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Alicante Travel Guide

Your guide to Alicante by local expert: things to do, tours, the best restaurants, shopping, our services, transportation and more.





Alicante is a city and port in Spain on the Costa Blanca with beaches, monuments and fantastic museums all form part of this city's great appeal bathed by the Mediterranean Sea and renowned for being a dynamic city, with a warm climate.

WHAT TO SEE?

The **Santa Barbara Castle** is located on the top of Benacantil Mountain, 166 metres above sea level; it gives to the city a great strategic value. From there, you can see almost the entire bay of Alicante.

On its slopes have been found archaeological remains of the Bronze Age, Iberian and Roman, but the origin of the fortress is in the late ninth century with the Muslim rule.

The Castle of Santa Barbara has many entrances that you can use on foot, by car or by bus by the lift which is opposite the Postiguet Beach.



Opening Hours

Winter (1 October to 31 March):
10:00 to 20: 00h. Every day.

April - June and September
from 10:00 to 22: 00h. Every day.

July and August from 10:00 to
24:00 hours



Location:

Avenida de Juan Bautista Lafora 6,
03002 Alicante, Spain

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The **Esplanade of Spain** is a promenade extending parallel to the port, from the Puerta del Mar to the Canalejas Park. It is one of the most popular roads in the city of Alicante and was built on the old city embankment during the first half of the 20th century. This emblematic walkway is made up of six and a half million marble tesserae that draw a wavy mosaic of red, black and white colors.



Location

Explanada de España s/n, Alicante 03001



The Port of Alicante

is a seaport in Alicante, Spain on the Mediterranean Sea used for commercial and passenger traffic.

The port is administered by the Port Authority of Alicante.

The **Basilica of Santa Maria** is the oldest active church in Alicante, Spain. It was built in Valencian Gothic style between the 14th and 16th centuries over the remains of a mosque.



Location:

Plaza Sta. María, s/n, 03002 Alicante



The **Castillo de San Fernando** or the Ferdinand Castle is a counterpart of the Castle of Santa Barbara. It was built in the beginning of the 19th century as a defense structure against French advances. It offers a delightful view.



Location:

Tossal Hill, Alicante, Spain

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If you want to see typical Spanish streets and old town, you should visit **Barrio de Santa Cruz**. There you can find lots of wee narrow lanes, steep climbs, beautiful houses and lovely wall arts. A beautiful place to take memorable pictures of your trip.



Location:

Casco antiguo de Alicante



Ayuntamiento de Alicante is a Baroque civil architecture of the eighteenth century built on the old House of the City. You can see ornamental elements such as the salomonic columns of the facade or its two towers.

Inside, there are Blue Room (Elizabethan style), the Plenary Hall and a chapel where you can celebrate Masses.



Location:

Plaza del Ayuntamiento, 1.

La Catedral San Nicolaz. Architecture lovers will love this remarkable structure, famous for its baroque interior ceiling and blue dome. 17th century cathedral is recognized throughout the world as one of the best examples of Spanish Baroque architecture with impressive baroque decoration around the main entrance of the cathedral.



Location: Plaza del Abad Penalva, 2



The **Plaza de Toros** in Alicante is one of the oldest active squares in the Valencian Community. It was built in 1847 by the Alicante architect Emilio Jover. Bullfighting takes place from late June to early August, and a few fights happen in spring and autumn, throughout the year you can visit the **Bullfighting Museum** inside. In addition, music concerts are held there throughout the year.



Location: Plaza de España No 7-8



BEACHES

El Postiguete beach is a beautiful beach, awarded the Blue Flag, certifying the quality of the EU, it has a tongue of sand over 900 m in length and is noted for its fine white sand bordered by a fantastic full promenade of palms trees. El Postiguete beach is **located** in the heart of the city at the foot of Santa Barbara Castle.

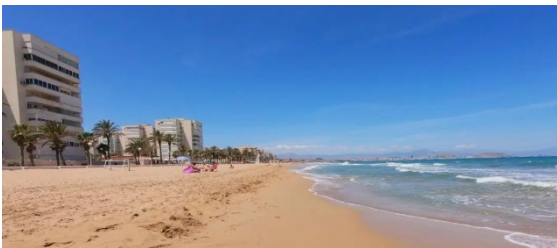


Albuferta beach is a beautiful small sandy beach, 423 m long and 20 wide, is located in the north-western part of Alicante, about 3 km from the center. There is many children's playgrounds, rental of catamarans. It has the sign "blue flag", a guarantee of quality, cleanliness and safety for the beaches.



 **Location:** Carrer Sol Naixent, 29.

San Juan Beach has areas for practicing different kinds of sports (beach volleyball, mini football, wind surfing). Along the whole beach you have a very nice promenade for walking, but it also allows you to run next to the sea. There are outdoor training apparatus to complete your training. And children can enjoy the numerous playgrounds. There you can find umbrella areas. On the beach you have possibility of renting skates to get into the sea.



The Saladar Urbanova beach is located on the south of the municipal area of Alicante, 5 kilometers from the city center, in an area without crowds. It is a beach of golden sand with the 1,5 km length.



The Agua Amarga beach is an urban beach with golden sand where you can find all kinds of services: bars and restaurants on the beach, ice cream kiosks and accommodation.

PARKS



The Marjal Park is located in a short distance from the San Juan beach. It is a unique park surrounded by aquatic vegetation where you can observe the typical flora and fauna of the natural wetlands of Valencia. In case of heavy rains it serves as a rainwater retention vessel, reducing the risk of flooding in the lower part of the neighborhood, can store up to 45,000 m3 of water.



Location: Avinguda de les Nacions.



Canalejas Park is located behind the city's main promenade. In this park there are many hundred-year-old trees of huge size (Ficus), that's why almost the whole territory of the park is in the shade. In two ends of the park you can find decorative fountains, sculptures of lions and dogs from the stone. Another interesting place in the park is a huge map of Spain and a monument which was made in honor to Alicante writer Carlos Arnice.

AMUSEMENT PARKS



The Terra Mítica is a theme park located in Benidorm. Its theme is based on ancient civilizations of the Mediterranean, represented in three thematic areas: Egypt, Greece and Rome.

The calendar of opening hours:

<https://www.terramiticapark.com/calendario/>



Location: Partida del Moralet, s/n, 03502 Benidorm.



Terra Natura is a new generation animal park where you can observe and make contact with animals. There are more than 1500 animals of 200 different species. The park shows not only the different species, but also curious characteristics of their habitat, vegetation and peculiarities of each species.

The calendar of opening hours:

<http://benidorm.terranatura.com/es/terranatura/5-calendario.html>



Location: Partida Foia del Verdader, s/n, 03502 Benidorm

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Aqua Natura is a water park of 40,000 square meters with lots of pools, children's pool, slides, solarium and SPA.

The calendar of opening hours:

<http://benidorm.terrannatura.com/es/terrannatura/5-calendario.html>



Location: Foia del Verdader, 1, 03502 Benidorm



Aqualandia is the largest water park on the Costa Blanca 150,000 m² with large green areas. Park offers endless children's games, slides, swimming pools.



Location:

c/Sierra Helada, Rincón de Loix Benidorm

DinoPark offers a large area of 6 hectares where we can find robotic and static models of dinosaurs at real size, all in a natural environment. The park offers several activities for children and adults, such as a 3D cinema with projections of the most real, an area of children's attractions for a fun time and a didactic route to learn more about this fascinating world.

The opening hours are at 10 o'clock, the closing hours vary depending on the time of year. January and February, closed.



Location:

Partida Segarra s/n, 03510



Mundomar is a park of marine animals and exotic birds on the south coast of Costa Blanca. It is one of the largest marine animal parks in Spain.



Location:

Sierra Helada - Rincon de Loix, 03500, Benidorm



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Safari Aitana is a reserve for wild animals of the five continents. It is the only Safari in the Valencian Community that is visited by car, like an authentic African Safari. It's the best way to observe animals in their natural habits.



Location:

CV-785, Km20, Alicante, 03815

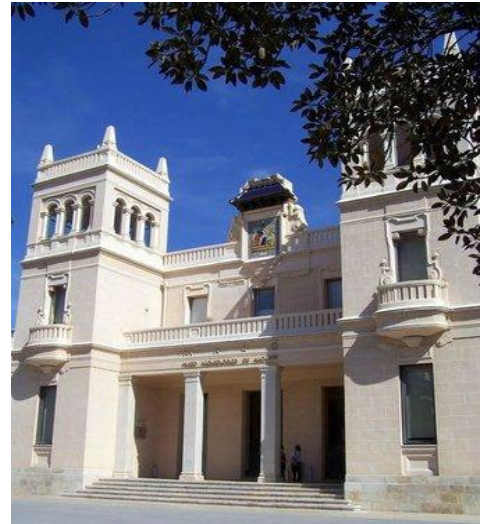
MUSEUMS

MARQ Archaeological Museum of Alicante offers visitors the opportunity to find out about the various methods and techniques that are associated with archaeology. These are explained in three galleries dedicated to: Field Archaeology, Urban Archaeology and Underwater Archaeology. Various dioramas, audio-visual presentations and interactives provide visitors with a detailed insight into the techniques that archaeologists use to discover the past.



Location:

Plaza Dr. Gómez Ulla, S/N, 03013 Alacante.



Museum of Modern Art in Alicante The is housed in the city's oldest surviving civil building. In the baroque style, it dates back to 1685 and is located next to the Santa María basilica in the old town of Alicante City. It was originally designed as a cereals warehouse.



Location:

plaza Sta. María, 3, 03002 Alicante



The Volvo Ocean Race Museum is the only one museum in the world dedicated to round the world sailing.

It is **located** five minutes from the Explanada, **in the Volvo Zone of the Port of Alicante**. Alicante has been the Port of Exit for four editions of the oceanic regatta.



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The **Chocolate Museum Valor** is located in the historic building. It presents a journey through the history of chocolate, shows numerous works of art made from chocolate and the evolution in production processes, tools and machinery.

You can find the tour schedule on the link:
<https://www.valor.es/museo-delchocolate/>



Location: Avinguda Pianista Gonzalo Soriano, 13, La Vila Joiosa

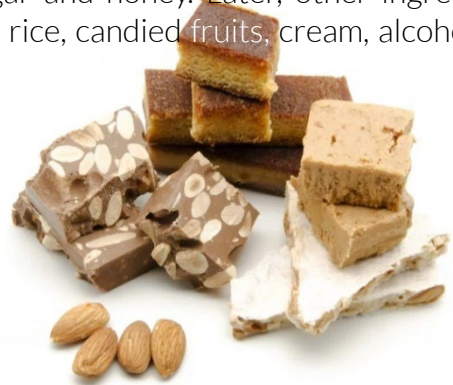


In the **Turron Museum** you can get acquainted with the production process of Turron, a local sweet traditionally made from almonds, egg white, sugar and honey. Later, other ingredients were added to it (chocolate, walnuts and hazelnuts, airy rice, candied fruits, cream, alcohol and so on).

The schedule of excursions:
<http://museodelturron.com/web/horarios-y-precios/>



Location: Polígono Industrial Ciudad del Turrón - Pol. Espartal II, Carretera Busot, Xixona



The **Nativity Scene Museum** is a Christmas plan.

The museum exhibits figure collections from Spain as well as from other European countries, Africa, America and Asia.



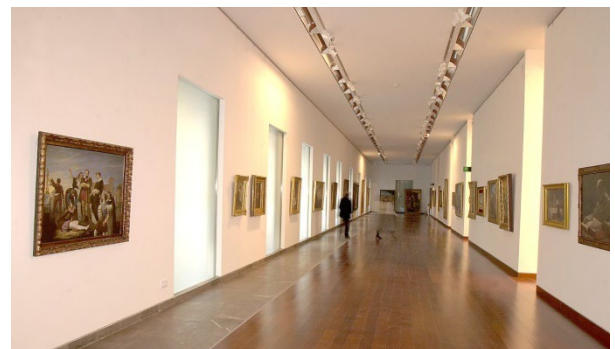
Location: C/San Agustín, 3, 03002 Alicante



Gravina Museum of Fine Arts is devoted to painting and sculpture of Alicante from the sixteenth century to the early decades of the twentieth century. In the museum there are nearly 500 works from funds of the provincial council several works of the most important regional painters of the nineteenth century.



Location: Carrer Gravina, 13-15, 03002.



CLOSE TO ALICANTE



Tabarka is the only inhabited island in the community of Valencia. Today the island has a permanent population of slightly more than 135 people, although in the XIX century there were about 1000 people.

Tabarka has a great number of guests. They are attracted by Spanish coloring and its cuisine, based on seafood.



Canelobre Caves are one of the main attractions throughout the province of Alicante. Inside the caves there is a space of more than 80,000 m² which can be accessed through a tunnel of 45 m, where water and rock have led to impressive shapes as stalactites, stalagmites, columns and jellyfish and etc.



Location:

Carretera Cuevas Canelobre, Busot.



The Guadalest Valley, also known as the 'Eagle's Nest' is situated at about 25kms from Benidorm (1hr drive from Alicante). The drive offers stunning views of the mountain scenery and as you pass the village of Polop, the winding rustic roads give the feel of the bygone era.



Location:

Off CV 70, Marina Baixa, 03517



The Palmeral or Palm Grove of Elche is the generic name used to designate a system of date palm orchards in the city of Elche. There are a total of 97 different orchards containing about 70,000 date palms, mostly in the east bank of the Vinalopó. This number does not include other large plantations located around the city proper.




Location: Passeig de l'Estació, 2, Elche

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Natural Park of Sierra Helada. A few minutes walking from the beach of Albir, in Alfaz del Pi, is the entrance to this Natural Park that offers one of the most exciting excursions that can be done on the Costa Blanca. Inside the Park there are two routes that go along the cliffs.

 **Location:**
L'Albir, 03581 L'Alfás del Pi, Alicante.



The Balcony of the Mediterranean is one of the most emblematic points of Benidorm, this rocky prominence is in the old town, it separates the Poniente Beach and the Levante Beach of Benidorm. This beautiful building, with its white stone balustrade, has become a symbol of Benidorm.

 **Location:** Plaça de Castelar, 1, Benidorm.



WINE TASTING

One of the widest sectors of production on the Costa Blanca is the wine production. Therefore, we advise you to visit the wine tasting at the local wineries.

Sierra Salinas Winery

The winery is located in Sierra Salinas, hence its name, a privileged enclave with landscapes of an incomparable beauty. The winery is surrounded by a total of 92 hectares where almond trees, olive trees and vineyards coexist in harmony on the slopes that are located 650-680 meters above sea level.

Today 52 hectares of vineyards are destined to the cultivation of the vine, of which 42 are of

Monastrell grape in glass with ages over 30 years and 10 hectares of Cabernet Sauvignon, Alicante Bouschet and Petit Verdot, planted in system of trellis and glass.



Location:

CV-813, 03409 Villena, Alicante



Francisco Gomez Winery. The wine cellars of Francisco Gomez are one of the most impressive monuments of wine, full of details and references to the Spanish wine culture that can be seen today in Spain.

The wines and oils produced here have the highest quality, achieved with the help of the best equipment.



Location: Crtra. Villena - Pinoso Km. 8,

Villena (Alicante)



The largest winery in the region is **Bocopa Winery.** It produces up to half the province's wine volume. It differs from small family wineries named above.



Location:

Carrer Talladors, Petrer



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We provide different interesting tours in Alicante and Costa Blanca

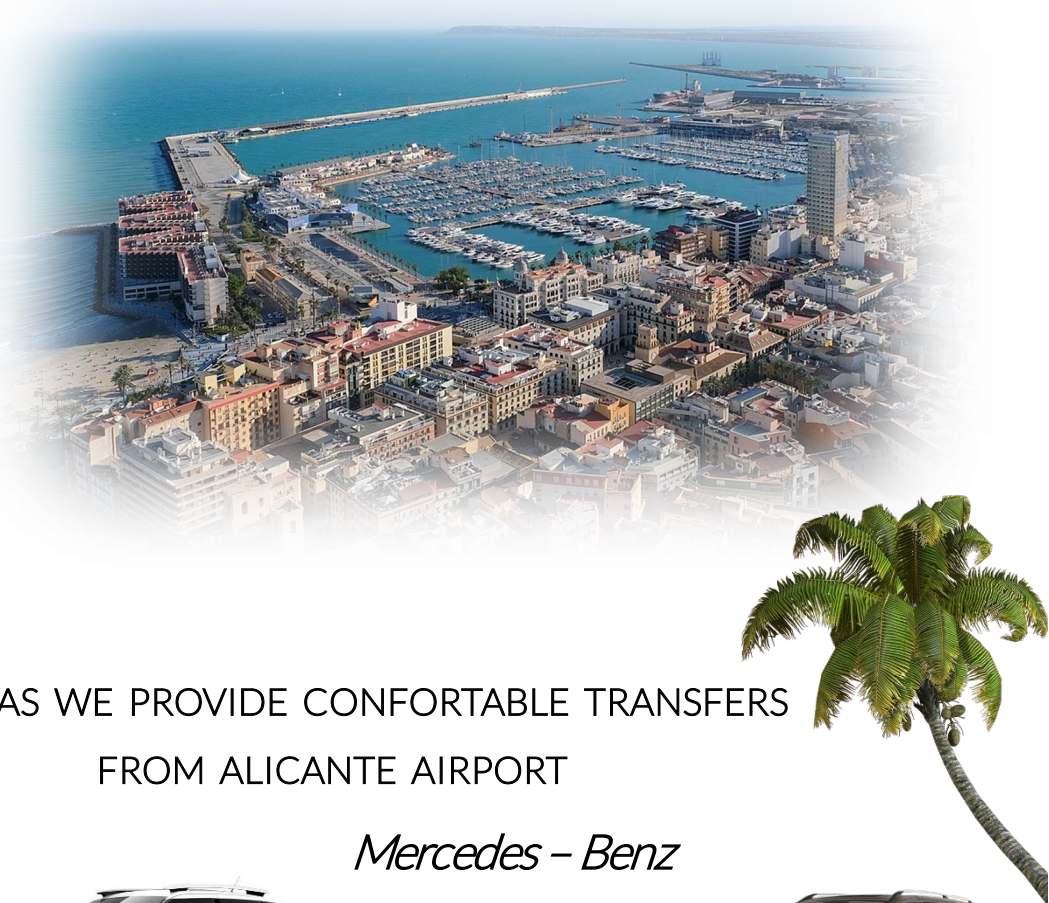
It is always a good idea to have someone local and experienced showing all sights and unique places in Alicante. We have chosen only the best tours and guides to give you the most information about the city and its region. We provide tours to the most popular places near Alicante, as well as we can create a special tour upon your request. Choosing tours with us is always fun and interesting.

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INFORMATION ABOUT THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN ALICANTE

THERE ARE TWO WAYS OF FARE PAYMENT FOR BUSES AND TRAMS IN ALICANTE:

1. Cash for one-time travel. The ticket costs 1.45 EUR (for all trams till El Campello and all the red (city) and blue (suburban) buses, except the C-6 bus to the airport).

On the bus this amount is paid to the driver at the entrance. Using tram you need to pay fare in a special apparatus for buying tickets which can be found on some tram stops of Alicante and always inside the tram (see the photo below).



2. The second way of fare payment for buses and trams in Alicante is magnetic card.

The card costs two euro, and you can recharge it for 10, 20 or 30 trips. Using that card one trip costs 0,87 EUR. Card is non-personal, you can give it to other people or pay for two or more people at once.



WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND YOU TO BUY THIS CARD WHICH IS CALLED- BonoBus (Bonus Bus).

You can buy it:

- at the ticket offices of the metro;
- on the tram stations of Luceros, Mercado, Puerta del Mar;
- at tobacco stores (Tabacos).

You can recharge it at the same places listed above or at a special apparatus for buying.

After the entrance to the transport it is necessary to bring the card to the reader. In a bus reader is located next to the driver, in a tram it is fixed on the handrails (see the photo below). You will hear beeping sound accompanied by green light while applying the card to a reader.

Each ticket (including electronic tickets) is valid for 1 hour 30 minutes, during this time you can transfer to other routes of buses or trams without additional payment. Fine for stowaway is 100 EUR.



Where to eat in Alicante?

BREAKFAST PLACES:



MADNESS SPECIALTY COFFEE

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery

Dirección: C. San Nicolás, nº4, Bajo, 03002 Alacant, Alicante



SIP AND WONDER COFFEE HOUSE

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Address: Carrer Poeta Campos Vasallo, 8, 03004 Alacant, Alicante



SANTAGLORIA COFFEE & BAKERY

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway

Address: C. Bailén, 2, 03001 Alicante



MON SUCRÉE

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery

Address: C. Ángel Lozano, 15, 03001
Alicante



HEALTHY & TASTY

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Address: C. San Agustín, 2, 03002 Alicante



MAREANDO LA HUERTA

Service options:

Dine-in · Kerbside pickup · Delivery

Address: C. José Gutiérrez Petén, 45, 03004
Alicante



PLACES FOR LUNCH OR DINNER:



BIGOLI

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Address:

C. Cándida Jimeno Gargallo, 6,
03001 Alicante

INFRAGANTI PIZZA BAR

Service options:

Dine-in · Drive-through · No-
contact delivery

Address:

Ctra. Benimagrell, 7, 03560 El
Campello, AlicanteSALE & PEPE BARRIO | SALE &
PEPE CASTAÑOS

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Address:

C. de Muñoz, 3, 03002 Alicante

RESTAURANTE DA RICCARDO -
MIL SABORES

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Dirección:

C. Pintor Cabrera, 19, 03003
Alicante



KAF RESTAURANTE

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · Delivery

Address:

Carrer del Cid, 11, 03001 Alacant,
Alicante

MISH MISH

Service options:

Dine-in · Kerbside pickup ·
Delivery

Address:

bajo. 03002, Pl. de San Cristobal,
8, 03002 Alacant, Alicante



BODHIGREEN

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No-contact
delivery

Address:

C. San Fernando, 46, 03001
Alicante

RESTAURANT LLUVIA

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery

Address:

C. Poeta Quintana, 20, 03004
Alicante



JAPANESE KITCHEN

ENSO SUSHI

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway

Address: Pl. Gabriel Miró, 2,
03001 Alicante

GO! SUSHING ALICANTE

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No-contact delivery

Address:

Rbla. Méndez Núñez, 48, 03002 Alicante

MISS SUSHI ALICANTE

Service options: Dine-in · Kerbside pickup · No-contact delivery**Address:** Carrer Castaños, 3, 03001 Alacant, Alicante

SEAFOOD MARINA

RESTAURANTE EL CHIPIRON

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery

Address: Mlle. Levante, 26, 03001
Alicante (Alacant), Alicante

RESTAURANTE LA BRÚJULA

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery

Address:Marina Deportiva Puerto de Alicante,
Mlle. Levante, 6, 03001 Alicante

BODEGÓN DEL MAR

Service options: Dine-in · Takeaway · No delivery**Address:** Zona Levante S/N, Local 3, 03001 Alacant, Alicante

FINE DINING



MANERO ALICANTE

Bustling destination for Spanish tapas, beer & wine amid wood accents & a decorative tile floor.

Service options:

Dine-in · Takeaway · No-contact delivery

Address: C. Médico Manero Mollà, 7, 03001 Alicante



TERRE

Creative Spanish food from the open kitchen in a light-filled, high-ceilinged contemporary space.

Service options:

Dine-in · No takeaway · No delivery

Address: Passeig Esplanada d'Espanya, 11, 03002 Alacant, Alicante



TEMPLO RESTAURANT

Upscale restaurant serving steak, seafood & wine in a chic space with large windows.

Service options:

Dine-in · No takeaway · No delivery

Address: C. Periodista Pirula Arderius, 7, 03001 Alicante



EL PORTAL

Elegant, elaborately decorated bar & restaurant for tapas, seafood & cocktails, with DJs.

Service options: Dine-in · Curbside pickup · Delivery

Address: C. Bilbao, 2, 03001 Alicante

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