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Organic treasures

among mountains



SIVA - KERASIA - KATO ASITES



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A. Heraklion >

B. Siva >

WINERY SILVA DASKALAKI: 20km/30min from Heraklion
(35°.12'.31.98" N / 25°.02'.09.07" E)

C. Siva > Kerasia

EFROSINI WINERY: 23km/38min from Heraklion
(35°.11'.57.00" N / 25°.01'.52.03" E)

D. Kerasia > Kato Asites

DIAMANTAKIS WINERY: 27km/40min from Heraklion
(35°.12'.42.99" N / 24°.59'.32.91" E)



TIPS:

1. Monastery of Paliani
2. Prinias - View point - Archaeological site of Ancient Rizinia St.
3. Earino tavern (Kato Asites)
4. Monastery of George Gorgolaini

WINERY SILVA DASKALAKI

Siva, 70011, Heraklion

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Visit on opening hours

EFROSINI WINERY

Kerasia, Heraklion

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Visit upon appointment

DIAMANTAKIS WINERY

Kato Assites, 70013, Heraklion

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The souther you go inside the island, the wilder it becomes.

Embrace the beauties of the mountains, the small villages and great wineries

Leaving behind you the city life, you will be now heading towards the foothills of Psiloritis, the island's highest mountain.

Begin your wine journey experience heading south; within minutes you will be reaching the village **Siva**. Biodynamic agriculture considers that everything is affected by the magnetic waves created by the movement of the moon and the connection of Earth to other planets. The **Winery Silva Daskalaki** applies this idea to the cultivation of its organically grown vineyards. Get the insides on this extremely interesting process and taste the unique **Siva** wines.

Just down the road, you can visit the **Paliani monastery**, one of the island's oldest monasteries. In the churchyard there is a gigantic myrtle tree, 'Aqia Myrtia', which is considered holy and it is being celebrated once per year! Some say it dates more than a thousand

years old. In the area, there is another winery worth visiting. At the **Kerasia** village the **Efrosini Winery** is located. Have a chat with the really friendly owners who cultivate their vineyards with care, including organic farming. Try their wines while listening to their stories on the area's history and geography.

The area has a great and old tradition in winemaking: one can visit the medieval wine presses around **Prinias** village as well as the archaeological site of **Ancient Rizinia**. Full of awe, continue your way to the village of **Kato Asites**, located 450 meters above sea level.

Here you can visit the **Diamantakis Winery** with its vineyard spread on terraces at an altitude of 400 meters! If you are a cave lover and you enjoy hiking, you are in the perfect place. The village is known for its caves, with the "Melissa" one being the winner.