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## Andronis Concept hotel review: a high-end Santorini health retreat

This crater-facing hideaway in Imerovigli is perfect for guests in search of a wellness-focused break



**T**his high-end health retreat lies on the edge of Imerovigli, far from any hubbub but within strolling distance of the village's restaurants. In a break from island tradition, there's not a lick of whitewash. Instead, the ochre-coloured hotel blends into the barren landscape, standing out with its impressive architecture: all bold, sweeping curves and epic dimensions.

Its west-facing position on the footpath that connects Oia with Fira grants guests sensational sunset and volcano views but comes with a catch: day-time privacy is heavily compromised by walkers passing by within feet of your plunge pool. Service, meanwhile, is fantastic in parts, inconsistent in others.

## Overall score 8/10

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### Rooms and suites



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The hotel is made up of 28 suites and villas, each with private terraces and infinity pools overlooking the Aegean. Bedrooms, at 35sqm, are larger than the majority of the island's caldera-view rooms and are designed to reflect traditional caves (most noticeably in the bathrooms, where even the dark-hued sinks and toilets look as if they've been carved out of clay). If privacy is paramount, opt for a sunrise-facing (garden view) room; otherwise, go for sunset (caldera-facing) but be prepared to attract attention from the near-constant passage of hikers on the adjacent footpath. Upgrades to a duplex Finesse suite come with sea views in both directions.

## Food and drink



Score 8/10

An extensive à la carte breakfast comes with sea views at Throubi Restaurant. In keeping with the resort's wellness ethos, there's a focus on smoothies and healthy choices, including Greek yoghurt and gluten-free options. Later, Throubi tempts with fine-dining menus created in partnership with registered dietitians, resulting in nutritionally balanced dishes prepared, when available, with ingredients grown on-site. There's also an extensive wine list with [Santorini](#) producers front and foremost. For daytime refreshments, the pool bar keeps guests ticking over with salads and snacks.

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### What else is there?



Score 9/10

The big draw for Andronis Concept lies at the hotel's heart, where cave-like Kallos Spa is among Santorini's largest and most characterful wellness facilities. Its range of excellent treatments — try the two-hour Balance ritual — chimes with the property's "eat well, sleep well, feel well" philosophy. Also here is the main, east-facing pool (with views across the sea to Anafi), alongside a decent gym, rooftop yoga pavilion and a second pool, with a waterfall feature, tucked into a cavern. Its wellness programme includes gentle guided hikes into the immediate surroundings.

## Where is it



## Score 8/10

Andronis Concept sits on the fringes of Imerovigli, a village occupying one of the highest points on the caldera. The views from here are outstanding and take in Oia and beyond towards neighbouring Ios, Sikinos and (on a clear day) Folegandros. Complimentary shuttles whisk guests to Oia in the evenings. Closer to hand is Imerovigli (about a 15-minute amble away) for sunset dinners and drinks at its choice of caldera-facing restaurants. Keep going for another half hour along the cliff-hugging path to reach Fira, which has endless shopping, restaurants and an all-night summertime bar scene. The hotel is a 12-minute drive from the airport.