



Majorca Spain

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FROM THE AIRPORT

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The fare to Palma is €15–€20.

Route 1 goes to central Palma from 6.30am–2.15am, with about four services per hour. Tickets: €2.

BON APPETIT

UP TO €15 EI

Mascarón (Festival Park, Marratxi, tel: 971 604 824) When you've shopped till you drop in the city's factory outlets, this restaurant offers weary bargain hunters a delicious daily menu.

UP TO €30 Simply

Fosh (7A Carrer de la Missió, Palma, tel: 971 720 114) Chef Marc Fosh serves the best *menú del día* the city has to offer, delivering "affordable glamour" in the Hotel Convert de la Missió. A truly memorable dining experience in the heart of the city.

UP TO €50 Arume

Sushi (83 Carrer Sant Miguel, Palma, tel: 971 234 121) Considered by many to be Palma's best sushi restaurant, Arume also has many signature Mediterranean dishes on its varied menu.

EXCLUSIVE Es Moli

den Bou (Hotel Protur Sa Coma Playa, Carrer Llaies, Sa Coma, tel: 971 569 663) Only one of six venues in Majorca awarded a coveted Michelin star, Es Moli den Bou is in the town of Sa Coma, but the journey will be worth it. Try the fish of the day and a local wine.

AFTER DARK

LOW KEY Atlántico

Café (12 Calle San Feliu, Palma) Open from 6pm–2.30am, Atlántico is in the heart of Palma's Old town and it's the perfect place to enjoy a cocktail in an intimate atmosphere before hitting the city's clubs.

LIVE MUSIC Miami

Riskal Jazz Café (3 Carrer San Serra Pareia, Palma, tel: 971 253 965) Part of the Riskal complex on the outskirts of Palma, the Miami Jazz Café has performances seven nights a week with jazz and blues being the main genres.

LATE & LIVELY Luna

(Plaza Vapor, Palma) This new club, formerly Art Deco, offers live music on Wednesdays, salsa on Thursdays, club classics on Fridays and Saturdays and comedians on a Sunday. Something is sure to tickle your fancy!

THIS MONTH

SHOP The Fosh Food centre sells chef Marc Fosh's products and kitchen items as well as doubling up as a show-cooking space. Start the weekend here on Fridays from 7pm with drinks and free tapes, then buy a few bottles of wine to take home (6 Calle Blanquerna, Palma).

SEE Celebrating Palma's patron saint San Sebastián, the city comes alive on 19 January with live music and barbecues in its squares. Meanwhile, 20 January witnesses devils and dragons running through the streets spouting fireworks.

GO In Ciutat Jardín, along the coast to the east of Palma, there are several restaurants specialising in freshly caught seafood and other local dishes such as *lulo* – tender pieces of fried lamb.

ESCAPE About two hours along the motorway en route to the northern coast, lies the picture-postcard village of Fornalutx. It's not actually on the coast, but tucked among the mountains, making it a popular destination for walkers.

NO WAY!

Majorca's population is 702,000, and more than 300,000 of those live in Palma. However, in tourist season the locals get outnumbered by the five million tourists who visit every year. *David Anderson*



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Buses go to Málaga every 30 minutes from 6.30am–11.30pm, with links to all the coastal resorts. Tickets: €1.20.

BON APPETIT

UP TO €15 Calah

Luna (4 Plaza Picasso, Fuengirola, tel: 952 992 040) Homemade pasta makes all the difference at this restaurant. Go for *tagliolini* with prawns.

UP TO €30 EI

Palaceo (38 Calle Alamos, tel: 952 220 388) Dine on traditional dishes such as sea bass in a black olive sauce in the delightful inner courtyard with palms.

UP TO €50 EI

Padrastró (22 Paseo del Compiés, tel: 952 485 000) Perched on a cliff above Mijas, the views of the coast are stunning.

The food is pretty good, too, with dishes such as roast pork with sherry.

EXCLUSIVE Polo

House (11 Boulevard Principe Alfonso Hohenlohe, Marbella, tel: 952 900 380) James Hewitt's new venue offers a premium taste of international and British cuisine with a focus on seasonal produce, such as prime Galician beef.

AFTER DARK

LOW KEY Teteria

Zouk (3 Calle Garcia Binz) One of a number of Moroccan-themed *terencias* in the Costa capital serving teas with cosy cushions for kicking back on.

LIVE MUSIC

Salón de Varientes (30 Calle Emancipación, Fuengirola, tel: 952 47454) English musicals appear regularly at this popular theatre, and the standards are high.

GRAN HOTEL CERVANTES



With views of the beach and offering a fantastic buffet breakfast of Mediterranean cuisine – the Gran Hotel is the perfect holiday hotel. Breakfast included. From €56, book at ajrj.easyJet.com

LATE & LIVELY

Music Palace (19 Calle Reding) A funky nightclub located in the Malagueta area, east of the city centre. Foot-stomping music attracts a lively crowd.

THIS MONTH

SHOP The Saturday morning flea market at Fuengirola is the biggest and best market on the coast.

Browse everything from kitsch flamenco dresses to antiques and jewellery.

SEE Until 24 January, Málaga's Contemporary Art Museum has the evocative paintings of the contemporary Spanish painter Chema Cobo (Calle Alemania).

GO Benalmadena is a whitewashed village with loads of charm. Head for the *mirador* (viewpoint) next to the pretty church before strolling the side streets lined with terraced bars.

ESCAPE Go cycling or walking in the Sierra de Grazalema, located a two-and-a-half-hour drive north-west of Málaga. It may be off the beaten track, but this nature park is famous for its lush pastoral valleys, quaint villages and mountain gorges.

NO WAY!

Garlic soup is a heart-warming starter at this time of year. But, despite around six garlic cloves being used, because they are roasted first the soup is not as pungent as you may expect. *Josephine Quirfiro*

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