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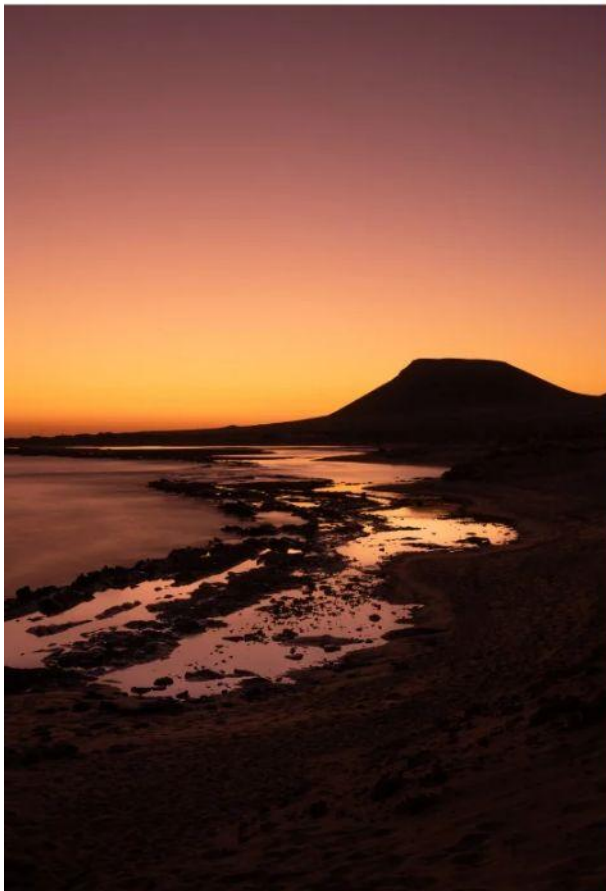
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Welcome to this guide to discovering Lanzarote: its most beautiful spots, its activities and all the practical info so your trip goes smoothly.

It's a guide that keeps evolving. The first version came out in 2025, and what you have here is the 2027 update: new places to stay, ratings and prices checked again, and new sections.

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THE MAP OF LANZAROTE

Find out more in [this article on how it works](#)

MAP OF LANZAROTE

I love maps, it's so easy to find your way around when they're done well.

So I've built you a map of Lanzarote, on Google Maps, where you'll find:

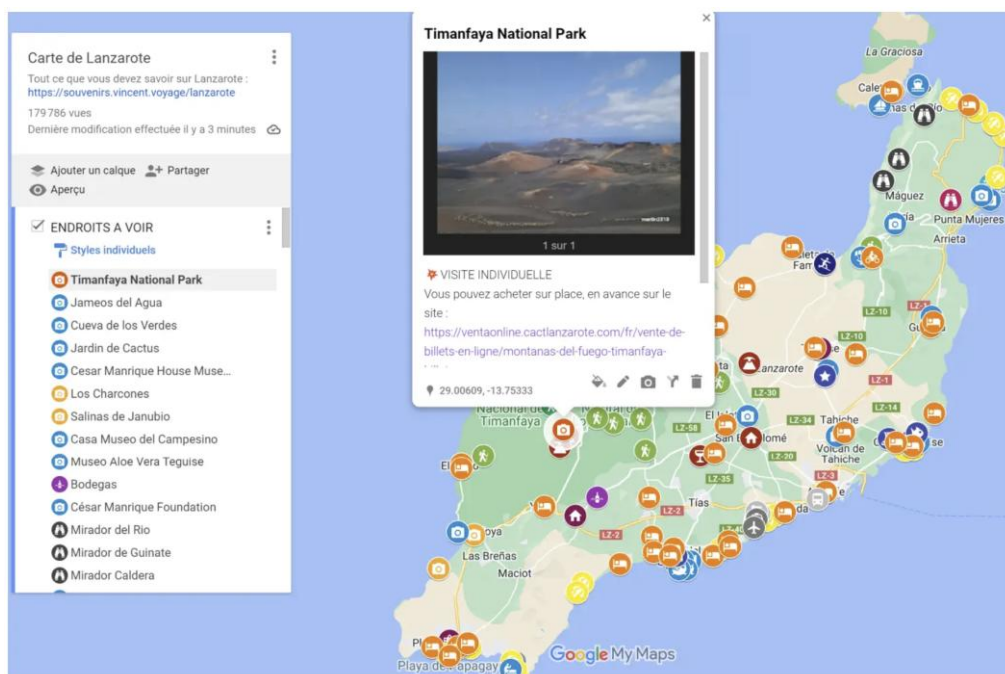
- The most beautiful spots
- The hikes
- Things to do
- Restaurants
- Places to stay
- And every piece of useful information for your trip, basically!

The map works in layers. Each layer covers one theme. You only want to see the most beautiful spots or the waterfalls? Then untick the other layers to remove the activities or the places to stay, for example.

The other way round, if you want to see the hotels, untick the rest.

It really is dead simple to use!

★ [Click here to open the map!](#) ★



THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SPOTS IN LANZAROTE

*Here's a small sample of the most beautiful spots in Lanzarote.
You can find more of them [in this article](#)*

PARQUE NACIONAL DE TIMANFAYA

A quick introduction

Picture a landscape straight out of another world. Fields of black lava, red craters, flows frozen in time... Welcome to the national park of Timanfaya, the volcanic heart of Lanzarote. Not a tree here, not a bird. Just rock, wind, and the odd feeling of standing on Mars. Except you're very much in the Canaries.

This incredible scenery is the result of some pretty violent eruptions between 1730 and 1736. More than six years of fire, ash and villages swallowed whole. Today you can see all of it from a bus (the road is closed to cars), or on camelback if you like your thrills... exotic.

The tour of Timanfaya is done on a bus with blue-tinted windows (really handy for photos), and it's included in the ticket price. You drive into the park, queue for the bus, grab a seat next to the window to make the most of it. You can do the loop several times, nobody checks.



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 9:30am – 5pm
- **Price:** €30 (yes yes the price hike here has been huuuuge)
- **Ticket booking** for a self-guided visit: on [the official ticket site](#)
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible. Car or tour operator. That's it. And walking in is forbidden.
- **Visiting with a tour operator:** for a [half-day in the park](#)
- [Check out my article on Timanfaya](#)

Going with a tour operator

Luckily, since plenty of people visit Lanzarote without a car (cruise passengers, but not only them), you can still see the best-known spots like Timanfaya with a tour operator that picks you up at your accommodation.



POPULAR

The full island tour
 The whole island · LanzaroteGuides (9 hrs)

The two caves in the north, the viewpoint over La Graciosa, the valley of a thousand palms at Haría, a wine tasting in La Geria and the Fire Mountains, all in one day.

- ✓ The best rated of the three, and the cheapest starting price
- ✓ Wine tasting at a La Geria producer included
- ✓ Guide in English and Spanish · entry tickets depend on the option chosen, not all included at this price

Free cancellation

From **€51** / person

See the tour



Timanfaya in half a day
 Southern Lanzarote · Low Cost Tours Europe (5 hrs)

The volcano road by coach, closed to private vehicles, and the geothermal demonstrations at the Islote de Hilario: water poured into a well comes back out as a steam geyser within seconds.

- ✓ Guide in English or Spanish depending on the departure
- ✓ Park entry included, hotel pick-up included
- ✓ Camel ride costs extra, paid in cash on site

Free cancellation

From **€59** / person

See the tour



Timanfaya and the two caves
 Timanfaya and the north of the island · Low Cost Tours Europe (9 hrs)

The the Fire Mountains in the morning, then the Cueva de los Verdes, one of the longest lava tubes in the world, and the Jameos del Agua reworked by César Manrique.

- ✓ All three entries included, with no queuing at the ticket desks
- ✓ Guide in English, German or Spanish
- ✓ Optional lunch, around €18 · caves not wheelchair accessible

Free cancellation

From **€89** / person

See the tour

Hiking the volcanoes of Timanfaya

Here's the good bit: even though the park is tightly regulated and you can't walk in on your own, some outfits do run hikes inside it.

But others also offer a ride on an electric bike, which is pretty good too! You can click straight on the cards for more details



POPULAR

Geotrekking · 9 km off the trails
 Los Volcanes nature park · Geotrekking Lanzarote (3 hrs)

Nine kilometres at an easy pace across the Timanfaya lava flows, far from the coach parks: lava fields, old craters and the island's geological story told along the way.

- ✓ Ten people maximum, deliberately relaxed pace
- ✓ Snack included and hotel transfers depending on the option, at no extra cost
- ✓ Guide in English and Spanish · moderate fitness required

Free cancellation

From **€44** / person

See the hike



GUIDED TOUR

Canary Trekking · the guided hike
 Los Volcanes nature park · Canary Trekking (3 hrs)

Eight kilometres through the lava flows of the 1730-1736 eruptions: you climb volcanic cones to look down into the craters, then follow tunnels and frozen lava lakes.

- ✓ Climb onto the cones for the view straight down into the craters
- ✓ Ages 7 and up · meeting point on a dirt track along the LZ-30

Free cancellation

From **€44** / person

See the hike



By e-bike all the way to La Geria
 San Bartolomé · Timanfaya Travel Lanzarote (4 hrs)

The craters of Timanfaya, then the vines of La Geria, planted one by one in hollows dug straight into the ash, on a full-suspension electric mountain bike.

- ✓ Six people maximum, pace set by the group's level
- ✓ Bike, helmet, water, energy bar and photo-video coverage included
- ✓ Guide in English and Spanish · ages 13 to 70 · transfer costs extra, €10 to €20 paid to the guide

Free cancellation

From **€124** / person

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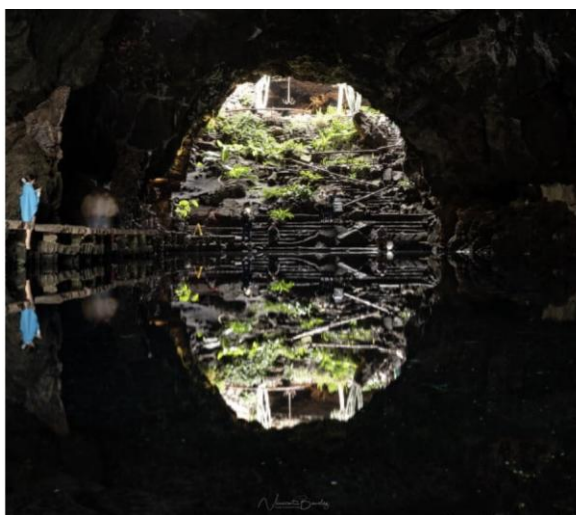
JAMEOS DEL AGUA

A quick introduction

When lava meets art. Picture a collapsed lava tunnel, carved out by a volcano 4,000 years ago, turned into a magical place by the artist César Manrique. That's Jameos del Agua. The entrance alone sets the tone: a volcanic cave that pulls you into another world. And inside? A crystal-clear underground lake (home to tiny blind albino crabs found nowhere else), exotic gardens, an auditorium hollowed out of the rock, and even a café beside a turquoise pool.

What makes this place unique is that fusion of raw nature and artistic architecture. Manrique added nothing, he simply revealed the beauty that was already there. You wander between cool shade and dazzling light, between mineral silence and poetic echoes. It's peaceful, inspiring... almost unreal.

Why go? Because you won't see this anywhere else. Because it's a true Lanzarote signature. And because this place, halfway between volcanic cave and work of art, makes you realise how alive, mysterious and staggeringly beautiful the island is.



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 10am – 6pm
- **Price:** €22.40
- **Ticket booking:** on site or [on their website](#)
- **Getting there by bus:** yes, it's on line 9 from Arrecife, but there are only 5 buses a day

Going with a tour operator

Jameos del Agua is one of the island's great classics, so you'll have loads of choice for visiting the site. And paired with others, that's where it gets interesting. Do you want to see the best-known sites, the ones in the north, every César Manrique site? There's bound to be an option for you, and we're going through all of them!

You've already got the two options that pair it with Timanfaya that I mentioned just above. Here are 3 more that are well worth a look and more specialised.



The northern caves in half a day
 North of the island · Low Cost Tours Europe (5 hrs)

The two chambers of the La Corona lava tube, the Cueva de los Verdes and the Jameos del Agua, plus a photo stop at the mirador de Guinate facing the Chinijo archipelago.

- ✓ Entry to both sites included, no queuing at the ticket desks
- ✓ View of La Graciosa from the mirador de Guinate
- ✓ ⚠ Guide in English, German or Spanish · no lunch break · not advised if you are claustrophobic

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€63** / person

See the tour



The César Manrique day
 Centre and north of the island · Low Cost Tours Europe (8-9 hrs)

Five Manrique sites in one day: the Monumento al Campesino, his foundation set in his old house buried in the lava, the Mirador del Río, the Jardín de Cactus and the Jameos del Agua.

- ✓ All five entry tickets included, the César Manrique Foundation among them
- ✓ Guide in English, German or Spanish
- ✓ ⚠ Lunch optional, around €18 · 25 to 55 min per site, the pace is brisk

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€85** / person

See the tour



From south to north, lunch included
 The whole island · Canary Trip Booking (9 hrs)

The Janubio salt pans, the green lagoon of El Golfo, the volcano road through Timanfaya, the vineyards of La Geria and the Jameos del Agua, with lunch taken along the way.

- ✓ Lunch included, with options for special diets
- ✓ Guide in English, German or Spanish
- ✓ ⚠ Only the Timanfaya ticket is included · castle and wine tasting cost extra · the Cueva de los Verdes is not on the itinerary

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€95** / person

See the tour

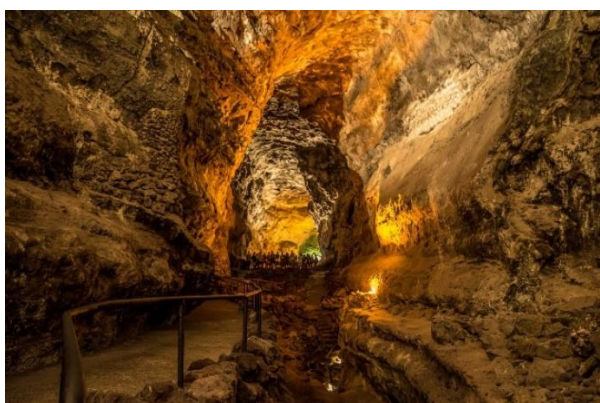
CUEVA DE LOS VERDES

A quick introduction

A cave... but done like a film set! You step into a lava tunnel that's 4,000 years old. It's dark, mysterious, sometimes very low (mind your head!), with perfectly orchestrated lighting. And the guided tour, honestly well done, has a surprise at the end... which I won't spoil here (the guide asked us not to say a word!)

What makes it unique is that it's one of the longest volcanic tunnels in the world, but also one of the best staged. And it isn't a "cave with stalactites", mind. This is frozen lava, raw and impressive.

Why go: to walk literally through the guts of a volcano. To have an experience out of time. And for that famous surprise at the end.



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 9:30am – 4:45pm
- **Price:** €17
- **Ticket booking:** online, and you absolutely must book ahead [on their website](#) !
- **Getting there by bus:** yes, it's on line 9 from Arrecife, but there are only 5 buses a day

Going with a tour operator

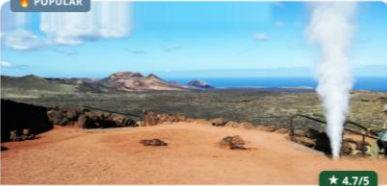


La Cueva de los Verdes before opening time
 Haría, north of the island · Momo Surf School (1 hr)
 An hour inside the La Corona lava tube before the coaches arrive, in a very small group, with Julie, a specialist in the island's volcanism, explaining it.

- ✓ Entry included and access before the cave opens to the public
- ✓ ⚠ Transport to the cave not included · one hour on site, nothing else on the programme

✓ Free cancellation
 From **€40** / person

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✓ Free cancellation
 From **€51** / person

See the tour



Timanfaya and the two caves
 Timanfaya and the north of the island · Low Cost Tours Europe (9 hrs)
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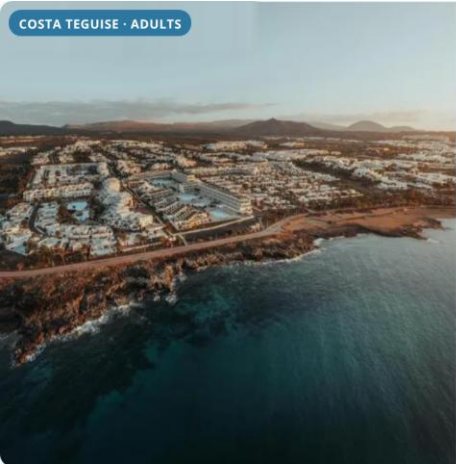
- ✓ All three entry tickets included, no queuing at the ticket desks
- ✓ Guide in English, German or Spanish
- ✓ ⚠ Lunch optional, around €18 · caves not wheelchair accessible

✓ Free cancellation
 From **€89** / person

See the tour



**DISCOVER THE BEST THINGS
TO DO IN LANZAROTE!**



COSTA TEGUISE · ADULTS

Radisson Blu Resort, the adults-only resort on the seafront in Costa Teguise

★★★★½ 9.2/10 · Fabulous · 2,156 reviews · staff 9.6/10 · cleanliness 9.5/10

A 4-star adults-only resort on the seafront in Costa Teguise, on the east coast of Lanzarote. Every suite has a terrace, many with ocean views, and El Ancla beach is 500 m away. Lanzarote airport is 11 km away.

The hotel is spacious enough that you never feel on top of each other. The four pools and their many loungers mean you can always settle in quietly. — Véronique, France

- ✓ Four pools with plenty of loungers, much appreciated · one of them an infinity pool with a swim-up bar
- ✓ Smiling, attentive staff, mentioned in almost every review · quiet hotel, generous breakfast buffet
- ✓ Spa and treatments cost extra, private parking is paid · drinks not included in half board

From **€179** / night

Check availability

MIRADOR DEL RIO

A quick introduction

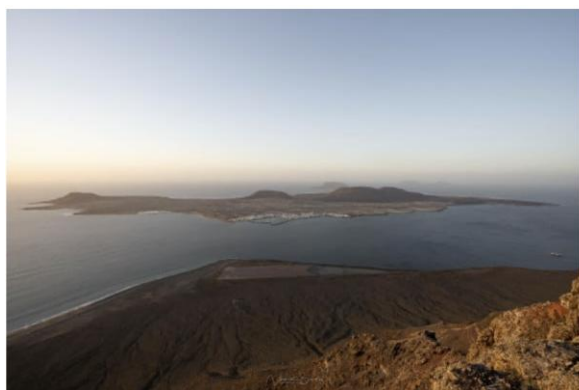
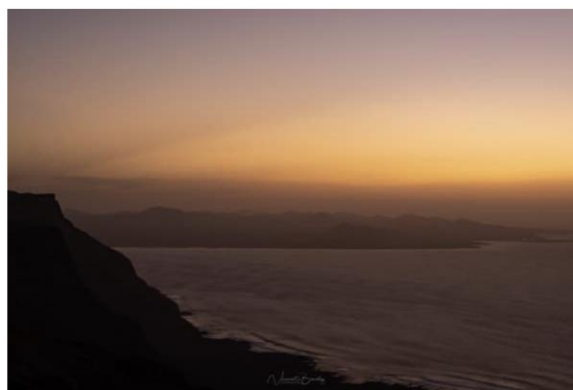
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Why go: Because this is the one place where the island's geography finally makes sense. Because you'll say "wow" out loud at least three times. And because seeing La Graciosa from up there is a simple feeling, but one you don't forget.

Only the indoor part costs money. Outside, the view, that's free. And you can go after closing time, thankfully, for the sunset 😊

Another very good mirador not far away is the one at Guinate, with pretty much the same view.



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 10am – 5pm
- **Price:** €9
- **Ticket booking:** on site or [on their website](#) !
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible...

Going with a tour operator

Because the site is out on a limb, tours don't always include it. Which is a real shame, as it's lovely and the view is insane. Still, here are some good tours that do take you there, so you don't miss out.



The north of the island in half a day
 The north of the island · LanzaroteGuides (5 hrs)

The Cueva de los Verdes, the Jameos del Agua and their albino crabs, the view over La Graciosa from the cliffs, then the valley of a thousand palms at Haría.

- ✓ Entry to both caves included, with no queuing
- ✓ Free time in Haría rather than a set lunch
- ✓ ⚠ Guide in English and Spanish · no pick-up in Playa Blanca · optional buffet, €10

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€67** / person

See the tour



The Manrique legacy, lunch included
 The north of the island · First Minute Travel (8 hrs)

The five Manrique sites — Monumento al Campesino, Jardín de Cactus, Mirador del Río, the Foundation and Jameos del Agua — with the views over Haría, Famara and the La Corona volcano.

- ✓ Lunch included, unlike the other Manrique tour
- ✓ All five entries included, the César Manrique Foundation among them
- ✓ ⚠ The guide's language changes from one day to the next: check the calendar before booking

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€83** / person

See the tour



The César Manrique day tour
 Centre and north of the island · Low Cost Tours Europe (8 to 9 hrs)

The same five sites, with the foundation set in his old house buried in a lava field and the Jardín de Cactus and its 1,100 species over 5,000 m².

- ✓ The more booked of the two Manrique day tours
- ✓ All five entries included, guided tour
- ✓ ⚠ Optional lunch, around €18 · 25 to 55 min per site, the pace is brisk

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€85** / person

See the tour



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JARDIN DE CACTUS

A quick introduction

A garden unlike any other (and a bit prickly). Thousands of cacti from all over the world, gathered in an old crater turned into a plant amphitheatre. Another brilliant idea signed Manrique. All of it with black stone paths, a white windmill up above, and a restaurant with a view.

What makes it unique: the balance between geometric rigour and natural exuberance. And honestly, seeing cacti 3 metres tall, or others shaped like a mother-in-law's cushion, is worth the detour.

Why go: because it's beautiful, calm, funny and seriously photogenic. And because you don't expect to fall in love... with a cactus garden!

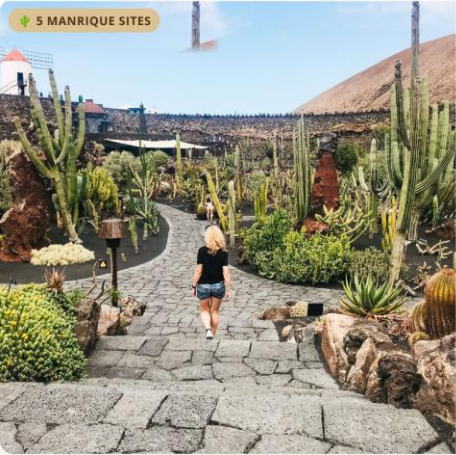


Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 10am – 5pm
- **Price:** €9
- **Ticket booking:** on site or on [their website](#)
- **Getting there by bus:** line 9 from Arrecife, but few buses a day

Going with a tour operator

Here are the various guided tours that take you round several places, including the Jardín de Cactus. And there really aren't many, I don't know why, because it's a thoroughly nice site!



5 MANRIQUE SITES

Lanzarote: César Manrique's legacy on a full-day guided tour

★★★★½ 4.6/5 · Highly rated · 230 reviews · 8 hrs · hotel pick-up · lunch included

A day in northern Lanzarote on the trail of César Manrique: the Monumento al Campesino, the Jardín de Cactus, the Mirador del Río, the Jameos del Agua and his Foundation, skip-the-line entry included. Views over Haría, the Famara cliffs and the Corona volcano.

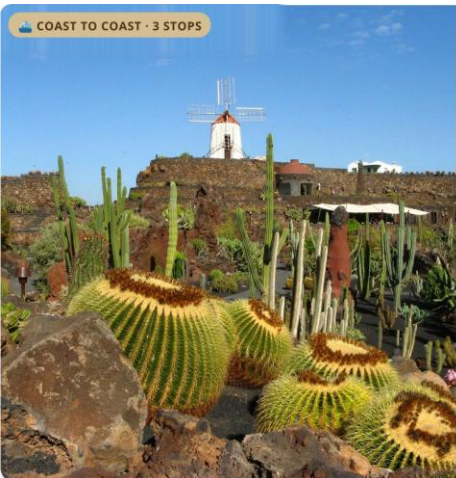
On the drives he told us so much about what we were going to see, the history of Lanzarote, farming, César Manrique — it was fascinating. The day flew by. — de Remond, France

- ✓ Guides switch easily between several languages · friendly, attentive drivers
- ✓ Good pace, with time to enjoy each site · route adjusted to the weather
- ✓ ⚠ Picking everyone up can take a while in the morning · plain buffet lunch · check the language of the day

✓ Free cancellation

From **€83**

Check availability



COAST TO COAST · 3 STOPS

Lanzarote: LagOmar, Jardín de Cactus and the island of La Graciosa in one day

★★★★½ 4.5/5 · Highly rated · 471 reviews · 7 hrs · hotel pick-up · guide rated 4.8/5

A day between art and a wild island: Omar Sharif's cave house LagOmar, César Manrique's Jardín de Cactus, then the ferry to La Graciosa, with paella and drinks served aboard a moored boat and free time on the island. Entry tickets and return ferry included.

This trip is worth it just for the different parts (LagOmar, the cactus garden and La Graciosa), but the paella lunch and the Canarian honey rum shots were incredible. — Jim, United Kingdom

- ✓ Lively, well-informed guides, at ease in three languages · very good value often mentioned
- ✓ A smooth, well-organised day
- ✓ ⚠ Long drive for the first ones picked up · a lot of steps at LagOmar

✓ Free cancellation

From **€82**

Check availability

THE BEACHES OF PAPAGAYO

A quick introduction

The perfect postcard, but for real. Golden sand coves, turquoise water, ochre cliffs, volcanoes as a backdrop. It looks like the Caribbean, but it's in the south of Lanzarote, in the natural park of Los Ajaches. Papagayo, that's a cluster of small wild beaches, reachable on foot or by 4x4, far from the concrete.

What makes them unique. How raw the place still is. No sunloungers, no music, just nature, the wind and the ocean. And that gradient of blues... hypnotic.

Why go:

To swim in see-through water. To picnic with your feet in the sand. And to get a wild little break a stone's throw from Playa Blanca.

Right, I've never had any luck: every single time I've been it was cloudy! But it looks far better in real life 😊



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 24 hours a day
- **Price:** €3 entry fee per car
- **Ticket booking:** not possible, you pay when you arrive. First come, first served
- **How to get there:** there's no bus that goes to Papagayo. It stops at the eastern end of Playa Blanca. You can walk from there. Otherwise it's by car, along 5 km of unsurfaced track.

Discovering the beaches of Papagayo

You can come to sunbathe, but above all to enjoy the water!



★ 4.7/5

The mini-cruise to Papagayo

Playa Blanca · Lineas Romero (1 hr 30 to 3 hrs)

A catamaran out to the sheltered bay of Papagayo, then an hour at anchor to swim, snorkel, ride the slide or flop into the nets.

- ✓ Mask and snorkel provided, slide to jump into the water
- ✓ Early-departure option from the Marina Rubicón, and its market on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- ✓ ⚠️ Crew in English and Spanish · no meals or drinks included, on sale on board · no landing on the beach

✓ Free cancellation

From **€35** / person

See the cruise



★ 4.4/5

The south coast by 4x4, with Papagayo

Departs Puerto del Carmen · Golden Trip Bus (6 hrs)

Yaiza and its white houses, an hour of free time at Papagayo, the green lagoon of El Golfo, then the track past the El Cuervo volcano to the vines of La Geria.

- ✓ Small group in a 4x4, with a guide
- ✓ Glass of wine on the house at a family bodega in La Geria
- ✓ ⚠️ At Timanfaya, only the visitor centre is included, not the volcano road · meals and drinks not included

✓ Free cancellation

From **€68** / person

See the tour



★ 4.8/5

The catamaran with lunch on board

Departs Puerto Calero · Catlanza (4 hrs)

An hour under sail along the volcanic coast, two hours at anchor off Papagayo with a slide, kayaks and paddleboards, then hot pasta served on board and unlimited drinks.

- ✓ Lunch, beer, wine, cava and soft drinks included
- ✓ Slide, kayak, paddleboard, snorkelling and a yoga session on deck
- ✓ ⚠️ Be at Puerto Calero 30 min before departure

✓ Free cancellation

From **€85** / person

See the cruise



★ 4.8/5

Kayaking and snorkelling at Papagayo

Playa Blanca · Kayak Lanzarote (3 hrs 30)

An hour's paddle along the foot of the cliffs to Papagayo, a cave on the way, then three quarters of an hour snorkelling and a stop on the beach before heading back.

- ✓ Guide, kayak and snorkelling gear provided
- ✓ Snack on the beach and photos of the trip included
- ✓ ⚠️ Ages 5 and up · two hours of paddling there and back, you need to be reasonably fit

✓ Free cancellation

From **€45** / person

See the activity



★ 4.9/5

Electric paddleboarding, without paddling

Playa de las Coloradas, Playa Blanca · Canarias Electric Sport (2 hrs)

Fifty minutes on an electric board along the coves and caves of Papagayo, so no effort required, then half an hour snorkelling among the fish.

- ✓ Motorised board: no experience and no fitness required
- ✓ Snorkelling gear, fruit, a bar and water included
- ✓ ⚠️ Instructor in English, Spanish or German · two hours in all, the shortest of the three

✓ Free cancellation

From **€55** / person

See the activity



★ 4.8/5

Your own boat, no licence needed

Playa Blanca harbour · Smileboat Lanzarote (2 to 8 hrs)

After a safety briefing the boat is yours: you pick your cove, drop anchor off Papagayo and swim whenever you like, with no fixed schedule.

- ✓ Price per boat, up to five people: good value for a family
- ✓ Briefing, life jackets, safety equipment and marina assistance included
- ✓ ⚠️ Must be able to swim · no under-3s · skipper optional at €20/hr · no food on board

✓ Free cancellation

From **€140** / group (5 people max)

See the rental

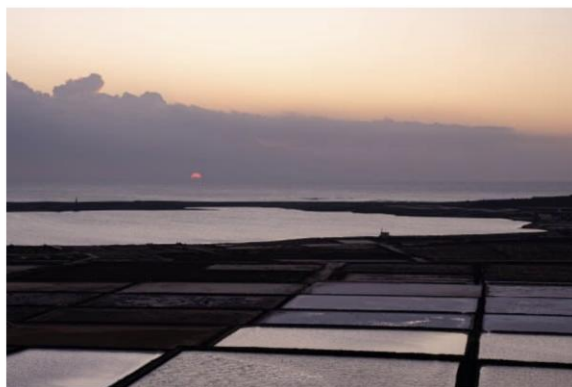
THE SALINAS DE JANUBIO

A quick introduction

Where salt turns into poetry. Geometric basins, shades of pink, ochre or white depending on the hour and the light, mountains of salt glittering in the sun. The salt pans of Janubio are still working today, the old-fashioned way. And the contrast with the black volcanic sea is striking.

What makes them unique: It's a hand-worked landscape, and a living one. Not just pretty, but rooted in the history of Lanzarote. And it changes with the light through the day.

Why go: Because it's ridiculously photogenic. Because you can buy real local salt. And because a sunset there is pure happiness. The colours of the sky, but also (and above all) of the salt pans!



Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 4 tours a day: 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 4pm
- **Price:** €22
- **Ticket booking:** not compulsory, but you never know, and you do need to turn up before the tour starts. In high season it can be better to [book ahead](#)
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible



FAMILY SALT PANS · 1 HR 30

Lanzarote: guided tour of the Janubio salt pans with tasting

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ **4.7/5 · Highly rated** 313 reviews · 1 hr 30 · guide rated 4.8/5

A walking tour of the largest salt pans in the Canaries, worked by the same family for over 127 years: pans, windmills and sea salt harvested by hand, the way it has always been done. Shop and café on site.

The man leading the tour talked through the whole process with passion and knowledge, it was very interesting.
— Steven, Netherlands

- ✓ Tasting of salts, white wine and goat's cheese at the end · small souvenir gift included
- ✓ Climb to the windmill and good vantage points for photos · teenagers like it too
- ✓ ⚠ Tour in English and Spanish · in full sun, bring a hat

Free cancellation

From **€22**

Check availability

THE OTHER CÉSAR MANRIQUE SITES

He really left his mark on Lanzarote. If the island is this pleasant, and this well preserved, it's thanks to him!

The César Manrique Foundation

His house. His world. His genius.

Built on a lava flow, this house fuses art, nature and architecture. Underground rooms carved out of volcanic bubbles, 1970s design, modern artworks everywhere.

Why go?

To get inside Manrique's head. To see a house that is completely crazy and yet perfectly harmonious. And because you come out of it inspired, definitely.

Practical info:

- in Tahiche
- Opening hours: 10am to 5:30pm
- Price: €10
- Visiting with a tour operator:
 - [*Tour of the César Manrique Foundation, the beaches of Famara and the Teguse market*](#)
 - [*Tour of several sites created by César Manrique in the north of Lanzarote*](#)



Monumento al Campesino

A tribute to the island's farmers.

A giant sculpture made from old boat water tanks + a museum of traditional crafts + a lovely white courtyard with arches and a palm tree. It's nice, it's more of a market than anything else, but the setting is pretty!

Why go?

To understand where Lanzarote comes from. For how quiet the place is. And to buy local products that aren't clichéd (well, a bit).

Practical info:

- in San Bartolomé
- Opening hours: 10am to 6pm
- Price: free
- Visiting with a tour operator:
 - [*Discover all the finest César Manrique sites, including the Mirador del Rio, the Jardin de Cactus and the Museo al Campesino on one tour!*](#)
 - [*A really big tour of the most beautiful places in Lanzarote, including Timanfaya, a mirador... and the Monumento itself!*](#)



THE MIRADORES

On the north-west side of the island, which sits high up, Lanzarote has several magical viewpoints over the west and the south, with the highlight being the island of La Graciosa. These miradores are just perfect for sunset!

Mirador del Río

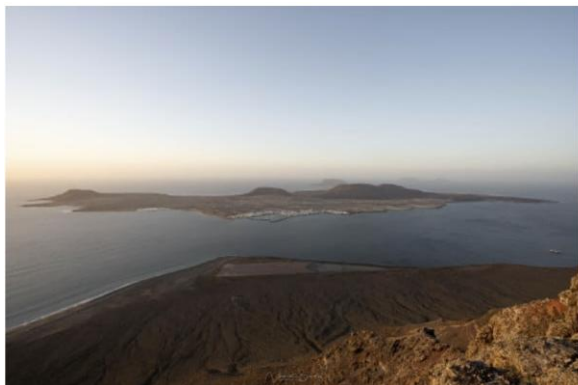
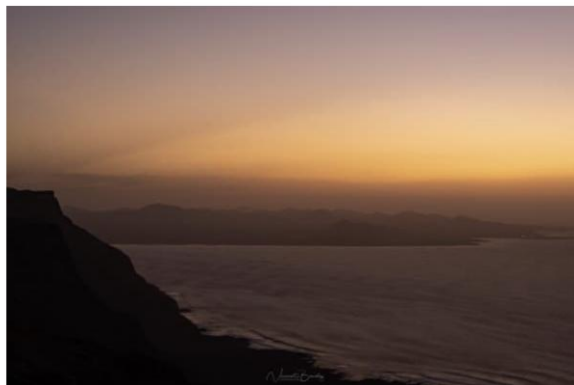
A view that knocks the wind out of you... literally. 475 metres above the ocean, the Mirador del Río gives you a panoramic view over the island of La Graciosa and the archipelago of Chinijo. But careful, this is no ordinary viewpoint. Here again, César Manrique went all out: a half-buried building sunk into the cliff, with giant picture windows, sculpted staircases and perched terraces.

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Why go: Because this is the one place where the island's geography finally makes sense. Because you'll say "wow" out loud at least three times. And because seeing La Graciosa from up there is a simple feeling, but one you don't forget. And for sunset, blimey!

Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 10am – 5pm
- **Price:** €9
- **Ticket booking:** on site or [on their website](#) !
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible...
- **Going with a tour operator:**
 - [Discover all the finest César Manrique sites, including the Mirador del Río, the Jardín de Cactus and the Museo al Campesino on one tour!](#)
 - [A combined tour with Jameos del Agua and Cueva de los Verdes](#)
 - [A tour of the island of La Graciosa with the Mirador del Río as well, not bad!](#)
 - [A full guided tour of César Manrique's work, taking in the finest sites!](#)



Mirador de Guinate

The secret mirador (or almost)

A few minutes south of the famous Mirador del Río, Guinate gives you a **stunning view over La Graciosa and the archipelago of Chinijo**... but without the crowds, without the entrance ticket, and without the designer café. Here it's just you, the wind, the cliffs and the ocean as far as you can see.

The mirador sits on the heights of an old farming village. It's a perfect spot to **watch the sun go down** behind the islands, in complete quiet. And if you listen carefully, you might hear the cry of the falcons nesting in the cliffs.

Why go?

Because it's wild, free, and still not all that well known. Because the view is just as beautiful as at the Mirador del Río, with nobody around. And because a sunset there is a small, simple luxury to savour. I'd just say the view is maybe a touch more restricted to the south than at the Mirador del Río.

Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 24/7
- **Price:** free
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible
- **Going with a tour operator:**
 - [*The most beautiful places on the island, like Timanfaya, with a stop at the Mirador de Guinate*](#)



Mirador Rincon de Haria

A discreet balcony over the valley of palm trees

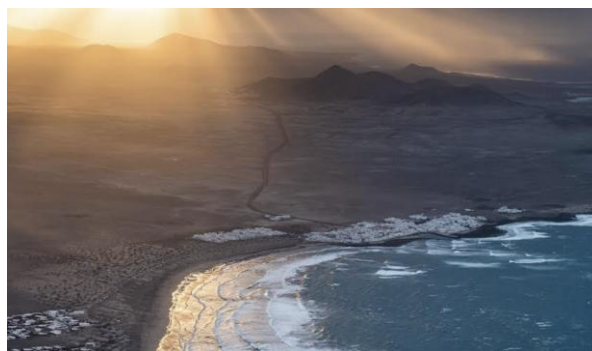
Tucked between two bends of the LZ-10 as you drop down towards Haría, this little mirador looks like nothing much... but it gives you a **sublime view over the "valley of the 1,000 palm trees"**, with the rounded mountains, the terraced fields and the typical white houses as a backdrop. Here, **no bar, no crowds, no shop**. Just a low stone wall, a bench, and a calming view over the green heart of Lanzarote.

Why go?

Because it's **one of the most peaceful corners of the island**, perfect for a contemplative pause. Because you can stop off easily by car (or by bike if you're brave), take a big lungful of clean air... and leave recharged. And also because **the light there is magnificent** late in the day. And don't do what I did, don't get lost on the way!

Practical info

- **Opening hours:** 24/7
- **Price:** free
- **Getting there by bus:** not possible
- **Going with a tour operator:** there don't seem to be any



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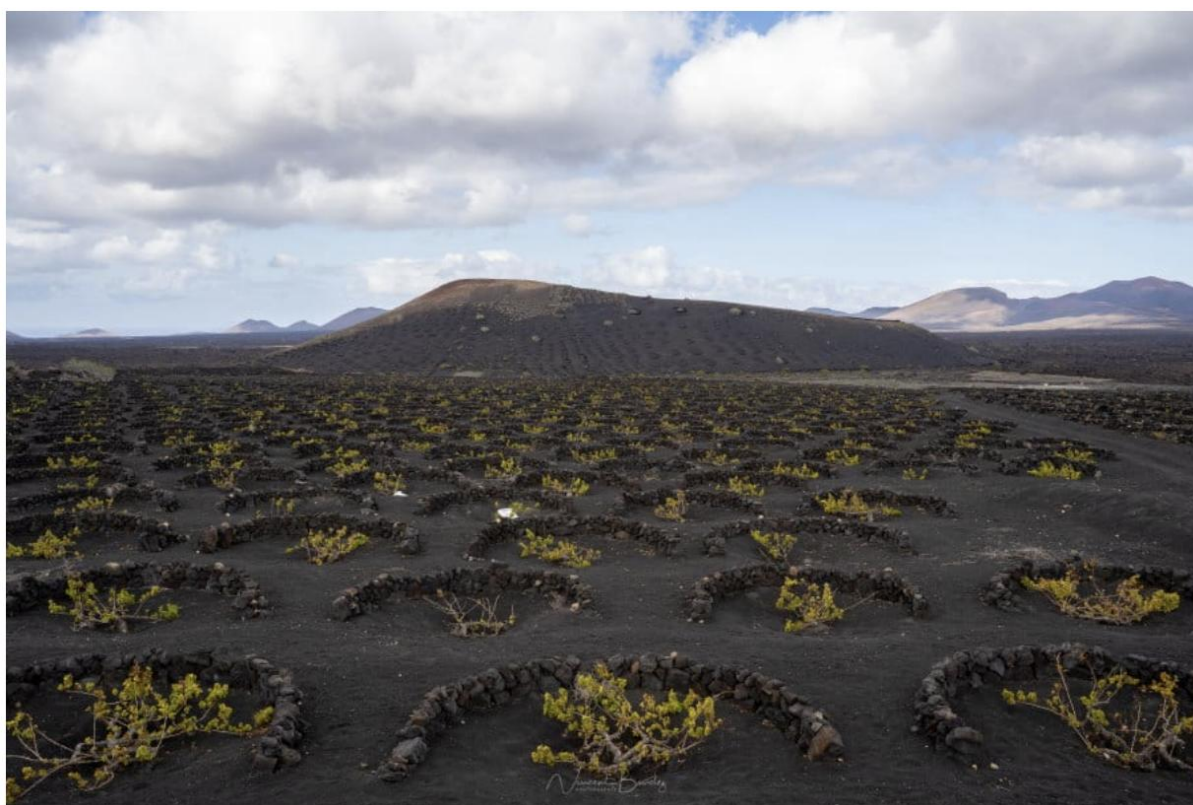
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THE BODEGAS AND WINE PRODUCERS

Because yes, they make wine on Lanzarote, and good wine at that! On a desert island lost in the middle of the ocean, wine. Perfectly normal, you'll say, I'm sure!

The locals have come up with a really special way of growing vines thanks to the volcanic stone, in a place with barely a drop of water. Each vine is pampered individually. First it is covered with volcanic ash, which captures what little moisture there is while preventing evaporation. And to stop that ash blowing away (remember it blows pretty hard here), they have built little nests of sorts to protect every vine!

On top of being really clever, it's seriously photogenic!



3 BODEGAS - 8 MAX

La Geria: three volcanic wineries and six wines in a small group

★★★★ 4.9/5 · Exceptional only 8 reviews · 3 hrs 30 · hotel pick-up · ages 12 and up

Three bodegas in La Geria where the vines grow in ash hollows at the foot of Timanfaya: six wines and Lanzarote goat's cheese, talked through by a WSET-qualified wine professional. Door-to-door transfer from the hotels listed.

The 3 vineyards we visited are all different, which means you taste a real range of wines. We recommend the experience! — Camille, France

- ✓ Warm guides with clear explanations of volcanic vines · grape varieties and growing methods specific to the island
- ✓ Easy transport, no driving after the tasting
- ✓ ⚠ Tour in English only · winemakers sometimes hard to catch during the harvest

✓ Free cancellation

From **€89**

[Check availability](#)

Bodega La Geria

The most iconic bodega in Lanzarote's volcanic wine country

Set in the heart of the volcanic valley it takes its name from, this historic 19th-century winery is the most famous and the busiest on Lanzarote. Surrounded on every side by a spectacular lunar landscape, its big traditional whitewashed building houses a shop, a small museum and a huge terrace that travellers love.

- **Why go:** for its exceptional view over the rows of vines and its lively atmosphere. It's the unmissable (and very touristy) stop for a tasting by the glass after a day out.
- **The star wine:** its Malvasía Volcánica Seco, a very mineral dry white, fresh and fruity. Perfect on a terrace with local goat's cheese or grilled fish. And I can confirm that it is



La Geria: hiking the volcanic vineyards, with a tasting

★★★★★ 4.9/5 · Exceptional · 215 reviews · 4 hrs · 10 people max · from age 12

An 8.5 km hike through La Geria, between craters, black ash and vines sheltered by low stone walls, to see how wine is grown on a volcano, then a tasting of volcanic malvasía and island cheeses. Hotel pickup optional, otherwise you meet at the Bodega Rubicón.

The route was perfectly thought out, with varied scenery and a mix of flat and uphill sections. — Merlin, France

- ✓ Guides who smile and adapt to the group's pace · they explain the volcanoes, the vines and the wildlife
- ✓ Small group, enjoyed by teenagers too · snack bag handed out along the way
- ✓ ⚠ A few steep climbs and descents, moderate fitness advised

Free cancellation

From **€47**

[Check availability](#)



Lanzarote: Timanfaya National Park, El Golfo and La Geria half-day tour

★★★★★ 4.5/5 · Highly rated · 788 reviews · 5 hrs 30 · hotel pick-up

By coach with a guide: geothermal demonstrations at the Islote de Hilario and the Timanfaya volcano road, then the green lagoon of El Golfo and a stop in the La Geria wine region. National park entry included, no queueing.

A tour you really have to do, the explanations on the volcanic origins of Lanzarote are clear. You'll also discover the astonishing skill of the coach drivers inside the park... — Leterre, France

- ✓ Friendly guides who answer every question
- ✓ Well-organised and punctual tour · sometimes a single-language group
- ✓ ⚠ Brisk pace, little time at each stop · the La Geria stop is short and mostly about the shop

Free cancellation

From **€63**

[Check availability](#)

Bodega el Grifo

Founded in 1775, it's the oldest bodega in the archipelago and one of the most respected in Spain. In San Bartolomé, this family estate has century-old vines, an artistic garden influenced by César Manrique and a superb wine museum set in the old historic cellar.

- **Why go:** for the real historical interest of its museum and its marked walking trails through vineyards unlike any others in the world.
- **The star wine:** its whites from the Malvasía Volcánica grape, regular award winners, but also its experimental cuvées such as its orange wines or its limited sparkling bottlings.
- [Book your visit](#)



OLDEST BODEGA IN THE CANARIES

Lanzarote: tour and six-wine tasting at bodega El Grifo

★★★★★ 4.9/5 · Exceptional · 373 reviews · 2 hrs · 10 people max · adults only

With El Grifo's head sommelier, on an estate founded in 1775: wine museum, a walk through the vines planted in volcanic ash, then a tasting of six wines with island cheeses. Malvasía, listán negro and syrah grapes on the programme.

It is flawless from start to finish, the setting is perfectly suited to it and real investment went in before building a genuinely immersive experience. The wines and the cheeses are excellent and the guide is superb! — Mas Ventura, France

- ✓ Passionate guides, good teachers and full of humour · no question left unanswered
- ✓ Brisk pace, you never get bored for a second
- ✓ ⚠ Tour in English or Spanish · some would have liked more time for the tasting

✓ Free cancellation

From **€50**

[Check availability](#)



UGA · TIMANFAYA PARK

Casa Rural Vega de Timanfaya, a house among the vines facing the volcanoes

★★★★½ 9.4/10 · Fabulous · 21 reviews · location 10/10 · staff 9.5/10

An 18th-century country house standing alone among the vines of Uga, on the edge of Timanfaya national park, between lava fields and volcanoes. Two bedrooms, two bathrooms, a fitted kitchen and a private terrace facing the landscape. Bodega Rubicón and its La Geria wines are 1.3 km away.

The house is superb, in the middle of the vines, surrounded by volcanoes and lava fields. — Marlene, France

- ✓ 360° view over the vines and the volcanoes, mentioned in almost every review · total silence, far from the tourist areas
- ✓ Well-equipped house, very comfortable beds · terrace with a barbecue, hosts always on hand
- ✓ Isolated: a car is essential · Wi-Fi rated 6.3/10, children from age 6

From **€126** / night

[Check availability](#)

Finca Testeina – Bodegas Vega de Yuco (Masdache)

This grand 16th-century manor house, ideally set in the nature park of Los Volcanes, offers one of the best and most immersive wine-tourism experiences on Lanzarote. Run by the modern Vega de Yuco winery, visits here are private or in small groups.

- **Why go:** for the spectacular setting on the sunset visits. The estate runs guided tours around the history of water on the island and its old 19th-century wine press, plus an original tasting pairing the house wines with local artisan chocolates.
- **The star wine:** the famous Yaiza white (in its signature blue bottle) or, for special occasions, the top-end Princesa Fayna sparkling wine.
- [Book your visit](#)



LANZAROTE: Finca Testeina vineyard, organic wine and chocolate

★★★★★ 4.8/5 · Exceptional · 503 reviews · 1 hr 30 · guide rated 4.9/5

At the foot of the Testeina volcano, a walk through the vines and the finca's manor house to understand winegrowing before and after the Timanfaya eruptions, then two organic wines tasted with artisan chocolates. Views over the Los Volcanes nature park during the tasting.

An hour visiting the vineyard and the cellar, with an interesting, detailed account of the history not just of the estate but of the whole island. — Lucrezia, Italy

- ✓ Easy to follow even if you know nothing about wine · very good value
- ✓ Guides are available and answer every question · easy to reach on the La Geria road
- ✓ ⚠ Tasting limited to two wines, in small pours

Free cancellation

From **€24**

[Check availability](#)

The other bodegas on Lanzarote

Bodega Vulcano (Tías)

- **Description:** a small urban bodega, organic and family-run, known for its 3-wine tours and its respectful philosophy
- **Why visit:** perfect if you want an intimate moment, with organic wines and a simple but authentic setting.

Los Bermejos (Mozaga/La Geria)

- **Description:** a craft bodega with a 40-min tour (vines + cellar), an explanation of the process and a tasting of 13 wines
- **Why visit:** a big range of wines (reds, whites, sweet) in a friendly, well-organised set-up.

Olivina (Teguise / north)

- **Description:** a smaller bodega in the north, with a walk through the vines and a tasting
- **Why visit:** a quiet, less touristy alternative for a friendly moment.

Other bodegas worth knowing

- **La Florida** (San Bartolomé): tradition + local produce, historic buildings + a century-old tree of life
- **Rubicón, Guiguan, Reyamar** are also in the D.O., with tastings and tours depending on local opening hours
- **Bodeguita Vega Volcán, El Tablero** are family micro-bodegas, "charming and friendly" according to visitors-

THE BEACHES OF LANZAROTE

Right, I'm guessing this is part of why you're here. Lanzarote isn't the best of the Canary Islands for beaches, but it does pretty well all the same. There are some really lovely ones with pale sand on the south and east coasts, and more volcanic ones on the west coast, where swimming is harder because of strong currents that can be dangerous. That's one big reason why all the resorts set up on the east side and not on the west coast!

Southern beaches (Papagayo, Playa Blanca)



Playa de Papagayo

- 📍 *South, next to Playa Blanca*
- 💛 The perfect postcard: turquoise cove, golden sand, ochre cliffs.
- ✔️ **Why go:** the water is crystal clear and sheltered from the wind. Perfect for snorkelling, photos, or just feeling like you're alone in the world.
- 💡 **Upsides:** wild natural setting, few people if you come early.
- 🚗 Access by dirt track (€3 charge) or on foot from Playa Blanca.



The mini-cruise to Papagayo

📍 Playa Blanca · Lineas Romero (1 hr 30 to 3 hrs)

A catamaran out to the sheltered bay of Papagayo, then an hour at anchor to swim, snorkel, ride the slide or flop into the nets.

- ✓ Mask and snorkel provided, slide to jump into the water
- ✓ Early-departure option from the Marina Rubicón, and its market on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- ✓ ⚠️ Crew in English and Spanish · no meals or drinks included, on sale on board · no landing on the beach

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€35** / person

🔗 See the cruise



The south coast by 4x4, with Papagayo

📍 Departs Puerto del Carmen · Golden Trip Bus (6 hrs)

Yaiza and its white houses, an hour of free time at Papagayo, the green lagoon of El Golfo, then the track past the El Cuervo volcano to the vines of La Geria.

- ✓ Small group in a 4x4, with a guide
- ✓ Glass of wine on the house at a family bodega in La Geria
- ✓ ⚠️ At Timanfaya, only the visitor centre is included, not the volcano road · meals and drinks not included

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€68** / person

🔗 See the tour



The catamaran with lunch on board

📍 Departs Puerto Calero · Catlanza (4 hrs)

An hour under sail along the volcanic coast, two hours at anchor off Papagayo with a slide, kayaks and paddleboards, then hot pasta served on board and unlimited drinks.

- ✓ Lunch, beer, wine, cava and soft drinks included
- ✓ Slide, kayak, paddleboard, snorkelling and a yoga session on deck
- ✓ ⚠️ Be at Puerto Calero 30 min before departure

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€85** / person

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Kayaking and snorkelling at Papagayo
 Playa Blanca - Kayak Lanzarote (3 hrs 30)
 An hour's paddle along the foot of the cliffs to Papagayo, a cave on the way, then three quarters of an hour snorkelling and a stop on the beach before heading back.
 ✓ Guide, kayak and snorkelling gear provided
 ✓ Snack on the beach and photos of the trip included
 ✓ ⚠ Ages 5 and up - two hours of paddling there and back, you need to be reasonably fit
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From **€45** / person
[See the activity](#)



Electric paddleboarding, without paddling
 Playa de las Coloradas, Playa Blanca - Canarias Electric Sport (2 hrs)
 Fifty minutes on an electric board along the coves and caves of Papagayo, so no effort required, then half an hour snorkelling among the fish.
 ✓ Motorised board: no experience and no fitness required
 ✓ Snorkelling gear, fruit, a bar and water included
 ✓ ⚠ Instructor in English, Spanish or German - two hours in all, the shortest of the three
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From **€55** / person
[See the activity](#)



Your own boat, no licence needed
 Playa Blanca harbour - Smileboat Lanzarote (2 to 8 hrs)
 After a safety briefing the boat is yours: you pick your cove, drop anchor off Papagayo and swim whenever you like, with no fixed schedule.
 ✓ Price per boat, up to five people: good value for a family
 ✓ Briefing, life jackets, safety equipment and marina assistance included
 ✓ ⚠ Must be able to swim - no under-3s - skipper optional at €20/hr - no food on board
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From **€140** / group (5 people max)
[See the rental](#)

Playa Mujeres / Playa del Pozo / Playa del Congrio

-  *In the nature reserve of Los Ajaches*
-  The cousins of Papagayo, wilder and bigger
-  **Why go:** quiet atmosphere, raw nature, perfect spots to put your towel down and not move again.
-  **Upsides:** often fewer people than Papagayo.
-  Same access as Papagayo, by dirt track.

Playa Flamingo

-  *Playa Blanca*
-  A small family beach protected by breakwaters.
-  **Why go:** ideal with kids. Calm water, soft sand, a restaurant two steps away.
-  **Upsides:** a resort beach, but a relaxed feel.
-  Two steps from the hotels in Playa Blanca.



West coast (El Golfo, volcanoes and waves)

Playa del Janubio

-  Near the salt pans of Janubio
-  Intense black sand, dramatic mood with the powerful waves.
-  **Why go:** for the scenery. Less so for swimming (dangerous currents).
-  **Upsides:** superb at sunset.
-  Perfect for photos.

Playa de Montaña Bermeja

-  El Golfo
-  A volcanic beach with black sand and red pebbles.
-  **Why go:** you'd think you were on another planet.
-  **Upsides:** great photo spot. But the sea is dangerous here too.
-  Easy access from the road.



North-west (surf and wide-open space)

Playa de Famara

-  *Caleta de Famara*
-  A huge beach at the foot of the cliffs, a legendary surf spot.
-  **Why go:** the vibe is roots, the sunsets are magical, and there's surf.
-  **Upsides:** XXL space, no concrete, very photogenic.
-  That said, it's often windy.

Playa de San Juan

-  *Next to Famara*
-  A quieter corner for experienced surfers.
-  **Why go:** for the surf without the crowds.
-  **Upsides:** a very local feel. Little known.
-  Access on foot or by dirt track.



East coast (calm water and easy access)

Playa de Las Cucharas

-  *Costa Tegui*
-  The main beach in Costa Tegui. Pale sand, calm sea.
-  **Why go:** water sports (windsurfing especially), a family beach.
-  **Upsides:** lively, with facilities.
-  Perfect if you're staying in Costa Tegui.

Playa del Reducto

-  *Arrecife*
-  A city beach, easy to reach, with white sand and a protective breakwater.
-  **Why go:** a quiet swim in town.
-  **Upsides:** well equipped, very handy.
-  Right opposite the town centre.



In the north of the island (quiet and wild)

Playa de La Garita (Arrieta)

-  *Arrieta, north-east*
-  Golden sand, relaxed feel in a small fishing village.
-  **Why go:** to escape the crowds. Pleasant swimming.
-  **Upsides:** a nice restaurant on the beach, ideal with family.
-  The *Chiringuito* on the beachfront is great.

Caletón Blanco

-  *Near Orzola*
-  Natural pools between black lava and white sand.
-  **Why go:** quiet lagoons, perfect for kids or snorkelling.
-  **Upsides:** very photogenic, unique on Lanzarote.
-  A perfect spot to end a road trip in the north.



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THE OTHER PLACES TO SEE

The Aloe Vera Museum

When the miracle plant becomes a star

Yes, in Lanzarote it's not all volcanoes and beaches... there's also aloe vera! This green plant with its gel-filled leaves is a genuine celebrity here. And for good reason: it loves the island's dry climate and grows almost everywhere. The Aloe Vera Museum, which you'll find in several places on the island (Yaiza, Tegüise, Arrieta...), takes you into the world of this plant and its thousand uses.

No dusty rooms here, no long indigestible panels. It's clear, well put together, with explanations on growing it, harvesting it, extracting the gel, and above all... what you can do with it. Spoiler: pretty much everything. Cosmetics, food, treating sunburn (and in Lanzarote, that can come in handy...).

Why go?

- Because it's free, nice, and informative without being boring. It's different from the other outings in Lanzarote
- Because you'll pick up some pretty useful things, especially if you have no idea what all those creams in the souvenir shops are actually for.
- Because it's local, genuine, and often run by people who are really into it.

Worth knowing: several Aloe Vera Museum centres are run by the Aloe Plus Lanzarote brand, which you'll also find in Arrecife, Tegüise or Punta Mujeres. The most visited is the one in Yaiza, easy to reach and a natural stop on a trip out to Timanfaya or El Golfo.



César Lanzarote, a five-star boutique hotel perched above the ocean

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 9.2/10 · Fabulous · 202 reviews · cleanliness 9.7/10 · comfort 9.5/10

A five-star adults-only boutique hotel, perched on the heights of La Asomada, in the centre of Lanzarote. Every room looks onto the mountain, some onto the sea, and the heated infinity pool opens out over the ocean. The airport is 10 km away, the beaches of Puerto del Carmen 5 km.

Beautiful hotel with an incredible view, good for peace and quiet and for relaxing. The rooms are clean, spacious and very comfortable. — Vanessa, Switzerland

- ✓ Decor and architecture praised in most reviews · very quiet, views of the mountain and the ocean
- ✓ Attentive team, restaurant food much appreciated · buffet breakfast, vegetarian and gluten-free options
- ✓ Weak Wi-Fi, rated 6.5/10 by guests · adults only, no cash accepted

From **€376** / night

[Check availability](#)

The Lagomar Museum

The (almost) James Bond house

Perched up in Nazaret, **Lagomar** is a completely bonkers place, somewhere between the work of a brilliant architect and a film set. Carved into the side of the volcanic rock, with staircases winding off everywhere, natural caves, turquoise pools and insane views... you feel like you've landed in a 007 villain's hideout.

The place is said to have belonged (briefly) to **Omar Sharif**, before he lost it in a game of bridge – legend or not, it sets the mood. Today it's all at once a **house-museum**, a **bar**, a **design restaurant**, and sometimes even a venue for exhibitions or gigs.

Why go?

- For **the incredible architecture**, halfway between Gaudí, César Manrique and a psychedelic trip
- For **the photos**: every corner is photogenic, and every one is different.
- For the offbeat history, the retro 70s charm and the ultra zen atmosphere.
- For **the cocktail bar**: sipping a mojito in a crater turned into a bar, that's really not an everyday thing.

Is it really worth it?

Yes... if you like architecture, unusual and slightly bonkers places, and you're already in the area.
No... if you're racing the clock, if you prefer natural landscapes, or if the budget **is tight** (paid entry, €10 to [pay in advance](#) or on the spot).

It's not an absolute must like Timanfaya or the cactus garden, but it's a nice **extra** for a quiet day in the middle of the island, especially if you pair it with Tegui or the Manrique foundation.



THE BEST THINGS TO DO IN LANZAROTE

SEEING DOLPHINS IN LANZAROTE

General information

Yes yes, seeing dolphins (and sometimes whales!) in Lanzarote is possible, and actually pretty common

Can you see dolphins in Lanzarote?

Yes, and fairly easily! Several species live in or migrate through the waters around the island. These are not captive dolphins: they're wild animals, completely free out in the Atlantic. The boat trips mostly leave from the south-west of the island, where the ocean is deepest.

Can you see them all year round?

Technically, yes. But the best window runs from **May to October**, with a peak in sightings between **June and September**, when the sea is calmer and the cetaceans are more active. That said, there are sightings in winter too, especially of some resident species.

Which dolphin species can you see in Lanzarote?

- **Bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*):** the most common and the most playful.
- **Atlantic spotted dolphin:** smaller, very curious.
- **Common dolphin:** very sociable, sometimes in big groups.

And for the whales

- **Sperm whale (*Physeter macrocephalus*):** mainly seen between April and August.
- **Bryde's whale:** a tropical whale, sometimes spotted offshore.
- **Pilot whale (*globicephala*):** really a large dolphin, very common around the Canary Islands (a dolphin with no nose, super cute).



Lanzarote: dolphins and whales on an electric catamaran

★★★★½ 4.6/5 · Highly rated · 140 reviews · 4 hrs · departs from Puerto Calero · guide rated 4.8/5

From Puerto Calero, 4 hrs aboard the first 100% electric catamaran in the Canaries, in silence, looking for dolphins and whales, with a hydrophone to listen to them underwater. Snacks, fresh fruit and drinks included on board.

A magical trip on this silent catamaran, taking in the Lanzarote coast. A small group, attentive and friendly guides, and the bonus: a pod of pilot whales. Time stood still, silence, just their blows. Magical. — Laurie, France

- ✓ Dolphins often seen very close, sometimes under the nets · whales spotted on some days
- ✓ Crew committed to protecting the oceans · floating plastic collected along the way
- ⚠ Whales are rarer than dolphins, depending on the season

✓ Free cancellation

From **€95**

[Check availability](#)

Which kind of boat trip for seeing cetaceans

- There's the [nice catamaran](#) which keeps the numbers on board down.
- Or to get closer to the animals and have a proper adrenaline hit, there are the RIB boats, the [fast boats](#)
- They usually leave from Puerto del Carmen, but most tours can pick you up in your own town

Practical tips

- **Remember to book ahead** in high season (July-August).
- **Morning = calmer sea**, better visibility.
- Take a **windbreaker or waterproof** (even if it's hot).
- If you get seasick, think about taking a **travel sickness tablet**.



★ 4.2/5

Dolphins at sunset

📍 Puerto del Carmen · Lineas Romero (2 hrs)

Two hours by catamaran along the volcanic coast in the golden hour, mojito in hand and nets strung over the water, watching for wild dolphins.

- ✓ Return transfers from your hotel included
- ✓ Welcome mojito, a drink of your choice and a snack box
- ✓ ⚠️ Dolphins not guaranteed, no refund if they do not show up · no swimming stop · boat sometimes crowded

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€53** / person

See the cruise



★ 4.3/5

In a RIB, right down at water level

📍 Puerto del Carmen old harbour · Waverider (2 to 2 hrs 30)

A twelve-seat RIB to look for dolphins, turtles and flying fish as close to the surface as you can get, in a very small group rather than on a packed catamaran.

- ✓ Twelve passengers maximum, much closer to the water
- ✓ Captain, life jackets and water provided, commentary on board
- ✓ ⚠️ No under-2s and no pregnant women · a €5 per person supplement is listed on the booking page

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€65** / person

See the trip



★ 4.2/5

The dolphin route and the island of Lobos

📍 Departure from Puerto del Carmen · Lanzarote Sea Tours (5 hrs 30)

An hour and a half by speedboat along the dolphin route to Lobos, then two and a half hours free on the island: lagoons, volcanic trail or snorkelling.

- ✓ Picnic, drinks and snorkelling gear included
- ✓ Hotel transfers and commentary on board
- ✓ ⚠️ Picnic called basic by several travellers · boarding and walking difficult with reduced mobility

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€72** / person

See the tour

WATER SPORTS

Surfing on the beach at Famara

Surfing at Famara, that's easily one of the best things you can do in Lanzarote, beginner or seasoned surfer alike.

A postcard beach

Famara, it's a huge wild 6 km beach backed by spectacular volcanic cliffs. The setting is mad: mountains in the background (the ones the paragliders launch from), golden sand, wind in your hair... You feel tiny next to all that nature, and it's a thrill!

Waves for every level

Famara is a **versatile spot** for a few reasons:

- There's always a wave somewhere, even on "quiet" days.
- The whitewater near the shore is perfect for learning without any pressure.
- Further out, you'll find properly good waves for the more experienced

And you don't need to be a machine: it's **the no.1 spot for beginners** in Lanzarote! Every school comes here to get you started.

The vibe is super laid-back

No showing off here, no competing. You'll come across chilled surfers, travellers, kind instructors... and even barefoot families enjoying the sunset. You come as much for the waves as for the bohemian, easy-going feel of the village of Caleta de Famara.



Lanzarote: surf course of 3 to 10 lessons in Famara

★★★★★ 5/5 only 3 reviews · 3 to 10 days · from age 8

Packs of 3 to 10 lessons with the ZooPark school in Caleta de Famara: board, wetsuit and rash vest provided, transfer to the beach that best suits the group's level, to go from your first take-off to your first turns. Half-day or full-day options.

The instructors were really nice, always ready to help and to teach! — Tatiana, Portugal

- ✓ Small groups for one-to-one attention
- ✓ Beginners and experienced surfers alike · tides, winds and waves explained in the lesson
- ✓ ⚠ Lessons in English or Spanish · showers and drinks not included

Free cancellation

From **€140**

[Check availability](#)

There are loads of surf schools

Want to try surfing for the first time? It's the **best place on the island to learn**. There are lessons every day, kit provided, nice groups and pro coaches. There are half-day courses or courses over several days, your choice! For example

- [2-hour surf lesson for all levels](#)
- [Courses from 3 to 10 days](#)



POPULAR



★ 5/5

The oldest surf school on the island

📍 Caleta de Famara · Surf School Lanzarote (2 to 4 hrs)

This school has been teaching at Famara for thirty years: safety in the water, paddling technique, popping up on the board and first waves, in groups of eight at most.

- ✓ Eight students maximum, ISA-certified instructors with RLSS lifesaving
- ✓ Board, wetsuit and school-to-beach shuttle included
- ✓ 🇬🇧 Lessons in English · Spanish or Italian · must be able to swim · no hotel pick-up

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€50** / person

[See the lesson](#)



★ 4.8/5

From first lesson to a five-day course

📍 Caleta de Famara · Red Star Surf (2 hrs to 5 days)

Meet at the Red Star Surf Shop in the middle of Famara: warm-up, split by level, then a session in the water. The only one of the three to run multi-day courses.

- ✓ Groups of eight, split by level from the warm-up on
- ✓ Video analysis and personal feedback on the 4-hour option
- ✓ 🇬🇧 Lessons in English · ages 8 and up · transfer on request, never from Playa Blanca · no food provided

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€50** / person

[See the lesson](#)



★ 4.8/5

With shuttle and videos of the session

📍 Famara, departure from Puerto del Carmen · School3S (3 hrs 30)

Two and a half hours in the water, with the instructors right beside you to correct and film. The session's photos and videos are sent to you afterwards, at no extra cost.

- ✓ The only one of the three with a return shuttle included
- ✓ Free photos and short videos, fruit and water after the session
- ✓ 🇬🇧 Lessons in English, Spanish or Italian · ages 10 and up · €15 extra transfer from Arrecife, Costa Teguise, Playa Honda or Puerto Calero

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€50** / person

[See the lesson](#)

Taking a cruise along the Lanzarote coast

Lanzarote is one of a kind, for its landscape, for its volcanoes. And seeing the island from the sea is something special, a completely different experience! Especially when it also means fresh air and a swim. All in all, an outing that looks pretty essential!

Sailing trip to Papagayo

Set off from Puerto Caldero on a superb catamaran to the beaches of Papagayo on a lovely 4-hour cruise, where you can dive in.

- Duration: 4 hours
- Price: €75
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: luxury sailing trip to Papagayo

★★★★★ 4.8 (253 reviews) · 4 hours · Small group

Sailing along the volcanic coast, then two hours at anchor in Papagayo bay: water slide, paddleboard, kayak and lunch served on board.

- ✓ Crew on board
- ✓ Lunch and unlimited drinks included
- ✓ Water slide, paddleboard and kayak from the boat
- ✓ Hotel pickup or free parking at the port

✓ Free cancellation

From **€75** / person

[See the tour](#)

Cruise to the island of La Graciosa

Go and discover the island of La Graciosa on a lovely catamaran cruise. You'll see the most beautiful landscapes in Lanzarote!

- Duration: 6 hours
- Price: €75
- [Info and booking](#)



La Graciosa: island cruise with lunch and water activities

★★★★★ 4.6 (1,574 reviews) · 6 hours

A day by catamaran along the coast of La Graciosa, with lunch served on board and a long stop for kayaking and snorkelling.

- ✓ Paella lunch served on board
- ✓ Kayaking and snorkelling during the stop
- ✓ Drinks included during the crossing
- ✓ Hotel pick-up available

From **€74** / person

[See the tour](#)

Sunset dolphin-watching cruise

Seeing dolphins in Lanzarote is an ordinary enough thing to do. But on a nice boat, at sunset, it adds a lil something extra. So out of all the options on offer, I think this one is among the most interesting!

- Duration: 2 hours
- Price: €50
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: sunset dolphin-watching cruise

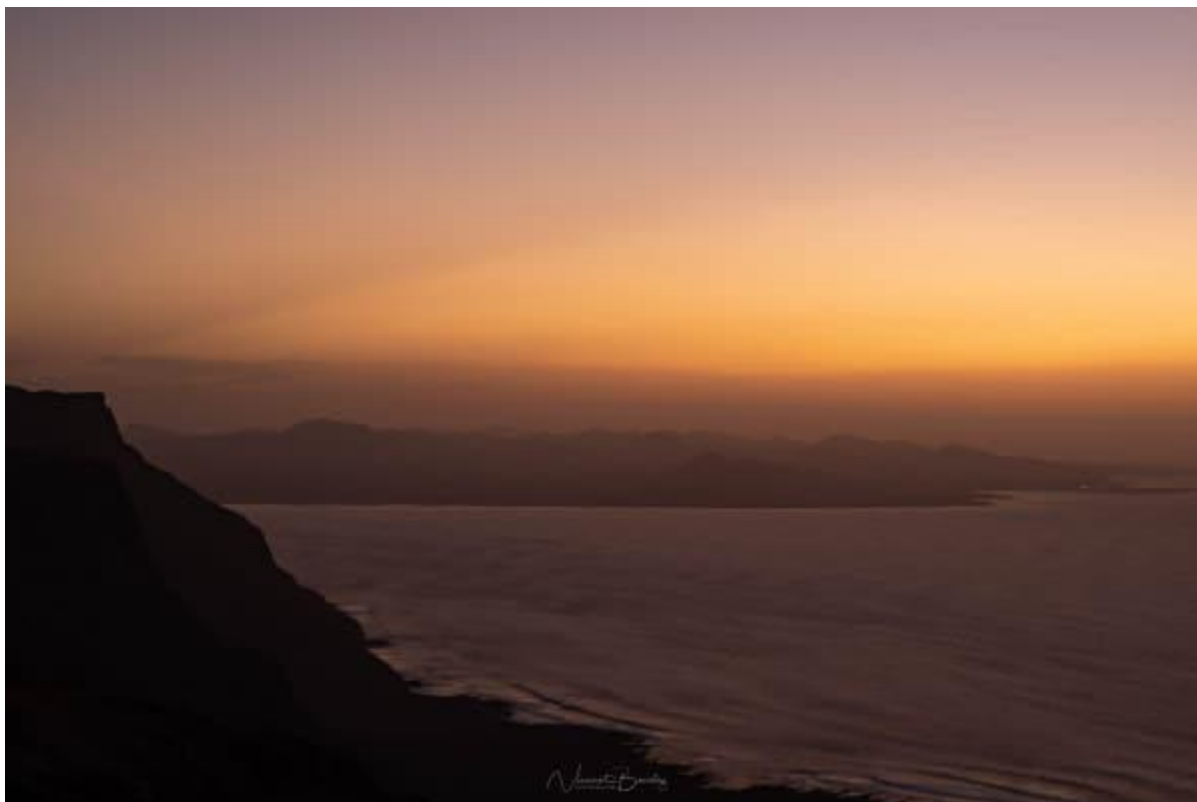
★★★★☆ 4.2 (1,851 reviews) · 2 hours

Two hours along the coast as the sun goes down: the light is guaranteed, the dolphins far less so, and the rating says as much.

- ✓ Late-afternoon departure
- ✓ Skip-the-line boarding
- ✓ One drink included on board
- ✓ Hotel pick-up available

From **€51** / person

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Kayaking at Papagayo

With water as clear as it is in Lanzarote, it would be a shame not to make the most of it. At Papagayo you get the chance to do a really nice kayak outing. You don't need any experience, beginners are welcome because there's an introduction and a run-through of the basic rules. So why not give it a go?

- Duration: 3 hours
- Price: €50
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: kayaking and snorkelling at Papagayo beach

★★★★★ 4.8 (336 reviews) · 3 hours

An hour's paddle along the foot of the cliffs to Papagayo beach, then a long snorkelling stop among the parrotfish.

- ✓ Paddling tips from the guide before you set off
- ✓ Snorkelling gear provided
- ✓ Photos of the outing and a snack included

✓ Free cancellation

From **€50** / person

[See the tour](#)

Trying scuba diving for the first time

Fancy going to see what's a bit further down? This introductory scuba dive is made for you! The big plus with this one is that you're in a small group, 4 people maximum. And they can come and pick you up if you don't have a car. Not bad!

- Duration: 2.5 hours
- Price: €74
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: first-time scuba dive for beginners

★★★★★ 5/5 · Exceptional · 411 reviews · 2 hrs 30 · from age 8

A first dive in Puerto del Carmen: briefing, full kit, then your first time underwater with an instructor, among colourful fish and sometimes octopus. Underwater photos and videos included, sent the same evening.

Very professional instructors, mindful of novice divers. For our third dive we were given all the safety information we needed (before, during and after). — Remy, Switzerland

- ✓ Warm welcome that quickly puts you at ease
- ✓ Teenagers love it too
- ✓ ⚠️ Instructors speak English, Spanish or Italian · about 1 hr in the water out of the 2 hrs 30 advertised

✓ Free cancellation

From ~~€80~~ **€74**

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Renting a jet ski for a proper adrenaline rush

I'll admit I'm not a big fan of jet skis, because I usually see them ridden by headless chickens. But it does give you a serious rush! And all of it along the gorgeous Lanzarote coast, that must add up to something rather good!

- Duration: from 20 min to 3 hours
- Price: from €60
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: jet ski tour

★★★★★ 4.7 (741 reviews) · 20 minutes to 3 hours

Along the coast, from the twenty-minute taster run to the three-hour ride at the foot of the cliffs: you choose the length, and it is the jet ski that is charged, not the seat on board.

- ✓ Several options depending on the length
- ✓ Small group
- ✓ Hotel pick-up available
- ✓ Price per jet ski, up to 2 people

From **€60** / group

[See the tour](#)

Taking a trip in a submarine

And to think I didn't know this existed when I went! I regret it. Because it's exactly the kind of experience that's fun, surprising, different. You board a little submarine and go off to explore the seabed, shipwrecks included. Not bad!

- Duration: 1 hour
- Price: €65
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: a dive in a real submarine

★★★★★ 4.5 · 1 hour · Departs from Puerto Calero marina

A real submarine, not a glass-bottomed boat: you go down the drop-off to thirty metres, with three wrecks to watch through the portholes and audio commentary in your ear.

- ✓ A genuine submarine, one of fourteen in the world
- ✓ Descent to 30 metres
- ✓ Three wrecks visible through the portholes
- ✓ Audio guide in 9 languages, free transfer included

From **€65** / person

[See the tour](#)

Going parasailing

Something I did a really long time ago and phew, you don't forget it 😊 Parasailing is all about getting some height... and getting an eyeful. Towed by a boat, you rise above the ocean with a 360° view over the beaches, the volcanoes and even Fuerteventura when it's clear. Zero effort, zero vertigo, just a moment suspended between sky and sea. Magic.

- Duration: 15 min
- Price: €55
- [Info and booking](#)



Going fishing by boat with the pros!

I haven't done it myself, but it looks good, especially as the waters around Lanzarote are full of fish. It's a chance to get out on the water and pair it with an activity that isn't all that easy!

- Duration: 4 hours
- Price: €80
- [Info and booking](#)



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Lanzarote: sea fishing trip from Puerto Calero

★★★★★ 4.8/5 · Exceptional 136 reviews · 4 hrs · guide rated 4.9/5

Four hours at sea with a crew of local fishermen, more than 15 years' experience off Lanzarote: light trolling, bottom fishing and, depending on the day, squid jigging or casting, tackle provided. Water, soft drinks and beer on board.

My son and I caught a fine bonito that Pepe cleaned and filleted, and we are eating it for dinner with garlic and lemon. — Martin, Ireland

- ✓ Patient crew, ideal for beginners and children · everyone gets help landing a fish
- ✓ Friendly atmosphere on board
- ✓ ⚠️ Crew speak English or Spanish · catches vary a lot from day to day · bring your own food

Free cancellation

From **€80**

[Check availability](#)

ADVENTURE SPORTS

Going paragliding

Right, I'll admit I don't have the nerve to do it myself, but when I watch them take off, it looks great! Especially as the setting is mad, you launch from the cliffs above the beach at Famara. There are worse places! You can jump tandem if it's your first time, or solo.

- Duration: 30 min
- Price: €120
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: tandem paragliding flight over the volcanoes and the ocean

★★★★★ 4.9/5 · Exceptional 202 reviews · 20 to 40 min flight · from age 5

Strapped to a certified pilot, you take off from one of the island's sites and glide in silence over the volcanoes, ochre cliffs and beaches of Lanzarote, facing the Atlantic. Meet directly at the take-off site, around 1 hr there.

It was fantastic, an experience you really have to try. From up there you also see the landscape better and understand how the island works. — Jakob, Germany

- ✓ Reassuring pilots, even for a first ever flight · works well with teenagers too
- ✓ Photo and video package much appreciated · optional depending on the formula
- ✓ ⚠ Flights often postponed because of wind, leave some slack in your trip · 120 kg maximum

✓ Free cancellation

From **€120**

[Check availability](#)

Hiking the volcanoes of Timanfaya

I mentioned it earlier: since the volcanoes of Timanfaya are the most beautiful landscapes on the island, it would be a shame not to hike there. But watch out, the park is regulated, as you saw earlier, so you have to go through a tour operator to get out on those superb trails!

- Duration: 3 hours
- Price: €40
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: hike through the volcanic landscapes of Timanfaya

★★★★★ 4.8 (954 reviews) 3 hours · Small group

Nine kilometres on foot between lava fields and craters, away from the coaches, with a guide who tells the story of the eruptions that shaped the island.

- ✓ 9 km on foot, group of 10 maximum
- ✓ Snack and water provided, moderate level
- ✓ Outside the official national park

✓ Free cancellation

From **€42** / person

[See the tour](#)

Seeing the most beautiful spots on the island by electric bike

This too is a really lovely way to discover Lanzarote! Get out on the trails with your electric bike and follow the guide, who will take you into the volcanoes of Timanfaya and have you pedalling through the surprising vineyards!

- Duration: 4 hours
- Price: €120
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: Timanfaya volcanic nature park by e-bike

★★★★★ 5 (128 reviews) · 4 hours · Small group

Four hours on the black sand tracks of the nature park, with the electric motor taking the climbs for you. No training needed.

- ✓ Electric-assist bike provided
- ✓ Small group
- ✓ Volcanic tracks, no traffic
- ✓ Hotel pickup available

From **€124** / person

[See the tour](#)

Discover Lanzarote by buggy!

A bit more pace, a bit more of a thrill: behind the wheel of your buggy you get to see the main spots in the north of Lanzarote, with some pretty insane viewpoints!

- Duration: 3 hours
- Price: €130
- [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: off-road buggy to the island's highest point

★★★★½ 4.6/5 · Highly rated 5,645 reviews · 2 to 3 hrs · 2 people per buggy

From Costa Tegui, driving a buggy behind a guide: the old quarries of Guatiza, the Mala dam and cactus landscapes up to Peñas del Chache, the island's highest point, for a panorama stop. Hotel pick-up optional.

Very good experience, the buggy is ideal for a trip out to the volcanoes, a lovely view once up high, a friendly guide who makes you feel safe, top activity 🍌 — Coralie, France

- ✓ Buggies easy to drive, even on a first try · punctual transfers
- ✓ Off-road sections that get the adrenaline going
- ✓ ⚠️ A lot of dust, a bandana helps · more road than off-road for some · drivers from 20, licence held for 2 years

✓ Free cancellation

Per buggy **€150**

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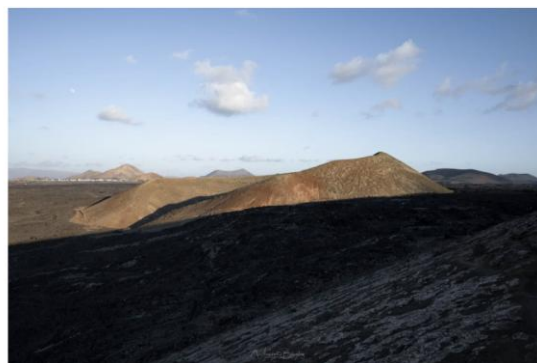
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THE DIFFERENT HIKES

I told you about the hikes in the park at Timanfaya, but there are loads of others! Mostly hikes where a guide isn't essential, ones you can do on your own without any risk.

Caldera Blanca

- **Starting point:** Car park at *La Caldereta* (near Mancha Blanca)
- **Highlight:** The top of the Caldera Blanca crater (360° over the lava fields and Timanfaya)
- **Difficulty:** Easy to moderate (no big elevation gain, but it does climb a little at the end)
- **Duration:** 2.5 to 3 hours there and back
- **Why go:** To walk along the rim of a huge volcano, with a view like something off another planet.



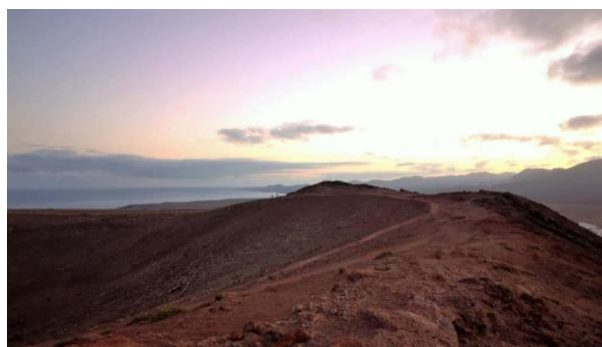
Los Gracioseros (Montaña Corona – Famara)

- **Starting point:** The village of **Yé**, in the north of Lanzarote
- **Highlight:** An unbeatable view over the island of La Graciosa from the *Risco de Famara*
- **Difficulty:** Moderate (a slightly steep descent down to the viewpoint, uphill on the way back)
- **Duration:** 3 hours there and back
- **Why go:** For one of the finest views on the whole island, with the turquoise sea down below.



Montaña Roja (Playa Blanca)

- **Starting point:** The *Montaña Baja* district in Playa Blanca
- **Highlight:** The summit of the volcano, with views over Playa Blanca, Fuerteventura and the volcanoes of the south
- **Difficulty:** Easy
- **Duration:** 1 to 1.5 hours there and back
- **Why go:** Ideal for sunrise or sunset. Small effort, big reward.



Ruta del Tremesana (in the Timanfaya National Park – with a guide)

- **Starting point:** The El Golfo visitor centre (access only with an approved guide)
- **Highlight:** Right in the heart of the national park's volcanic landscape, closed to cars
- **Difficulty:** Easy
- **Duration:** 2 hours
- **Why go:** It's the only way to hike **inside the park at Timanfaya**. Booking is compulsory, but the experience is one of a kind
 - [Info and booking](#)



La Graciosa – Playa de las Conchas

- **Starting point:** Caleta de Sebo (La Graciosa), after the ferry crossing from Órzola
- **Highlight:** An incredible wild beach, facing the island of Montaña Clara
- **Difficulty:** Easy
- **Duration:** 2 hours there and back (6 km round trip)
- **Why go:** Postcard scenery, unspoilt nature, end-of-the-world feel.



Barranco del Quíquere

- **Starting point:** Puerto Calero
- **Highlight:** A desert gorge dropping down to the sea, with strange rock formations
- **Difficulty:** Easy to moderate
- **Duration:** 1 to 1.5 hours
- **Why go:** Off the beaten track, perfect for a quiet stroll near the coast.



Risco de Famara – Las Nieves

- **Starting point:** Ermita de las Nieves (above Haría)
- **Highlight:** A dizzying panorama over the cliff at Famara and the beaches down below
- **Difficulty:** Easy
- **Duration:** 1 to 2 hours depending on the route
- **Why go:** An incredible spot for photographers and anyone who loves jaw-dropping scenery.



CalaLanzarote Suites, the adults-only 5-star facing the ocean

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ **9.3/10 · Fabulous** · 1,308 reviews · staff 9.7/10 · location 9.7/10

A 5-star adults-only hotel, opened in 2019 on the seafront in Playa Blanca, at the southern tip of Lanzarote. Modern suites and villas look out over a large infinity pool and the ocean. Las Coloradas beach is 700 m away.

A very fine hotel right by the sea, the rooms are very spacious and bright. The staff are incredibly kind and helpful.
— Heddy, France

- ✓ Ocean view and a large infinity pool · spacious, bright and very clean rooms
- ✓ Thoughtful staff, mentioned in almost every review · varied breakfast, buffet and à la carte dishes
- ✓ Check-in between 3 pm and 9 pm, adults only · drinks not included in half board

✓ Free cancellation

From **€200** / night

[Check availability](#)

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THE OTHER ACTIVITIES AND THEME PARKS

For a bit of fun, a change of scene, or to make the kids happy, you'll find other things to do in Lanzarote, theme parks in particular

Rancho Texas Lanzarote Park

- in Puerto del Carmen
- A mix of zoo, water park and animal shows. You can see dolphins, sea lions, exotic birds, and even take a ride in an Indian canoe or go for a swim in the water area with its slides.
- **Why go?** Because it's *THE* family park in Lanzarote. Well kept, varied, not too big. Ideal for a full day with kids.
- Price: €45
 - [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: entry tickets for Rancho Texas park

★★★★★ 4.7 · Puerto del Carmen · Entry ticket

A wildlife park with dolphin and sea lion shows, plus a small water park: the day that keeps the children busy when the wind blows too hard on the beaches.

- ✓ Dolphin and sea lion shows
- ✓ White tigers and exotic animals
- ✓ Aqua Rancho water park and Indian village

From **€45** / person

[See the tickets](#)

Lanzarote Aquarium

In Costa Tegui.

An aquarium **on a human scale**, with more than 30 tanks, an underwater tunnel and a touch pool. It focuses on local Canarian species, but there are also a few more exotic tropical fish. Be warned, it's much smaller than the Poema del Mar in Gran Canaria for example.

What you'll find there:

- **Sharks**, moray eels, clownfish, seahorses, scorpionfish, pufferfish, etc.
- **Underwater tunnel** to see the sharks up close
- **Touch pool** to stroke starfish, sea cucumbers...
- **Rescued species tank**: animals injured or rescued from plastic waste
- **Educational displays** (panels translated into several languages)
- **Price: €16**

○ [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: entry ticket to the Costa Tegui aquarium

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 4.3/5 · Highly rated · 574 reviews · about 1 hr to visit · wheelchair accessible

In Costa Tegui, 33 tanks and over a million litres of water: Canary species, tropical reefs, a big shark and ray tank, and a care centre that releases turtles back into the sea. Enter at the time you choose during opening hours.

It was really good watching the turtles, the rays and the sharks being fed. The lady said they would release one of the turtles into the sea the next day if anyone wanted to watch. — Rachel, United Kingdom

- ✓ Clean tanks and healthy animals · friendly staff who clearly care
- ✓ Souvenir photos taken at the entrance · small shop on the way out
- ✓ ⚠ Fairly small aquarium, soon seen for the price · commentary in English or Spanish

✓ Free cancellation

From **€16**

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Aquapark

In Costa Teguise

Why go?

Because it's **the biggest** water park on the island, with quite a few different slides and all sorts of fun extras. Ideal for teenagers, groups or families who want a full-on fun day. But **less modern** and **not heated**, so best saved for the height of summer.

What you'll find there:

- **Giant slides** (Kamikaze, Turbolancha, Spiral, Black Hole... for anyone who likes speed!)
- **Areas for little ones:** mini slides, paddling pool, water games
- **Wave pool**
- **Climbing wall, paintball course, 10D cinema and virtual reality** (optional, extra charge)
- **Snack/bar area** and shaded sun loungers

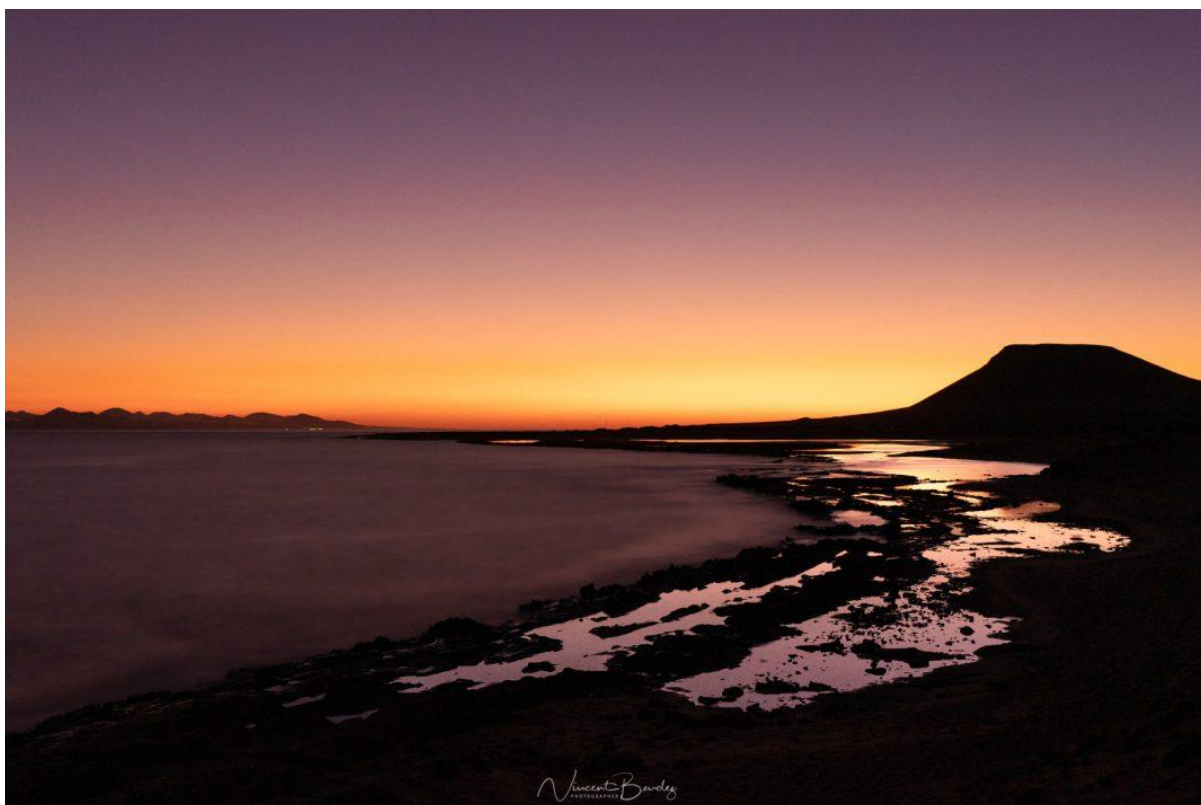
Practical info:

- **Prices:** €28 adult / €19 child (up to 12 years)
- **Open** from April to the end of October (closed in winter)
- **Be warned:** no heated water, so nicer in summer or on a really sunny day
- **Tickets** – [info and booking](#)



LA GRACIOSA

[What you'll find in this article](#)



LA GRACIOSA – A SMALL ISLAND BUT A BIG FAVOURITE

Honestly, I hadn't planned on it at all. It was looking across at the island from the Mirador del Río that turned it all around. An insane view over golden beaches, red volcanoes and a turquoise sea... So: instant change of plan. And you know what? No regrets.

La Graciosa, it's the Canary island that's still wild: no tarmac roads, no traffic jams, no stress (and not a scrap of shade anywhere). Here you cycle between two deserted coves, you climb a crater at sunset, and you breathe. Properly breathe.

GUIDED TOUR

La Graciosa: catamaran cruise with lunch and swimming

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 4.6/5 · Highly rated · 2,137 reviews · 6 hrs · hotel pick-up

Ferry from Órzola to La Graciosa, free time in the village of Caleta del Sebo, then a catamaran to Playa Francesa to swim, snorkel or kayak, with paella on board and unlimited drinks. Vegetarian or gluten-free menu on request.

The time you get on La Graciosa is plenty, it is very pretty but quick. The water was lovely and you see loads of fish. Then a little tour of the island, going in close to the mountain, is great! Good atmosphere guaranteed! — Céline, France

- ✓ Lively crew and a party feel · a little dance party on the way back
- ✓ A day that goes by fast, very good value
- ⚠ Catamaran sometimes packed · short stop in the village and few stops

✓ Free cancellation

From **€66**

[Check availability](#)

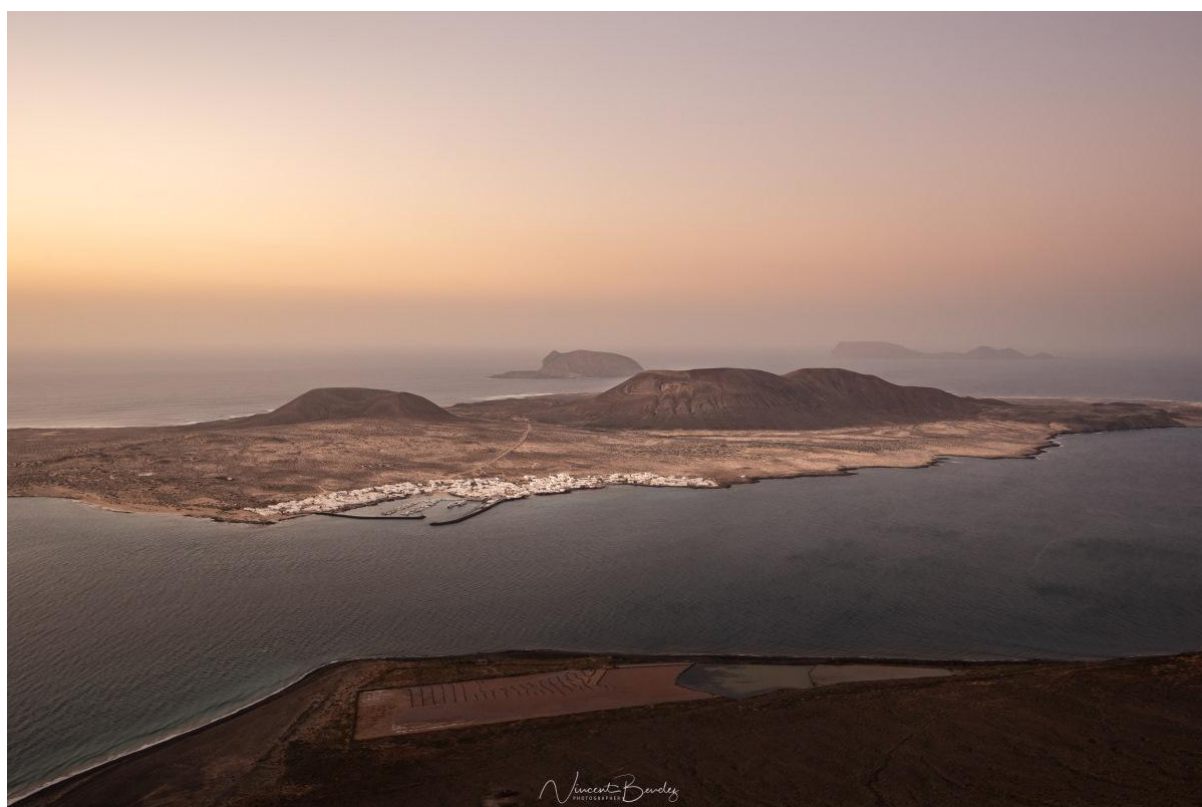
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WHY VISIT LA GRACIOSA

Because it's a little slice of paradise that's still (almost) a secret. Just 25 minutes by ferry from the north of Lanzarote, and you land in another world. No cars, hardly any tourists, just jaw-dropping landscapes and a feeling of being outside time. La Graciosa, it's my real favourite in the whole Canaries!

Looking for raw nature, beaches with no sunloungers, bike rides with the wind in your hair? Want to see the Canaries the way few people know them? This is where it happens!

It's really easy to get to, the landscapes are mad, the beaches are better than the ones in Lanzarote. So you've got no excuse not to come!



HOW TO GET AROUND ON THE ISLAND OF LA GRACIOSA

You can't drive. The island of La Graciosa has no tarmac roads. Only locals are allowed to own a car, usually a 4x4, like the taxis. But once you're there, driving a car yourself is not possible. So that leaves you a few options.

Renting a bike

It's *THE* way to get around here. As soon as you step off the ferry, you find several rental places in Caleta de Sebo. No need to book ahead, unless you want an electric mountain bike.

The bike, I'd say it's essential if you want to explore at your own pace, nice and easy (but not too much of it, because it's a bumpy ride). Just be warned, there isn't a single patch of shade!

Some of the routes are sandy. You'll need good calf muscles... or an electric bike!

When you rent a mountain bike, really do check the saddle and how comfortable it is (my backside was properly sore after 2 days of cycling!), and that the bike is recent and well looked after.

You can book your bikes on the spot or in advance:

- [Book your bike on La Graciosa](#)
- [Book your electric bike](#)



La Graciosa: bike hire with a route map

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ **4.7/5 · Highly rated** · only 24 reviews · e-bike at €35

A mountain bike or an e-bike with a route map and tailored advice, from Caleta del Sebo, to head for the beaches of Las Conchas and La Lambra, the Caletón de los Arcos and Pedro Barba. Child bike trailer available.

Lovely welcome, she offered us water bottles for the day and an ice cream when we got back. The map and the explanations she gave were very useful! — Constance, France

- ✓ E-bikes in good condition, ideal for the north of the island · help if you break down
- ✓ Bike drop-off near the port possible on request
- ✓ ⚠ The classic mountain bike is for riders used to tracks · bike back before 6 pm

✓ Free cancellation

From **€20**

Check availability

Taking a boat trip

You're coming to La Graciosa by boat anyway. But what you can do is take a cruise dedicated to the island rather than landing on it, in case you'd rather not go round by bike or by 4x4. Given that the most beautiful beaches and the most beautiful water in Lanzarote are on La Graciosa, you're in for an eyeful! Swimming, snorkelling, all of it included!

- [Book your cruise around La Graciosa](#)



TOP PICK

From Lanzarote: sailing trip around La Graciosa

★★★★☆ 4.4 (834 reviews) 6 hours · Pick-up available

Six hours of sailing around La Graciosa, anchoring in a turquoise bay and kayaks in the water for anyone who cannot sit still.

- ✓ A 6-hour day on a sailing catamaran
- ✓ Anchoring and swimming in the island's bays
- ✓ Pick-up available

From **€69** / person

[See the tour](#)

Taking a 4x4 (with a driver)

As I was saying, renting a car is not possible. But among the locals who do have a vehicle (a 4x4, obviously, given the state of the tracks), some turn themselves into taxi drivers. Taxi either to drop you wherever you want (and you agree a time for the way back), or to take you round the island's circuit.

It's up to you to see once you're there; it's something that's growing pretty fast on the island.

- [Book your driver in advance on La Graciosa](#)



★ only 9 reviews

The north of the island in a very small group

📍 Caleta de Sebo - El Mar Safari Bike (1 hr 30)

An hour and a half of 4x4 in the north of the island, six passengers maximum: Las Conchas beach, the basalt arches of Los Arcos, Playa Lambra and the hamlet of Pedro Barba.

- ✓ Six passengers maximum, the smallest group of the three
- ✓ Driver-guide from the island and a bottle of water per person
- ✓ ⚠️ Commentary in Spanish - ferry from Órzola not included - no food provided

✔️ Free cancellation

From **€40** / person

See the tour



★ 4.5/5

Andrés's jeep safari

📍 Caleta de Sebo church - Yotomu (1 hr 30)

The classic circuit starting from the Caleta de Sebo church: Pedro Barba, the basalt arches of Los Arcos and Playa de las Conchas, ranked among the finest beaches in Europe.

- ✓ Meeting point 200 m from the jetty, three departures a day
- ✓ Jeeps seating 6 to 8, never more than 22 people across three vehicles
- ✓ ⚠️ Commentary in Spanish - ferry not included, unless you take the open-ticket option at €77

✔️ Free cancellation

From **€45** / person

See the tour



POPULAR

★ 4.4/5

The full circuit, north and south

📍 Caleta de Sebo church - Yotomu (2 hrs 30)

Pedro Barba, Los Arcos and Las Conchas like the others, plus Playa de la Francesa and Montaña Amarilla in the south, with the option of staying on the beach and being picked up later.

- ✓ North and south of the island, an hour more than the other two
- ✓ You can get off at the beach and be collected when it suits you
- ✓ ⚠️ Commentary in Spanish - a very bumpy ride, not advised with back problems - ferry not included, option at €90

✔️ Free cancellation

From **€55** / person

See the tour



WHERE TO STAY ON LA GRACIOSA

Right, given that it's small and that there's only one town, well, village, let's say the choice is fairly limited. You'll be sleeping in Caleta de Sebo, no two ways about it. Mind you, that's no bad thing! the village is cute, the seafront is really pleasant and you eat well there. All the houses are white, and it's lovely!

And at night it's really quiet, all the more reason to stay here!

Mind you, it's developing more and more, but the places to stay vary enormously on the island. Here are a few really nice little apartments.



Graciosamar

Caleta de Sebo, La Graciosa

A hundred square metres and a big terrace above the white roofs of the village, with Lanzarote across the water: this is the address to take when you come as a family.

- ✓ 100 m², big enough for a family
- ✓ Terrace over the white roofs, facing Lanzarote
- ✓ Table and sun loungers for the end of the day

✓ Free cancellation

From €100 / night

Check availability



Evita Beach Suites

Caleta de Sebo, seafront

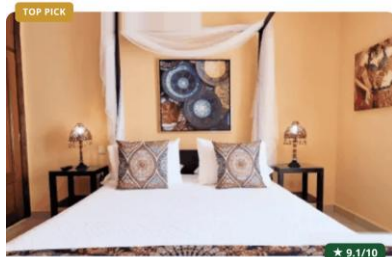
The best spot in Caleta de Sebo, right on the seafront: the beach on one side, the harbour and the ferries on the other, and the Risco de Famara opposite.

- ✓ View of Lanzarote from the terrace
- ✓ On the seafront, beach and harbour on foot
- ✓ The best location in the village

✓ Free cancellation

From €116 / night

Check availability



Suite Marrakech Beach

Caleta de Sebo, La Graciosa

A hundred and fifty square metres done up like a riad, four-poster bed included: the finest room on the island, and the first to go every season.

- ✓ 150 m² suite, four-poster bed
- ✓ Carefully done Moroccan decor
- ✓ Book months ahead

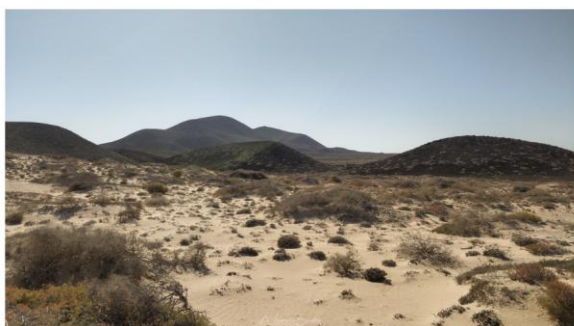
✓ Free cancellation

From €228 / night

Check availability



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PRACTICAL INFO

What are the most beautiful beaches on La Graciosa

La Graciosa, it's a little paradise if you love wild beaches. No sunloungers, no concrete, just golden sand, volcanoes as a backdrop and a turquoise sea. Here are the **most beautiful beaches on La Graciosa**, the ones not to miss:

Playa de las Conchas – *The spectacular one*

- On the north-west of the island.
- Brilliant golden sand, incredible view over the islet of Montaña Clara.
- Powerful waves, swimming is dangerous, but it's a mad photo spot.
- 5 km by bike from Caleta de Sebo (sandy dirt track).



Playa Francesa – *The easiest to reach and the best one for a swim*

- On the south of the island, barely 2 km from the harbour.
- Fine sand, calm turquoise water, perfect for a swim.
- Lovely view over Lanzarote and the Risco cliffs.
- You can get there on foot, by bike or on a boat trip.



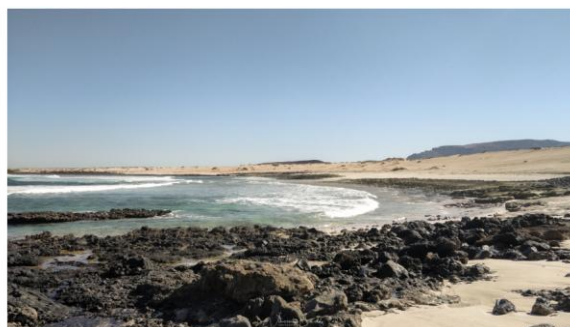
3. Playa de la Cocina – *A little gem tucked under a volcano*

- Just past Playa Francesa, at the foot of Montaña Amarilla.
- A calm cove, clear sea, hardly anyone around.
- On foot only (about 45 min from the harbour).
- The perfect spot for a picnic in a lunar setting.



Playa del Ámbar (or Lambra) – *The wildest one*

- Right at the northern tip of the island.
- Golden sand, end-of-the-world feel, often deserted.
- Swimming isn't advised because of the currents, but the panorama is exceptional.
- Less visited, reachable by mountain bike or 4x4 from Caleta.



5. Playa del Salado – *The quiet town beach*

- Just outside Caleta de Sebo, to the south.
- A long sandy beach, calm sea, ideal with the family.
- There's a campsite right behind it, the only one on the island.
- Great if you want a really pretty beach close by. That's where I came for my sunsets, and it's brilliant.



FERRY PACKAGE AVAILABLE

La Graciosa: island tour by jeep and a beach stop

★★★★½ 4.4/5 · Very well rated · 205 reviews · 2 hrs 30

Setting off from Caleta del Sebo, a tour of the island along the tracks in a 4x4: Pedro Barba, the volcanic arches, Playa de las Conchas and Montaña Amarilla, with the option of staying on to swim and being picked up later. Meeting point opposite the village church · €90 with the return ferry with Lineas Romero.

I really liked the route. We got to see the landmarks of La Graciosa without rushing and with a local guide. We enjoyed the explanations and the stories. — M.carmen, Spain

- ✓ Ideal when you have little time on the island · more comfortable than a bike on sand and stones
- ✓ Works for families, even with a baby
- ✓ ⚠ Very bumpy ride · commentary in Spanish, hard to hear at the back

✓ Free cancellation

From **€55**

Check availability

How long should you stay on La Graciosa for?

One day: that's what most people do. You come on the morning ferry, you see the island during the day and you leave at the end of the afternoon.

- The upside: you have time to see the essentials.
- The downside: you miss the sunset, and the island once the waves of tourists have gone.

One night (or two), that's the ideal if you really want to switch off. Watching the sunset from a crater, having dinner in Caleta de Sebo, and sleeping somewhere quieter than you've ever known. I stayed 2 nights, I took the time to see the island properly by bike, and to catch some superb colours. Honestly, I do recommend it!



LA GRACIOSA · FACING THE HARBOUR

Evita Beach Suites, apartments facing the harbour of La Graciosa

★★★★½ 8.9/10 · Superb · 283 reviews · location 9.8/10 · staff 9.2/10

Apartments and suites on the beachfront in Caleta de Sebo, facing the small harbour of La Graciosa and the cliffs of Lanzarote. Fitted kitchen, balcony or terrace, and Salado and La Cocina beaches 450 m away on foot. Restaurants, shops and a bakery are a couple of minutes away, according to the reviews.

The apartment is very large, with balconies and terraces that face exactly the right way. The bedding is very comfortable. — Valerie, France

- ✓ View over the harbour and the cliffs of Lanzarote from the balconies · fruit basket and welcome bottle mentioned in one review
- ✓ Spacious, very clean apartments, comfortable bedding · welcoming staff, luggage kept on departure day
- ✓ Check-in only between 4.30pm and 7pm, to be announced in advance · €150 deposit by card, cash refused

From **€324** / night

[Check availability](#)

How to get to La Graciosa

This one's really simple. I've already mentioned the [catamaran cruises](#) around the island. But to come straight over, there's a ferry that runs from Lanzarote to La Graciosa leaving from Orzola right up in the north.

The crossing takes 25 minutes and it's really nice, because the views are magnificent, over Lanzarote as much as over La Graciosa.

There's roughly a boat every 30 minutes (because 2 companies run alternating crossings)

The return trip costs €29. Bear in mind that you can take your return or just your outward leg, and then the way back later if you want to come back another day.

The first boat over to La Graciosa leaves at 8am, the last at 7:30pm.

If you have a car, there's free parking next to the jetty.

If you don't have a car, you can get picked up at your hotel



FREE PARKING IN ÓRZOLA

Órzola – La Graciosa ferry: Lineas Romero or Biosfera Express

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ **4.7/5 · Highly rated** · 1,157 and 439 reviews · crossing of about 30 min

From the port of Órzola, in the north of Lanzarote, two companies run the crossing at the same fare, with a departure at the time you choose and an open return, no booking needed.

- ✓ Punctual departures and helpful crews
- ✓ Return leg in close under the cliffs, with a fine view of the coast
- ✓ ⚠ It moves about when the sea is up, worth knowing if you get seasick

✓ Free cancellation

Return **€29**

Lineas Romero →



BOOK YOUR TICKET TO LA GRACIOSA!

GOING TO THE OTHER ISLANDS

FUERTEVENTURA BY FERRY IS THE SIMPLEST

Right, Lanzarote is small. A week and you've covered the essentials. So a lot of people wonder whether they can push on to another island, and the answer is yes, very easily. Fuerteventura is 25 minutes away by boat. Twenty-five minutes. That's shorter than the Arrecife – Playa Blanca drive.

Everything leaves from Playa Blanca and everything arrives in Corralejo, in the north of Fuerteventura. Three companies share the strait of La Bocaina, with around twenty crossings a day in total. So you don't really need to book weeks ahead.

Fred Olsen is the fastest and the most frequent: 25 minutes by catamaran, 35 on the standard ferry, 12 to 13 departures a day. Reckon on €40 to €70 return as a foot passenger. The downside: it's also the most expensive of the three, and they ask you to be there an hour before departure, which eats up the time you save.

Líneas Romero is the cheapest, around €34 to €41 return. On the other hand they have fewer departures (4 to 7 a day depending on the season) and above all they don't take cars. Their fleet is 100% passengers, so if you were hoping to load your hire car on board, give it a miss.

Baleària Canarias, it's the ex-Naviera Armas: the group took over the Canary operations in June 2026 and now runs under this brand. 35-minute crossing, 7 crossings a day, €33 to €62 return. They take cars, and they're also the ones who do Arrecife – Las Palmas if you're aiming for Gran Canaria.

Either way: ID card or passport compulsory at boarding. It isn't a border, but it is a maritime identity check, and they really do carry it out.



YOUR FERRY TO FUERTEVENTURA

Taking the fast foot-passenger ferry between Lanzarote and Fuerteventura

If you don't have a car, there's no need to take the big ferry that carries cars. There are the fast boats, little catamarans that let you make the most of the crossing. It's about €20, it takes about 30 min, and there are 5 crossings a day.

Two operators run it: [Fred Olsen](#) and [Lineas Romero](#), and both offer exactly the same thing.



Lanzarote – Fuerteventura ferry: Fred. Olsen or Lineas Romero

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 4.7/5 · Highly rated · 492 and 289 reviews · 30 to 35 min crossing

Between Playa Blanca, in the south of Lanzarote, and Corralejo, in the north of Fuerteventura, two companies each run five departures a day in each direction, one way or return.

- ✓ Departures on time and helpful crews
- ✓ Enough time to visit Corralejo in the day
- ✓ ⚠ It rolls in rough seas · the meeting point is not always easy to find at the port

✓ Free cancellation

One way from **€19.50**

Fred. Olsen ..

TAKING YOUR HIRE CAR OVER: A WARNING

So yes, technically Fred Olsen and Baleària take cars without any trouble, for around thirty euros each way. The problem isn't the boat, it's the rental company.

Most rental contracts forbid leaving the island, and above all the insurance stops running the moment the car goes up on the ferry. One scrape in Fuerteventura without written permission, and you pay for everything.

Topcar allows it, it's written in black and white in their terms, on request and possibly with a surcharge and a deposit. Cicar accepts it too, but by direct agreement, to be asked for by email before you go. As for Autoreisen, no public clause says anything about it: ask them before you book.

Worth doing the sums though: around €70 return for the car, plus the rental company's surcharge, for a single day. Renting a car directly in Corralejo almost always works out cheaper, and you avoid all the paperwork.



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SEEING FUERTEVENTURA IN A DAY

It's perfectly doable, and it even makes a really nice day out. First departure from Playa Blanca around 7am, last return from Corralejo between 8pm and 9pm: so you've got 10 to 11 hours there. Plenty to cover the north of the island.

The plan that works best without a car: the Corralejo dunes, 15 minutes by road or a 1.5-hour walk along the beach, served by bus 6 every 30 to 60 minutes. Then the island of Lobos, 15 minutes by boat from the port. It's a lunar landscape sitting on turquoise water, and honestly it's what draws me most around here.

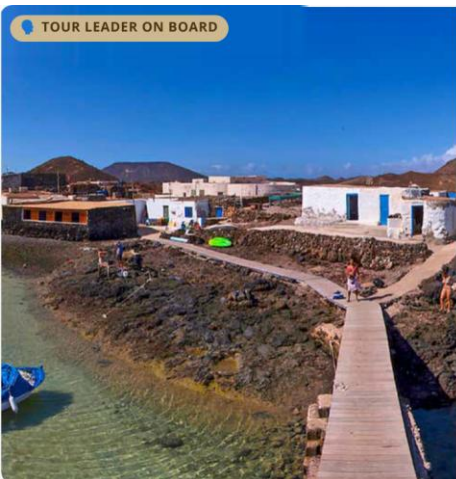
With a car, add El Cotillo (21 km, 22 minutes) and its old fishing village. Betancuria, the old capital, is 61 km and 55 minutes away: it's doable, but that's almost 2.5 hours of driving there and back in one day. Save that one for people who like driving.

Visiting the island of Lobos from Lanzarote and Fuerteventura

Here's the important thing people tend to forget: getting to Lobos requires a **free but compulsory permit**, to be requested at lobospass.com. Without it, you don't get on the boat.

The quota is 400 visitors a day, in two slots of 200 people, 10am – 2pm or 2pm – 6pm. So you get exactly 4 hours on the island, not one more. And above all: bookings only open 5 days before the date. Going direct any earlier is not possible, which is frankly annoying when you're planning a trip three months ahead.

So the real shortcut: go through an excursion or an approved operator. The operator handles the permit for you and your place is guaranteed. It's the only way to lock in Lobos more than 5 days ahead.



Lanzarote: boat trip to the island of Lobos

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ **8.5/10 · Highly rated** · 55 reviews · 6 hrs · hotel pick-up

Across the La Bocaina strait to Lobos, an unspoilt protected islet off Fuerteventura: free time to walk and swim, picnic with drinks, island access permit included. Children aged 4 to 12 at €47.50.

The island is small but the scenery is magnificent, very volcanic and bare. You can easily spend 3 or 4 hours there. — Anonymous, Spain

- ✓ Crew and guide who look after you · departure and pick-up on time
- ✓ The crossing itself, often named the best part
- ✓ ⚠ Picnic felt basic for the price · the island gets busy in high season

✓ Free cancellation

From **€72**

[Check availability](#)

Visiting Fuerteventura on an organised trip from Lanzarote, without a car

If you don't want to deal with ferries, buses and permits, the tour operators do the lot, hotel transfer included. Here are the ones that hold up.



GUIDED TOUR

From Lanzarote: a day on Fuerteventura, the Corralejo dunes and El Cotillo

★ ★ ★ ★ 4.2/5 • Well rated 1,059 reviews • 9 hrs • hotel pick-up

Lineas Romero ferry from Playa Blanca to Corralejo, then an air-conditioned coach: the old fishing village of Corralejo, El Cotillo and its 15th-century tower, a photo stop in the dunes nature park and an afternoon on the beach. ID required to cross from one island to the other.

I particularly liked the way the guides gave us information before each stop, then left us free to explore at our own pace, rather than herding us around. — Stephen, United Kingdom

- ✓ Smooth, well-organised day • good value for money
- ✓ The dunes and the late-afternoon swim are the high points
- ✓ ⚠ Only 15 min at the dunes, more time at the earlier stops • lunch not included

✓ Free cancellation

From **€62**

[Check availability](#)



PAELLA ON BOARD

From Lanzarote: catamaran to Isla de Lobos and Corralejo

★ ★ ★ ★ 4.5/5 • Highly rated 74 reviews • 6 hrs • guide in English and Spanish

Ferry from Playa Blanca to Corralejo, then catamaran to La Concha beach: snorkelling, kayaking and paddleboarding, guided visit of El Puertito and its lagoons, then return ferry at 5.30 pm or 7.30 pm. Free afternoon in Corralejo or at the dunes.

Catamaran trip with a great crew. We really had some lovely moments. In the water we saw plenty of fish. The scenery is magnificent. All in all, a great outing. — Ingrid, France

- ✓ Friendly, attentive crew • beer and wine included
- ✓ Varied day, packed with activities • photos included
- ✓ ⚠ Pricey according to some • no hotel pick-up, meet at Playa Blanca harbour

✓ Free cancellation

From **€110**

[Check availability](#)

Fuerteventura in a day, honestly, is worth it. The Corralejo dunes and Lobos on their own justify the crossing, and 25 minutes by boat is nothing. Two things to keep in mind though: request your Lobos permit or go through an excursion, and don't put your hire car on the ferry without written approval from the rental company. The rest you sort out the same morning at the ticket desk.

THE OTHER ISLANDS MEAN FLYING

For Gran Canaria and Tenerife, two local airlines run the shuttle: Binter and Canaryfly. They fly from Lanzarote to Las Palmas and Tenerife North, with a lot of departures — more than 120 flights a week just on the hop to Gran Canaria.

Prices start at around €25 each way. Watch out though: the price caps on the subsidised routes went up on 1 August 2026, by +8% on Gran Canaria – Lanzarote, and non-residents take the whole of that increase. Also remember not to select the "resident" fare when you book, it doesn't apply to tourists.

Gran Canaria is also reachable by ferry with Baleària, but leaving from Arrecife and not from Playa Blanca, and it takes a lot longer. Only worth it if you want to keep your car.

In the next article I go through [all the ferry routes between the Canary Islands](#).



YOUR PLACE TO STAY ON THE OTHER ISLANDS



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THE TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF LANZAROTE

TEGUISE

A quick introduction

Teguisé, the authentic soul of Lanzarote

Welcome to **Teguisé**, the old capital of Lanzarote, perched up in the island's highlands. No resorts here, no big hotels. Instead? Cobbled lanes, white houses with green shutters, a lively main square and a little whiff of history on every corner. This is THE typical village, the one that wins over even the most jaded.

Why visit Teguisé

Because it's **the historic heart of the island** and **the most beautiful town in Lanzarote**. Teguisé was the capital for more than 400 years, and you can feel it: churches, convents, old Canarian buildings, everything has stayed charming and well kept. But above all, there's a peaceful feel to the place, a little out of time. The kind of spot where you take your time wandering, sitting on a terrace, chatting with the locals.

And then there's the **Sunday market**, unmissable! The whole island (and the tourists) pile in to hunt for souvenirs, listen to street musicians and eat empanadas. Yes it's touristy, but it's still really enjoyable.



What to do in Teguise

- Wander the lanes in the centre: really, take your time, it's a village made for hanging about.
- Visit the church of Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe on the main square, it's very pretty.
- The castle of Santa Bárbara, perched on an old volcano: a lovely view over the whole area, and a little pirate museum.
- Settle on a terrace for a coffee or a local craft beer.
- Do the Sunday market: it's big, lively, buzzing... and the food is good!
- Spend an evening at the Santo Bar: a small cocktail bar in an old house, cool music, relaxed atmosphere. One of my favourites on the island.



Why choose Tegui

If you're after **something other than a beach-and-hotel holiday**, Tegui is perfect. The feel is quiet, much more local, and the places to stay often have real character: restored old Canarian houses, small casas rurales, cosy B&Bs.

And since it sits right in the middle of the island, it's **an excellent base** for exploring Lanzarote without too much driving.

So, if you want to wake up with the roosters, pass more cats than tourists, and live Lanzarote in a slightly more authentic way... this is where you drop your bags.

Practical info

- **Access:** easy by car, 20 min from Costa Tegui or 25 min from Arrecife.
- **Best bike rental around:** *Papagayo Bike*, in Costa Tegui (yes it's not in Tegui itself, but they deliver the bikes on request).
- **Where to eat?**
 - *Ikarus* does local cooking with a twist, great value for money.
 - *El Patio del Vino* is a wine cellar with tapas, perfect for a classy pre-dinner drink.
- **Avoid:** driving in Tegui on a Sunday between 10am and 2pm. Guaranteed traffic jams because of the market



TEGUI · HISTORIC CENTRE

Palacio Ico, a gastronomic boutique hotel in the heart of Tegui

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 9.3/10 · Fabulous · 277 reviews · location 9.8/10 · staff 9.7/10

A four-star boutique hotel in the heart of Tegui, the old capital of Lanzarote, built around a flower-filled patio with several shaded corners. Rooms and suites are described as spacious, bright and full of character. The village restaurants are 50 m away, Famara beach 7 km.

The hotel patio, a real haven of peace. The restaurant delicious and a wide selection of wines. — Guillaume, France

- ✓ Home-made breakfast, praised in most reviews · fresh local produce, vegetarian and gluten-free options
- ✓ Attentive staff, evening restaurant much appreciated · massages on site at extra cost
- ✓ Children accepted from age 10, no extra beds · free public parking in the street, Wi-Fi rated 8/10

From **€220** / night

[Check availability](#)

Where to stay in Teguise



BUDGET

★ 8.4/10

Apartamentos Anjomacar

Tahiche · Teguisse municipality, Costa Teguisse 3 km away

The cheapest option around Teguisse: a small complex in Tahiche with a salt-water pool, large areas to relax in and a giant chessboard in the middle of the courtyard.

- ✓ Spacious, well-kept flats, the point that comes up most
- ✓ Key box for late arrivals, two washing machines
- ✓ Unheated pool and few restaurants within walking distance: a car is advisable

From **€84** / night

Check availability



★ 9.0/10

Casa el Patio

Teseguite · the next village along from Teguisse

A guesthouse in Teseguite built around its covered patio, with a shared pool, gym and barbecue. Teguisse and its hiking trails are a few minutes away.

- ✓ The pool, pleasant in the evening, the point mentioned most
- ✓ Hosts easy to reach, who share their own good addresses
- ✓ Only 43 reviews so far: still a thin sample

From **€98** / night

Check availability



TOP PICK

★ 9.8/10

La Finca Mimosa

Teguisse · in the heart of the old village

A self-contained 65 m² place in a finca in old Teguisse, with a cactus and palm garden by the door. The village centre is a two-minute walk away.

- ✓ Full kitchen, seasonings provided, enough to really cook
- ✓ Responsive, available host, praised in almost every review
- ✓ Only 15 reviews, and children accepted from 12

From **€100** / night

Check availability



★ 7.6/10

Esplanzarote Eco Country House

Teguisse · deep in the countryside, away from the village

An eco-lodge standing on its own in open countryside, volcanoes on one side and the ocean in the distance. The silence and the view make the stay; the rest of what is on offer follows less closely.

- ✓ Open view over the volcanoes and the ocean, the point that keeps coming up
- ✓ Bedding called some of the best of the trip, excellent wifi
- ✓ Hard to reach at night: a faint track in the middle of the stones

From **€95** / night

Check availability



★ 8.8/10

Casa Siempreviva

Teguisse · on the edge of the old village

A spacious village house on the edge of Teguisse, with a garden and private parking right outside the door. The centre and its Sunday market are an easy walk away.

- ✓ Cleanliness and a big bathroom, noted in almost every review
- ✓ Completely quiet once night falls, restaurants a couple of minutes away
- ✓ Children are not allowed at the property

From **€104** / night

Check availability



TOP PICK

★ 9.6/10

El Rincón de los Aljibes

Tahiche · out of the way, near Teguisse

A cave house dug into the lava, bare vaults overhead and decor inspired by César Manrique. You sleep in the rock, between high walls that cut the wind.

- ✓ Finish and decor, mentioned in almost every review
- ✓ Kitchen separate from the main building and very well equipped
- ✓ Children not allowed, and only 30 reviews so far

From **€120** / night

Check availability

EL GOLFO

A quick introduction

El Golfo, the village at the end of the world (or nearly)

Perched on the western edge of Lanzarote, **El Golfo** is a tiny fishing village... but with serious character. Between the raging ocean, the volcanic cliffs and a sunset worthy of a film, this corner has a raw, wild, almost mystical charm.

No white sand beach here, no big hotels. Just the sea, the wind, and the clatter of pans in the fish restaurants.

Just before you reach the village, stop off at the Lago Verde, a lake that really is green and really is surprising!



Is it really worth visiting El Golfo

Yes! Because it's **one of the most spectacular spots on the island**. Just outside the village there's the famous **green lake (Charco de los Clicos)**, an acid lagoon sitting in a collapsed crater, an unbelievable fluorescent green. The contrast with the black sand and the white Atlantic waves is striking. A proper science-fiction set... and it's no accident that Almodóvar shot a film here.

And, along with the Mirador del Rio, this is where you get the finest sunset on the island. **Eating grilled fish facing the ocean**, that's the perfect way to end a good day!

Right, I'll be honest, El Golfo is tiny. One seafront, and that's about it, but it's really pleasant.

What to do in El Golfo

As I said, it's small and quiet. So there isn't a huge amount to do on the spot.

- **See the green lake (Charco de los Clicos)**, obviously. Reachable on foot from the car park.
- **Walk the coastal path towards Los Hervideros** (if you like walking and the wind doesn't scare you).
- **Have a drink at sunset** on a restaurant terrace with a view: magic.
- **Eat fresh fish** in one of the little places on the seafront.
- **Watch the changing colours of the sky and the cliffs** at sunrise or sunset. It's almost meditative.
- **Take a detour via Los Hervideros and the Salinas de Janubio**, both very close.

Why stay in El Golfo

Do you want to **cut yourself off from the world**? And wake up to the sound of the waves, have a coffee facing the volcanoes, and stop watching the clock? Perfect! This is the place.

El Golfo is **ultra peaceful**, especially in the evening when the tourists head off. Perfect for a night or two away from everything. And the places to stay here often have an insane view over the ocean or the lava fields.

It's not the most central spot, but to switch off or take a break in the middle of the road trip, it's great.

Where to stay in El Golfo

<div>  ★ 8.6/10 </div> <p>El Hotelito del Golfo El Golfo · on the village seafront</p> <p>A small family-run hotel in El Golfo, far from the resorts of the south. You are left in peace in a fishing village that empties as soon as the coaches leave.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Generous, varied breakfast, the point that comes up most ✓ Rooms with a terrace, pool view or sea view ✓ Several small seafront restaurants right next door <p>From €85 / night</p> <p>Check availability</p>	<div>  ★ 9.3/10 </div> <p>El Pasero El Golfo · in the heart of the village</p> <p>A large apartment in the centre of El Golfo, with a terrace, a barbecue corner and an outdoor space sheltered from the street. The black sand beach and the Lago Verde are an easy walk away.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Welcome touches on arrival, often mentioned in the reviews ✓ Sunsets and coastal paths right outside the door ✓ The outdoor space is well sheltered, so almost no view, and only 20 reviews <p>From €130 / night</p> <p>Check availability</p>	<div>  ★ 9.7/10 </div> <p>Mana EcoRetreat Las Breñas · in the south, away from El Golfo</p> <p>An eco retreat in the south of the island, with quiet apartments around a pool set in a large garden. A haven of peace, and that is exactly the word the reviews use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Home-made breakfast, different every day ✓ Attentive team, with restaurant and activity recommendations ✓ Practical apartments and bedding often described as excellent <p>From €140 / night</p> <p>Check availability</p>
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PLAYA BLANCA

A quick introduction

The quiet, chic resort

At the very south of Lanzarote, **Playa Blanca** is a resort that has managed to keep a certain charm despite how much it has grown. A quieter feel than its sisters in the north, clean beaches, a pleasant port, and a few wild corners right next door. This is somewhere between **a relaxing holiday** and **the perfect base for exploring the south** of the island.

✅ Upsides:

- **Ideal climate** and less wind than in the north.
- **Direct access to the beaches of Papagayo.**
- Great atmosphere by the sea, especially at the **Marina Rubicón.**
- Very **clean, quiet, chic.**
- Perfect for a holiday in **relaxed or romantic mode.**
- Ideal for families, with all the upsides of a quiet resort

❌ Downsides:

- A bit **far from the north of the island** (Mirador del Río, Jameos...).
- Less nightlife.
- Often needs a car.

👉 Who is it for?

Couples, families with young children, travellers after quiet and superb landscapes.



Why visit Playa Blanca

- To **enjoy the beaches** (Playa Dorada, Flamingo, Papagayo right next door).
- To **walk along the seafront promenade**: 7 km between the port and the lighthouse, with a view of Fuerteventura.
- To **discover the beaches of Papagayo** which are so easy to get to.
- To **take the ferry over to Fuerteventura** for the day.

What to do in Playa Blanca

- Lazing about on **Playa Dorada or Flamingo**.
- Explore the **coves of Papagayo** (unmissable).
- **Go out in the evening at the Marina Rubicón**, a chic area with nice bars and restaurants.
- Grab a bike and ride out to the **Faro de Pechiguera** at sunset.
- Head out on a boat trip, or a buggy tour in the volcanoes of the south.



★ 4.7/5

The fast ferry to Fuerteventura

📍 Playa Blanca → Corralejo · Fred. Olsen Express (35 min)

Thirty-five minutes across the Bocayna strait, five sailings a day each way, and a return you can move to another day if you feel like staying on.

- ✓ One way or return, with the return possible on another day
- ✓ Indoor deck, outdoor deck or sun deck, cafeteria on board
- ✓ ⚠️ Voucher to swap at the desk for a boarding card, ID required

✔️ Free cancellation

From **€21** / person

See the ticket



★ 4.7/5

The Papagayo mini-cruise

📍 Playa Blanca · Lineas Romero (1 hr 30 to 3 hrs)

A catamaran out to the sheltered bay of Papagayo, then an hour at anchor to swim, snorkel, ride the slide or flop into the nets.

- ✓ Mask and snorkel provided, slide to jump into the water
- ✓ Early-departure option from the Marina Rubicón, and its market on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- ✓ ⚠️ Crew speak English and Spanish · no food or drink included, on sale on board · no landing on the beach

✔️ Free cancellation

From **€35** / person

See the cruise



POPULAR

★ 4.6/5

Going down to 30 m in a submarine

📍 Marina de Puerto Calero · Submarine Safaris (1 hr)

A real submarine, which the operator says is one of only fourteen in the world open to the public, diving to thirty metres to run alongside three wrecks and the shoals of fish.

- ✓ Audio guide, headphones provided, 22 panoramic portholes
- ✓ Normal-pressure cabin: open to pregnant women and people with heart conditions
- ✓ ⚠️ Time underwater is shorter than the hour advertised · shuttle depending on the slot chosen

✔️ Free cancellation

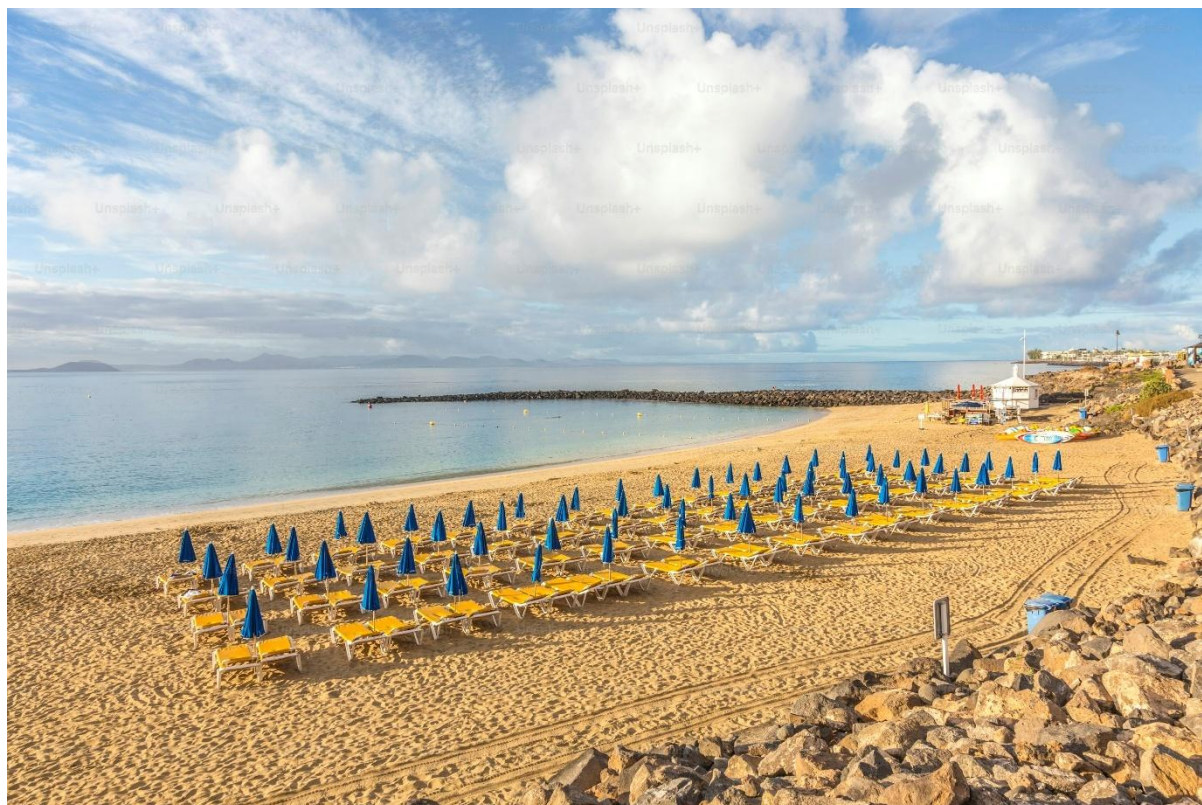
From **€65** / person

See the activity

Why stay in Playa Blanca

If you want **quiet, comfort, a different kind of place to stay and beaches within flip-flop range**, this is it. Lots of villas with a pool, family resorts too, and a more laid-back feel than elsewhere. Ideal with family or as a couple.

You really don't need to have a car to stay here, there are loads of excursions leaving from Playa Blanca and the beaches are walkable.



Where to stay in Playa Blanca

You'll find absolutely everything, hotels, apartments and all-inclusives. Good ones! Here are a few really interesting options (hotels, houses, flats). For a lot more detail and a wider range of places to stay, head over to the section *where to stay in Lanzarote* 😊



BUDGET

★ 9.2/10

Ona Las Casitas
 Playa Blanca · near the beach and the ferry

Small individual houses in a complex built to a human scale, each with its own private terrace and kitchen. Supermarkets, restaurants and the ferry to Fuerteventura are all within walking distance of the site.

- ✓ Spotlessly kept complex, the point that comes up most
- ✓ Casitas fully equipped: kitchen, washing machine, dishwasher, air conditioning
- ✓ Bar-restaurant on site and a pool heated all year round

From **€90** / night

Check availability



★ 9.2/10

Apartamentos Casa Cipri
 Playa Blanca · dead centre, 200 m from the beach

Apartments right in the centre of Playa Blanca, with a roof terrace that comes up in nearly every review. The harbour, the restaurants and the promenade are all within walking distance.

- ✓ Cleanliness noted by almost every guest
- ✓ Very responsive host, who passes on his restaurant addresses
- ✓ Large balcony over the pedestrian street, quiet once night falls

From **€126** / night

Check availability



★ 9.0/10

Hipotels Natura Palace
 Playa Blanca · on the seafront, facing Fuerteventura

An adults-only four-star, set right on the seafront at Playa Blanca. The coastal promenade starts at the hotel and runs for kilometres in both directions.

- ✓ Views of the ocean and of Fuerteventura from the rooms
- ✓ Heated pools and landscaped garden, often mentioned in the reviews
- ✓ Half board praised, low-key evening entertainment

From **€135** / night

Check availability



★ 9.0/10

Casa Paca
 Playa Blanca · seafront residence, near the marina

A house in a quiet, gated seafront residence, with two terraces and private parking right outside the door. The supermarket is next door.

- ✓ Full kitchen: washing machine, dishwasher and even an air fryer
- ✓ Careful decor and plenty of storage, often mentioned
- ✓ Ten minutes' walk to the shore along the promenade

From **€97** / night

Check availability



★ 8.8/10

Hotel Cordial Marina Blanca
 Playa Blanca · a short walk from the Marina Rubicón

An aparthotel in the centre of Playa Blanca, a short walk from the Marina Rubicón. Spacious, practical rooms, and a large pool at the heart of the place.

- ✓ Very varied breakfast, picked out by many travellers
- ✓ Friendly, attentive staff, a real consensus in the reviews
- ✓ Gym, and shops five minutes' walk away

From **€117** / night

Check availability



TREAT YOURSELF

★ 8.6/10

Grand Hyatt Playa Dorada
 Playa Blanca · facing Playa Dorada beach

A five-star right on the water at Playa Dorada, taken over by Hyatt and refurbished. Guests remember the view from the rooms and the club pool, set apart and with no music.

- ✓ Loungers always available, very friendly staff
- ✓ Spa, buffets and cocktails on the all-inclusive package
- ✓ Kids' club and children's pool, evening entertainment

From **€261** / night

Check availability

PUERTO DEL CARMEN

A quick introduction

Sun, fiesta, beaches and buzz

It's the oldest resort on Lanzarote... and **the liveliest** too! Puerto del Carmen is a mix of long beaches, bars that close late, seafront restaurants and a very "all-inclusive holiday" feel, but without tipping into cliché. It's lively, a bit noisy at times, but really handy and well placed.

✓ Upsides:

- **Central**, close to everything (volcanoes, beaches, airport).
- A huge **variety of places to stay**.
- **Lively atmosphere**, perfect if you want to go out.
- **Plenty of things to do on foot**: restaurants, bars, shops, beaches.

✗ Downsides:

- **Full-on touristy**, a bit noisy at times.
- Can be short on Canarian charm (it's not Teguiise).
- Parking is a pain in high season.

👉 Who's it for?

Travellers who like to **move around, go out, and have everything within reach**. Ideal for a first time on Lanzarote, or a stay without a car.



What to do in Puerto del Carmen

- Swim at **Playa Grande** or **Playa Chica**.
- Go **snorkelling** or **diving** (great centre: Safari Diving).
- **Go out along the "Avenida"**: restaurants, bars, guaranteed party atmosphere.
- **Go shopping** at Biosfera Plaza.
- Head out on a boat trip (dolphins, catamaran...).



★ 4.9/5

The hike to the top of a volcano

Los Volcanes nature park · Blackstone Treks (3 hrs 30 to 4 hrs)

The crossing of a frozen sea of lava, then the climb to the top of a volcanic cone, with a local guide explaining one of the biggest eruptions of the last five centuries.

- ✓ Eight participants maximum, guided tour
- ✓ Shuttle from the hotel, dried fruit, biscuits and water included
- ✓ ⚠ Several kilometres with some climbing · not advised if you are unfit or have heart problems

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€42** / person

See the hike



POPULAR

★ 4.2/5

Dolphins at sunset

Puerto del Carmen · Lineas Romero (2 hrs)

Two hours by catamaran along the volcanic coast in the golden hour, mojito in hand and nets strung over the water, watching for wild dolphins.

- ✓ Return transfers from your hotel included
- ✓ Welcome mojito, a drink of your choice and a snack box
- ✓ ⚠ Dolphins not guaranteed, no refund if they do not show up · no swimming stop

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€53** / person

See the cruise



★ 4.6/5

La Graciosa by catamaran, paella on board

Departure from Órzola · Lineas Romero (6 hrs)

Ferry to Caleta de Sebo, long enough to walk round the village, then nearly four hours on a catamaran: anchored off Playa Francesa, snorkelling, kayaking and paella cooked on board.

- ✓ Ferry, shuttle from the hotel and 45 min free in the village included
- ✓ Paella, fresh fruit, draught beer, sangria and soft drinks unlimited
- ✓ ⚠ No landing on the beaches · catamaran sometimes packed · no shuttle from Playa Blanca on Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€66** / person

See the cruise

Why stay in Puerto del Carmen

You want to **swim in the morning**, **shop in the afternoon**, and **go out in the evening** without taking the car. Puerto del Carmen is the ideal place to alternate between lazing about, day trips and sunset drinks.

- 10 min from the airport.
- A range of **places to stay for every budget**, from a nice guesthouse to a resort with a pool.
- Loads of **beaches within walking distance**.
- A great base for exploring Timanfaya, La Geria or the south of the island.

Where to stay in Puerto del Carmen

Here are a few really good options (hotels and flats). For a lot more detail and a wider range of places to stay, head to the section called *where to stay on Lanzarote* 😊



★ 8.6/10

Hotel Lanzarote Village

📍 Puerto del Carmen · facing the beach, away from the centre

A village of low buildings, in keeping with the island's architecture, facing the sea. Far enough from the shops to stay quiet, close enough to walk there.

- ✓ Large rooms with a balcony, often with a sea view
- ✓ Heated pool and jacuzzi, noted by several travellers
- ✓ Kids' club: noisy pool in summer, flagged in the reviews

From **€157** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 8.7/10

SENTIDO Aequora Lanzarote Suites

📍 Puerto del Carmen · Playa Pocillos, near the seafront

Family suites with a kitchenette and a small water park for the children. Several pools, some of them adults-only, and an entertainment team in the evening.

- ✓ Varied buffets at lunch and dinner, the most praised point
- ✓ Spacious, clean rooms, accommodating staff
- ✓ Very clean pools, and evening entertainment well liked

From **€190** / night

☰ Check availability



★ TOP PICK

★ 9.1/10

Seaside Los Jameos

📍 Puerto del Carmen · Playa de los Pocillos, on the seafront

The best rated of the resort's all-inclusives: a large hotel of woodwork and gardens, set on Pocillos beach, with a spa, minigolf and a water slide.

- ✓ Buffets whose variety and quality come up again and again
- ✓ Well-heated pool, a point made in winter
- ✓ Evening shows and entertainment team well liked

From **€276** / night

☰ Check availability



★ TOP PICK

★ 9.3/10

Apartamentos Bellavista

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet street, beach 1.2 km away

Apartments run by hosts who meet you at the gate and carry the bags up. Everything is provided, down to the salt and pepper, and free parking is fifty metres away.

- ✓ Cleanliness and bedding, the two points mentioned most
- ✓ Hosts who reply within minutes, welcome basket
- ✓ Still few reviews: a small sample to go on

From **€149** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 9.1/10

Rosamar Apartamentos

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet street, 5 min from the seafront

A large complex on a quiet street, a five-minute walk from the seafront and with a supermarket at the end of the road. It's the most reviewed address in the resort.

- ✓ Pool rarely crowded, with room for everyone
- ✓ Functional apartments, terrace and sun loungers, comfortable beds
- ✓ Midday check-out, which several travellers point out

From **€158** / night

☰ Check availability



★ TREAT YOURSELF

★ 9.1/10

Club del Carmen

📍 Puerto del Carmen · Los Pocillos, near the beach

Two-bedroom duplex villas spread across the grounds, each with two terraces, the upstairs one with a sea view. Heated pool, jacuzzi and bar-restaurant in the middle.

- ✓ Very well equipped units, upkeep beyond reproach
- ✓ Staff welcome, obliging and efficient, often singled out
- ✓ The resort's bars and restaurants a few minutes' walk away

From **€327** / night

☰ Check availability

 **THE BEST PLACES TO STAY IN PUERTO DEL CARMEN**

ARRECIFE

A quick introduction

The real Lanzarote (local life, the real thing)

Often snubbed by tourists, **Arrecife**, the island's capital, is well worth a detour. This is where most of the islanders live. Not a museum town, not a resort, but **a real, living Canarian town**, with its markets, its back streets, its little harbour and even a decent city beach.

Is Arrecife worth visiting and what to do there

Let's say Arrecife is the non-touristy Lanzarote, the real one the locals live in. Because it's **authentic**, not sanitised. To **get a break from the too-perfect white villages**, see local life, mix with the Lanzaroteños, do your shopping at the market, or have a coffee looking out over the fishing boats. And for **shopping**, this is where it happens. So it isn't necessarily the prettiest place on the island, but it's interesting to see what goes on there, with far fewer tourists.

- Stroll along the **Calle Real**, the pedestrianised shopping street.
- Admire the **Charco de San Ginés**, a very photogenic little inner harbour.
- Visit the **Castillo de San Gabriel** and its little museum.
- Chill out on the beach at **Reducto**, with a view of the palm trees.
- Have an evening drink on a terrace around the Charco.



★ 4.8/5

Nine kilometres through the lava flows
 Los Volcanes Natural Park · Geotrekking Lanzarote (3 hrs)

Nine kilometres at an easy pace through the Timanfaya lava flows, far from the coach car parks: lava fields, old craters and the climb up a volcanic cone to finish.

- ✓ Ten participants maximum, a deliberately relaxed pace
- ✓ Snack included and hotel transfers depending on the option, at no extra cost
- ✓ 🚩 Guide in English and Spanish · moderate fitness required · stony paths

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€44** / person

See the hike



POPULAR
 ★ 4.7/5

The full island tour
 The whole island · LanzaroteGuides (9 hrs)

The two northern caves, the mirador de Guinate looking over La Graciosa, the thousand-palm valley of Haría, a wine tasting in La Geria and the Fire Mountains, in one day.

- ✓ Wine tasting at a La Geria producer included
- ✓ Skip-the-line entry and hotel pickup
- ✓ 🚩 Guide in English and Spanish · entry tickets depending on the option chosen, not all included at this price

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€51** / person

See the tour



★ 4.2/5

Dolphins at sunset
 Puerto del Carmen · Lineas Romero (2 hrs)

Two hours by catamaran along the volcanic coast in the golden hour, mojito in hand and nets strung over the water, watching for wild dolphins.

- ✓ Return transfers from your hotel included
- ✓ Welcome mojito, a drink of your choice and a snack box
- ✓ 🚩 Dolphins not guaranteed, no refund if they do not show up · no swimming stop

🟢 Free cancellation
 From **€53** / person

See the cruise

Why stay in Arrecife

Want a local feel, central and cheap? Arrecife is **an excellent choice**. You're 10 min from the airport, close to Costa Tegui, and the beach (Playa del Reducto) is just round the corner. It's perfect if you want to use it as a base for exploring the island, or if you're staying a few nights without a car. Because parking there is a tiny bit of a pain.

Where to stay in Arrecife



★ 8.1/10

Checkin Damar

Arrecife · Facing the sea, bus station

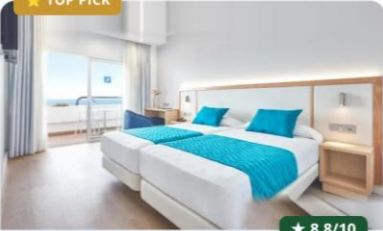
A seafront hotel steps from the bus station, handy for seeing the island without a car, with rooms on the ocean side.

- ✓ Upper-floor rooms with ocean views
- ✓ Bus station right next door
- ✓ Staff praised when a flight is delayed or cancelled

✓ Free cancellation

From **€82** / night

Check availability



★ TOP PICK
★ 8.8/10

Hotel Lancelot

Arrecife · Seafront, rooftop pool

The safe bet in Arrecife with more than three thousand reviews: seafront, rooftop pool and a quiet beach right opposite.

- ✓ Rooftop pool, quiet beach opposite
- ✓ Central base for seeing the island by bus
- ✓ Cleanliness and staff availability rated highly

✓ Free cancellation

From **€138** / night

Check availability



★ 8.6/10

Arrecife Gran Hotel & Spa

Arrecife · Seafront tower, spa

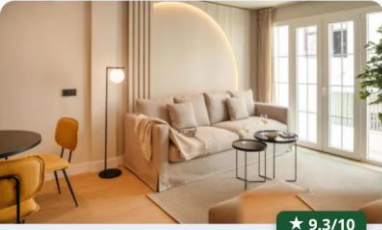
The seafront tower in Arrecife, the capital's only genuine four-star, with a spa and an open view over the ocean.

- ✓ Ocean views from the upper floors
- ✓ Spa and a welcome drink on arrival
- ✓ Half board with a different menu every evening

✓ Free cancellation

From **€194** / night

Check availability



★ 9.3/10

Vita Home Lanzarote Deluxe Apartments

Arrecife · Quiet street, beach on foot

Well-kept apartments on a quiet street in the centre, with the beach within walking distance and parking in the surrounding streets.

- ✓ Quiet street, centre of Arrecife on foot
- ✓ Beach within walking distance at high tide
- ✓ Hosts easy to reach, very well-equipped flats

✓ Free cancellation

From **€97** / night

Check availability



★ 9.0/10

Blue Marina Suites Boutique Apartments

Arrecife · Design suites with a view

Suites with a carefully worked design, whose architecture and view come up in almost every review left.

- ✓ Design and decor named as the strong point
- ✓ Remarkable view from the upper suites
- ✓ Fully equipped, comfort highly rated

✓ Free cancellation

From **€107** / night

Check availability



★ 9.1/10

Apartamentos Islamar Arrecife

Arrecife · Terraces with sea views

Well-soundproofed apartments with a terrace over the sea, praised by more than thirteen hundred travellers for the welcome.

- ✓ Terrace with sea view, soundproofed flats
- ✓ Rated 9.1/10 across more than 1,300 reviews
- ✓ Staff described as kind by every single guest

✓ Free cancellation

From **€109** / night

Check availability

COSTA TEGUISE

A quick introduction

Families welcome, sport on tap

Over on the north-east of the island sits **Costa Teguisse**, the **family resort par excellence**. Calm beaches, places to stay for every taste, activities galore, and always that mild Lanzarote climate. Not the most authentic, but clearly **easy to live with**.

✅ **Upsides:**

- **Great for families:** beaches with no waves, hotels that are kid-friendly.
- **Loads of sports on offer** (windsurfing, paddleboarding, cycling).
- Well placed for exploring the north (César Manrique, Cueva de los Verdes...).
- An atmosphere that's **local + touristy**, more laid-back than Puerto.

❌ **Downsides:**

- A bit **less charming** or authentic.
- **Fewer "wow" beaches** compared with the other two.
- Can be **windier** (especially in summer).

👉 **Who's it for?**

Families, sporty types, or anyone who wants a practical base without chasing nightlife or luxury.

What to do in Costa Teguise

- Swim at **Playa Bastián** or **Playa del Jablillo**.
- Try **windsurfing** or paddleboarding at **Las Cucharas**.
- **Go to the Aquapark** with the kids (ok, it's not Disney, but they love it).
- Wander around the **Pueblo Marinero** in the evening, a pedestrian area with restaurants and music.
- Rent a bike to explore the coast or ride all the way to Arrecife.



Timanfaya in half a day
 Southern Lanzarote · Low Cost Tours Europe (5 hrs)
 The volcano road by coach, closed to private vehicles, and the geothermal demonstrations at the Islote de Hilario: water poured into a well comes back out as a steam geyser within seconds.
 ✓ Guide in English or Spanish depending on the departure
 ✓ Park entry included, hotel pick-up included
 ✓ ⚠ Camel ride costs extra, paid in cash on site
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From **€59** / person
 See the tour



The quiet north, eight people maximum
 The north of the island · Fuerteventura Luxury Yacht (5 hrs)
 Five hours along the back roads, from La Geria to the lava fields of Órzola: viewpoints the standard tours ignore, El Bosquecillo and the valley of a thousand palms seen from above.
 ✓ Eight participants at most, with a guide
 ✓ Short walks out in the open and volcanic bombs near Órzola
 ✓ ⚠ Meals not included · the stop at Haría depends on conditions, it is not guaranteed
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From €75 **€60** / person
 See the tour



The wild north by buggy
 Costa Teguise · H2O Sports Lanzarote (2 to 3 hrs)
 The old quarries of Guatiza, the Mala dam and its cactus fields, then the climb up to Peñas del Chache, the highest point on the island, along dusty tracks.
 ✓ A guide throughout, and never more than ten participants
 ✓ Windbreaker and goggles provided · 2 hrs at €150, 3 hrs at €200, +€10 with shuttle
 ✓ ⚠ Price per buggy, 2 people · drivers 20 and over, original licence required, held for 2 years
 ✓ Free cancellation
 From **€150** / buggy (2 people)
 See the activity

Why stay in Costa Teguise

Because you're after **beaches for kids**, **sports activities** (windsurfing, paddleboarding, diving...), some **evening entertainment**, but without it being non-stop partying. It's clean, practical, really central, especially if you're travelling with kids or you want to get around without any hassle.

- It's central (20-25 min from almost everything).
- The choice of hotels is huge (from a small flat to a big resort).
- **Loads of flats with a kitchen**, handy for families.
- Everything is doable on foot or by bike.

Where to stay in Costa Teguise



★ 8.9/10

Oasis Lanz Beach Mate

Costa Teguiise · near Jablillo beach

A quiet hotel with two heated pools, rooms travellers describe as spacious and very well-kept grounds. Parking is easy right next door.

- ✓ Themed evening buffets and breakfasts, widely praised
- ✓ The welcome from the staff, the first thing reviews mention
- ✓ Home-made snacks at the pool bar

From **€160** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 8.6/10

Barceló Teguiise Beach

Costa Teguiise · on the seafront, Las Cucharas 400 m away

Adults only, on the seafront, with a clean modern design that comes up in almost every review. Three pools, one of them indoors and one an infinity pool.

- ✓ Heated pools, the outdoor ones included, noted in winter
- ✓ Staff on hand at all hours, according to several travellers
- ✓ Some rooms have their own spa bath on the terrace

From **€165** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ TOP PICK

★ 9.2/10

Radisson Blu Resort Adults Only

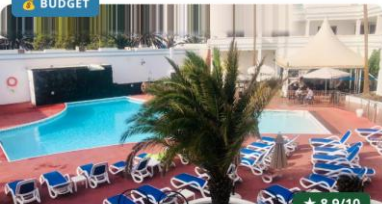
Costa Teguiise · on the seafront, at the south end of the resort

The best score in Costa Teguiise: an adults-only resort, big enough that you never feel on top of each other, with four pools and plenty of loungers.

- ✓ Discreet, attentive staff, the point raised most often
- ✓ Four pools, one an infinity pool with a view
- ✓ Wellness area, spa and hammam on site

From **€231** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ BUDGET

★ 8.9/10

Apartamentos Oceano

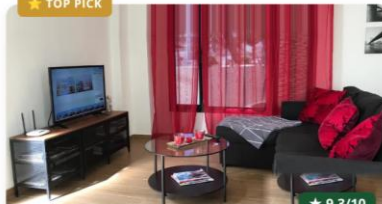
Costa Teguiise · centre, near the beaches and the restaurants

Adults-only apartments, right in the centre and a short walk from the beaches. The best location score of the three, at the lowest price in the resort.

- ✓ Cleanliness noted in almost every review
- ✓ Fitted kitchen, balcony and pool, comfortable beds
- ✓ Reception books the hire car and gives advice on arrival

From **€91** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ TOP PICK

★ 9.3/10

Bungalow Nueva York

Costa Teguiise · Playa Roca residence, near the sea

A single-storey place with its own terrace, in a gated residence with parking and a pool complex. It feels more like a small house than an apartment.

- ✓ Beds and space, coming up in nearly every review
- ✓ Pool and supermarket a few steps away, quiet area
- ✓ Detailed arrival instructions, but a thin sample of reviews

From **€118** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 9.2/10

The Birds House

Costa Teguiise · seafront, Los Charcos 600 m away

A whole 64 m² apartment looking onto the garden, with terrace, patio and private parking. The host stays in touch throughout the stay, and that comes up in every review.

- ✓ Cleanliness, the point most cited in the reviews
- ✓ Welcome with wine, water and crisps, late check-out often granted
- ✓ Three nights minimum, and children charged the adult rate from age three

From **€120** / night

[Check availability](#)



**THE BEST PLACES TO
STAY IN COSTA TEGUISE**

WHERE TO STAY IN LANZAROTE

[What you'll find in this article](#)

WHICH TOWN TO CHOOSE IN LANZAROTE

Very good question! First off, do you want to settle into a resort or be somewhere quiet in the middle of the island?

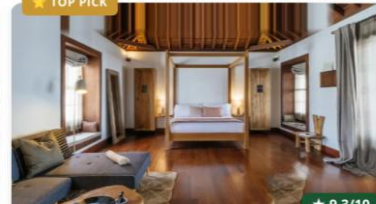
- **Towards Yaiza** – tiny villages, these are places to stay for people who have a car, who want nature, who want to be close to the volcanoes and avoid the crowds
 - [Find your place to stay in central Lanzarote](#)



- In **Tegüise** – for those who want a small authentic town with no big hotel blocks, a nice market, well placed, central, quiet in the evening
 - [Find your place to stay in Tegüise](#)



- In **Playa Blanca** – for couples, families with young children, travellers after peace and quiet and sublime landscapes. Two steps from the beaches of Papagayo and the volcanoes
 - [Find your place to stay in Playa Blanca](#)
- In **Puerto del Carmen** – for travellers who like to be on the move, to go out, and to have everything within reach. Ideal for a first time in Lanzarote or a trip without a car.
 - [Find your place to stay in Puerto del Carmen](#)
- In **Arrecife** – for those who want to be central, to have the beach, the real Lanzarote life, the markets
 - [Find your place to stay in Arrecife](#)
- In **Costa Teguise** – a resort for families, sporty types, or anyone who wants a practical base without looking for nightlife or luxury. Far quieter than Puerto del Carmen, more practical than Playa Blanca for sightseeing
 - [Find your place to stay in Costa Teguise](#)

 <p>Suites Bene Lanzarote La Asomada · Suites with a private pool (517 reviews) Self-contained suites in the island's interior, each with its own small private pool and a terrace open to the valley. ✓ A small private pool and terrace per suite ✓ Breakfast delivered to the suite each morning ✓ Completely quiet, far from the beach resorts Free cancellation From €145 / night Check availability</p>	 <p>CalaLanzarote Suites Hotel Playa Blanca · Seafront, adults only (1,287 reviews) An adults-only hotel on the seafront in Playa Blanca, a short walk from the beach and the marina. ✓ Staff and location rated 9.7/10 ✓ Large pool, spacious, light-filled suites ✓ Marina restaurants within walking distance Free cancellation From €220 / night Check availability</p>	 <p>Palacio Ico Teguise · Historic house in the old capital (285 reviews) A boutique hotel in an 18th-century house in Teguise, with a restaurant that made its name. ✓ Breakfast made with local produce, mentioned in almost every review ✓ Period decor in the historic building, beautifully kept ✓ Team praised for their attention to detail Free cancellation From €240 / night Check availability</p>
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THE BEST ALL-INCLUSIVE HOTELS

Coming to Lanzarote and staying all-inclusive isn't a bad idea at all, and it means you don't have to worry about a thing. As a reminder, an all-inclusive is usually a big hotel complex with pools, often beach access, but above all every meal included. Handy!

The downside of all-inclusive: there are quite a lot of people in these hotels. So if you want peace and quiet, you need to choose carefully. Watch out, prices vary enormously depending on the package and the season.



Hotel Lanzarote Village

📍 Puerto del Carmen · facing Los Pocillos beach

A village-style hotel of low buildings facing Los Pocillos beach. Volcanoes on one side, sea on the other, and a fair compromise between the resort and quiet.

- ✓ Heated pool and jacuzzi at thirty-three degrees
- ✓ Fridge, kettle and a bottle of water a day in the room
- ✓ Pool noisy in summer because of the children, flagged in the reviews

From **€155** / night

☰ Check availability



Hipotels La Geria

📍 Puerto del Carmen · tropical gardens, Los Pocillos 500 m away

The best rated of the resort's all-inclusives, carried by its staff. A hotel on a human scale in tropical gardens, with direct beach access and the airport ten minutes away.

- ✓ Varied morning and evening buffets, and a little welcome gift on arrival
- ✓ Staff who book the tours for you, and speak five languages
- ✓ Pool closed for maintenance from 15 January to 19 February 2027

From **€190** / night

☰ Check availability



SENTIDO Aequora Lanzarote Suites

📍 Puerto del Carmen · a 5-min walk from the beach

Suites of 32 to 42 m² and two separate buffets: one for families, the other for over-thirties only. Several pools, some of them kept for adults.

- ✓ Spacious, clean rooms, something the reviews agree on
- ✓ Entertainment team and theme nights, including the white party
- ✓ Nautilus bar and a pool reserved for over-eighteens

From **€200** / night

☰ Check availability



Grand Hyatt Playa Dorada

📍 Playa Blanca · 200 m from Playa Dorada beach

A five-star two hundred metres from Playa Dorada, with seven pools and six restaurants on the grounds. The view over the harbour and the sea comes up in almost every review.

- ✓ Sunloungers always available, with no need to reserve them
- ✓ Optional Grand Club area: separate pool, no music
- ✓ Trousers required at the restaurant, spa off limits to under-sixteens

From **€190** / night

☰ Check availability



H10 Rubicón Horizons Collection

📍 Playa Blanca · above La Mulata beach

Whitewashed buildings around a lagoon-shaped pool, above La Mulata beach. Ten restaurants and bars, and a spa with an indoor pool and Turkish baths.

- ✓ Free minibar and adults-only rooms, the quiet is praised
- ✓ Kids' club with a pirate ship and water games
- ✓ À la carte restaurants: four nights minimum and booking required

From **€190** / night

☰ Check availability



Barceló Playa Blanca

📍 Playa Blanca · 800 m from Playa Dorada beach

The best rating of the resort's all-inclusives: a big family resort a few steps from a fine beach, with heated adult and children's pools, slides, a spa and a gym.

- ✓ Main buffet very varied, the most praised point
- ✓ Swim-up rooms and an adults-only pool access
- ✓ Two à la carte restaurants at extra cost, and a compulsory wristband

From **€200** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 8.1/10

Barceló Lanzarote Active Resort

Costa Tegui - seafront, El Ancla cove

The resort built around sport: a 485 m² gym, a ten-lane Olympic pool and a cycling centre. Seven pools, eight restaurants, and direct access to the El Ancla cove.

- ✓ Supervised sports activities during the day, a range of group classes
- ✓ Evening shows well received, and no noise in the rooms
- ✓ The lowest rated of the three, and by far the biggest

From **€140** / night

≡ Check availability



★ 8.5/10

H10 Suites Lanzarote Gardens

Costa Tegui - 200 m from Las Cucharas beach

Suites with a kitchenette and lounge, bungalows with a full kitchen, and a place kept deliberately small in scale. It is all set up for families, heated children's pool included.

- ✓ Kids' club from six months to seventeen years, and two play areas
- ✓ Themed buffets three times a week, water included on half board
- ✓ Shower available after check-out, and secure parking

From **€160** / night

≡ Check availability



★ 8.6/10

Barceló Tegui Beach

Costa Tegui - on the seafront, Las Cucharas 400 m away

Adults only, right on the seafront, with a clean modern design that comes up in almost every review. Three pools, one of them indoors and one an infinity pool.

- ✓ Heated pools, the outdoor ones included, noted in winter
- ✓ Staff on hand at all hours, according to several travellers
- ✓ Some rooms have their own spa bath on the terrace

From **€190** / night

≡ Check availability



THE BEST ALL-INCLUSIVE RESORTS IN LANZAROTE

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STAYING IN PLAYA BLANCA

3 top hotels in Playa Blanca



★ TOP PICK

★ 9.0/10

Hipotels Natura Palace

Playa Blanca · on the seafront, facing Fuerteventura

An adults-only four-star right on the seafront at Playa Blanca. The coastal promenade starts at the hotel and runs for kilometres either way.

- ✓ Ocean and Fuerteventura views from the rooms
- ✓ Heated pools and landscaped garden, often mentioned in the reviews
- ✓ Half board well rated, low-key evening entertainment

From **€135** / night

Check availability



★ 8.6/10

MYND Yaiza

Playa Blanca · steps from the landscaped beach

By far the most reviewed place in the resort: a large garden hotel with several pools, some of them in noticeably quieter corners than the rest.

- ✓ Varied buffets morning and evening, everyone agrees on that
- ✓ Well-kept gardens and easy parking
- ✓ Virtual wallet on site, handy for leaving your card behind

From **€148** / night

Check availability



★ 8.8/10

Hotel Cordial Marina Blanca

Playa Blanca · steps from the Marina Rubicón

An aparthotel in the centre of Playa Blanca, steps from the Marina Rubicón. Spacious, practical rooms and a big pool that takes up the heart of the place.

- ✓ Very varied breakfast, picked out by a lot of guests
- ✓ Friendly, attentive staff, a real consensus in the reviews
- ✓ Fitness room, and shops five minutes away on foot

From **€213** / night

Check availability

3 all-inclusives



★ 8.6/10

Grand Hyatt Playa Dorada

Playa Blanca · 200 m from Playa Dorada beach

A five-star two hundred metres from Playa Dorada, with seven pools and six restaurants on site. The view over the port and the sea comes up in almost every review.

- ✓ Sunloungers always free, no need to reserve them
- ✓ Grand Club area optional: separate pool, no music
- ✓ Trousers required in the restaurant, spa off limits to under-sixteens

From **€190** / night

Check availability



★ 8.6/10

H10 Rubicón Horizons Collection

Playa Blanca · above La Mulata beach

Whitewashed buildings around a lagoon-shaped pool, above La Mulata beach. Ten restaurants and bars, and a spa with an indoor pool and Turkish baths.

- ✓ Free minibar and adults-only rooms, the quiet much appreciated
- ✓ Kids' club with a pirate ship and water games
- ✓ À la carte restaurants: four nights minimum and booking required

From **€190** / night

Check availability



★ TOP PICK

★ 8.8/10

Barceló Playa Blanca

Playa Blanca · 800 m from Playa Dorada beach

The best-rated all-inclusive in the resort: a big family resort steps from a fine beach, with heated adult and children's pools, slides, a spa and a gym.

- ✓ Main buffet very varied, the most praised point
- ✓ Swim-up rooms and a pool area reserved for adults
- ✓ Two à la carte restaurants cost extra, and wristbands are compulsory

From **€200** / night

Check availability

3 quality apartments



BUDGET

★ 9.2/10

Ona Las Casitas
 Playa Blanca · close to the beach and the ferry

Small individual houses in a human-scale complex, each with its own terrace and kitchen. Supermarkets, restaurants and the ferry to Fuerteventura are all within walking distance.

- ✓ Immaculately kept complex, the point that comes up most
- ✓ Casitas with kitchen, washing machine, dishwasher and air conditioning
- ✓ Bar-restaurant on site and a pool heated all year round

From **€90** / night

[Check availability](#)



BUDGET

★ 9.0/10

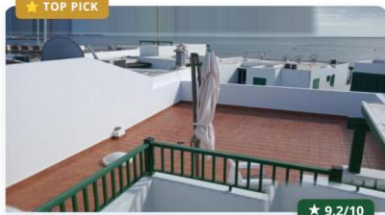
Casa Paca
 Playa Blanca · seafront residence, near the marina

A house in a quiet, secure seafront residence, with two terraces and private parking right outside the door. The supermarket is next door.

- ✓ Full kitchen: washing machine, dishwasher and even an air fryer
- ✓ Careful decor and plenty of storage, often mentioned
- ✓ Still few reviews for the property: a small sample to go on

From **€97** / night

[Check availability](#)



TOP PICK

★ 9.2/10

Apartamentos Casa Cipri
 Playa Blanca · right in the centre, 200 m from the beach

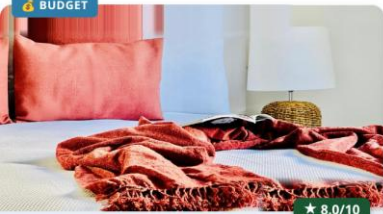
Apartments right in the centre of Playa Blanca, whose roof terrace comes up in almost every review. The harbour, the restaurants and the promenade are all an easy walk away.

- ✓ Cleanliness noted by very nearly every traveller
- ✓ Very responsive host, who shares his own restaurant addresses
- ✓ Large balcony over the pedestrian street, quiet once night falls

From **€126** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 budget places to stay



BUDGET

★ 8.0/10

Canaryislandshost 1 Room
 Playa Blanca · quiet, a couple of minutes from the beach

The lowest price in the resort, but it is a room in a shared house, with a shared kitchen. The trade-off: a location that almost every review praises.

- ✓ Spacious, air-conditioned rooms, good quality bedding
- ✓ Free street parking, easy to find
- ✓ Small fridge in the room, clothes airer, recently fitted bathroom

From **€81** / night

[Check availability](#)



BUDGET

★ 8.7/10

Casa Lorenzo in the center
 Playa Blanca · away from the crowds, a couple of minutes from the harbour

An apartment set back a little from the tourist flow but a couple of minutes from the harbour, and equipped down to the last detail: several travellers even mention the sun cream left out for them.

- ✓ Attention to detail in the equipment, which comes up in every review
- ✓ Responsive hosts, self check-in with clear instructions
- ✓ Still few reviews for the property: a small sample to go on

From **€119** / night

[Check availability](#)



BUDGET

★ 8.3/10

Palmeras Garden
 Playa Blanca · at the foot of Montaña Roja

Canarian-style bungalows spread through gardens, at the foot of Montaña Roja. A patio for drying the washing, a terrace with a sea view and free parking inside the complex.

- ✓ Decor and style of the complex, often picked out
- ✓ Gardens, pool and grounds well kept
- ✓ Check-in possible from one o'clock according to guests

From **€120** / night

[Check availability](#)



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STAYING IN PUERTO DEL CARMEN

3 top hotels in Puerto del Carmen



★ 9.2/10

La Isla y el Mar, Hotel Boutique

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet area, up on the hillside

A five-star design hotel for adults only, built from materials that answer the landscape. It sits away from the bustle, in a quiet area, and the view carries a long way.

- ✓ The pool and its bar, and the terraces laid out around them
- ✓ À la carte dining in the evening, varied breakfast
- ✓ Free parking and a gym, often mentioned

From **€338** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 9.2/10

Plus Fariones Suite Hotel

📍 Puerto del Carmen · right on the sand, in the centre

A suite hotel set straight onto a fine-sand beach, in the middle of the resort but away from the bustle. Every balcony looks out to sea.

- ✓ Spacious, well-decorated suites, everyone agrees
- ✓ Lunch and evening buffets, fish and breakfast praised
- ✓ Beach cleaned every day, free parking in the streets

From **€361** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 9.8/10

Lani's Suites de Luxe

📍 Puerto del Carmen · on the beachfront, Playa Grande side

The best score on the whole island, by some way: a five-star adults-only hotel on the beachfront, where cleanliness, comfort and staff are all rated ten out of ten.

- ✓ Staff who think of everything, the point that comes up everywhere
- ✓ Private beach, heated infinity pool and spa
- ✓ Free airport shuttle and excursions arranged on site

From **€581** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 all-inclusives



★ 8.6/10

Hotel Lanzarote Village

📍 Puerto del Carmen · facing Los Pocillos beach

A village-feel hotel, made of low buildings facing Los Pocillos beach. Volcanoes on one side, sea on the other, and a good compromise between the resort and the quiet.

- ✓ Heated pool and jacuzzi at thirty-three degrees
- ✓ Fridge, kettle and a bottle of water a day in the room
- ✓ Noisy pool in summer because of the children, flagged in the reviews

From **€155** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 9.0/10

Hipotels La Geria

📍 Puerto del Carmen · tropical gardens, Los Pocillos 500 m away

The best score among the resort's all-inclusives, carried by its staff. A hotel on a human scale in tropical gardens, with direct beach access and the airport ten minutes away.

- ✓ Varied morning and evening buffets, and a small gift on arrival
- ✓ Staff who book the tours, and speak five languages
- ✓ Pool closed for maintenance from 15 January to 19 February 2027

From **€190** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 8.7/10

SENTIDO Aequora Lanzarote Suites

📍 Puerto del Carmen · a 5 min walk from the beach

Suites of 32 to 42 m² and two separate buffets: one for families, the other for over-thirties only. Several pools, some of them kept for adults.

- ✓ Spacious, clean rooms, a consensus in the reviews
- ✓ Entertainment team and themed evenings, including the white party
- ✓ Nautilus bar and a pool reserved for over-eighteens

From **€200** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 quality apartments

★ 9.3/10

★ TOP PICK

Apartamentos Bellavista

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet street, beach 1.2 km away

Apartments run by hosts who meet you at the gate and carry the bags up. Everything is provided, down to the salt and pepper, and free parking is fifty metres away.

- ✓ Cleanliness and bedding, the two things mentioned most
- ✓ Hosts who reply within minutes, welcome basket
- ✓ Still few reviews for this place: small sample

From **€149** / night

[Check availability](#)

★ 9.1/10

TREAT YOURSELF

Rosamar Apartamentos

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet street, 5 min from the seafront

A large complex on a quiet street, five minutes' walk from the seafront and with a supermarket at the end of the road. It is the most reviewed address in the resort.

- ✓ Pool rarely crowded, with room for everyone
- ✓ Practical apartments, terrace and loungers, comfortable beds
- ✓ Midday check-out, which several travellers point out

From **€158** / night

[Check availability](#)

★ 9.1/10

Club del Carmen

📍 Puerto del Carmen · Los Pocillos, near the beach

Two-bedroom duplex villas spread across a resort, with two terraces, the upstairs one with a sea view. Heated pool, jacuzzi and bar-restaurant in the middle of the grounds.

- ✓ Very well equipped units, spotless upkeep
- ✓ The welcome from the staff, helpful and efficient, often highlighted
- ✓ The resort's bars and restaurants a few minutes' walk away

From **€327** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 budget places to stay

★ 8.9/10

BUDGET

Habitaciones Doña Cris

📍 Puerto del Carmen · up on the hill, above the harbour

The lowest price in the resort: a Canarian house with old-fashioned decor, four bedrooms, a big shared kitchen and a garden looking down over the town.

- ✓ Breakfast and the owners' welcome, mentioned again and again
- ✓ View over the town from the garden and the outdoor corners
- ✓ Shared bathrooms: one for every two bedrooms

From **€64** / night

[Check availability](#)

★ 8.1/10

BUDGET

Grupotel Cinco Plazas

📍 Puerto del Carmen · right in the centre, near the beach

A big, unpretentious complex right in the centre: hypermarket, beach and restaurants all on foot. The score stays average; the location and the price are what hold it up.

- ✓ Large supervised pool, with plenty of sun loungers
- ✓ Spacious apartments, easy to reach with a pushchair
- ✓ Small daytime music sessions, judged unobtrusive

From **€75** / night

[Check availability](#)

★ 8.8/10

BUDGET

Apartamentos Aloe

📍 Puerto del Carmen · quiet complex, 800 m from the beach

The best score in this selection: a neat, very quiet complex with a pretty pool and large, well-equipped apartments. The centre is a few minutes' walk away.

- ✓ The quiet of the complex, the point reviews mention most
- ✓ Terraces overlooking the pool, full kitchen
- ✓ Pool closed from 6 pm, flagged by one guest

From **€86** / night

[Check availability](#)

STAYING IN COSTA TEGUISE

3 top hotels in Puerto del Carmen



★ 8.9/10

Oasis Lanz Beach Mate

Costa TeguiSe · near Jablillo beach

A quiet hotel with two heated pools, rooms travellers describe as spacious and very well-kept grounds. Parking is easy right next door.

- ✓ Themed evening buffets and breakfasts, widely praised
- ✓ The welcome from the staff, the first thing reviews mention
- ✓ Home-made snacks at the pool bar

From **€160** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 8.6/10

Barceló TeguiSe Beach

Costa TeguiSe · on the seafront, Las Cucharas 400 m away

Adults only, on the seafront, with a clean modern design that comes up in almost every review. Three pools, one of them indoors and one an infinity pool.

- ✓ Heated pools, the outdoor ones included, noted in winter
- ✓ Staff on hand at all hours, according to several travellers
- ✓ Some rooms have their own spa bath on the terrace

From **€165** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ TOP PICK ★ 9.2/10

Radisson Blu Resort Adults Only

Costa TeguiSe · on the seafront, at the south end of the resort

The best score in Costa TeguiSe: an adults-only resort, big enough that you never feel on top of each other, with four pools and plenty of loungers.

- ✓ Discreet, attentive staff, the point raised most often
- ✓ Four pools, one an infinity pool with a view
- ✓ Wellness area, spa and hammam on site

From **€231** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 all-inclusives



★ 8.1/10

Barceló Lanzarote Active Resort

Costa TeguiSe · seafront, El Ancla cove

The resort built around sport: a 485 m² gym, a ten-lane Olympic pool and a cycling centre. Seven pools, eight restaurants, and direct access to the El Ancla cove.

- ✓ Supervised sports activities during the day, a range of group classes
- ✓ Evening shows well received, and no noise in the rooms
- ✓ The lowest rated of the three, and by far the biggest

From **€140** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 8.5/10

H10 Suites Lanzarote Gardens

Costa TeguiSe · 200 m from Las Cucharas beach

Suites with a kitchenette and lounge, bungalows with a full kitchen, and a place kept deliberately small in scale. It is all set up for families, heated children's pool included.

- ✓ Kids' club from six months to seventeen years, and two play areas
- ✓ Themed buffets three times a week, water included on half board
- ✓ Shower available after check-out, and secure parking

From **€160** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ TOP PICK ★ 8.6/10

Barceló TeguiSe Beach

Costa TeguiSe · on the seafront, Las Cucharas 400 m away

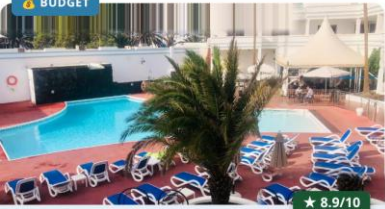
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- ✓ Heated pools, the outdoor ones included, noted in winter
- ✓ Staff on hand at all hours, according to several travellers
- ✓ Some rooms have their own spa bath on the terrace

From **€190** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 quality apartments



BUDGET

★ 8.9/10

Apartamentos Oceano

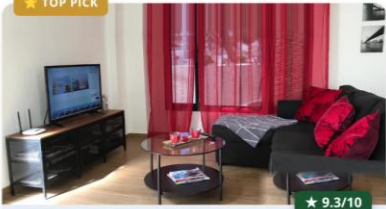
Costa Tegui - centre, near the beaches and the restaurants

Adults-only apartments, right in the centre and a short walk from the beaches. The best location score of the three, at the lowest price in the resort.

- ✓ Cleanliness noted in almost every review
- ✓ Fitted kitchen, balcony and pool, comfortable beds
- ✓ Reception books the hire car and gives advice on arrival

From **€91** / night

[Check availability](#)



TOP PICK

★ 9.3/10

Bungalow Nueva York

Costa Tegui - Playa Roca residence, near the sea

A single-storey place with its own terrace, in a gated residence with parking and a pool complex. It feels more like a small house than an apartment.

- ✓ Beds and space, coming up in nearly every review
- ✓ Pool and supermarket a few steps away, quiet area
- ✓ Detailed arrival instructions, but a thin sample of reviews

From **€118** / night

[Check availability](#)



★ 9.2/10

The Birds House

Costa Tegui - seafront, Los Charcos 600 m away

A whole 64 m² apartment looking onto the garden, with terrace, patio and private parking. The host stays in touch throughout the stay, and that comes up in every review.

- ✓ Cleanliness, the point most cited in the reviews
- ✓ Welcome with wine, water and crisps, late check-out often granted
- ✓ Three nights minimum, and children charged the adult rate from age three

From **€120** / night

[Check availability](#)

3 budget places to stay



BUDGET

★ 8.0/10

Nazaret Sol

Costa Tegui - near the shops and the beach

The lowest price in the resort: a small, unpretentious complex, deliberately plain, where the regulars come back year after year. Shops, beach and restaurants all on foot.

- ✓ Sheets and towels changed every two days
- ✓ Enough sunloungers for everyone, temperate pool
- ✓ A third bed possible on top of the sofa, appreciated by threes

From **€93** / night

[Check availability](#)



BUDGET

★ 8.2/10

Casa Gara

Costa Tegui - by the beach, quiet area

A bright, recently furnished flat in a quiet area but close to the supermarkets and restaurants. Cyclists make it a handy base for all the loops around the island.

- ✓ South- or west-facing view and aspect, sun all day long
- ✓ Large fridge-freezer and plenty of sockets
- ✓ Poorly signposted address, hard to find on arrival

From **€95** / night

[Check availability](#)



BUDGET

★ 8.5/10

Nazaret Mansion

Costa Tegui - right by the shops and the beach

The best rating in this widget: a human-scale hotel, ideally placed for getting around the island, with a restaurant whose buffet comes up in almost every review.

- ✓ Varied, well-rated buffet, morning and evening
- ✓ Smiling, attentive staff, everyone agrees
- ✓ Pool rarely crowded, even with a large group

From **€103** / night

[Check availability](#)

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STAYING IN CENTRAL LANZAROTE



★ 9.4/10

Casa Rural Vega de Timanfaya

📍 Uga · among the vines, facing Timanfaya

An 18th-century house on its own among the vines, in a walled estate facing Timanfaya. Bread oven, barbecue and sun loungers by the door, and silence for a neighbour.

- ✓ 360° views over the park and the vines, the point mentioned most
- ✓ Full kitchen and comfortable beds, the host's welcome praised
- ✓ A car is essential, weak wifi, children from six years old

From **€120** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 9.6/10

Finca de La Geria

📍 Yaiza · in the heart of the La Geria vineyards

Several separate houses set in the La Geria vineyards, a couple of bodegas away. Each bedroom has its own bathroom, and the kitchen is stocked down to everyday basics.

- ✓ Comfort and cleanliness, the two points that come up most
- ✓ Cool inside at the height of summer, sun loungers and bikes on site
- ✓ Four-night minimum, and children charged adult rates from three

From **€138** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 9.0/10

Hotel Rural Finca de La Florida

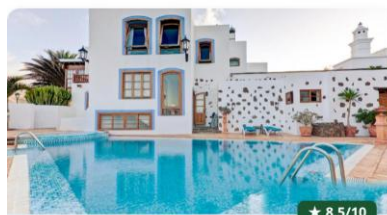
📍 San Bartolomé · in the vines, in the centre of the island

A rural hotel set in the vines in the middle of the island, decorated in the spirit of César Manrique. Two pools, a sauna, a mini-golf course and a restaurant serving its own wine.

- ✓ The staff welcome, the first point reviews mention
- ✓ Restaurant and breakfast praised, sunset over the vines
- ✓ Extra bed at twenty euros a night from thirteen years old

From **€150** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 8.5/10

La Casona de Yaiza

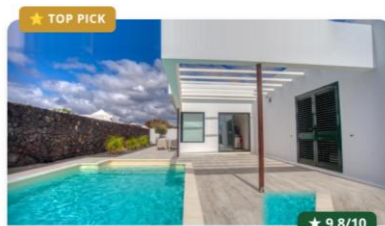
📍 Yaiza · in the village, Timanfaya close by

A landmark hotel set in an old Yaiza house, with large gardens, a saltwater pool and a hot tub. Its restaurant serves Canarian cooking with a twist.

- ✓ Charming decor and quiet gardens, often picked out
- ✓ Restaurant praised for its Mediterranean and Canarian dishes
- ✓ Rooms judged basic, no fridge and little storage

From **€124** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 9.8/10

Lava Dreams

📍 Yaiza · on the edge of the Timanfaya park

The highest score in this whole selection: a three-bedroom villa with its own big heated saltwater pool, set quietly on the edge of the Timanfaya park.

- ✓ Heated pool and full equipment, mentioned in every review
- ✓ House found better-looking than in the photos, and heating that works in the evening
- ✓ Owners quick to answer, wine and condiments left for you

From **€170** / night

☰ Check availability



★ 9.1/10

Ecofinca Aulaga

📍 Masdache · in the centre of the island, surrounded by vines

A former 162 m² wine cellar turned into a villa, standing alone among the vines of Masdache. Everything runs on solar power, and the view reaches the sea.

- ✓ Decor and cleanliness, the two points mentioned most
- ✓ Gas back-up water heater for days without sun
- ✓ Difficult access track: first gear, an SUV is advised

From **€250** / night

☰ Check availability

★ 9.3/10

Eco-Finca Curbelo

Uga · outside the village, between Yaiza and La Geria

An old building turned into an adults-only finca, set apart from Uga. Its heated salt-water infinity pool looks over the gardens and comes up in almost every review.

- Gardens and upkeep, consistently praised by guests
- Attentive staff, and access adapted for reduced mobility
- Soundproofing between the units could be better, several say so

From **€140** / night

Check availability

★ 9.2/10

Suites Bene Lanzarote

La Asomada · up on the heights, in the centre of the island

Self-contained units with their own private pool, up above La Asomada. Breakfast is delivered to the door every morning, and the view reaches the coast.

- Quiet and open views, the two points that come up most
- Very well-kept terraces and gardens, open-air tub
- No air conditioning, hard going in a spell of real heat

From **€155** / night

Check availability

★ 9.2/10

César Lanzarote Boutique Hotel

La Asomada · in the centre of the island, up high

The most expensive five-star in this selection, adults-only and perched in the centre of the island, facing the volcanoes. Heated infinity pool, spa, airport shuttle and soundproofed rooms.

- Elegant design and the view, the first two points mentioned
- Attentive staff and a varied breakfast, a consensus
- Dinner menu judged short on variety by several guests

From **€533** / night

Check availability

★ 9.0/10

B&B Hotelito el Campo

Yaiza · at the edge of the village, Timanfaya 7 km away

Ten rooms above the El Campo restaurant, at the edge of Yaiza, a village voted the best-kept in the Canaries several times over. By far the lowest price in this selection.

- Thirty-square-metre rooms, terrace with a view, fridge and kettle
- Coffee, tea, water and cake on arrival
- Stairs only, no children, linen costs extra

From **€80** / night

Check availability

★ 9.4/10

La Casita del Volcán

Ye · at the far north, Mirador del Río 4 km away

A 45 m² cottage set at the far north of the island, the volcano behind and the ocean in front. At night, a starry sky that nearly every review describes.

- Isolation and silence, exactly what every traveller comes for
- Very responsive hosts, clean and well-equipped place
- Cash only, bank transfer before arrival, no children

From **€90** / night

Check availability

★ 9.0/10

Casa El Morro

Uga · in the gardens, Yaiza 1.5 km away

Whitewashed 18th-century cottages and a Mongolian yurt, set in gardens around a heated pool. Massages and yoga classes twice a week.

- Decor and the charm of the place, mentioned in almost every review
- Complete quiet and the pool area, described as an oasis
- No breakfast served, and yoga and massages both cost extra

From **€135** / night

Check availability

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SAMPLE ITINERARIES

ONE WEEK TO DISCOVER LANZAROTE

With a hire car

A week in Lanzarote, with a car, lets you see the most beautiful spots on the island but also laze about a bit and do a few nice activities. This itinerary is here to let you enjoy the island without stress and without doing too much, which is exactly why the car matters.

Car hire:

- Rent a car at Arrecife airport for the whole stay
- Given what the rental costs (between €6 and €15 a day), there's not much financial risk
- No need for a big car or a lot of comfort, it's just that in summer it can get hot, so air con is worth having
- The good local rental companies are Cicar, Autoreisen, Topcar
- But you ABSOLUTELY have to compare the companies against each other using the comparison sites
- Compare using [Discover Cars](#) and/or [Rental Cars](#), two companies you can trust



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Where to stay:

- You'll have seen the possible options in the previous sections. If you want a quiet resort, then Playa Blanca, with hotels like the [Hotel Cordial Marina Blanca](#) or a [nice house right by the sea](#).
- If you want a nice village, then Tegui, which is really central, pretty and quiet. If you want to treat yourself, there's [the Hôtel Boutique Palacio Ico](#). For something more standard, [this nice 50m² house](#), really handy!



TEGUI - HISTORIC CENTRE

Palacio Ico, a gastronomic boutique hotel in the heart of Tegui

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 9.3/10 · Fabulous · 277 reviews · location 9.8/10 · staff 9.7/10

A four-star boutique hotel in the heart of Tegui, the old capital of Lanzarote, built around a flower-filled patio with several shaded corners. Rooms and suites are described as spacious, bright and full of character. The village restaurants are 50 m away, Famara beach 7 km.

The hotel patio, a real haven of peace. The restaurant delicious and a wide selection of wines. — Guillaume, France

- ✓ Home-made breakfast, praised in most reviews · fresh local produce, vegetarian and gluten-free options
- ✓ Attentive staff, evening restaurant much appreciated · massages on site at extra cost
- ✓ Children accepted from age 10, no extra beds · free public parking in the street, Wi-Fi rated 8/10

From **€220** / night

[Check availability](#)



PUERTO DEL CARMEN - CENTRE

Rosamar Apartamentos, quiet duplex flats near the beach in Puerto del Carmen

★ ★ ★ ★ ½ 9.1/10 · Fabulous · 2,365 reviews · staff 9.6/10 · location 9.5/10

An apartment complex of duplex flats on a quiet street in the centre of Puerto del Carmen, 300 m from the ocean and two minutes from the seafront avenue. Each flat has a kitchenette and a balcony over the garden. Lanzarote airport is only 4 km away.

The complex was exceptional. Very well placed, close to the shops and the beach. — Dominique, France

- ✓ Beach, restaurants and supermarket on foot, a location guests rate highly · quiet street, a step from the seafront avenue
- ✓ Large pool with plenty of loungers, never crowded according to reviews · spacious, well-equipped flats, bar on site
- ✓ Check-in only between 3 pm and 5 pm, to be announced in advance · credit card required, cash not accepted

✓ Free cancellation

From **€145** / night

[Check availability](#)

DAY 1 – ARRIVAL IN LANZAROTE

- [Pick up the car](#) at Lanzarote airport
- Arrival at your [accommodation](#)
- Take your time getting to know the town you're in, do the food shopping
- And take the chance to go and laze about on the beach

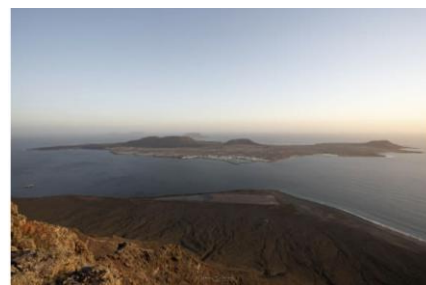
DAY 2 – A DAY IN THE VOLCANOES

- Set off early to visit **the volcanoes of Timanfaya**. Watch out, it's the most touristy (and the most beautiful) place on the island, and booking is not possible, first come, first served. So if you turn up late, you'll be waiting a long time
- Finally, take on the brilliant walk up **Caldera Blanca**, one of the finest hikes on the island. Watch out, you need good shoes because you walk across lava fields. And keep an eye on the time, because the sun goes down really fast!



DAY 3 – EXPLORING THE SITES IN THE NORTH

- Start the morning with **the Jardin de Cactus**, really nice, but it doesn't need much time
- Then head off to **Jameos del Agua**, it's quite something
- Right after that, you go across to the other side of the road, to the **Cueva de los Verdes**, a really nice lava tunnel to visit*
- Since time goes by very fast and the sun sets early, you need to go and watch the **sunset at the Mirador del Rio**. You can visit the site, which is pleasant, but it isn't compulsory. You can just make do with the insane view.
 - If you'd rather have somewhere less touristy, there's the **mirador de Guinate** which has pretty much the same view



DAY 4 – BEACH AND SHORT WALKS

- Now a bit of lazing about, head to the **beach at Papagayo!** Loads of really nice little beaches, and watch out, driving in costs money (€3) but it's well worth it.
 - If you want to see Papagayo differently, you can see them [from a boat](#)! The views over the beaches and the volcanic island are magnificent
 - Otherwise you can also go [kayaking](#) in the crystal-clear water
- In the afternoon, go **for a walk up a volcano!** It isn't marked on the maps, but climb this one ([google maps location](#)) near del Golfo. The view is insane.
- Then, to round off the day, go and watch **the sunset at El Golfo** and you can take the chance to have dinner there in one of the many fish and seafood restaurants



★ 4.7/5

The mini-cruise, the light option

Playa Blanca · Lineas Romero (1 hr 30 to 3 hrs)

A catamaran to the sheltered bay of Papagayo, then an hour at anchor to swim, snorkel, slide down the water slide or flop into the nets.

- ✓ Mask and snorkel provided, slide to jump into the water
- ✓ The cheapest of the three, departures possible from Marina Rubicón
- ✓ ⚠️ Crew in English and Spanish · neither meals nor drinks included, on sale on board

✓ Free cancellation

From **€35** / person

See the cruise



POPULAR

★ 4.8/5

Kayaking and snorkelling at Papagayo

Playa Blanca · Kayak Lanzarote (3 hrs 30)

An hour of paddling at the foot of the cliffs to Papagayo, a cave on the way, then three quarters of an hour snorkelling and a break on the beach before heading back.

- ✓ Guided outing, kayak and snorkelling gear provided
- ✓ Snack on the beach and photos of the trip included
- ✓ ⚠️ From age 5 · two hours of paddling there and back, best to be reasonably fit

✓ Free cancellation

From €59 **€45** / person

See the activity



★ 4.8/5

The catamaran with lunch on board

Departure Puerto Calero · Catlanza (4 hrs)

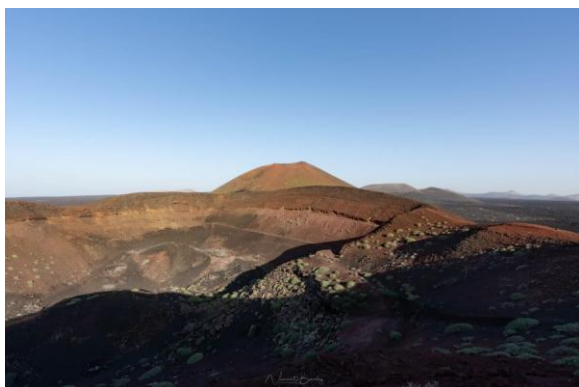
An hour under sail along the volcanic coast, two hours at anchor off Papagayo with slide, kayak and paddleboard, then hot pasta served on board and unlimited drinks.

- ✓ Lunch, beer, wine, cava and soft drinks included
- ✓ Slide, kayak, paddleboard, snorkelling and a yoga session on deck
- ✓ ⚠️ Check in 30 min before departure at Puerto Calero

✓ Free cancellation

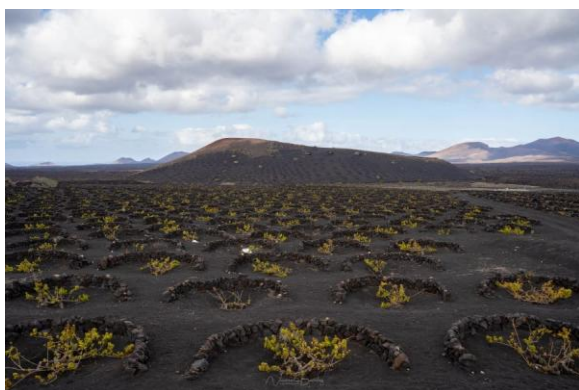
From **€85** / person

See the cruise



DAY 5 – BEACHES AND WINE

- Because you're also here to laze about, in the morning **enjoy the beach** next to your accommodation. Whatever town you're in, you're bound to have one right there.
- In the afternoon, head for the LZ-30, which is **the wine route**. You'll see all the vines, which are magnificent, and obviously take the chance to do some tastings! You've got the famous bodega La Geria, but also [El Grifo](#) which you can visit.
- And on this route you've also got **plenty of craters**, and you can walk around them, like El Cuervo.



Lanzarote: tour and tasting of six wines at the El Grifo bodega

★★★★★ 4.9/5 · Exceptional · 373 reviews · 2 hrs · 10 people max · adults only

With the head sommelier of El Grifo, founded in 1775: the wine museum, a walk through vines planted in volcanic ash, then a tasting of six wines with island cheeses. Malvasía, listán negro and syrah on the programme.

The whole thing is perfect from start to finish, the setting works beautifully and money has been put into building a genuinely immersive experience. The wines and the cheeses are excellent and the guide was spot on!
— Mas Ventura, France

- ✓ Guides who know their subject, explain it well and are funny with it · no question left unanswered
- ✓ Well-paced tour, you never get bored for a second
- ✓ ⚠ Tour in English or Spanish · some would have liked more time for the tasting

✓ Free cancellation

From **€50**

[Check availability](#)

DAY 6 – HIKING AND TEGUISE

- This morning, for anyone who fancies a feast for the eyes and a workout for the calves, [a hike in the park at Timanfaya](#).
- Head to **Tegüise** for lunch and to visit the pretty little town in the afternoon, it's really lovely.



9 KM AT AN EASY PACE

Lanzarote: guided hike through the Timanfaya lava fields

★★★★ 4.8/5 · Exceptional 1,556 reviews · 3 hrs · 10 people max

With Geotrekking Lanzarote, in the Los Volcanes nature park next to Timanfaya: lava fields, old craters and the climb up a volcano, with a guide explaining the island's geological history. Hotel pick-up optional, snack and water provided.

Superb. We had a great time. The landscapes are magnificent and we felt like the only people in the world. Small group and a warm atmosphere. The guide is passionate and explains things well. — Chanterel, France

- ✓ Passionate guides who know the geology inside out · regular stops to explain the landscape
- ✓ Pace adapted to the group, attention paid to anyone struggling to keep up
- ✓ ⚠ Intense heat and stony paths, closed shoes required · guide in English or Spanish

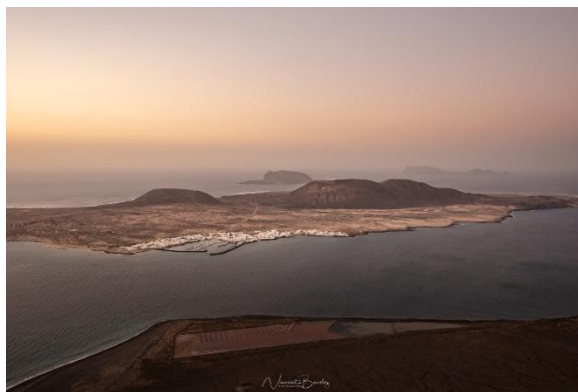
✓ Free cancellation

From **€44**

[Check availability](#)

DAY 7 – VISITING THE ISLAND OF LA GRACIOSA

- You've got several options for visiting it.
 - [Either you take the ferry](#) from Orzola, you explore by renting a bike and you come back at the end of the day
 - Or you discover La Graciosa on a really nice [catamaran cruise](#) around the island



The ferry, under your own steam

Orzola → Caleta de Sebo · Líneas Romero (30 min)

A thirty-minute crossing from Órzola, then the island all to yourself, on foot or by bike, with a return at the time of your choosing during the day.

- ✓ Flexible return all day, with no fixed time
- ✓ Free parking at the Órzola terminal and wifi on board
- ✓ ⚠ Crossing only: no guide, no meal, no hotel transfer

✓ Free cancellation

From €29 / person

See the ferry



The jeep safari on the island

Caleta de Sebo church · Yotomu (1 hr 30)

Once ashore, a jeep tour of the island: Pedro Barba, the basalt arches of Los Arcos and Playa de las Conchas, ranked among the finest beaches in Europe.

- ✓ Meeting point 200 m from the jetty, three departures a day
- ✓ Jeeps seating 6 to 8, to combine with the ferry on the first card
- ✓ ⚠ Commentary in Spanish · ferry not included, unless you take the open-ticket option at €77

✓ Free cancellation

From €45 / person

See the tour



The catamaran and its paella

Departure from Órzola · Líneas Romero (6 hrs)

Ferry to Caleta de Sebo, time enough to walk round the village, then nearly four hours of catamaran: anchoring at Playa Francesa, snorkelling, kayaking and paella cooked on board.

- ✓ Ferry, hotel shuttle and 45 min free in the village included
- ✓ Paella, fresh fruit, draught beer, sangria and soft drinks unlimited
- ✓ ⚠ No landing on the beaches · catamaran sometimes crowded · no shuttle from Playa Blanca on Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays

✓ Free cancellation

From €66 / person

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THE BEST THINGS TO
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Seeing Lanzarote without a car

If you don't have a car, don't panic, you can obviously still see the main spots on the island. As we saw earlier, the bus network is very good for linking the towns to each other, but not the tourist sites, not even the major ones.

So you'll have to go through the tour operators, the taxis (watch out for the scams) and the bike rentals.

But in practical terms, if you don't have a car, I imagine it's mainly because you want to rest and enjoy the beaches and the comforts of the hotel. And you're quite right!

So, for a week without a car, here are the main visits I'd recommend:

- Visiting **Timanfaya**, it's a half-day tour that picks you up at your accommodation and includes the transport and the bus at the very least
 - [Info & booking](#)



Lanzarote: half a day in Timanfaya national park

★★★★½ 4.4/5 · Highly rated · 2,871 reviews · 5 hrs · hotel pick-up

By coach along the volcano road, which you can only take with the park's official guides: craters, red and black lava fields, then the geothermal demonstrations at the Islote de Hilario, where water shoots up as a geyser in seconds. Camel ride optional, to be paid in cash on site.

The pace and the length of this tour suited everyone in our group. We all found something that interested us. — Jonny, United Kingdom

- ✓ Guides who explain things well and reassuring drivers · very narrow roads inside the park
- ✓ Short format, ideal with children
- ✓ ⚠ Little free time at the visitor centre, very busy · the park is seen from the coach

✓ Free cancellation

From **€59**

[Check availability](#)

- The **César Manrique sites** in a day (Mirador del Río, Jardín de Cactus, Jameos del Agua...)
 - [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: a day on the trail of César Manrique

★★★★½ 4.6/5 · Highly rated · 465 reviews · 8 to 9 hrs · guided tour

The artist's major works in one day: Monumento al Campesino, Mirador del Río facing La Graciosa, Jameos del Agua inside a lava tunnel, Jardín de Cactus and his house, now the César Manrique Foundation. Lunch optional, around €18, or bring a picnic.

The itinerary was well planned, with enough time at each stop to take photos and soak up the atmosphere. A wonderful day, and worth the price. — Donna, United Kingdom

- ✓ Guides who know their subject and are good fun, careful drivers · air-conditioned coach
- ✓ Jardín de Cactus often named as the highlight
- ✓ ⚠ Stops at the Jameos and the Foundation a bit short, some say · reviews split across three languages

✓ Free cancellation

From **€85**

[Check availability](#)

- But if you want to be efficient, then you can see **all the major sites** in a day! Timanfaya, Jameos del Agua, Mirador de Guinate, Cueva de los Verdes...
 - [Info and booking](#)



Lanzarote: the island in a day, from the north to Timanfaya

★★★★½ 4.7/5 · Highly rated · 3,390 reviews · 9 hrs · hotel pickup

Cueva de los Verdes and Jameos del Agua in the north, the Guinate viewpoint facing La Graciosa, the Haría valley, La Geria wines, the geysers of the Islote de Hilario at Timanfaya, then the green lagoon of El Golfo. Site entry included or not depending on the option chosen.

The whole day was very well organised, with no rush. We had plenty of time to enjoy everything and take incredible photos. — Faye, United Kingdom

- ✓ Guides and drivers much appreciated, punctual pickup
- ✓ Good value for seeing the whole island · far cheaper than a taxi
- ✓ ⚠ Very long day · guide in English and Spanish · lunch and camel ride to pay for on top

✓ Free cancellation

From **€51**

[Check availability](#)

- You can hop on a bus to **Tegwise** and do a guided tour
 - [Discover the free tour of Tegwise](#)
- A boat trip to the beaches of **Papagayo**
 - [Discover the boat trips to Papagayo](#)



Lanzarote: Catlanza catamaran to Papagayo, lunch and drinks

★★★★★ 4.8/5 · Exceptional · 433 reviews · 4 hrs · departure from Puerto Calero

An hour under sail along the volcanic coast, then two hours at anchor off Papagayo: swimming, snorkelling, kayaking and paddleboarding, before a lunch of pasta, salad and papas arrugadas with mojo. Beer, wine, cava and soft drinks unlimited, free parking at Puerto Calero.

Great trip with a really nice crew! The atmosphere on the boat is excellent, the food delicious, and if you have questions they are always there to answer them. — Laurence, France

- ✓ Passengers grouped by language, with a guide · limited number of places
- ✓ Attentive crew, glass always topped up
- ✓ ⚠ Hotel transfer is a paid option · the bus is sometimes late

✓ Free cancellation

From **€85**

[Check availability](#)

- And possibly a trip over to La Graciosa, not having a car is no handicap with the following tour operators



★ 4.6/5

The ferry, shuttle included

📍 Hotel shuttle → Órzola → La Graciosa · Lineas Romero (6 hrs)

Shuttle from your hotel to the port of Órzola, a thirty-minute express ferry, then the island at your own pace: white beaches, sand tracks and the largest marine reserve in Europe.

- ✓ Return shuttle from the hotel and the crossing included
- ✓ On the island from 11 am to 4 pm, on foot or by bike, free wifi on board
- ✓ ⚠️ No guide and no meal · no shuttle from Playa Blanca on Mondays, Wednesdays and Sundays

🟢 Free cancellation

From **€40** / person

See the ticket



★ 4.5/5

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GETTING AROUND LANZAROTE

DO YOU REALLY NEED TO RENT A CAR

Getting around Lanzarote is simple, but not that simple in fact.

As we'll see, there's **a good bus network**. That said, the buses link the towns to each other, at a decent frequency. But when it comes to the **tourist sites**, right away **it gets more complicated**.

We saw it in the descriptions of the sites, almost **none of them are served by the buses**. No mirador, no Timanfaya, no Papagayo (unless you're staying next door). So it's complicated.

So, without a car it's complicated if you want to do the full round of the tourist sites.

If you only want to see a few of them and mostly enjoy the beach and doing nothing, then a car isn't essential, because the tour operators are there for you.

Upsides of renting a car

- It really doesn't cost much, as we're about to see
- It gives you all the flexibility to visit the tourist sites you want
- It works out cheaper than the tour operators
- You can see the island faster than by bus, especially for the tourist sites in the north
- Lets you get to little spots that are adorable like Tenesar

Downsides of not having a car (but every downside has a backup solution)

- It's more complicated to reach the tourist sites
- You depend on the buses
- And above all on the tour operators to see the island

In conclusion: renting a car turns out to be really useful, and cheap. But if you don't have a licence, if you'd rather not rent one, that is absolutely no obstacle to visiting Lanzarote! It takes a bit of organising, that's all.

Because the tour operators are there for you, a few buses too, and worst case, there's loads of beaches right next to your hotel 😊



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RENTING A CAR IN LANZAROTE

Lanzarote is one of those places, like all the Canary Islands in fact, where renting a car is super simple and cheap. In the next article, I explain in much more depth [how to rent a car in Lanzarote](#).

How much does renting a car in Lanzarote cost

- It doesn't cost much!
- In low season, from €5/6
- In high season, around €15 a day
- And petrol is very cheap in the Canaries too

So renting a car really won't blow your budget, and that's a nice feeling!

Which rental company to book with

In Lanzarote you have all the international rental companies and several very good local ones, which is what I recommend because I've used them on every trip and it all went really well:

- CILcar
- Topcar
- Autoreisen

But the most important thing is to compare! Prices can vary a lot from one day to the next, from one company to another. Some companies offer prices that are very (too) low, so you have to check how credible they are.

Use the comparison sites! They let you see the reviews of the companies, compare prices between companies and between car types. It's essential. I mostly use:

- [Discover Cars](#)
- [Rental Cars](#)



Which type of car to rent

Quite honestly, any car will do the job. The drives are never long, I'd just advise having air conditioning because it can get hot. But an SUV isn't needed at all because the roads are in excellent condition, just think about having enough room for the number of people in the car.

Can you travel to the other islands with the rental car

No problem at all, with the various ferries that link the islands!



GETTING AROUND WITHOUT A CAR

If you don't have a car, you'll be able to get around Lanzarote without any trouble, by bus, by taxi or even by electric bike! Let's have a look. If you want even more info, in the next article I give you [the maps, the timetables and the lines for seeing Lanzarote by bus](#)

Using the buses to get around Lanzarote

The bus network is excellent in Lanzarote. As you can see on the network map below, all the towns and villages are connected to each other.

But you can also see that the centre is left out, there's no bus going through the volcano area, past Timanfaya. Same for the Mirador del Rio.

And there are only a few buses going up north: 8 a day to Máguéz on line 7, 5 to Órzola on the 9, 4 to Yé on the 8. So you need to watch out for that.

The **bus lines website** for Lanzarote is [Arrecifebus](#). Handy, it's got the maps for every line as well as the timetables.

The app to use is **InterCityBus**, with loads of information. But don't use the planner Moovit, it's VERY bad and unreadable.

As a bus planner, just use Google Maps. Works really well.



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The other ways of getting around

Taxis and ride-hailing

To keep it simple, **there is no ride-hailing**, no Uber, in Lanzarote.

So you have to use the taxis. Except that taxi prices are a bit opaque, do absolutely check that it's an official taxi. Taxis are run by the municipalities, which is why it's hard to find the prices in advance, apart from the airport prices, although those vary enormously from one year to the next (they go up fast).

Check that they start the meter at the beginning of the ride. You see quite a few accounts of people being had.

Getting around by bike

Now this is really handy. In every town you have bike rentals. Normal bikes or electric ones for more comfort. Even though the island is relatively flat, it does climb towards the volcanoes.

Bike prices start at €15 a day, and more like €30 for an electric bike.

It's a normal way of getting around in Lanzarote, you can come across (it happened to me) cycling teams coming over to train. Since the roads are good and the driving safe, it isn't a dangerous thing to do. Especially as in more and more places (above all in the north) you'll find cycle lanes.



Using tour operators to discover the island

Otherwise I talk about them quite a bit in the guide, but if you want to discover the island with someone showing you round, if you don't drive, the best thing is to go through the tour operators. There are plenty of them on the island, and they really do provide a lot of activities.

As we've seen, they'll take you to all the tourist spots on the island, following different programmes. Some are packed solid, others run over half a day. That one is really up to you, depending on your pace. But what's certain is that there's bound to be a tour that suits you.

In the presentation of the tourist sites, I've put in the various matching tours and the ones that caught my eye, bearing in mind that the most important thing is value for money and customer feedback. And the transfer from your hotel too, obviously!

Is this guide useful?



It is *free* and it will stay that way. If you want to help keep it going, use the links in this guide or in the articles: [it costs you nothing more](#). Or you can buy me a virtual coffee, that always makes my day :)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

[What you'll find in this article](#)

WHEN TO VISIT LANZAROTE

To make your life easier (and mine too, while we're at it), I've put together a summary table of activities, prices and info, month by month.

It lets you work out the right time to come when you want to do one thing or another.

With the little line of my favourite months, in spring and September, fewer people, less heat (even if it's never really hot), lower prices.

Anyway, here's the summary table below, and above all in the next article I really set out [the upsides and downsides of Lanzarote month by month](#).



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When is the best time to visit Lanzarote?

Honestly? **All year round!**

It's mild, dry, sunny. No cold, no heatwave, no rain (or almost none).

👉 If you want to avoid the crowds and the prices climbing: **May, June, September**, those are ideal.

👉 If you want to escape the winter back home: **from December to February**, Lanzarote is a little corner of paradise at 22°C.

Is the weather good all year round?

Yes, and it's not a myth. The island's nickname? *"The island of eternal spring"*.

☀️ Temperatures between 19 and 29°C depending on the month.

☁️ Rain? Almost never.

☀️ The result: you can turn up in a t-shirt in January without looking like a lunatic. Right, one thing though — in the evening get the jumper out, it's a touch chilly in winter.

Lanzarote doesn't really have a rainy season. It can rain a little between November and January, but light rain, drizzle, nothing nasty. That's what I got when I came in January. It absolutely doesn't stop you visiting and enjoying yourself!

👉 The "wettest" month is **January**. But wet as in "3 days of micro-rain in the month".

When can you swim in Lanzarote?

From **May to November**, the water is good (20 to 23°C). But it's still the Atlantic, so it's hard to warm up.

In winter, it's a bit cooler (18-19°C) but very doable for those who don't feel the cold and for the Bretons.

👉 Plenty of people swim all year round. Otherwise, a little **wetsuit**, and that's sorted. The surfers do just that

What is the water temperature month by month?

- **January to April:** 18–19°C (cool but doable)
- **May to July:** 20–21°C
- **August to October:** 22–23°C (the best)
- **November/December:** 20–21°C

👉 One extra bonus: the water is **very clear**, so perfect for snorkelling!

Is Lanzarote pleasant in winter?

Completely. It's even **the best time** if you want to escape the grey skies and the puffer jackets in Europe.

- 21–23°C during the day
- Little wind
- Fewer people (outside the Christmas holidays)
- And you can eat out on a terrace while everyone else scrapes their windscreen 😬

Is it windy in Lanzarote? Which period should you avoid?

Yes, there is wind. It's the **trade winds**, and they blow mostly **in summer** (June to August).

- Upside: it cools things down
- Less good: on some beaches it gives your towel a bit of a shake.

👉 If you want to **avoid the wind**, that means—**October to May**.

👉 Otherwise, aim for the **sheltered beaches in the south** (Papagayo, Flamingo, Mujeres).

HOW TO GET TO LANZAROTE

Getting there by plane from the UK

Good news: from the UK, Lanzarote is served all year round, and the choice gets really wide between October and April, when all the winter sun flights pile in. Count roughly 4 hours 15 in the air. The fares below are returns for one adult, found for a week in January, so take them as a floor, not a promise.

- **London flights:**
 - Ryanair, around twice a day from Stansted, all year round, from £60 return
 - Jet2, several flights a week from Stansted and Gatwick, from £75 return
 - easyJet and British Airways also fly from Gatwick and Luton, with 15 flights a week from Gatwick alone
- **Manchester flights:**
 - Ryanair, several flights a week, from £77 return
 - Jet2, several flights a week, from £79 return
 - easyJet also flies the route, 13 flights a week in total
- **Birmingham flights:**
 - Ryanair, several flights a week, from £68 return
 - Jet2, several flights a week, from £137 return
 - easyJet also flies the route, 11 flights a week in total



Getting there by plane from the other islands

The Canary Islands are all really close to each other, so it's dead easy to fly in from Tenerife, Gran Canaria...

There are two airlines doing the inter-island routes:

- Binter and Canaryfly, the two local airlines running loads of short hops between the islands
- From Lanzarote, they serve Gran Canaria and Tenerife North

The flights are short and not too expensive, without being a steal. Watch out when you look it up, don't pick the "local" price, but roughly it works out, starting from:

- Lanzarote – Gran Canaria, €60
- Lanzarote – Tenerife, €50

Getting there by boat from the other Canary Islands

Now this one's really handy, there's a good ferry network between the islands. It means you can travel nice and easy (I love taking the boat) and see some great scenery.

Among other things, the boat crossings are pretty quick and cheap, and above all they let you bring the car if you want to keep it while you travel to the other islands. One catch though – you have to return it to the same place or it'll cost you an arm and a leg.

There are 3 companies leaving from Lanzarote (from Playa Blanca, and from Arrecife for Gran Canaria), prices are almost identical, and so is the service:

- **Fred Olsen crossings:**
 - Lanzarote – Fuerteventura, €70 for a car and 2 passengers
 - 12 to 13 crossings a day, 25 minutes on the fast catamaran, 35 on the standard ferry
- **Baleària Canarias (ex-Naviera Armas) crossings:**
 - Lanzarote – Fuerteventura, €67 for a car and 2 passengers
- **Líneas Romero crossings:**
 - Doesn't take cars!

Make sure you select the non-resident prices! Locals pay a lot less, so it doesn't apply to tourists

There are several boats a day, every day. So do compare to work out which boat to take, with something like [Direct Ferries](#).



**FIND YOUR FERRY
FROM LANZAROTE!**

How to get from Lanzarote airport to your accommodation

Here it's really simple if you haven't got a car. There are 3 options: buses, taxis and private drivers. Each has its upsides and downsides, but it stays very simple as you'll see.

- **By bus**, you either pay cash on the bus, or you get the bono, the card you top up (and it gets you 10% off). It's the cheapest option, fares run from €1.40 to €4 depending on the distance. Don't forget that the best journey planner app is Google Maps, or their site [arrecifebus](#).

Their own app is really bad:

- **Puerto del Carmen** – bus 161, 20 minutes from the airport
 - **Costa Tegui** – bus 22 to the Intercambiador in Arrecife, then bus 1, about 45 minutes from the airport, two tickets to pay
 - **Tegui** – bus 22 (23 at the weekend) to the Intercambiador in Arrecife, then bus 7, 8 or 9, about 50 minutes from the airport, two tickets to pay
 - **Playa Blanca** – bus 161, 55 minutes from the airport, €3.30
 - Playa Blanca and Puerto del Carmen are connected to the airport by buses 61, 161, 162, 162D and 22D, but with very different timetables
- **By private driver** – it's really handy because someone is waiting for you at the airport and, above all, you know the price in advance, which is far from the case with taxis, where little surprises are always waiting for you. There are also shuttles that are really not expensive. Prices from (and to) the airport are:
 - **Airport – Arrecife**
 - Shared shuttle: €6 per person
 - Private vehicle: €32 per vehicle
 - 9-seater vehicle: €40 per vehicle
 - **Airport – Puerto del Carmen**
 - Shared shuttle: €6.50 per person
 - Private vehicle: €35 per vehicle
 - 9-seater vehicle: €53 per vehicle
 - **Airport – Playa Blanca**
 - Shared shuttle: €10.50 per person
 - Private vehicle: €73 per vehicle
 - 9-seater vehicle: €100 per vehicle
 - **Airport – Costa Tegui**
 - Shared shuttle: €8 per person
 - Private vehicle: €40 per vehicle
 - 9-seater vehicle: €60 per vehicle
 - [Book your driver at the airport](#)

HOW LONG TO STAY IN LANZAROTE

Honestly, I stayed **8 days**, two of those on La Graciosa, and I thought that was just right. The island is small, you can get to everything easily, there are loads of places to see, some really nice hikes, but also huge scope for lazing about on the beach. So there's a bit of everything. In a week you really won't get bored, and you won't be rushing, and that's cool.

Otherwise I'd say the absolute bare minimum, if you're planning on visiting several islands, is **3 full days**, before heading off by ferry to Fuerteventura. That's enough to take the island's pulse and it'll leave you wanting to come back. But I find that a bit of a shame.



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

What languages do people speak in Lanzarote

Obviously, everybody speaks **Spanish**. But since it's very touristy, a lot of people in tourism and in the shops in the resorts speak **English**. You do come across German here and there, but it stays relatively marginal outside the hotels (it's much more widely spoken on the other islands).

Local currency and payment - How to pay there

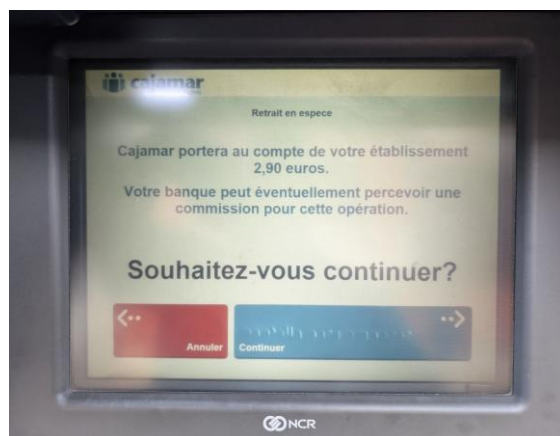
The currency is the euro.

Card payment has become really widespread these last few years, you can pay just about everywhere and there's no minimum amount (and that's cool).

The euro means no fees. Yes but...

You don't pay any fees when you pay by card (assuming your main account is in euros). However, **cash machines in the Canary Islands charge a fee on every withdrawal!** Watch out for that one.

That's why I stick to paying by card, no nasty surprises.



Do you need a visa to come to Lanzarote

It depends where your passport is from. But it's in Spain, it's in the European Union and in the Schengen Area, so no European country needs a visa.

60 other countries are visa-exempt, like Canada, the United States, Australia, the United Kingdom...

But watch out, from the 2nd half of 2025 (so it seems), those exempt countries will need an ETIAS, the equivalent of the ESTA but for the Schengen Area.

Safety in Lanzarote

Honestly, you feel really good there! I'm not saying everything is lovely, that it's like Norway. Let's say it's a bit like the climate: generally very pleasant, with a few nuances worth knowing.

Lanzarote is considered **one of the safest islands in Spain** (and therefore in Europe). The crime rate is low, and most travellers have a trip there without a single problem.

It's **really not a risky destination** – no major social tensions, no areas to avoid, no problem with safety at night.

That said, there is a growing number of pickpockets. As everywhere, tourist spots sometimes attract opportunist thieves:

- in the markets, like the Teguise one on Sundays
- in very busy areas like Puerto del Carmen or the beaches at Papagayo
- in hire cars, especially parked near isolated natural spots

A few basic but effective tips:

- Don't leave anything on view in your car.
- Keep an eye on your things in crowded places.
- No need to be paranoid, just alert.

But very honestly, it's fine!

WHO AM I

Well then, I'm Vincent, from the blog [Vincent Voyage](#) (super original, isn't it!)

I've been in love with Norway, Iceland and the Nordic countries for many years, and I now spend several months up there enjoying the quiet of the region and its fantastic landscapes, all under the northern lights of course.

Being particularly drawn to volcanic landscapes, the Canary Islands are inevitably somewhere I feel good, so I go there as often as I can. Hence this guide on Lanzarote, and others will follow on the other islands!

I'm also a travel blogger, so specialising in [Norway](#), the [northern lights](#) but not only that! I love two others just as much—[Iceland](#) and the [Loire Valley castles](#). I have a passion for Burma and [Peru](#) and I dream of going back to New Zealand.

This blog is mainly here to show that it's simple. Travelling is simple and I try to answer every question I asked myself. Because whatever questions you're asking, you're not the first, so I'll try to make travel simpler for you 😊

If you want shortcuts to my blog articles, here's what I can offer you, on [the Canary Islands](#) and plenty more:

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SOCIAL MEDIA

You can find me on several social networks:

- **Instagram:** photos and videos mainly about Norway and the northern lights. Account: [Vincentvoyage](#)



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- **My page on Facebook:** photos and videos but not only that! I show my work, other people's work, and it's an easy place to chat with the community. It's really simple for sharing and I often ask people what they think about different topics.
Account: [Vincentvoyage](#).



You can contact me at contact@vincent.voyage

And if you're interested in Norway, you can join us on the [Norway Facebook group](#) too!

HOW TO SUPPORT THE BLOG AND THE FREE CONTENT

Despite what some people might think, **the blog and photography are not my job**. It's a **passion I pursue in my free time**, like writing the guides. The upside is that I don't want it to become a job, precisely so I don't lose that freedom and that passion (and besides, I love my "real" job, which I have no intention of giving up).

I try to make the blog bring in a bit of money while being as transparent as I can with readers.

I don't work with tourist boards, I don't advertise for them, and everything you see here in this guide, if I tested it, it's because I paid for it and I liked it. So you won't have any problem with how truthful my opinions are 😊

If I haven't tested something, it's because I checked that the reviews were good and that the quality really was there.

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This guide on Iceland isn't the first one! before this one on Lanzarote, I had already finished three guides:

- One on [Norway](#)
- Another on [the Loire Valley castles](#)
- A third on [Iceland](#)

And they are available in English. You just have to click on them to download them!

More are coming. A Spanish translation already, but also guides dedicated to the following destinations are in the works:

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- Rome
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