

GLASS



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Glass chills out at Andronis Luxury Suites, Santorini

Writer
**AMANDA
BERNSTEIN**
Location
**SANTORINI
GREECE**



Infinity Pool

Santorini is located with the most southerly point of the Cyclades Archipelago of Greece. A volcanic eruption 3,600 years ago sunk the entire landscape, with the remnants forming the world's only crescent-shaped volcanic caldera peering through the glassy Aegean. This is my view as I soak in the hot tub or my balcony, perched high upon the cliffs of the Andronis Luxury Suites.

A member of the Andronis Executive collection, this boutique hotel is carved out of volcanic rock, and the bathroom in my spacious room complements its atmospheric grey shades with notable quantities of Molton Brown colourful

products, providing the only hints of colour. The hotel's outdoor spaces are reached by many rugged steps meandering down and then up towards the canopied breakfast area, where a multi-course à la carte breakfast is served.

On my first afternoon, I head out onto Oia's main pedestrianised street to amble along the café-and-shop-lined lanes leading to the Castro Walls. I'm camera-ready as I find a vantage point to gaze towards the acclaimed Santorini sunset as it vanishes into the sea.

At night-time, the hotel buzzes at elegant-pool Lycaonetus, perched high atop a cliff, renowned as the most famous restaurant on the island for good reason. For here in Santorini, it's all about the view, and while I devour my plate of maitre-d'ha-mouth roasted cod, accompanied with locally sourced asparagus and fava bean puree, I glance down towards the infinity pool. It is by the moon like a giant emerald agate set the black sea.

And as the lights from the surrounding white-washed buildings shine against the night sky, it's reaffirmed why this gem of an island is known as the jewel of the Aegean.

Low season, suites from £300 B&B per night, high season, from £950 B&B per night.

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