their great cellar and taste their unique wine and the revival of ancient Cretan varieties: an experience of flavours and knowledge. The glorious **Asterousia** mountains reign the area down to the beautiful coast. Follow the road to the south and you will admire the wilderness, the scenic, hidden villages and, finally, the amazing beaches of the Libyan sea.

The **Stataridakis** winery which is located at the **Kastelliana** area, combines tradition with technology. The two brothers run the family business with knowledge and respect to nature. Try their high quality wines from vineyards that grow in the perfect microclimate of the south.

From here, it is worth driving all the way to the beautiful village of **Ethia** for a short visit and a coffee. Stone houses and little alleys, an authentic kafeneio and a breathtaking view from the top of the church.