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Information about the Environment and for travellers in Crete:

Museum of Wooden Sculptures in Axos (Crete) by *George Koutantos*



The Museum of Wooden Sculptures in Axos, at the foot of the Psiloritis, is a constant collection of the sculptor *George Koutantos*. It functions both, as museum and workshop and is the result of twenty years of the occupation with the statuary. The opening of the museum took place on the 14th of March 2010. The museum is located about 1 hour travel time of Rethymno (30 miles) or Iraklion (28 miles) and is good to reach (Google-coordinates: 35° 18'36.04 N, 24° 50'35.83 E).

Visitors have the possibility to look around the museum and workshop or to participate on a guided tour or to agree upon such. For information please use the Phone # +30 6937691387 or E-Mail: koutantossculptures@hotmail.com. Entrance fee per person: $\notin 5$



The dimensions of the sculptures in the museum are nearly in an actual size, or even in larger dimensions, like for example "the eagle and the snake", which is about six meters long; **see picture**. During our attendance we were more than impressed and can fully recommend a visit of the museum. Pictures of the objects with all necessary information can be found on the Website of the museum (in English) at: [http://www.woodenmuseum.gr/page4_en.html].

The following pictures of our museum attendance are limited to the pictures which we made locally; detail commentated pictorial material to the objects in the museum, its history, personal data of the sculptor and others more can be found as already mentioned on the aforementioned Website of the museum.



Picture left: since everything in the museum is from wood, also the brick-work is wood (crust) Picture right: Engagement and wedding with guests in actual size.







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