



SUSTAINABILITY AT AKASHA BEACH HOTEL & SPA

At AKASHA Beach Hotel & Spa we are continually working to improve the impact we have on people and places.

We are committed to reducing our greenhouse gas emissions and to protecting and supporting biodiversity. As part of that commitment, in 2023 we set ourselves a target of reducing our greenhouse gas emissions from energy, water and waste by 10% before the end of 2030. By April, we had already achieved a 13% reduction in energy consumption and a 30% reduction in single-use plastic purchases compared to the same period in 2022 - demonstrating our ongoing commitment to lowering our environmental footprint.

We know that there is more work for us to do and in 2026 we are implementing a number of new initiatives throughout our operation to help us achieve our 2030 goal. We encourage our valued guests, staff and visitors to support us by following the reminders we have provided throughout the hotel about saving water and energy, as well as minimising waste.

During season 2026 we have made donation to "The smile of the child", "Iraklion Aeroclub Pegasus" and the Municipality of Hersonissos to support the organization of meal programs. The Smile of the Child is a voluntary, non-profit child welfare organization based in Athens, Greece. Iraklion Aeroclub Pegasus is non-profit sport pilot academy in Iraklion, Crete. Moreover, if you would like to donate to our community projects, you will find a donation box for "UNICEF" on the reception desk.

In 2026 our focus is to support the biodiversity of Crete by adopting a protected nest from the ARCHELON sea turtle protection and rescue program in Messara Bay. This adoption represents a commitment to protect these ancient animals and their habitats. Through this contribution, ARCHELON is able to continue its work for the protection of nature.

AKASHA Beach Hotel & Spa is committed to respecting and protecting human rights. We believe that everyone should be treated fairly and with respect. As part of this commitment, we regularly train our staff about preventing discrimination.

We are also committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and young people. We have a policy of always reporting suspected instances of child exploitation and abuse to the police. We encourage our guests, staff and visitors to report their own concerns about child exploitation and abuse to the local police by calling **100** or reporting directly to the Smile of the child, through the **National free telephone line SOS for Children, 1056** (24h).

We invite all stakeholders, including our guests, staff and the local community, to provide us with your feedback on our sustainability work and working with us to achieve even better results and continue the positive trend.