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Different civilizations have passed through these lands, leaving their mark which can be seen in all corners of this emblematic city. All of this adds to the appeal of this modern city with a primary focus on tourism, but also a special interest in industry and commerce. Alicante, situated on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea, offers not only a great variety of services but also a wide range of cultural activities, with its museums, its festivals and its nature areas, in particular the Island of Tabarca (Mediterranean Marine Reserve).

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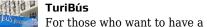
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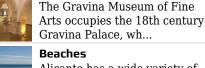
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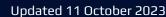
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BEACH LIFE



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Some of Alicante's best tourist attractions are its excellent beaches. Year after year they receive the Blue Flag award by the European Union, which earns them well deserved international recognition.

During the summer season, beaches like San Juan, Postiguet and Urbanova have an educational leisure area for the mentally handicapped and an access point for the physically disabled.

Alicante is also the perfect destination for the year-round enjoyment of water sports such as jet skiing, yacht charters, sailing, diving, snorkelling, surfing, windsurfing, competition fishing and water skiing.

San Juan Beach



This fine golden sandy beach is almost three kilometres in length and up to one hundred metres wide. Its facilities include lifeguard watchtowers, a

Red Cross post, car park, footbath, toilets, disabled access. It is perfect for enjoying water-based activities, sports and also has play parks for children. Along the beachfront there are all kinds of shops and restaurants. Photo: Alicante tourist board More Info: Length: 2,900 m | Width: 85 m

Postiguet Beach



This beach is in the city itself, at the foot of Mount Benacantil on which Santa Barbara Castle stands. It has a lovely promenade offering

beautiful views over the bay. The beach is made up of fine golden sand and is ideal for sunbathing, reading, etc.

Photo: Alicante tourist board More Info: Length: 900 m | Width: 50 m

La Albufereta



Situated to the northeast of the city, between the Serra Grossa and el Tossal de Manises, this is a secluded beach and is perfect for enjoying

watersports.

Photo: Alicante tourist board More Info: Length: 400 m | Width: 18 m

La Almadraba & Cabo de las Huertas



This collection of sandy beaches and rocky coves with crystal clear waters can be found between the beaches of San Juan and Albufereta. They are ideal

for those wishing to quietly enjoy the sea away from the larger, busier beaches.

Photo: Alicante tourist board More Info: Length: 750 m | Width: 6 m

Saladares Urbanova



This wide stretch of beach is located just south of the city centre, in a quiet area called Urbanova, and is perfect for sunbathing, swimming

and enjoying leisure activities and sports.

Photo: Alicante tourist board More Info: Length: 1.600 m | Width: 52 m

THE CITY



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With shattered mountains in the background, the city is located in a bay with a cosmopolitan harbour. Tropical palms line the avenues. From the sea front you can look up towards Mount Benacantil, where the historic Castillo de Santa Bárbara, open to the public, is located.

You will find small narrow streets near big avenues with lively business activities in the area of Rambla Méndez Núñez. Elegant pubs and sophisticated restaurants can be found in the more modern part of the city between the seafront, Explanada de España, and Avenida Alfonso "X" El Sabio. In the evenings in "El Barrio", a pedestrian area in the Old Town around the Cathedral, locals meet up with visitors of all ages and from all over the world.

5 HOT TIPS



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Santa Bárbara Castle



A visit to the Santa Bárbara Castle is highly recommended. Located atop Mount Benacantil, at a height of 166 metres, it is one of the largest

medieval fortresses in Spain, with unbeatable views over the Bay of Alicante and on clear days you can see all the way to Tabarca Island.

Such is its relevance that during the 20th century it was declared a Monument of Historic and Artistic Importance and a Site of Cultural Interest. Here we can also find one of the most characteristic images of the city, a rock formation resembling a man's profile on the southwestern slope, known as the Moor's Face, which is best viewed from Postiguet Beach. The Museum of the city in Santa Bárbara's Castle "MUSA", housed in the Castle itself, was included in its cultural offer and it explains in five theme rooms the history of the city of Alicante and their inhabitants.

To descend down from the Santa Bárbara Castle, take the route through Parque de La Ereta, along the mountainside. Its location and views transform it into a place of relaxation as well as a great meeting place. It also has a spectacular restaurant and, on the way down to the old town quarter, you can visit the picturesque, quintessentially Spanish Santa Cruz district. Another attractive option between the castle and the Santa Cruz district is walking along the remains of the walls that surrounded the Castle, which now end in the Santa Cruz district.

Visitors can also access the castle via a lift built within the rock face opposite El Postiguet beach.

Photo: Alicante tourist board

Address: Castillo de Santa Bárbara, Benacantil, Alicante Opening hours: Open daily from 10am. Closing hours change seasonally Phone: +34 673 84 98 90 Internet: castillodesantabarbara.com

Tabarca Island



A visit to Tabarca island is an absolute must for visitors. Boats from the company Kontiki depart from the marina in Alicante several times a

day during the summer months. In low seasons confirm timetables beforehand.

The journey takes around one hour from Alicante. The route will give you the opportunity to enjoy the coastline.

Try one of the traditional fish stews on the terrace of one of the restaurants. Also, on the island, you will find nice little bays to swim in, as well as a beach offering different facilities. If you decide to stay overnight on the island, there are also little hotels peppered along it.

Photo: Alicante tourist board Address: Nueva Tabarca Phone: Kontiki:+34 686 994 538 /686 994 539 Tickets: Return ticket from Alicante around €20.

Explanada de España



Explanada de España is one of the city's emblems. It runs parallel to one of the port wharfs and is lined on both sides with rows of palm trees. The

floor is decorated with 6,600,000 tricolour marble tiles forming a design with a characteristic wave effect mosaic.

Visitors and locals alike can enjoy these areas at any time of the year, thanks to the pleasant climate. Throughout the year there are workshops, entertainment, children's theatre, puppet shows, etc. predominantly aimed at children and families.

Other parks and gardens worth visiting are:

La Ereta park: located on the slopes of Mount Benacantil at the foot of the Santa Bárbara Castle, opposite El Postiguet beach. From here you can enjoy unbeatable views of the city and follow an interesting route from the summit down to the city's old quarter.

El Palmeral park: is one of the most spectacular parks in the city, formed by a wooded area containing palm trees, ponds, lakes and artificial streams. It contains sports facilities and a cross-country cycling track, as well as a pavilion where a regular programme of events is scheduled including activities, children's theatre, puppet shows, etc.

Canalejas: It is one of the most traditional open spaces in Alicante. It has spectacular lush

vegetation including several hundred-year old rubber plants measuring 20 metres high.

Gabriel Miró Square: This square honours the Alicante writer of the same name. Just a few metres from the Explanada and the seafront promenade, it has a monument in the form of a fountain and centenary trees with luxuriant foliage, creating a relaxed, pleasant atmosphere.

Photo: Alicante tourist board

MACA Museum



The Contemporary Art Museum "MACA", housed in the city's oldest surviving civil building. In the baroque style, it dates back to 1685 and is

located next to the Santa María basilica. The museum has recently been re-opened after a year of an extension work in order to improve and enlarge its facilities in 4,700 m2, with the aim to house an important collection of 20th century art mostly comprised of works donated by Eusebio Sempere. Many different types of events also take place in this Museum.

Photo: Alicante tourist board

Address: Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Alicante MACA, Plaza de Santa María, 3, Alicante Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 10am-2pm, Mon closed Phone: +34 965 213 156 Internet: maca-alicante.es Email: educacion@maca-alicante.es

Central Market



This building contains some modernist features and was built between 1911 and 1912 under the management of Juan Vidal Ramos over Balmes

Square, over which there was still a part of the 18th century wall.

With its rectangular shape, the Market mimics the layout of a basilica, with a circular appendix on the South-west side covered by a semispherical dome called La Rotonda (the roundabout). The building is split into two floors, one of which is a semi-basement due to the irregular surrounding streets.

The front of the building was designed by Enrique Sánchez Sedeño and is presided by an impressive staircase surrounded by two emerging figures with decorative features.

On 25th May 1938, the Mercado Central was hit during the worst bombing suffered by the city of Alicante during the Spanish Civil War, which resulted in 300 civilian victims. The Italian air force was responsible for that tragedy.

All kinds of high-quality products can be bought at the Market, especially local fish and seafood, vegetables and fruit, as well as other typical local products. That is why the city's top restaurants source their food from the Mercado Central.

Photo: Rafa Perez, Costa Blanca Tourist Board Address: Mercado Central de Alicante (Mercat Central d'Alacant), Avenida Alfonso El Sabio, 10, Alicante Opening hours: Mon–Sat 7am–2:30pm Internet: mercado-central-alicante.negocio.site

DO & SEE



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The ideal location of Alicante on the Mediterranean coast makes it an attractive destination for beach-lovers, golfers and outdoors enthusiasts, but the city offers so much more than fun in the sun. The old quarter is rife with beautiful architecture, from the cathedral and the cloisters to the town hall and many winding alleys, and a wealth of fascinating museums can keep even the most ambitious visitors busy for days.



www.terranatura.com

El Castell de Guadalest



El Castell de Guadalest is one of the most beautiful villages in Spain. Having a stroll through the streets of the village is a real pleasure. San José

Castle, Orduña house, the bell tower and the unusual museums will attract your attention.

If you like walking in the mountains, El Castell de Guadalest is the perfect place to be in contact with nature and if you are a gastronomy lover, our restaurants offer a combination of traditional dishes and the latest innovations.

Photo: Pano concentaina/Alicante Tourist Board Phone: +34 965 885 298 Internet: guadalest.es

Civil War Anti-aircraft Shelters



The objects and text explanations displayed in the different rooms intend to show visitors the historical and social context that surrounded

the construction and use of these bomb shelters in Alicante during the Spanish Civil War (1936–1939).

You can find several preserved shelters throughout Alicante:

- 1. Plaza de Séneca;
- 2. Plaza Dr. Balmis;
- 3. Les Cigarreres cultural centre (former Fábrica de Tabacos);

4. Castillo de San Fernando (from Calle Padre Mariana);

- 5. Marqués de Molins;
- 6. Plaza Músico Óscar Tordera Iñesta;

7. Santa Faz monastery.

Photo: Alicante tourist board

Address: Centro de Interpretación sobre los Refugios Antiaéreos, Calle Italia, 19, Alicante Phone: +34 690 004 431 Internet: alicanteout.com/agenda-turismo-y-aire-libre/visita-alos-refugios-antiaereos-de-alicante Email: cmemoriahdalicante@gmail.com

Old Town Quarter



Back in the old town quarter, we recommend a route that includes a visit to the San Nicholas Co-cathedral dating from the 17th century. The

cloisters, however, are from the 15th-century (Herrerian Renaissance style).

The Town Hall building is an 18th-century Baroque building.

The Santa María Basilica, a gothic structure based on the mosque from the ancient town, dates from the 14th and 16th centuries and was completed with Baroque and Rococo finishes in the 18th century.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

TuriBús



For those who want to have a general idea of Alicante, or for those with less time, Alicante offers a special service — the TuriBús — a bus through

the city with 10 interesting stops for holidaymakers. The sights and sites are explained in Spanish, Valencian, English, French, German and Italian. Address: Offices: Calle Díaz Moreu, 6 (Rambla de Méndez Núñez esquina a Avenida Jaime II) Opening hours: Operates between March and December Phone: +34 965 185 500 Internet:

alicante.vectalia.es/linea/linea-turistica-alicante-turibus

Beaches



Alicante has a wide variety of beaches, from fine sand to rocky ones. Most of them are proud to hold the Blue Flag award. El Postiguet is the

Alicante beach par excellence! Located in the very heart of the city. It's a long sandy beach and is close to all types of services.

The San Juan beach is the most famous beach, not only because it is the longest, but also because of the quality and cleanliness of its waters.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Hogueras Museum



Museo de Fogueres, also known as Museo De Las Hogueras and Bonfire museum, is dedicated to the most popular "fiesta" in Alicante. It shows the

"ninots", or wooden statues that have been "saved" — i.e., not burned every year — in a video room showing the best of this "fiesta", photographs, costumes, etc. This museum is especially nice for families with children!

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Rambla de Méndez Núñez, 29, Alicante Opening hours: Tue 10am-2pm / 6pm-9pm; Sat 10am-2pm; Sun & Mon closed Phone: +34 965 146 828 Internet: www.hogueras.es More Info: Next to Rambla Méndez Núñez

Archaeological Museum of Alicante — MARQ Museum



Created in 1932, MARQ Museum was originally located on the ground floor of the Provincial Council building on Avenida de la Estación in

Alicante. In 2002 it was transferred to the former site of the San Juan de Dios Provincial Hospital.

Visitors to this highly innovative and visual museum can enjoy an avant-garde approach to archaeology supported by modern audiovisual techniques. Its exhibits stretch from the Palaeolithic through to the Contemporary Modern Culture, tracing our history.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Museo Arqueológico Provincial de Alicante, Plaza Doctor Gómez Ulla S/N, Alicante Phone: +34 965 14 90 00 Internet: www.marqalicante.com

Gravina Museum of Fine Arts — MUBAG



The Gravina Museum of Fine Arts occupies the 18th century Gravina Palace, which once belonged to the Count of Lumiares and housed the

Provincial Archives. It exhibits works owned by the Provincial Council of Alicante, with collections comprising works of art created in Alicante from the Middle Ages to the early 20th century.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Museo de Bellas Artes Gravina MUBAG, Calle Gravina, 13-15, Alicante Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 10am-2pm, Mon closed Phone: +34 965 146 780 Internet: www.mubag.es

Aquopolis Torrevieja



In Aquopolis Torrevieja, you will find attractions for everyone: if you want an adrenaline rush, slide down in High Emotion. Moderate are designed

for lovers of fun, which will appeal to both adults and children. All children under 10 years will have fun in the Kids Zone, MiniPark and Charmed Lake. Have a relaxing time with your family in our Sand Beach or at The VIP Area.

Photo: Aquopolis Torrevieja/Alicante Tourist Board Address: Avenida Delfina Viudes, Torrevieja Opening hours: Open from June to early September Phone: +34 96 571 58 90 Internet: torrevieja.aquopolis.es

Terra Natura Benidorm



Terra Natura Benidorm is a nature and animal park which has more than 1,500 animals of 200 different species (50 of them are in danger of

extinction). Its surface is divided into four areas representing the continents of America, Asia and Europe, and the area of Pangea, inspired by the origin of the Earth. The tour through its facilities makes visitors immerse themselves in the concept of zooimmersion and otherness.

Photo: Terra Natura Benidorm/Alicante Tourist Board Address: Foia del Verdader, 1, Benidorm Phone: +34 96 607 27 70 Internet: benidorm.terranatura.com

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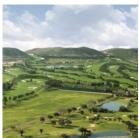


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The city of Alicante, the capital of the Costa Blanca, has become, through its own worth, one of the most popular destinations for playing golf. The key factors of its success, apart from its magnificent 18 hole golf courses, are its first rate hotels and restaurants, its culture and entertainment found in the city, its proximity to the Alicante-Elche International Airport, just 12 kilometres from the city centre, and the mild Mediterranean climate which it enjoys throughout the year, with an average annual temperature of 18 degrees centigrade an more than 3,000 hours of sun a year.

Alicante's golf courses are located in natural surroundings with sea, mountain and nature spot views, and they enjoy the privileged Mediterranean microclimate, which is characterised by its mild winters and warm summers. We hope you enjoy the wide range of options available, presented hereafter.

El Plantío Golf Resort



"El Plantío" is a golf course which is in perfect harmony with the environment. It is a unique area of spectacular beauty which

begs to be strolled through. The careful

reforestation of plant species gives the course an exotic and unique feel, which makes each hole different. A "pay&play" non-member golf course, to which every player has access. "El Plantío" has spectacular beauty and design, for the permanent enjoyment of golf.

For those wanting to stay on site, El Plantío also offers the possibility of staying in first class tourist apartments.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Antigua Carretera Alicante-Elx, km3, Alicante Phone: +34 965 11 50 49 Internet: www.elplantio.com

Alicante Golf



Alicante Golf, designed by Severiano Ballesteros, is considered to be one of the best maintained and designed golf courses in the whole of Spain. It is

also highly regarded for its complete practice area. Another attraction of the course is the ruins of a roman village dating back to the 1st century B.C. located in the middle of the 14th hole. These ruins surfaced during the construction of the course and you have to fly over them to reach the green. At the 18th hole you will find the Hotel Alicante Golf ****. The restaurant at Alicante Golf is famous for its exquisite rice dishes and Mediterranean cuisine.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Avenida Locutor Vicente Hipólito, 37, Alicante Phone: +34 965 15 20 43 Internet: www.alicantegolf.com Email: clubgolf@alicantegolf.com

Bonalba Golf Resort



Bonalba golf course, with 18 holes, par 72, and a length of 6,367 metres, is located above the Mediterranean in the municipality of Mutxamel,

in Alicante. Its 18°C year-round average temperature and its location just 2 km from San Juan beach, make Bonalba a privileged location for playing golf all year round.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle del Vespre, 6bis, Mutxamel Phone: +34 965 955 955 Internet: www.golfbonalba.com Email: golfbonalba@golfbonalba.com

Alenda Golf



Alenda Golf course was designed by Roland Favrat, with the aim of respecting the lay of the land and the vegetation proper to the area as

much as possible. The course was completed in October 1999, occupies 49 hectares of land, and has 18 holes Par 72, with 6,240 metres in length as well as an excellent practice area. The first nine holes are fun and easy to play, with wide fairways bordered by autochthonous vegetation. On the other hand, the second nine holes require higher levels of concentration, as this is a more technical part of the course in which distance plays a role, and in which holes 17 and 18 will clearly define the results of the score card.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Avenida del Mediterráneo, 52, Urbanización Alenda Golf, Monforte del Cid Phone: +34 965 620 521 Internet: www.alendagolf.com Email: cadymaster@alendagolf.com

Font del Llop Golf Resort



American design and Scottish layout that will be a challenge and delight for all kinds of players. A playing area of international size, 18

holes, pair 72, 6,313 meters from white tees, that has five exit tees for each hole-with each green having its own personality. Just few minutes from international Alicante Airport.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Carretera Alicante-Aspe, CV.847-km 3,5, Monforte del Cid Phone: +34 966 12 67 67 Internet: www.fdlgolf.es Email: info@fdlgolf.es

DINING



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Alicante's most famous dishes contain rice. There are more than a hundred different rice recipes in the region, and they are all delicious! At an "arrocería", or rice restaurant, you'll find one of the Spanish national dishes, "paella", saffron rice mixed with local ingredients such as shellfish and vegetables among other dishes.

Fish and shellfish are fresh every day while sausage and meat is produced in the mountains near Alicante. Salads are served with salted accompaniments and olives. The tasty and

unusual local drink made with tiger nuts, "horchata", is very popular and served in many bars and "horchaterías", which you will find nearly everywhere in the city — you will love it!

Another local delicacy is "turrón", a dessert made with whole almonds, honey, sugar and egg whites that is served everywhere. Apart from buying bars of "turrón", you can try "turrón" flavoured ice-cream.

Alicante offers a wide range of restaurants of every category from elegant to fashionable, from exclusive to snack-bars. Meal times are usually somewhat later than in the rest of Europe: breakfast from 7:30 am to 10 am. The main meal or lunch is served in restaurants from 2 pm and 3:30 pm and dinner is from 9 pm to 10:30 pm.

Restaurante Dársena



One of the oldest restaurants in Alicante. It is located in the sports marina and it offers spectacular views of the seafront. They specialise

in paella and Mediterranean food.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Centro de Negocios Panoramis Life & Business, Muelle de Poniente, Perfecto Palacio de la Fuente, 6, Alicante Opening hours: Tue-Sat noon-11pm, Sun noon-4pm, Mon closed Phone: +34 965 207 399 Internet: www.darsena.com

Email: comercial@darsena.com

Nou Manolín



It is located in one of the pedestrian streets of Alicante city centre. It has a very good and varied à la carte menu and it is also considered

to serve the best tapas in all of Spain.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Villegas, 3, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 1:15pm-4:30pm / 8:15pm-11:45pm Phone: +34 965 61 64 25 Internet: www.grupogastronou.com Email: eventos@noumanolin.com

El Cantó



It is one of the most authentic tapas bar in Alicante. They don't take bookings, but it is surely worth waiting for a table and enjoying their

culinary delights!

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Alemania, 26, Alicante Opening hours: Mon-Sat noon-4pm / 8pm-midnight; Sun closed Phone: +34 965 925 650 Internet: restaurantguru.com/El-Canto-Alicante

La Taberna del Gourmet



La Taberna del Gourmet is a catering project that begun in 1979 which is focused on the quality of the raw product. A place where innovation is at the

service of organic food and traditional flavours, where succulent tapas, sandwiches, cured meats and cheeses from all regions are prepared in a lively Spanish barra. A national and international gastronomic reference which offer all kind of delicatessen products, from the most prestigious Extra Virgin Olive Oils and cans to the finest wines.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle San Fernando, 10, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 1pm-midnight Phone: +34 965 204 233 Internet: latabernadelgourmet.com Email: reservas@latabernadelgourmet.com More Info: La Taberna del Gourmet has three locations in Alicante

César Anca



The César Anca bar stands out for its great variety of design tapas. In the renewed and beautiful square, Gabriel Miró, with ancient trees,

you will find our bar. A modern and welcoming place in which everything is in constant movement.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Ojeda, 1, Alicante Opening hours: Mon 8pm-11:30pm; Tue-Sat 12:30pm-4pm / 8pm-11:30pm; Sun 12:30pm-4pm Phone: +34 965 124 362 Internet: www.grupocesaranca.com Email: info@cesarancahosteleria.com

La Taverna del Racó del Plá



This is a famous, family-run tradition restaurant. They take much care in choosing their raw materials to elaborate modern and old

recipes. La taverna del Racó del Plá has a wide option of dining rooms and a tapas bar, menus for groups and tapas menus at night.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Navas, 40, Alicante Opening hours: Mon 11am-5pm; Tue-Fri 11am-5pm / 8:30pm-midnight; Sat 1pm-5pm / 8:30pm-midnight; Sun closed Phone: +34 965 202 182 Internet: latavernadelracodelpla.com Email: info@latavernadelracodelpla.com

Restaurante La Ereta



Situated on La Ereta park, on the side on Mount Benacantil, by Santa Bárbara Castle. It enjoys wonderful views of the coastline, the Castle

and the city centre — in other words, set in the loveliest of surroundings. They specialise in very elaborate cuisine.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Parque de la Ereta, Monte Benacantil, Alicante Opening hours: Mon-Wed 8:30-11:30pm; Thu-Fri 1:30pm-5pm / 8:30pm-11:30pm; Sun closed Phone: +34 965 143 250 Internet: www.laereta.es Email: info@laereta.es

Bar Guillermo



It is a traditional tapas bar located in the centre of Alicante. Very popular due to their homemade meals and their "montaditos", little

sandwiches with varied fillings.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Pintor Velázquez, 21, Alicante Opening hours: Mon, Tue & Thu-Sat 9:30am-5pm / 8:30pm-midnight; Wed 9:30am-5pm; Sun closed Phone: +34 965 200 184 Email: labarradel@barguillermo.es

El Portal Taberna & Wines



El Portal is a restaurant, a tapas and a cocktail bar. In an informal atmosphere, El Portal offers good tapas, a creative cuisine and a

wide selection of national and international wines.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Calle Bilbao, 2, Alicante Opening hours: Sun-Thu 1pm-1:30am, Fri & Sat 1pm-2am Phone: +34 965 143 269 Internet: www.elportaltaberna.es Email: info@elportaltaberna.es

Restaurante El Monastrell



This is the only restaurant in the city having one Michelin star. María José San Román, the owner and chef of the restaurant, combines to

perfection innovation with a Mediterranean touch.

Address: Avenida del Almirante Julio Guillén Tato, 1, Alicante Opening hours: Thu & Sun 8pm-10:30pm; Fri & Sat 1:30pm-3:30pm / 8pm-10:30pm; Mon-Wed closed Phone: +34 965 12 66 40 Internet: www.monastrell.com Email: reservas@monastrell.com

CAFES



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Would you like to take a rest after walking through the old town or shopping? In that case, the terraces alongside Explanada de España are the best choice. Here you'll find cafés and bars, which are open air and offer some of the best views in the city, namely of the harbour.

Terraza Sotelo 10



Take your drink, coffee, beer or snacks in a different way, in a natural garden at Calvo Sotelo Square, a beautiful and comfortable place located

in the commercial centre of the city of Alicante.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Plaza Calvo Sotelo, 10, Alicante Opening hours: Sun-Thu 8am-10pm, Fri & Sat 8am-11pm Phone: +34 657 17 74 65 Internet: terrazasotelo10.es

Soho Parc



Soho Parc is situated in an emblematic square with ancient trees called Portal de Elche, close to the old town of Alicante. It is a place where you

can enjoy a relaxing coffee during the day or a great mojito in the evening.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Plaza Portal de Elche, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 9am-1am Phone: +34 965 20 90 67 Internet: www.instagram.com/soho.alicante

Noray Café



Noray Café is a great place to enjoy delicious tapas and ice-cold cocktails. Their terrace is right at the edge of the water.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Avenida Conde de Vallellano, s/n, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 9am-1:30am Phone: +34 664 660 624 Internet: norayalicante.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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The nightlife is best and most abundant in the part of Alicante known as "el Barrio", located around the Cathedral and the Rambla de Méndez Núñez. All sorts of pubs, terraces and nightclubs are to be found here. Fashionable clubs with imported DJs are located next door to bars for customers with different ages and music preferences. Night owls will have few problems to decide where to go as there is a variety of music bars open all night.

La marcha alicantina, as Alicante's nightlife is known, has become one of the city's main attractions in itself, as well as being a major contributor to the local economy.

There are more bars on the Muelle de Levante wharf next to the marina and also an area in Playa San Juan known as the Golf Course.

Santa Bárbara



Located in a bustling nightlife district of Alicante, Santa Bárbara Club is a gem for those seeking a classy yet lively atmosphere. You'll be

greeted by the inviting tunes of pop music from the 80s and 90s, setting the stage for an unforgettable night. What sets this small pub apart is its authentic Spanish crowd — loyal regulars who passionately sing along to Spanish classics.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle del Médico Pascual Pérez, 4, Alicante Phone: +34 637 962 562 Internet: www.instagram.com/santabarbarapub

Carabassa



With 13 years of experience under its belt, Santa Bárbara is the go-to spot for an unforgettable night in Alicante. Conveniently

located in a lively square, the venue boasts a spacious outdoor terrace. It's the perfect setting to sip on superb cocktails like mojitos and margaritas, all reasonably priced. Inside, get ready to dance the night away to a diverse mix of music.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Plaza de San Cristóbal (Sant Cristòfol), Alicante Phone: +34 656 32 31 90 Internet: www.instagram.com/pub.carabassa

Teatre Day & Night



Teatre Day & Night pub offers good drinks and great surroundings any time of the day and night. Today, the club is known for great techno nights.

Photo: Alicante tourist board Address: Calle Tomás López Torregrosa, 4, Alicante Opening hours: Fri 5pm-3:30am, Sat 4pm-3:30am Phone: +34 637 63 34 88 Internet: www.teatrealicante.com

Confetti



With over 18 years in the game, Confetti has mastered the art of entertainment. Known for its pulsating atmosphere and quality music, this

Alicante hotspot is the place to be for indie and alternative tunes. The venue is a favourite among locals for late afternoon and early evening revelry. Around 4 am, the scene shifts, with patrons usually moving on to Teatro as the locals close up. A quintessential Saturday evening hangout.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle del Médico Pascual Pérez, 8, Alicante Phone: +34 647 860 656 Internet: www.confetticlassics.es

Ten 10



Nestled in one of Alicante's most renowned streets for nightlife, Ten 10 is the epitome of evening elegance and nocturnal thrills. Famous

for their cocktails — both alcoholic and virgin the bar sets a luxurious tone that's worth every penny. The interior exudes a calming ambiance, making it an ideal spot to sit back and people-watch as the world walks by.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle Castaños, 30, Alicante Phone: +34 669 09 09 13 Internet: www.instagram.com/ten_10_alicante

Café Pub La Historia



A good place to spend a Saturday afternoon or night in Castaños Street, in the centre of Alicante. All adorned with mojitos and beautiful people.

Come to find it out! Open every day of the year till past midnight, with drink license until 4 am.

Photo: Alicante tourist board

Address: Esquina Calle Cándida Jimeno Gargallo & Calle Castaños, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 4pm-late Phone: +34 629 099 586 Internet: restaurantguru.com/La-Historia-Alicante

Sala Clan Cabaret



This bar is a classic in the Alicantinian night and has become a cultural reference point with performances, painting or comic exhibitions and

concerts.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Calle del Capitán Segarra, 16, Alicante Internet: clancabaret.com Email: clancabaret@clancabaret.com

Soho Mar



During the day you can enjoy a nice coffee, feeling the breeze of the Mediterranean sea and relaxing with the excellent views of the

Santa Bárbara Castle and the seafront of the city. Located in the Marina of Alicante, a beautiful place to also enjoy at night.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Puerto de Alicante, Muelle Levante, Alicante Phone: +34 965 204 411 Internet: restaurantguru.com/Soho-Mar-Alicante

O'Hara Irish Pub



Open all day — from the morning to late at night — this pub serves breakfast, coffees, hot drinks and alcoholic drinks. It also has a

terrace on the Explanada de España.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Explanada de España, 4, Alicante Internet: restaurantguru.com/Ohara-Alicante-2

Concerto Club Culture



Concerto Club is an exclusive lounge bar, right in the city centre. At night, it offers music of the eighties and nineties, and also some

commercial house music.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Calle Cándida Jimeno Gargallo, 6, Alicante Opening hours: Thu 5pm-3:30am, Fri & Sat 3pm-3:30am Phone: +34 692 737 677 Internet: www.grupoconcerto.com

SHOPPING



Alicante Tourist Board

By day, the city's shops and shopping centres offer a huge selection of goods, and many businesses specialise in different manufactured and handmade products to satisfy everyone's needs.

The main shopping streets can be found in the city centre, in particular Avenida Maisonnave, Avenida Alfonso X el Sabio and their surrounding streets. There are also several shopping centres, with a great selection of shops, spread out over the rest of the city (Puerta de Alicante, Gran Vía, Parque Vistahermosa, Plaza Mar 2 and Torre Golf).

There is an even wider choice of goods on offer if we include the fresh produce sold at the Mercado Central, as well as the different local markets which are held on Thursdays and Saturdays in different parts of the city (Benalúa, Babel, Carolinas and Calle Teulada). The handicraft stalls on the famous Explanada promenade can also be added to this list as well as the popular antiques market held on Sundays in front of the Town Hall and which specialises in antiques and philately.

In addition to the wide choice of shops, Alicante has plenty of cultural offerings too, ranging from a good choice of traditional cinemas (such as the Navas cinemas) to the larger multiplex cinemas in the shopping centres, as well as various exhibition centres and rooms with an extensive offer for visitors to enjoy.

El Corte Inglés



Spain's largest chain of department stores is to be found in 53 Avenida Maisonnave and 1-3 Avenida Federico Soto. Sooner or later, everyone

comes here. Take the opportunity to buy "turrones" — nougat with nuts. You can also find Fondillon, a wine unique to the Alicante region.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Address: Avenida Maisonnave, 53 & Avenida Federico Soto, 1-3 Phone: +34 965 925 001 Internet: www.elcorteingles.es

El Barrio



A stone's throw from La Rambla, El Barrio serves as Alicante's historical heart. Its narrow, vintage streets host an eclectic assortment of businesses,

including tobacconists, clothes and souvenir shops, adult stores, and flower vendors.

This captivating neighbourhood is replete with must-see attractions. Take the opportunity to visit Casa Carbonell, a luxurious home dating back to the 1920s and inspired by Beaux-Arts architecture. Every weekend, El Barrio is busy with locals in search of food and entertainment, solidifying its role as a primary hub for dining and nightlife.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Explanada de España



Walking along the Explanada you will find a versatile craftwork market with a high number of stands offering clothes, leather goods

and decorative items, perfect souvenirs of your visit to Alicante. You can now head on to Plaza Gabriel Miró. In this romantic corner of the city centre you will find bars and restaurants where you can stop, or continue until you reach Calle San Francisco, a decorated street full of shops you'll love.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Area Avenida Maisonnave



From the Explanada, we can walk towards the Rambla. If we reach the end of Gerona Street, we will find the heart of the city: Maisonnave. It

homes the big department stores, brand name shops and international franchises.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Avenida Maisonnave

Area Mercado Central



Walking along the Rambla, we discover at the end of this avenue, the Mercado Central (Central Market) of Alicante. This is an

emblematic building of the city, you will find here all the charm of a traditional market together with the usual high quality of our products. There is another shopping area close to this market, the avenue Alfonso el Sabio, and further away, San Vicente street. In both streets you will find a wide range of shops and, you will discover, at the end of Alfonso el Sabio, a peculiar square full of charm: Plaza de los Luceros.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Avenida Alfonso X el Sabio, Alicante Internet: mercado-central-alicante.negocio.site

Area Teatro Principal



From the Plaza Puerta del Mar, having a walk along the Explanada de España, we walk towards the Rambla, one of the main streets of the city. Around

this area you will find fashion, footwear, accessories, decoration and delicatessen shops, in streets such as Gerona, Castaños, San Francisco and Teatro. In the latter, you can visit the Teatro Principal (Main Theatre).

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

ACCOMMODATIONS



Alicante Tourist Board

Alicante offers anything from 5-star hotels to pensions and guest houses, all to be decided depending on your budget and preferences. You will find accommodation in every category from cosy and exclusive guest houses, to very simply decorated pensions and youth hostels.

TOURIST INFORMATION



Alicante Tourist Board

Alicante–Elche Miguel Hernández Airport (ALC)



Alicante's international airport is situated 11 kilometres south of the city and is called "Alicante-Elche". It is one of the most important

airports in the country, with direct flights to 11 destinations in Spain, around 124 airports in Europe and the north of Africa, flying to a total of more than 20 different countries.

The cheapest way to get into the centre is by urban bus C-6. The bus departs every 20 minutes and it takes around 30 minutes depending on the traffic. A taxi costs around &18 with a journey time around 10 to 15 minutes.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Aeropuerto de Alicante-Elche Miguel Hernández, Avenida de l'Altet, Elx, Alicante Phone: +34 913 21 10 00 Internet: www.aena.es/es/alicante-elche-miguel-hernandez.html Email: alcinfo@aena.es

Passport / Visa



Spain can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and

most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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Public Transport



Visiting the city on foot is comfortable and practical, since the distances are short and it is easy to walk from one end of the city to the

other.

Nevertheless, Alicante has a public transport network connecting the most important points in the city and the province by bus.

As well as within the city, you can also use the tram to get to the city's metropolitan area and the main towns of interest along the north coast of the Costa Blanca: Campello, Benidorm, Altea and Denia amongst others.

The city also has a tourist bus service (Turibús) that follows a route with stops at the places of interest. Passengers can get on and off the bus

as many times as they wish over the course of a day. There is a multilingual audio system equipped with digital sound in 6 languages and it also has an access platform for people with reduced mobility.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board

Taxi



Radio Tele Taxi +34 965 101 611 Área Taxi +34 965 910 591 Euro Taxi +34 965 240 707

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Postal Services



Unofficially known as the "Post Office Square", Plaza Gabriel Miró is the site of the recently renovated, grandiose headquarters for the

Postal Service. Conveniently positioned near both the primary commercial area and the historic old town, the square stands out thanks to its ancient ficus trees, which add a unique charm.

Photo: Alicante Tourist Board Address: Plaza Gabriel Miró, 7, Alicante Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-8:30pm, Sat 9:30am-1pm, Sun closed Phone: +34 965 131 887 Internet: www.correos.es

Pharmacy



All pharmacies have a list of daily duty chemists. This information is also published in all daily papers in the region.

Photo: Mariano Baraldi/unsplash Address: Farmacia Lahoz, Avenida Alfonso El Sabio, 18, Alicante Opening hours: Daily 8am-midnight Phone: +34 606 282 813 Internet: mas.diarioinformacion.com/farmacias

Telephone



Country code +34 Area code: 965/966 You have to dial the area code even when you are in Alicante.

Photo: Mark Broadhead/unsplash

Electricity



220-240 volts

Photo: Mika Baumeister/unsplash

Population 338,577

Currency Euro, €1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Smaller, privately-owned shops are mainly open from 10 am to 2 pm and 5 pm to 8.30 pm. Big department stores, larger chains and shopping centres are open from 10 am to 10 pm, Mondays to Saturdays. Shops may be closed on Sundays. Most banks are open from Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 2–2:30 pm. Only some branches open on Saturday

mornings.

Internet

www.alicanteturismo.com www.costablanca.org www.comunidadvalenciana.com www.spain.info

Newspapers

Información — www.informacion.es Costa Blanca News — www.costa-news.com

Emergency numbers

112 Emergencies 091 Police 062 Guardia Civil

Tourist information

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Tourist Info Alicante — Renfe Avenida Salamanca s/n (Railway Station) +34 965 125 633 alicanter@touristinfo.net





- 1) Ayuntamiento / Town Hall
- 2 Concatedral de S. Nicolás / Cathedral of St. Nicolas
- 3 Basílica Sta. María / Church of Sta. Maria
- 4 Ermita de Santa Cruz / Santa Cruz Hermitage
- 5 Castillo de Santa Bárbara / Castle of Santa Barbara
- 6 Ermita de San Roque / San Roque Hermitage
- **7** Monasterio de Santa Faz / Santa Faz Monastery
- 8 Diputación Provincial / County Council Building
- 9 Mercado Central / Central Market
- 10 Teatro Principal / Principal Theatre
- 11 ADDA Auditorio Diputación Provincial / ADDA County Council Hall
- 12 MACA, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo / MACA, Contemporary Art Museum
- 13 Museo Arqueológico Provincial MARQ / Archaeological Museum MARQ

- 14 Las Cigarreras Cultura Contemporánea /
 - Las Cigarreras Contemporary Culture
- 15 Museo de Bellas Artes Gravina / Gravina Fine Arts Museum
- 16 Museo del Agua / Alicante Water Museum
- 17 Museo de Hogueras / "Hogueras" Museum
- 18 Museo de Belenes / Nativity Museum
- 19 Museo Taurino / Bullfighting Museum
- 20 Correos / Post Office
- 21) Estación de Autobuses / Bus Station
- 22 Estación RENFE / RENFE Train Station
- 23 Oficinas FGV. TRAM / FGV Office. Tram
- 24 Universidad de Alicante / University of Alicante
- 25 Museo Volvo Ocean Race / Volvo Ocean Race Museum
- 26 Yacimiento Arqueológico Lucentum / Lucentum Archaeological Site
- 27 Centro de Interpretación de Refugios Antiaéreos / Anti-aircraft Shelters Interpretation Centre