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ANDALUCÍA, SPAIN





# Holidays

WELCOME TO OUR  
LATEST HOLIDAY BROCHURE...

**The Almanzora Group specialises in providing a choice of holiday lifestyles and private rental accommodation at Desert Springs Resort, located within the Almanzora Region of south eastern Spain, situated only a 2½ hour flight from all parts of the UK and Europe.**

## LEISURE LIFE AT DESERT SPRINGS RESORT

Desert Springs is a stunning world-class award-winning family resort and desert golf course. The Lodge @ Desert Springs offers high quality private rental accommodation in a choice of apartments, townhouses, Pueblo and Country villas, all with pools, set beside the emerald green fairways of the unique and stunning Indiana Desert Golf Course.

Choose self-catering, or indulge yourself and opt for bed and breakfast, half board or full board, which are all available at the resort's award winning restaurants.

With more than 25 years of experience, expertise and enthusiasm, you can trust us to provide you with the perfect holiday. We are dedicated to providing you with a friendly, first class service at all times and are committed to offering holidays at the most competitive prices.

You can view our full range of accommodation at [www.desertspringsresort.es](http://www.desertspringsresort.es) or if you prefer, just give us a call and we'll be delighted to help you.

**We look forward to hearing from you soon...**

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# DESERT SPRINGS RESORT

# OUT OF THIS WORLD... CLOSE TO HOME!

## EASILY ACCESSIBLE...

Almeria International Airport is the local airport for the Almanzora region and Desert Springs Resort. An easy 40 minute drive along the A7, which skirts the Cabo de Gata Natural Park and the majestic Cabrera Mountains, brings you to the Almanzoran Valley.

The region is also served by two other international airports, Murcia, 75 minutes and Alicante 120 minutes away by car, again all via the A7, making the area easily accessible with 2½ hour chartered and scheduled flights from all parts of the UK and Europe.

## TRANSFERS

Your dedicated travel advisor can arrange transfers from the airport for you; in 4 seater taxis through to 55 seater coaches.

## CAR HIRE

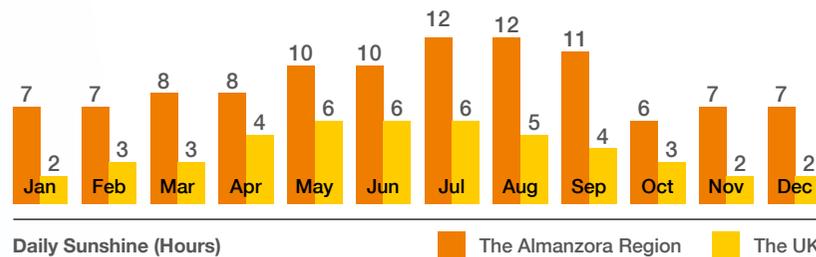
There are various rental companies available that have offices at Almeria, Alicante and Murcia airports. But for local car hire, we recommend local companies. We receive no commission, but a small discount is applied for our Clients. These companies are always very reliable.

## THE BEST CLIMATE IN EUROPE...

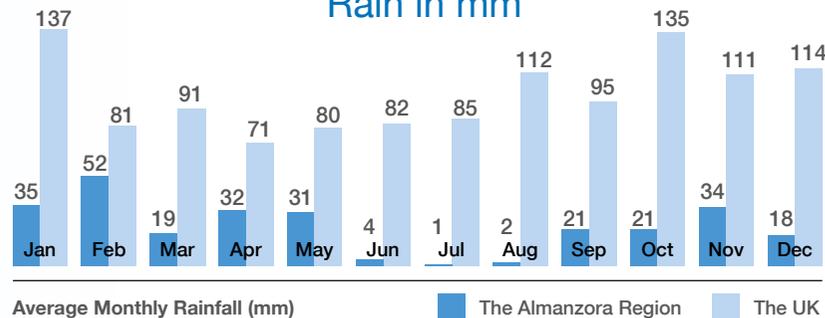
The Almanzora climate has some truly unique qualities, there is nowhere else like it on the continent.

- The most sunshine in all Andalucia
- The least rainfall in the whole of Spain
- The warmest and driest winter in all Europe
- In winter, the average maximum daily temperature is 19°C (67°F) from October to March.

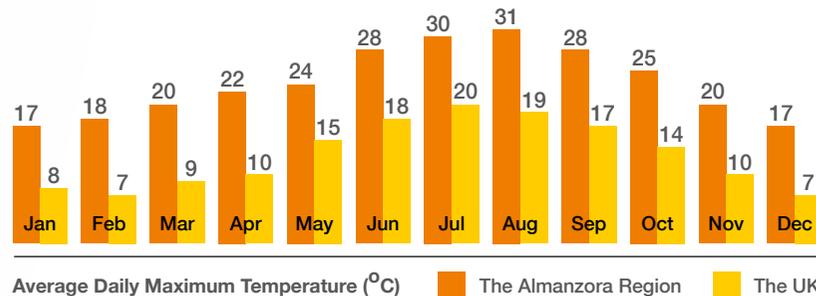
## Sunshine Hours



## Rain in mm



## Warmth °C





# EXPERIENCE THE FREEDOM AND FLEXIBILITY OF AN ALMANZORA HOLIDAY

Whatever holiday experience you're seeking you are sure to find it, most of all in a private holiday home. Whether you want to get away from it all, spend time on the beach, enjoy the serenity of Desert Springs, or be more active and take advantage of the leisure or sports facilities available at Desert Springs, private holiday homes allow you the freedom to do just what you want, when you want and at your own pace.

## SHARE OUR PASSION FOR THE LUXURY LIFESTYLE OF A PRIVATE HOLIDAY HOME

Private holiday homes offer an extremely relaxed and sophisticated feel for your holiday. Both more exclusive and luxurious than a conventional hotel; there's no doubt you will enjoy more space and privacy.

It allows you the freedom to eat in or out-there are no set meal times!

You may decide to visit a nearby market to sample the fresh local produce, choose to prepare a traditional meal or perhaps opt for a BBQ on the terrace..

Of course, you may prefer to dine at one of the local restaurants or tavernas and enjoy a long lunch, or a romantic evening meal before strolling back to your holiday home for a night cap.

Whatever your preference, you will certainly get more exposure to the local community and experience more cultural aspects of your chosen destination. Something you can rarely say about an "all inclusive hotel"!



## PLAN TRIPS TO YOUR OWN TIMETABLE

Whether you want to see the sights without being hurried along or prefer to leave the well-trodden tourist tracks behind, a private holiday home offers you the chance to get out and see it all, at your own pace.

## TIME AND SPACE TO RELAX AND UNWIND

Some days you may wish to do nothing more than relax, and your own private holiday home with its natural privacy is the perfect place to do just that. Sit back on the terrace with a book and cool off with a dip in the pool.





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## BUILDING YOUR PERFECT HOLIDAY

The Almanzora Group Ltd. does not sell flights or car hire. For your own protection, flights should only be booked with Agents who carry a bond (e.g. ABTA, ATOL). The Almanzora Group Ltd. is however happy to provide assistance with flights through Agents who carry such bonds and specialise in flights to Almeria, Alicante and Murcia airports. Similarly, we are pleased to assist with car-hire on your behalf. You pay for flights and car hire direct to the supplier.





## CHOOSE YOUR IDEAL HOLIDAY HOME

It's easy to find the holiday home that's best suited to you, either in our brochure or on our website. This brochure offers a sample of our properties, whilst the full range of apartments, townhouses, pueblo and country villas can be seen by browsing our website.

## CHOOSE YOUR BOARDING BASIS

Select from full board, half board or bed and breakfast, which are all available at the resorts award winning El Torrente restaurant (open 365 days a year) and The Crocodile Club restaurant open seasonally, or choose self-catering.

To help you see the features of each property at a glance, the following icons are displayed throughout our website, [www.desertspringsresort.es](http://www.desertspringsresort.es)



Property sleeps



Number of bedrooms



Number of bathrooms



Air Conditioning



Wi-Fi Access

## GETTING TO YOUR HOLIDAY HOME

Your personal Travel Advisor will assist you throughout the whole process – guiding you through a range of options such as low-cost, scheduled or charter flights, car hire or transfers – to make sure everything is arranged exactly as you'd like it.

## COURTESY REFRESHMENT PACK

Upon arrival, you will find in your holiday home a simple refreshment pack that we provide as a matter of course, containing a small selection of tea, coffee, sugar, milk and of course bottled water.

## ALL YOU NEED ON ARRIVAL

Make the most of your holiday, as soon as you arrive at your holiday home, by booking one of our special welcome packs. Each pack contains essential goodies and groceries, so you don't have to rush straight out to the supermarket.

The following welcome packs are available to order on booking. They will be ready and waiting in your accommodation on arrival to provide that extra special sense of home and occasion:

- **Celebration pack**
- **Breakfast pack**
- **Family pack**
- **Snack pack and drinks pack**

Please find details on our website in the Holidays section, under the information tab, see All About Reservations – Pre-ordering Special Requirements. Prices are according to numbers in party to be catered for.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Again, when making your Holiday Reservation, you need to consider whether there are any special requirements that you should make us aware of in advance, so that we can ensure that your needs are already catered for on arrival. This way you kick straight off with a real relaxing hassle free holiday that we all hope you can enjoy from the first moment.

We can deal with the following frequent requirements, but do let us know if there is anything else that would make your holiday just that little bit more enjoyable.

- **Ground floor accommodation**
- **Welcome Packs, Clubhouse Groceries List**
- **Cots and high chairs**
- **Extra cleaning**
- **Maid service**

# WHY BOOK WITH THE ALMANZORA GROUP?

We know what it means to have every detail taken care of when it comes to your holiday. After all, this is the most important time of your year, so we want to make it as safe, magical and stress-free as possible.

## BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE : QUALITY AND FLEXIBLE HOLIDAYS YOU CAN TRUST

We provide all Guests with the maximum reassurance we can offer to counter the consequences of COVID-19 and to give you the confidence to book with us!



We have introduced a **'Peace of Mind Guarantee'** on all holidays booked

directly through ourselves, which sets out the options available to you right up to your scheduled arrival date if holiday plans are disrupted as a direct consequence of Government imposed COVID-19 restrictions.



Desert Springs Resort has been awarded the **'Andalucía Segura'** (Andalucía Safe) certificate which confirms that we comply with the Security measures and material necessary for health protection as set out in the official Junta de Andalucía Tourism Guide.

Additionally, the Resort has developed its own **'Safe Hands Charter'** which sets even higher standards of hygiene, health and safety for staff, owners and guests alike.



All restaurants at Desert Springs Resort have been awarded the **'SICTED Seal**

**of Good Advanced Practices'** for the reduction of the risk of infection by the SARS-CoV-19 coronavirus in the tourism sector. The SICTED tourist services distinguished in this process have implemented and passed an evaluation that guarantees strict compliance with all requirements set out in the SICTED COVID-19 Advanced Good Practices, offering our guests a more controlled and safer service.

## WE'RE DEDICATED TO QUALITY

Every holiday home we feature has to meet the health and safety standards and rental criteria of our expert 'Property Management' team based in Spain, so you can be confident we are offering the best that's available.

## A PERSONAL SERVICE

When you book a private holiday home, you will enjoy the service of your very own personal travel advisor who can advise you of the very best of everything in the area, and how to make the most of your holiday.

## MEET AND GREET SERVICE UPON ARRIVAL

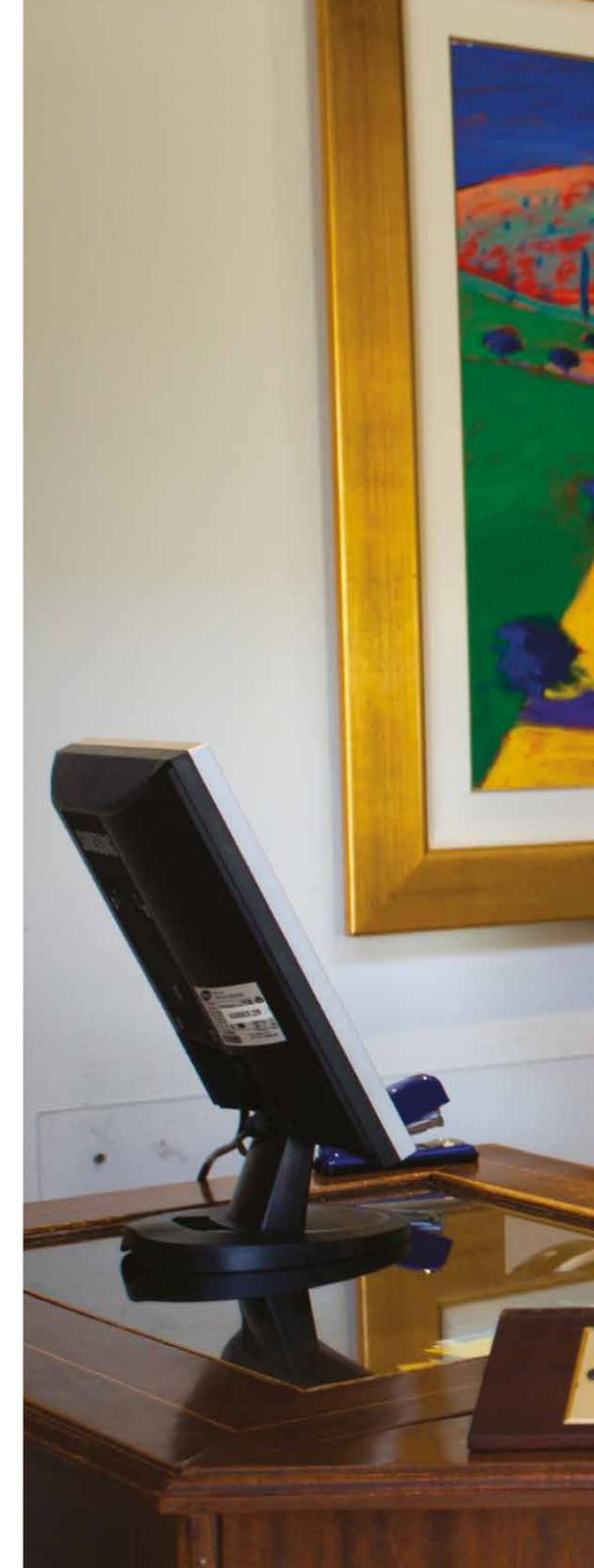
On arrival at your holiday destination, a member of our staff will greet you and complete registration and check in formalities, prior to explaining the local and resort facilities, showing you to your accommodation, demonstrating its features and handing you the keys.

## EVERYTHING ARRANGED FOR YOU

Our clients really do value the flexibility and convenience of booking all the key elements of their holiday with us, safe in the knowledge that they will get the most competitive price. Whether you'd prefer to discuss your needs with us on the phone or you'd rather do it all yourself on our easy to use website, it couldn't be easier.

## HAVE IT ALL AT AMAZINGLY LOW PRICES

As a direct sale operator rather than a travel agent, there are no middlemen commission payments to make, meaning you also benefit from holiday offers at the lowest prices.





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# Booking your holiday with THE ALMANZORA GROUP



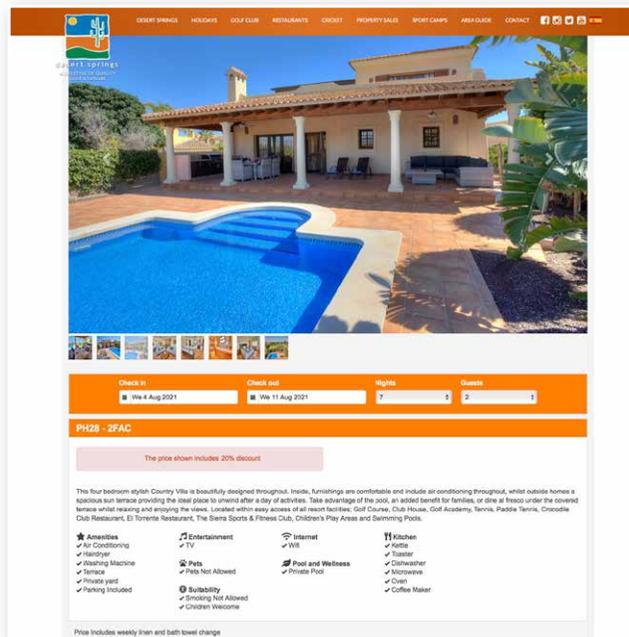
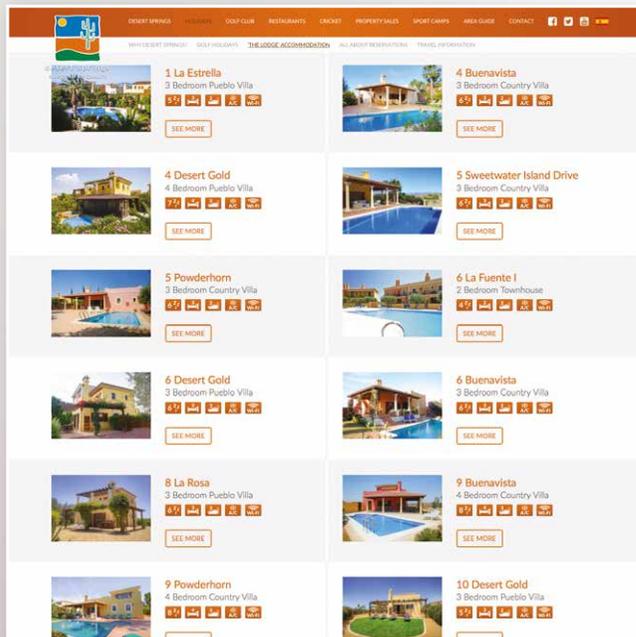
Once you have had the opportunity to look through our brochure, we offer a variety of different ways to find out more, or to book your perfect private holiday home.



Best of the Best

## SEARCH OUR ACCOMMODATION AND BOOK ONLINE

On our website, you can view our full range of properties, complete with extra information and photos. Here you will also find out more about Desert Springs.



## GIVE US A CALL

Our Travel Advisors are always happy to talk through your holiday requirements and give advice on the properties you have selected.

Call us free on: **0800 177 7051**

Once you have chosen your accommodation, you can also take advantage of our live online availability and direct booking option.

Visit [www.desertspringsresort.es](http://www.desertspringsresort.es)

“ We have just returned from a stay at your lovely resort and would like to thank you all most sincerely for making this trip so enjoyable.

The level of care you all gave us whilst we were there was absolutely amazing, nothing was too much trouble.

We will definitely recommend Desert Springs to friends and family.

**Sandra B**







# Private rentals at The LODGE@DESERT SPRINGS RESORT



The Lodge accommodation is individually set around the Indiana Desert Golf Course, in an extensive range of large country and pueblo villas, townhouses and apartments.



# APARTMENTS

Beautifully furnished two and three bedroom apartments complete with air conditioning are set within the securely gated communities of Las Sierras, within easy access of all resort facilities.

They are set in courtyards, around swimming pools, gardens and classical Spanish patios.

Living rooms have sun terraces, with a single or double aspect, and their location gives them tremendous views to the golf course, the sea or surrounding mountain ranges.

Each property has the use of parking areas, gardens, swimming and paddling pools and a private roof solarium.

Inside the layout, finishes and fittings are high quality throughout with fully fitted kitchens, and smart modern bathrooms.

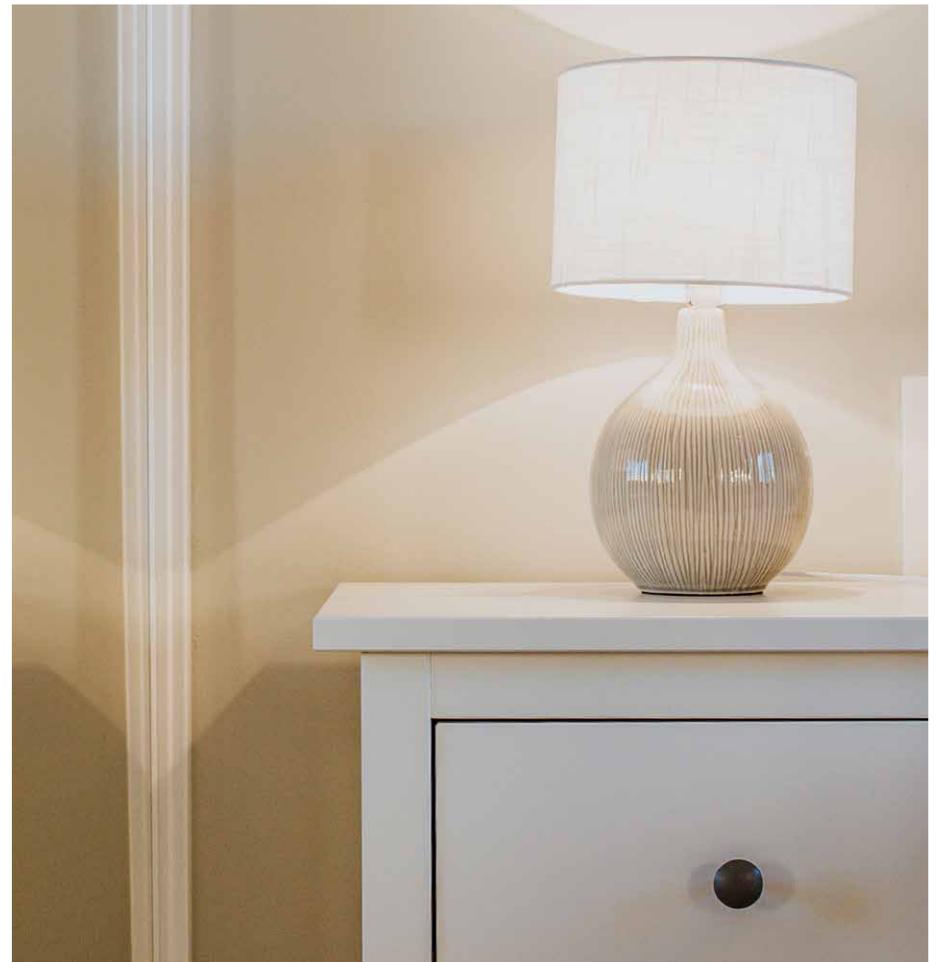




# STYLISH MODERN INTERIORS

CONTEMPORARY SPACIOUS DESIGN | NATURAL LIGHT





# LUXURIOUS BEDROOMS

COMFORT | STYLE



## AL FRESCO DINING

GOLF | MOUNTAIN RANGE | MEDITERRANEAN SEA VIEWS



## TOWNHOUSES

Two and three bedroom wonderfully furnished Townhouses complete with air conditioning at Las Sierras, all set within a securely gated community overlooking swimming pools, gardens and a tranquil Andalusian patio lined with orange trees, with some fronting the golf course and all within easy access of all resort facilities.

The Townhouses located at La Fuente are set within a private garden of bold tropical colours with direct access to the communal swimming pool and garden area and views that overlook the golf academy.

All living rooms feature fireplaces, and natural wood joinery. High quality fittings throughout, with sleek, fully-fitted kitchen, attractively tiled bathrooms and airy modern bedrooms.

Most have a private patio, but also share gardens, swimming and paddling pools. Each property has a parking area.



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# PUEBLO VILLAS

These delightful individual two, three, and four bedroom Villas are set within the quiet, internal gardens of the communities at 'Desert Gold', 'La Estrella', 'Echo Rock' and 'La Rosa'.

The Pueblo Villas provide privacy and tranquility, however, they are conveniently located within easy walking distance of all resort facilities.

Beautifully furnished and complete with air conditioning. The lounge patio doors lead to a delightful sun terrace benefitting from sun loungers, dining facilities and a built

in barbecue. Great for lazy lunches or evenings dining alfresco.

Each Villa has a large terrace at first floor level, a private garden with a pergola, a garage or underground parking.

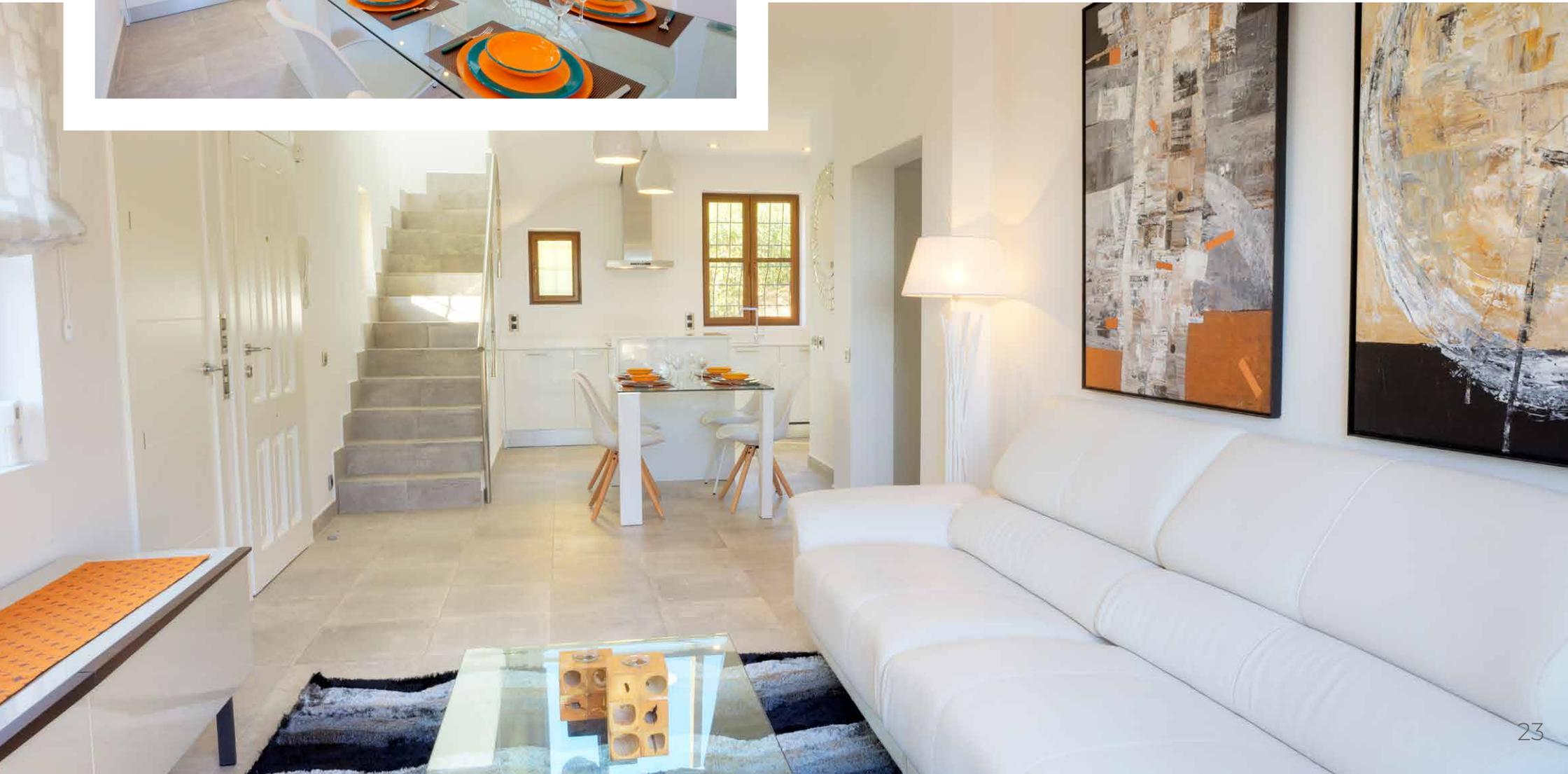
Guests also have access to the communal gardens and individually designed swimming pool.

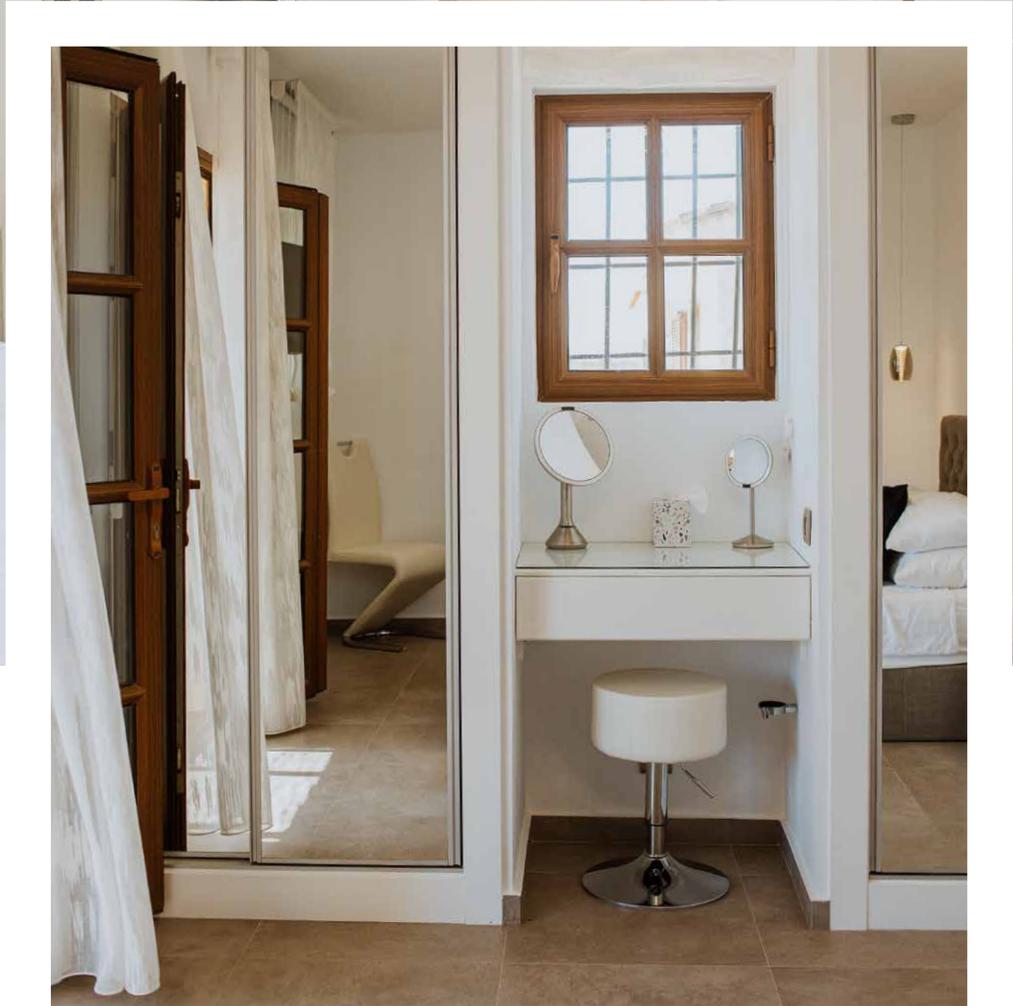




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CONTEMPORARY SPACIOUS DESIGN | NATURAL LIGHT





# LUXURIOUS BEDROOMS

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## AL FRESCO DINING

OPEN SPACES | GARDEN VIEWS



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## COUNTRY VILLAS

These are large, stylish three and four bedroom detached country villas complete with air conditioning, overlooking the emerald green fairways of the Indiana golf course. Their design faithfully reflects that of the larger country “cortijos” and “haciendas” of the Almazora and Spanish Levante region.

All have a gated front court, a private walled garden with spectacular views, and a private swimming pool.

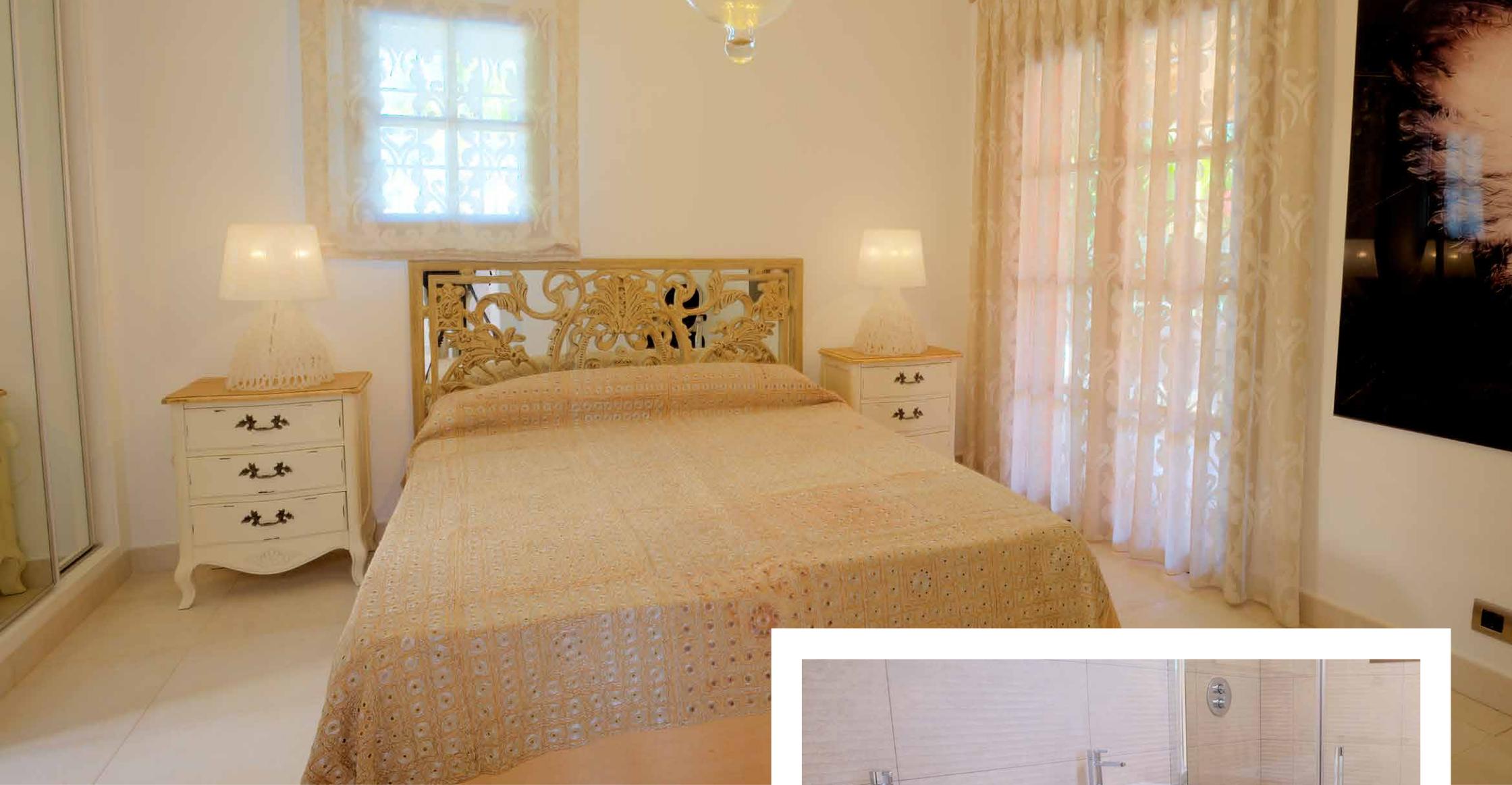
They have extensive, cool colonnaded verandas, with large family and private roof terraces above. The joinery, fittings,

tiling and finishing throughout are of the best and most luxurious quality, with fully fitted kitchens, bathrooms, wardrobes, cloakrooms etc. Each property has a single garage or large underground parking area.

# STYLISH MODERN INTERIORS

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# LUXURIOUS BEDROOMS

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## AL FRESCO DINING

OPEN SPACES | GARDEN VIEWS

Entrance



## COMMUNITIES & ROADS

- a** Las Sierras del Desierto
- b** The Gap
- c** Sierra Drive
- d** La Fuente de la Palmera
- e** La Rosa del Desierto
- f** El Puente de Piedra
- g** Sweetwater Island Drive
- h** Desert Drive
- i** La Estrella del Desierto
- j** The Powderhorn
- k** Echo Rock
- l** Buenavista
- m** El Tomahawk
- n** Altavista Trail
- o** El Oro del Desierto
- p** Rockaway
- q** Flat Bends

# DESERT SPRINGS RESORT MAP

## WHERE ITS AT

- A** The Lodge Reception  
The Golf Club House  
The Clubhouse Boutique  
El Torrente Restaurant  
Resort Information Centre  
Property Sales Centre
- B** The Caddy Master  
Golf Buggies and Trollies  
Mountain Bikes
- C** The Academy of Golf  
Driving Range  
Golf Practice Facilities
- D** The Crocodile Club Bar & Restaurant  
El Chiringuito Pool Bar  
Swimming Pool  
Jacuzzi and Splash Pool  
Children's Pool  
Sun Lawns  
Children's Play Bunkers  
Toddler's Play Pit  
Table and Video Games  
Future Championship Mini Golf
- E** The Sierra Sports & Fitness Club  
Gymnasium  
Tennis, Paddle Courts  
Beach Volleyball  
Kick About Area  
Basketball  
Boules/Petanque  
Exercise Steps  
Boxing Bob and Junior  
Future Skittles
- F** La Réserve Privée  
The Day Spa @ Desert Springs  
Sauna/Jacuzzi Suite  
Private Aerobic Gym  
Billiard Room  
Bodega/TV Room  
Home Cinema  
Bodega Dining Room  
Al Fresco Private Dining
- G** First Tees  
Jogging / Trim Trail Start
- H** La Cueva del Almanzora Bar  
Private Dining Gallery
- I** The Lodge Office  
Property Management  
Community Association
- J** Football Pitch  
Cricket Academy
- K** Cricket Ground
- L** Santa Rosa Springs
- M** La Fuente del Polvo
- N** Powder Wash
- O** Powder Creek
- P** Steamboat Lake
- Q** Sweetwater Lake
- R** Future El Velero Restaurant
- S** Tiburon Lake
- T** The Hacienda
- U** Boulder Wash
- V** The Well of the Drowned
- W** Wildcat Wash
- X** Rocking Chair Gate
- Y** El Castillo y Mirador





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# Leisure life at DESERT SPRINGS RESORT

Desert Springs is a world-class award winning family resort and desert golf course. The Lodge @ Desert Springs offers high quality holiday accommodation in individual apartments, townhouses and villas, all with pools, set beside the emerald green fairways of a unique and stunning International desert golf course.

Desert Springs has lifestyle and recreation activities for everyone, offering a range of exceptional family, leisure and golf facilities.



The success of Desert Springs can, quite simply, be put down to the standard of service maintained throughout... it is the epitome of service. It has customer service honed to a fine art. It is service of the highest calibre carried out by staff who give the distinct impression that they enjoy what they are doing.



**Eamonn Power  
in Andalucia Golf**



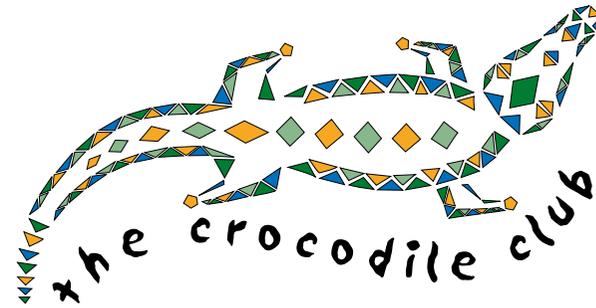
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## Family life at THE CROCODILE CLUB



The Crocodile Club is the family heart of the resort. Parents will enjoy the Rosewood Bar, cool, “natural” rock-set swimming pools, Jacuzzi, sun lawns, and the Chiringuito pool bar; a perfect alternative to the local beaches and the kids will love the sand play bunkers, kick around areas and games room. Seasonal opening, see website for details.





## POOLS AND SUN LAWNS

The large irregular shaped main pool, chilling-out pool and Jacuzzi are set within natural rock, cascades, and are cooled by an occasional fine mist. The main pool features underwater music and has a contra current to swim against. The fresh “desert springs” water, treated by a saline purification system, is free of eye stinging chlorine and is a delight for young and old. The pools are surrounded by cool grass sun bathing lawns, where families and friends can enjoy relaxed, leisurely days, looked after by our friendly pool bar team.

## SAND PLAY BUNKERS

The Croc Club is really for families and there are three very large sand filled play “bunkers”, complete with an exciting wooden house on stilts, lots of platforms; a wobbly bridge, slides, scrambling nets and rocks.

There is also a completely separate toddlers’ play area and a separate young childrens’ pool, with its own cascade, and an extremely friendly resident crocodile. Happily, you can watch over your little ones from the safety and extreme comfort of the Rondavel.

## EL CHIRINGUITO POOL BAR

Serving light lunches and a range of superb healthy fruit punches – of both the innocent and the more grown up variety, the pool bar is a great place to lounge and ‘shoot the breeze’. The tiny shop offers casual beachwear, sandals, kikoi wraps from Kenya, sunglasses, sunscreen and other requisites for long sunny days.

## EL CHIRINGUITO & THE CROC POOL OPENING HOURS

**2<sup>nd</sup> July to 29<sup>th</sup> August**

**Tuesday to Sunday – from 11.00hrs to 18.00hrs**

# Family dining at THE CROCODILE CLUB

This is the Resort Centre of Desert Springs





The Crocodile Club is housed in an enormous African style, thatched long house built by South African craftsmen, using traditional poles and reed from their country.

The "Croc" features an eclectic menu of Mediterranean, Pacific Rim, and Thai dishes. It offers fresh fish and grills, Pastas and Pizzas, and Desert Hamburgers; lots for kids and something special for adults. Tables are available in the restaurant around the open fire, on the terraces, or outside in the semi-secluded terraced garden.

### THE CROCODILE CLUB RESTAURANT

Due to ongoing circumstances as a result of Covid-19, the Crocodile Club will not be open this summer – we apologise for any inconvenience.

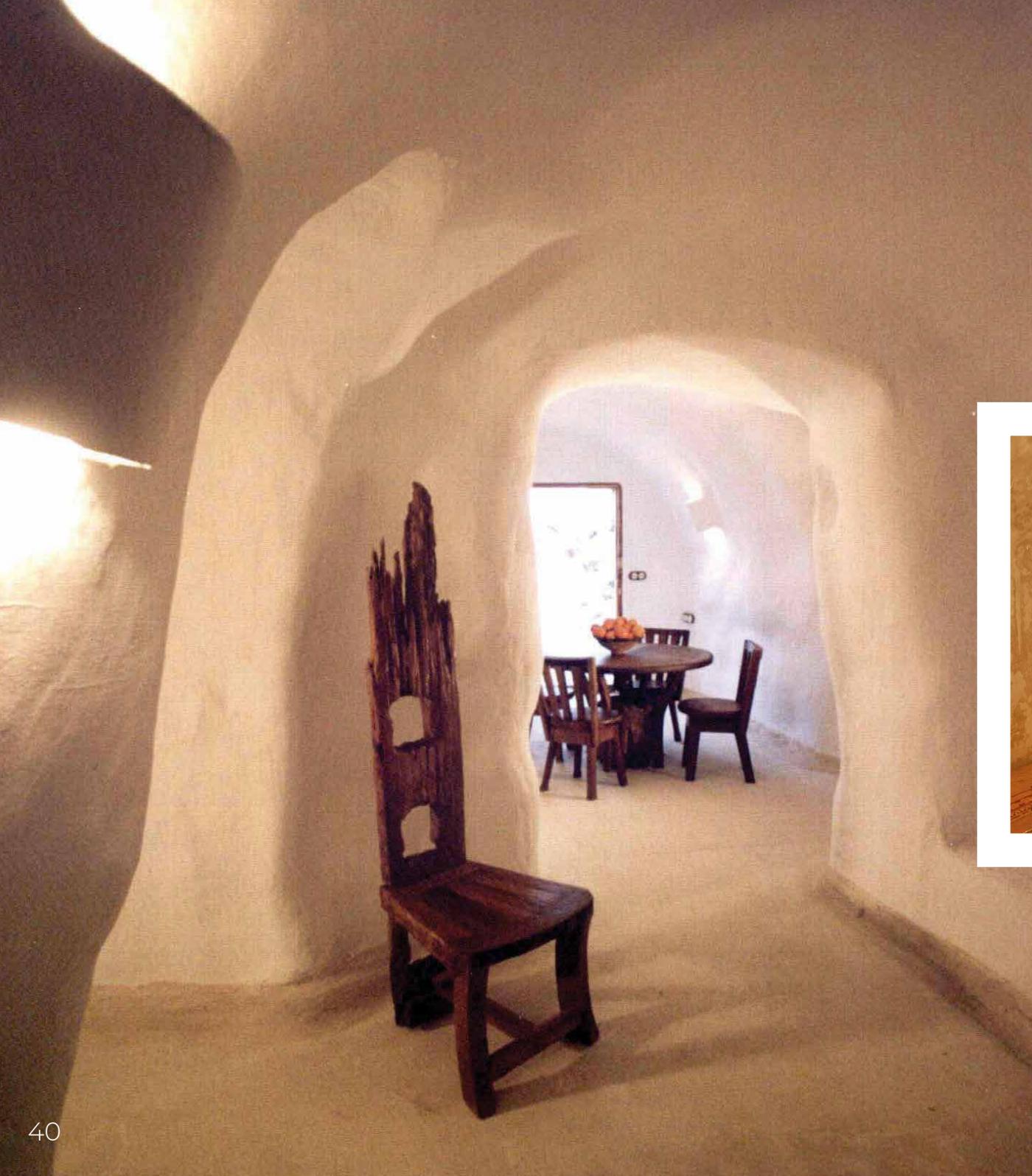


### THE ROSEWOOD BAR

The bar is made of huge trunks of old dried rosewood from the Namibian desert. It features a circular sitting-out area; an open sided "Rondavel" looking out, African style, over the local wildlife at the water holes, to the surrounding plains and the sea.

When open this is the number one meeting place in the resort for early, and indeed not so early, evening drinks and features a delicious, but dangerous, selection of "croctails".





## Private dining at THE CAVE BAR

Known as La Cueva del Almanzora, this original refurbished cave has a cool subterranean bar and offers an extraordinary private meeting room and an exclusive, atmospheric private dining area in its underground gallery.



“ The Cave Bar was an exceptional venue for my celebration. All of our guests loved it!

Special thanks to the chef and staff, the food and service was absolutely first-class.

We all now have memories to treasure forever and look forward to returning soon.

**Scott W and family**

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# Fine dining at EL TORRENTE

El Torrente is Cuevas del Almanzora's premiere restaurant and it is situated within the Club House.





**Within a stunning setting, the restaurant, surrounded by water, looks out over Powder Creek and its Cascade.**

El Torrente is famous for its fine Spanish dining, including several very special local dishes and fresh fish. The main restaurant is open every day of the year for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

It also provides a Bar and Deck Menu, with a wide choice of light bites available throughout the day, including tasty soups, tapas, salads, burgers, pasta, wraps and filled ciabatta.

Bed and breakfast, half and full board packages are all available.



Advanced Good Practice Secure Destination Seal



El Torrente Restaurant Awarded The Trade Leader Club New Millennium Trophy for Tourism, Hospitality and Gastronomy



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Qualifying School Venue



Desert Springs Resort  
Tour Championship Venue



Desert Springs Resort  
Best Golf Resort for Groups

EUROPE'S ONLY AWARD WINNING

# GOLF LIFE at Desert Springs

Championship Golf is only the beginning...

The Par 72 international championship Indiana course, built to USGA specifications, provides not only Europe's only award winning desert golf course, but an unparalleled golfing experience.



Real Federación Española de Golf



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The Golfers' Choice Outstanding Leading Courses



The Global Golf Tourism Organisation

# CHAMPIONSHIP DESERT GOLF COURSE

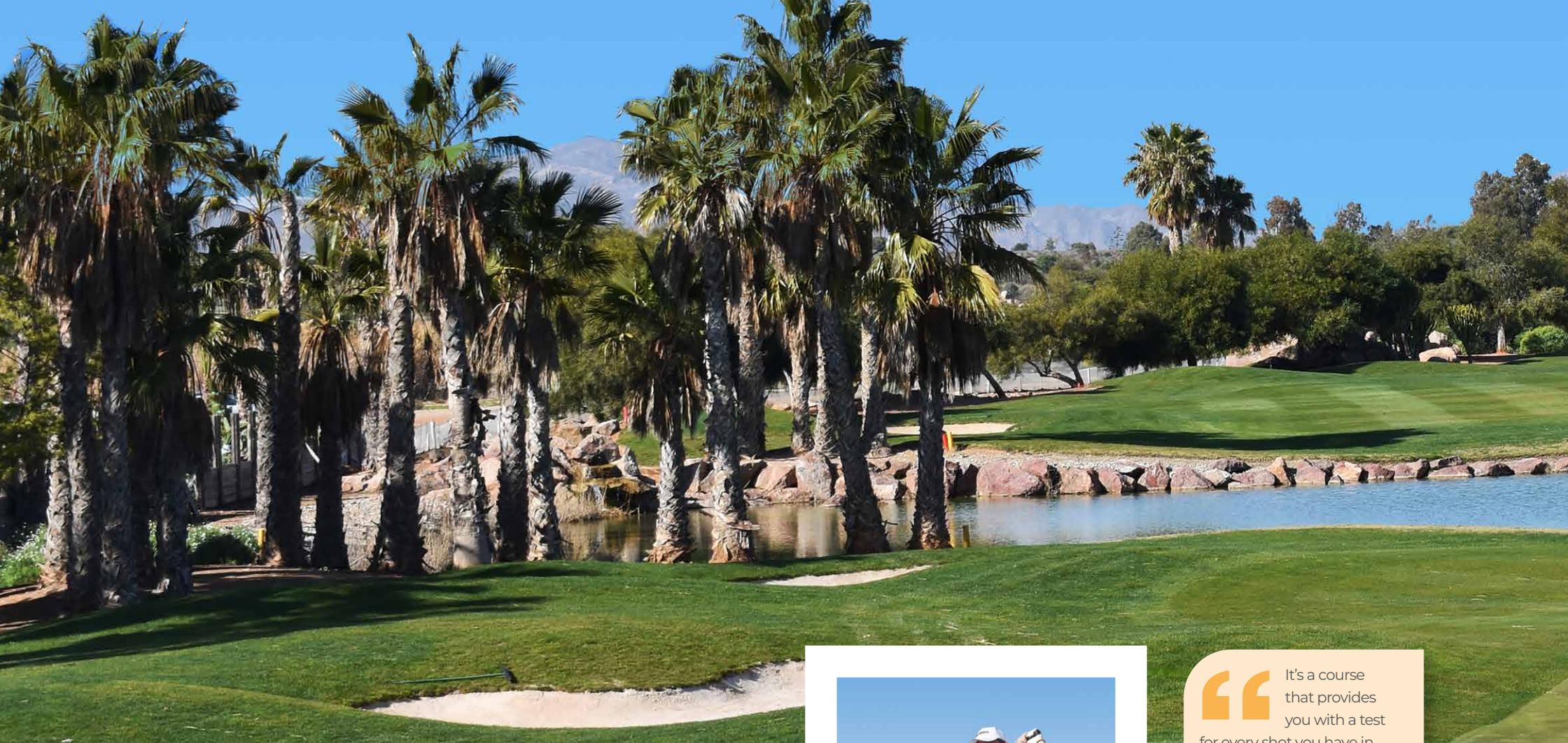
Your whole golfing experience is framed within a panorama of landmark mountain ranges. The contrast between the beautifully prepared and manicured playing areas and the arid yet vividly coloured desert, captures the very essence of why the Indiana course stands apart from all others.



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Winner of the Spanish National Madera Verde prize for Environmental Responsibility



Ian Woosnam and Sir Ian T Botham, OBE, on the Indiana Course



The course is both demanding and exhilarating, with over 6,000 cacti and other desert plants, it becomes progressively more dense and troubling, the further your shot is off the fairway, culminating in the dreaded “spiked lies”. It offers a variety of shot making challenges to test the skill level of every player, from the beginner to professional.



“ It’s a course that provides you with a test for every shot you have in your bag.

The course is in immaculate condition with greens of equal quality to those we play our own tour events on. If you want to hone your game, immaterial of what standard of golfer you are, then this is the place to come!

**Ian Woosnam**  
OBE





The Indiana course has established an international reputation for outstanding quality, attracting discerning golfers, international elite amateur teams and professionals, as well as major international events including; two Spanish Amateur Opens, the 2015, 2016, 2018 & 2019 PGA Europro Tour Championships and is host to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage of the European Tour Qualifying School between 2017-2024.

Sir Stephen Redgrave, Nigel Mansell, Sir Bobby Charlton, Sir Geoff Hurst competing in the 'Battle of the Knights' at Desert Springs



## Improve your game at the GOLF ACADEMY

The Golf Academy includes facilities and services which enable golfers of all standards, from the beginner to touring professional, to improve their playing ability.



Lee Westwood Golf School official winter training camp at Desert Springs



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The Academy is a renowned centre of excellence for both teaching and learning the game of golf. It provides practice facilities for Europe's elite national and county squad members and teams, PGA European Tour and LET members.

The Desert Springs Golf Academy offers specially designated practice areas that are specifically designed to offer every challenge of the game, these include:

- A 20 bay covered driving range with permanent astro turf mats
- A grass practice area of 2,000m<sup>2</sup>.
- Target greens
- Fairway and green side bunkers
- 2 x Putting greens
- Chipping green
- 2 Huxley All Weather Practice Areas
- The GASP Studio – allowing you to benefit from an instantaneous view of your swing.





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# Desert Springs GOLF 4 WOMEN

**We offer a full range of golf packages specifically suited for women.**

Golf 4 Women offers something for experienced and aspiring female golfers of all levels, ages and tastes – and sometimes we even let the boys join in!

So whether you would like to **GET INTO GOLF**, or you are already **MASTERCLASS** material, there is something specially tailored for you.



**Our PGA qualified teaching professionals possess exceptional skills and attributes that make them not only peerless golf instructors, but also seasoned experts.**

Earning their reputation not only through years of dedication to the development of golf skills, but also in helping their pupils to realise their full potential. They are friendly, enthusiastic and committed to the development of each pupil, providing the most comprehensive golf teaching service available.

“ We were made to feel like VIPs during our stay.

We thought that the golf course and facilities at the Golf Academy were excellent.

When you are working all year, holiday time is precious and we feel that our week at Desert Springs was spent very wisely.

**Louise D and Diana G**



## After play... the CLUBHOUSE

The beautifully presented Clubhouse provides everything for the golfer and non-golfer.

The magnificent deck over Powder Creek Rapids gives guests a totally enchanting view, whilst dining al fresco and relaxing to the sound of water flowing over the cascade and into the lake.

### Facilities and services available:

- Resort Reception
- Golf Boutique
- The Club Bar
- El Torrente Restaurant
- Men's and Ladies Locker rooms

The Clubhouse has been designed to be strikingly beautiful, but extremely laid back and friendly, with pleasant and intimate spaces in which to relax.

The Spanish colonial style building is surrounded by giant terracotta "tinajas", traditional old olive oil jars. The entrance is a semi-enclosed traditional Patio Andaluz, set around a fountain of lilies and paved in old Macael marble tiles. Overlooking Santa Rosa Creek to the magnificent 18<sup>th</sup> green, it is a pleasant spot for a breakfast or a tapa.



The solid marble entrance and ancient carved walnut doors open into the high mirrored Resort Reception, where our experienced, friendly and helpful staff are happy to look after all your enquiries.

The Club has a sophisticated and very comfortable limed oak lounge and bar, which leads into a long, shaded veranda and thence to a magnificent long wooden deck overlooking Powder Creek Rapids and the Mirror Pool. A Golfer's Deck Menu is served here; open to the Winter sun and shaded in the heat of Summer, this has to be one of the most delightful sitting out spots in Spain.





# THE SIERRA SPORTS

The Sierra Sports and Fitness Club provides a wide range of quality indoor and open-air sports and fitness facilities, aimed at general fitness and well-being.



# & FITNESS CLUB is active life!

## THE GYMNASIUM

Developed as an aerobic fitness space, this is a small, relaxed and pleasant place to tone up and is not intended as a factory style gymnasium. Light and airy, the whole of the front can be opened to take advantage of the pleasant dry climate.

For those who prefer to exercise in complete privacy, there is also the similarly equipped Individual Work Out Area, and Private Sauna and Jacuzzi Suite in the Private Reserve facilities. These can be reserved for private use at the Resort Reception.



## MOUNTAIN BIKES

With hundreds of kilometers of tracks through wild countryside, mountain trails and quiet rural roads, both flat, hilly and some excruciatingly steep, there are rides to suit everyone, from beginners to veterans!

Take yourself on a spectacular, self-guided bike tour. Ride through to Cuevas del Almanzora, Vera, Garrucha, Mojácar or Turre for an unforgettable, unique sightseeing experience.



## COACHING, ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN

During the peak summer period The Sierra Club offers a number of specifically tailored programs for young people and special fun activities for children; all designed to keep them fully and actively occupied and, crucially, to allow you some free holiday time of your own. Young people and children, age 6 to 12 years can sign up for anything from a single activity session, to a full day session in a 5-day programme.

The good news for parents is that this service allows you to relax with the peace of mind that your children are in the safe and capable hands of our professionally trained team, allowing you to take advantage of some free quality time together!

### Available facilities include:

- An Aerobics Gymnasium, with state of the art equipment
- External Exercise Steps and Boxing Bob Punch Bags
- Contra Current in Main Pool
- Trim Trail with Equipped Exercise Stations
- Jogging Tracks
- Two Cushion Life Tennis Courts
- Two Cushion Life Paddle Tennis Courts
- Beach Volley Ball Court
- Mountain Bikes



## JOGGING TRACKS AND TRIM TRAIL

Two spectacular Jogging Track Loops of 1.6 and 2.2 km, equipped with 16 individually equipped Exercise Stations, to provide a varied and scenic Trim Trail are available, passing through the landscaped areas of the Resort.



## Desert Springs for SCHOOLS & CLUBS

**Desert Springs is renowned for hosting a variety of warm winter weather training camps for: Golf, Cricket, Football, Rugby, Triathlon, Tennis, Cycling and especially Pre-season Fitness coaching and training.**

The superb sports facilities available at the Sierra Sports & Fitness Club coupled with the unique desert climate offer an excellent fitness, training and team bonding environment.

Average maximum daily temperatures are 19°C (67°F) from October to March and it is the sunniest and driest point on the continent, so few days are ever lost.

Specifically planned meals, as specified by team coaches, are provided alongside regular menus in El Torrente and the Crocodile Club Restaurant.



Accommodation is provided on Resort in modern and comfortable Apartments and Town Houses, run by The Lodge @ Desert Springs.



All resort facilities can be combined and mixed, such as use of the Croc Club Pool, Bikes, Trim Trail and other elements, to provide a very enjoyable, varied, multi-dimensional and stimulating all action package, guaranteed to get the team early to bed at night!



“ All the pupils enjoyed the experience of Desert Springs – not just playing the challenging Indiana golf course, but also having the chance to work on all areas of their game on the excellent practice facilities. All are looking forward to the next trip to the Millfield’s Spanish home of golf!

**Karen Nicholls, Millfield School** ”





# Training at the Desert Springs FOOTBALL ACADEMY

Inaugurated in 2004 by Sir Bobby Charlton and Sir Geoff Hurst, the Desert Springs Football Academy, provides a first-class, year-round training facility in an ideal climate for professional clubs in Europe.

The Desert Springs Football Academy is located within the resort. It comprises an international size, world-class quality grass pitch, complimented with floodlights and changing facilities. There is a hard-standing area, which provides outside space for additional facilities, such as a free weights gym, stretching mats and a medical area.

Some of the Football Clubs who have visited Desert Springs for Training Camps





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Everything a football team requires is provided for: World-class quality football pitch, resort accommodation of the highest standards, full catering services, a host of other activities such as golf and tennis, a fully equipped Sports and Fitness Centre... and the dedicated services of our highly experienced staff.

The excellent standard of the Football Academy facilities, first-rate organisation and service, have made it the preferred choice of a number of professional teams, both for pre and winter-season training camps, and in the run-up to important matches and competitions.



The pitch was perfect, one of the best we have played on!

The apartments were excellent, the food was great and the staff were fantastic, they could not have been more helpful. The team have enjoyed their stay so much they are already asking if we can return next year.



**Ole Bjorn  
Sundgot  
Head Coach  
Honefoss BK**



# The Desert Springs CRICKET GROUND & ACADEMY



The ICC Accredited cricket ground with an eighteen (18) wicket square, constructed to ECB standards and specifications is open all year round. Complimented by a Marquee pavilion, sightscreens, scoreboard, sprint strips, and associated facilities, it provides an outstanding facility to practice and play cricket.

The Desert Springs Cricket Academy training facilities comprise; an international size world-class quality academy grass pitch with an artificial wicket complimented with floodlights and changing facilities, twenty-four (24) grass wickets with nets, a Professional Bola Bowling Machine with 28 ball feeder, requisite training equipment and a specific hard-standing area, which provides outside space for facilities such as a free weights gym, stretching mats and a medical area.

The excellent standard of the Cricket facilities, first-rate organisation and service have made it the preferred venue of a number of high profile Professional, School, College and University teams, both for pre and winter-season training camps, team building and bonding, players re-habilitation and in the run-up to important matches and competitions.



“ To all at Desert Springs, thank you very much for an outstanding camp. The organisation, the attention to detail, and the friendly service were all of the highest order. We hope to see you again soon. ”

**Andrew Strauss**  
England Cricket Board  
Director of Cricket



“ Having dry weather and grass meant the players could really throw themselves into the fielding drills and increase the volume and intensity of their throwing and catching which is really important as they get closer to the season. The lads worked incredibly hard throughout the week, and since we've been back the gains they have made are already becoming obvious. ”

**Phil Scott**  
Strength and Conditioning Coach  
Lancashire County Cricket Club



“ We chose Desert Springs to give a large proportion of our squad (16) the chance to physically train in a different environment and to work outside for the first time this year on fielding skills. ”

We had exclusive use of the gym and pitch on a daily basis and utilised the 'trim trail' cross country tracks laid out around the golf course and mountain bikes.

The standard of the food was excellent, the service was first class and everyone in all departments ensured our stay went to plan and was enjoyable. ”

**Richard Scott, Head Coach**  
Middlesex County Cricket Club



“ The cricket facilities are definitely a strength at Desert Springs. I didn't expect such high a quality wicket and weather conditions have enabled us to practice intensively every day.

The resort accommodation was lovely. The food was fantastic and considering that the boys eat a lot, both the quantity and quality were superb.

Every aspect of the Training Camp has surpassed my expectations and we have been able to do a lot of productive work. We shall be back!

**Scott Boswell, Cricket Coach**  
Trent College Cricket Camp



“ The was my first ever visit to Spain. Desert Springs has outstanding facilities and a beautiful golf course. The resort was the perfect relaxed setting for me to spend some time getting to know the players and thank you to all of the staff for a wonderful stay. ”

**Trevor Bayliss**  
England Cricket Board  
Head Coach



“ I must say that staying at Desert Springs has been far better than any other choice.

On a value for money ranking, it's definitely a 10/10.

The service is great, the quality of the food brilliant, the facilities are awesome and the cricket pitch together with mild temperatures are all we can ask for. ”

**Kim Parsley**  
Director of Cricket Team  
Cheltenham College Junior School

# CLUB SERVICES

Your Club will benefit from the personalized coordination services of our experienced Sports Group Department, who will attend to your every need before and throughout your stay at the Desert Springs Resort.

Services can be tailored to each individual team's requirements, but typically include:

- Airport transfers
- Transportation in and out of the resort
- Cricket pitch reservations
- Additional specific cricket training area reservations
- Sierra Sports & Fitness Club reservations
- Accommodation reservations
- Activity reservations
- Full catering and dine-around programmes
- Laundry services
- Organisation of cricket matches against local teams
- Security services and vetting
- Entertaining programmes for accompanying partners

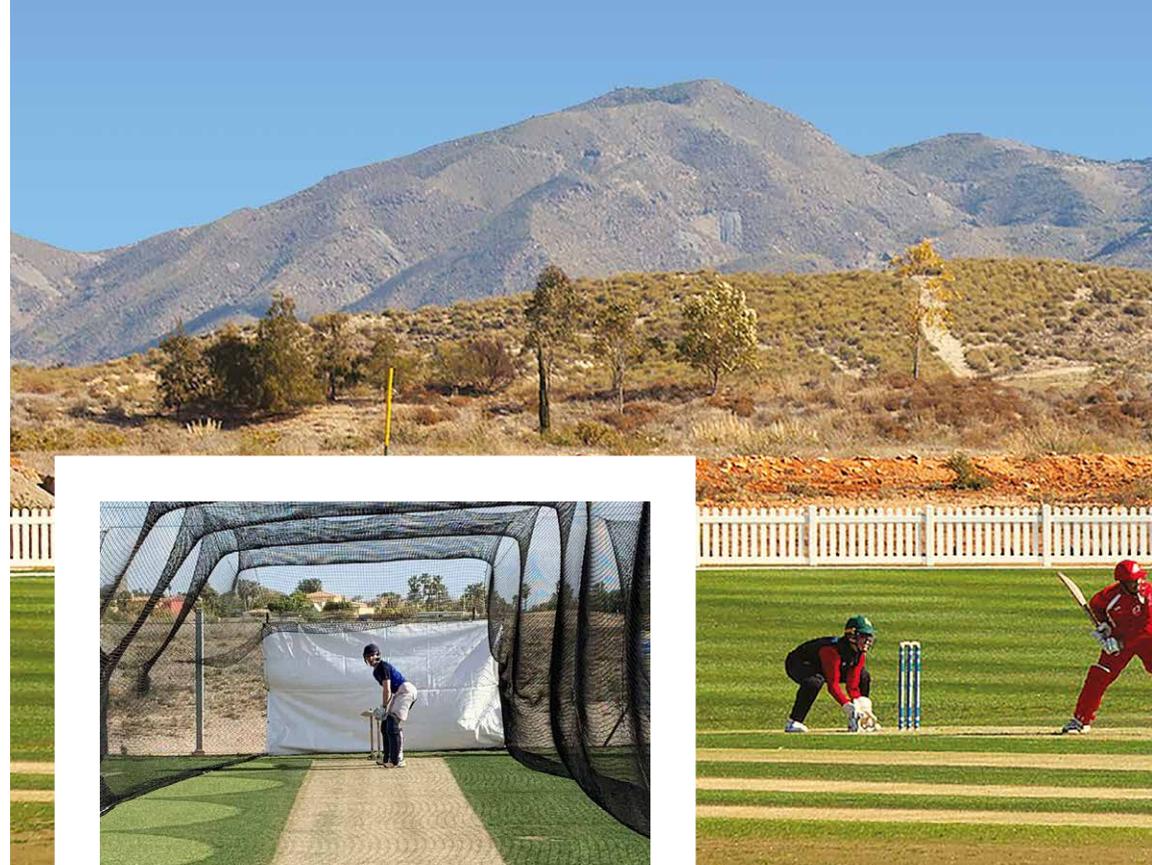
## CRICKET GROUND BERMUDA PITCH : 134M X 144M WITH BOUNDARY

### CRICKET GROUND FACILITIES

- Square 55m x 25m with eighteen (18) grass wickets
- Boundary Ropes 500m
- Mobile Pitch Cover 25m x 16m
- Mobile Pitch Covers 25m x 6m
- Marquee Pavilion
- External Tables and Chairs
- Toilets
- Car Parking
- Scoreboard and Stand
- White and Black Sight Screens 4m x 4m

### EQUIPMENT

- Rebound Nets
- Slip Catch Ramps
- Training rope ladders, slalom poles, discs and cones
- Massage benches
- Ice baths
- Physiotherapy Table



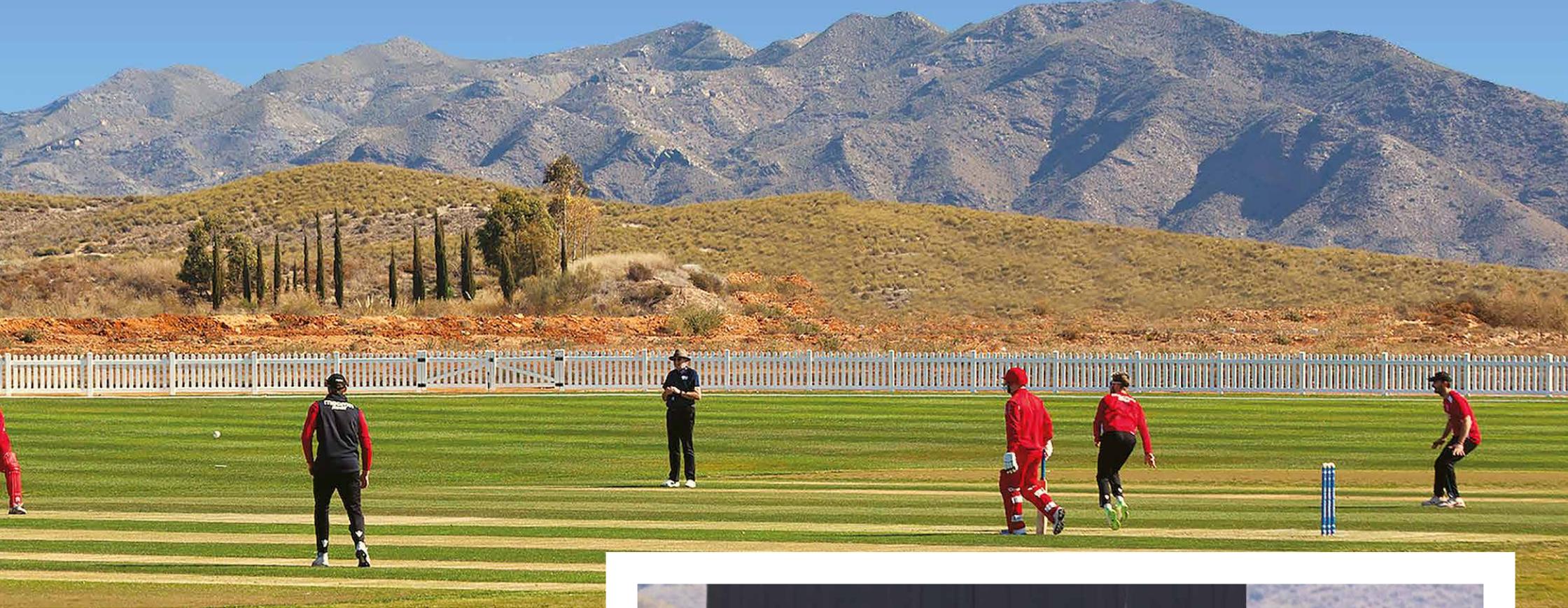
## CRICKET ACADEMY GROUND PITCH : 100M X 64M

### ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC CRICKET TRAINING AREA

- Twenty-four (24) grass wickets with nets
- Grass pitch with an artificial wicket

### EQUIPMENT

- Professional Bola Bowling Machine with 28 ball feeder
- Training rope ladders, slalom poles, discs and cones
- Slip catch cradle
- Divisional pitch nets
- Massage benches
- Ice baths
- Physiotherapy Table



Lancashire County  
Cricket Club

**James Anderson, Player  
Lancashire County Cricket  
Club and England Fast Bowler**

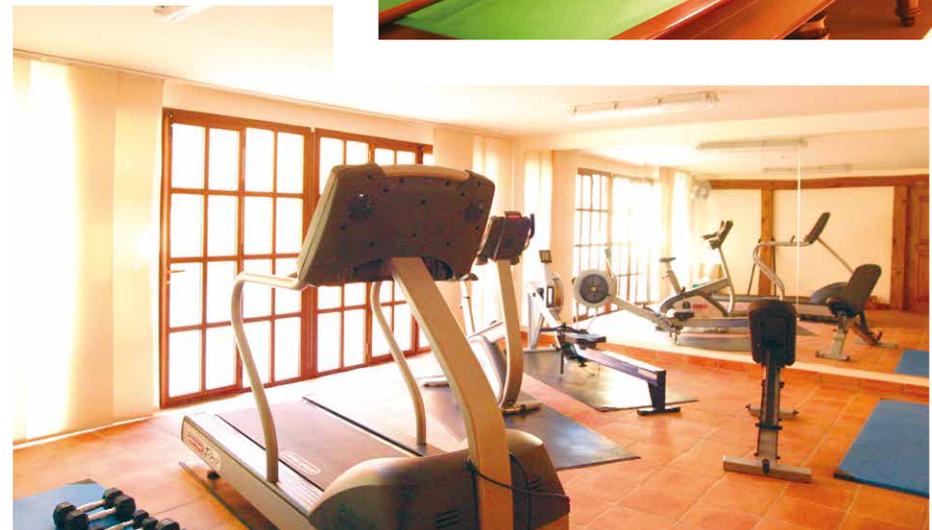
“ Desert Springs has developed a fantastic reputation not only for golf and its additional sporting facilities, but also for providing a quality of lifestyle that all of the family can enjoy. That in particular is something our family is looking forward to during our visits to the resort throughout the year. It is a privilege to be an ambassador for them. ”



# Unwind at the PRIVATE RESERVE

The Private Reserve is located on the other side of Powder Creek, adjacent to the Clubhouse and provides a number of exclusive facilities that are available for private use and enjoyment including:

- The Private Sauna and Jacuzzi Suite
- Personal Fitness and Work Out Room
- Billiards, Snooker, Pool Room and Bar
- Private Screening Room, with Home Cinema and Audiovisual System
- Bodega Private Meeting and Tapas Room
- Bodega Private Meeting and Dining Room
- The Residencia 'Al Fresco' Outside Private Dining Terrace







# Relax at THE DAY SPA

**The Day Spa @ Desert Springs is located in the Private Reserve, with our Award winning therapist offering health and beauty treatments for your pleasure and relaxation.**

A wide range of individual treatments are available and our experienced health and beauty therapist offers treatments tailor-made to suit your needs, in an tranquil and relaxed atmosphere.

Focusing on the relief of specific stress and muscle tension, deep tissue muscle massage combined with The Day Spa's own in-house blended massage oils, can be personalised to suit the individual needs of the client.

The Day Spa is renowned for its Indian Head Massage, one of the most popular choices on our extensive treatment menu.

Stimulate, detoxify and tone your body, with a choice of body wraps and scrubs, or embark on a journey to sensory heaven with a spa package or ritual for the face and body.

We would like you to think of the Day Spa @ at Desert Springs as your own private quiet zone where you can relax in an atmosphere of tranquillity and serene luxury.

“ I thought the Day Spa @ Desert Springs was lovely with a personal touch that is so special. Its like having your very own spa with a personalised treatment. ”  
**Carolyn T**



“ Many thanks for the wonderful treatments. I feel like a new woman! ”  
**Jan M**



# THE ALMANZORA IN ESSENCE...

A profound and powerful sense of well-being and pleasure in life steals over you after just a few days in the Almanzora, it will catch you unawares, dreaming in the sunshine.



The Almanzora captures the real tradition of old Spain, offering a relaxed and tranquil atmosphere where you can really indulge your passion for the best things in life. Superb scenery, a local culture that has remained hidden for centuries and a superb climate make this long-lost corner of Spain a most attractive and worthwhile destination to visit.

The people of the Almanzora remain welcoming, good humoured and helpful to visitors. They earn their livings locally; mainly from farming, fishing and marble production.

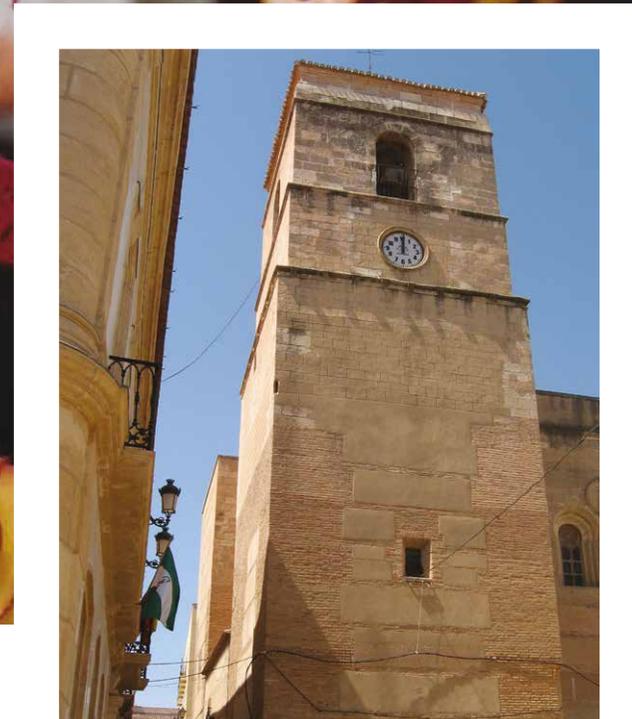
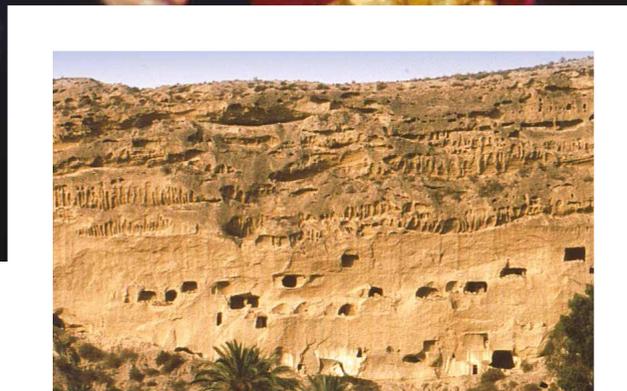
The Almanzora Valley is enfolded by an infinite vista of vivid mountain ranges; the golden Sierra Cabrera, the orange Filabres, the black Almagreras and beyond, the purple Seguras and snow capped peaks of the Sierra Nevada itself. This is Spain before the age of package tourism. Space to breathe, open countryside, white pueblos dotting the hills, small fishing villages, busy little market towns and welcome stretches of quiet, clean beaches, none of them overcrowded. Inland, cutting through the desert plateau, are rich fertile valleys where the warm winter sun ripens fruit and vegetables in abundance.



There is a full range of social, cultural and sports activities to pursue and enjoy. Almost all of these and more can be organised on your behalf from the Desert Springs Resort Information Centre.

#### Here are just a few:

- Horse riding
- Go-Karting
- Boat trips
- Scuba diving
- Mini Hollywood
- Shopping
- Beaches
- Water park
- Nightlife
- Sailing
- Speleology
- Walking and Biking
- Museums
- Fishing Trips
- Fiestas



There is no frenetic pace of life here; the locals have time to spare for visitors as well as each other. The atmosphere is relaxed and people still seem to enjoy their lives.



Along the Almanzora coast and beyond there are any number of sandy beaches, including El Playazo, Mojacar, Macenas, Cala Panizo, San Juan and Calareona. Either side are the traditional coastal fishing village of Villaricos, and the Moorish hill village of Mojacar to explore, with their markets, fiestas, bars and restaurants. Inland are the market towns of Vera and Cuevas, with their historic buildings and local shops. Even further inland are the dramatic and rugged mountains, the deserts, and badlands of 'cowboy country'.

## FIESTAS

Every village has its own fiestas; a time when locals return from all over the world to their home pueblos. Dazzlingly costumed Moors and Christians sally out from their encampments in Mojacar, whilst in Aguillas they fight it out with eggs in the old town square. The "romeria" of Antas sees a cavalcade of flower and senorita bedecked floats heading off into the surrounding hills, for the annual pig-roast and picnic. In the old village of Turre, young and old let their hair down to dance sevillanas and fandangos as local bands play lively, traditional music. It could change your outlook on life forever.



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