

# Santorini

## Day 1

- Arrival
  - **Rent a car.** This should be the very first thing on your to-do list in order to get the most out of the island during your short two-day stay. Rental offices can be found at the airport or small shops at the port. You can either pre-book online or just pick one upon arrival which will save you a ton of money! Know the current rates before you arrive so there are no surprises when you're negotiating.
- Stay in Perivolos
  - Staying on the opposite side of the caldera allows you to escape the crowds. This way you can start your day at the **Perissa beach area**. Take a breather in one of the beachfront restaurants to enjoy the fresh sea breeze with your cold beer or a good glass of wine.
- Relaxing at your accommodation
  - At this point, it is time to check in and enjoy what your hotel has to offer. Most places will have a restaurant, a pool, or a cute outdoor area. Take advantage of this short relaxation before starting your adventure.
- Oia
  - This small village is an **iconic place for Santorini's pictures**. Here you can find the white buildings, blue roofs, the famous blue dome church, tons of little shops and bars. Take some time to walk around but be prepared for the crowds. It is a luxurious and romantic place. If you're driving, prepare to walk a little from your parking as the little streets are for pedestrians only.
- Dinner and Sunset
  - One simply does not visit Santorini and does not experience the world-famous **sunset**. For this part of the evening, you will want to reserve some time to fully enjoy the entire sunset. I recommend making a reservation at a restaurant that offers sunset views.

## Day 2

- Breakfast
  - If you're staying at a beachfront property, make sure to have that perfect beachfront breakfast. If not, make your way over to the nearest spot in town for the freshest picks. They're all good.
- Red Beach
  - I recommend visiting **Red Beach** place mostly for the view and not for actual sunbathing and swimming. The red rocks, black sand, and blue water form a stunning view from a far away angle but the actual beach is very small and crowded so enjoying some peace and quiet here is almost impossible. However, it is still worth driving toward and seeing at least from afar.
  - If Red Beach was too crowded for you, make your way over to **Paralia Vlichada** or **Monolithos Beach** which are both quieter and more secluded beaches. Both offer similar views and atmospheres. Rent a lounging chair and grab a cocktail to enjoy the beautiful beach atmosphere of Santorini.
- Winery
  - **Santo** is the most popular but has stunning views of the sunset and a good atmosphere. Reservation is a must.
  - **Venetsanos** is another popular spot for sunset views. Make sure to make a reservation and pay the entry fee.
  - **Sigalas** is an inland one but you won't be disappointed in the wine selection.
- Fira
  - This village is very similar to Oia but a little more loud and lively. You will find more bars and nightlife here compared to its neighbor Oia. Spend some time here walking around, grabbing dinner and enjoying a new view of the caldera.