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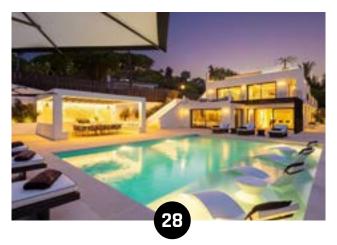
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SEMANA SANTA

WITNESS ONE OF THE MOST VIVACIOUS
DISPLAYS OF SPANISH TRADITION



Semana Santa, or Holy Week, is one of the most important religious and cultural celebrations in Spain, and nowhere is it more deeply rooted than in Andalucía.



his region in southern Spain is home to some of the most spectacular Semana Santa processions, with cities such as Seville, Malaga, Granada, and Cordoba drawing huge crowds of locals and visitors alike.

The origins of Semana Santa in Andalucía date back to the 16th century, when the Catholic Church sought to reinvigorate the faith of the masses in the aftermath of the Reconquista, the centuries-long struggle to reclaim Spain from the Moors. Today, the processions that take place throughout the week leading up to Easter Sunday are a mix



of religious devotion, artistic expression, and cultural heritage.

Each city has its own unique traditions and rituals, but some common elements can be found in almost every procession. These include the paso, or float, which



INTERESTING FACT

Some Semana Santa floats are centuries old.



is carried through the streets by a group of costaleros, or bearers, dressed in robes and hoods. The pasos depict scenes from the Passion of Christ, such as the crucifixion or the carrying of the cross, and are often adorned with intricate sculptures and elaborate floral arrangements.

The processions are accompanied by bands playing mournful music, and the air is filled with the scent of incense and the sound of devotional chants. Many of the participants wear traditional dress, with women often dressed in mantillas, or lace veils, and men in capirotes, or pointed hoods.





One of the most famous Semana Santa processions takes place in Seville, where dozens of brotherhoods, or hermandades, take to the streets throughout the week. Each hermandad has its own distinctive paso, and the processions can last for hours, with crowds lining the streets to catch a glimpse of the elaborate floats and costaleros.

In Malaga, the processions are known for their colourful displays, with the pasos adorned with flowers in bright shades of pink, yellow, and purple. The city also holds a famous bullfight on Easter Sunday, which is attended by many locals and visitors.

Granada's Semana Santa is characterised by the solemnity of its processions, with the floats moving slowly through the streets accompanied only by the sound of a single drum. Cordoba, meanwhile, is known for its unique combination of Christian and Moorish influences, with the floats featuring both religious and secular symbols.

Semana Santa is a time of reflection and devotion for many Andalucians, but it is also an opportunity for celebration and community. Families and friends gather to watch the processions together, often staying out late into the night to experience the full spectacle of the week. For visitors to the region, it is a chance to witness one of the most vibrant and emotive displays of Spanish culture and tradition.

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DISCOVER FOR YOURSELF

Some of the best places to celebrate Semana Santa.

Seville
Malaga
Granada
Cordoba
Jerez de la Frontera



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pring is a magical time of year in Andalucia, as the region's countryside bursts into color and the weather begins to warm up after the cooler winter months. The region is renowned for its stunning landscapes, rich cultural heritage, and vibrant festivals, all of which come to life during the spring season. Here are some of the things you can expect during spring in Andalucia:

1. BLOOMING FLOWERS:

Spring is the time when Andalucia's countryside is at its most beautiful. The region is home to a range of flowers, including the iconic orange blossom, which gives the region its name. Visitors can explore the stunning gardens and parks, such as the Alcazar in Seville or the Generalife in Granada, and enjoy the fragrant scent of the flowers. The countryside is also perfect for hiking, cycling, or horseback riding, as the temperatures are comfortable, and the scenery is breathtaking.

2. FESTIVALS:

Spring is a time of celebration in Andalucia, with a range of festivals taking place throughout the region. The most famous of these is the Semana Santa or Holy Week, which takes place in the lead-up to Easter. The streets of cities like Seville, Malaga, and Granada come alive with colorful processions, traditional music, and the scent of incense. Another popular festival is the Feria de Abril in Seville, a week-long celebration of Andalucian culture, food, and music.

In Andalucia, during April, locals enjoy a tradition called "la merienda campera" which involves picnics with traditional food and wine in the countryside. surrounded by beautiful scenery and wildflowers.



3. BEACHES:

As the weather warms up, spring is a great time to hit the beach in Andalucia. The region is home to some of the most beautiful beaches in Europe, including the Costa del Sol, the Costa de la Luz, and the Costa Tropical. Visitors can relax on the golden sands, swim in the crystal-clear waters, or try their hand at water sports such as windsurfing or kitesurfing.

4. GASTRONOMY:

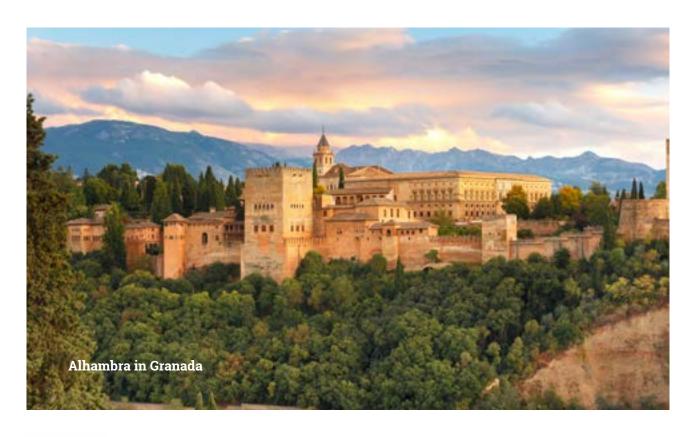
Andalucia is renowned for its delicious cuisine, and spring is the perfect time to enjoy it. The region's traditional dishes include paella, gazpacho and salmorejo and are made



with fresh, locally sourced ingredients. Visitors can also enjoy the region's famous tapas, small dishes served in bars and restaurants throughout the region. Spring is also a time for local festivals celebrating the region's gastronomy, such as the Ruta de la Tapa in Seville, where visitors can sample a range of local dishes.

5. ART AND CULTURE:

Andalucia is home to some of Spain's most famous museums and art galleries, including the Picasso Museum in Malaga and the Alhambra in Granada. Spring is a great time to explore these cultural treasures, as the weather is mild, and the crowds are smaller than during the summer months. Visitors can also experience traditional







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Andalucian flamenco dancing, which is an integral part of the region's cultural heritage, with performances taking place in cities and towns throughout the region.

6. WINE TOURISM:

Andalucia is also home to some excellent wineries. producing a range of wines, including the famous sherry. Spring is a great time to explore the vineyards, learn about the wine-making process, and sample some of the region's delicious wines. Visitors can also take part in wine-tasting tours, which are a great way to experience the region's gastronomy and culture.

7. WILDLIFE WATCHING:

Spring is a great time to see Andalucia's rich biodiversity as the region's wildlife begins to emerge after the winter months. The region is home to a range of animals,

including the Iberian lynx, the Spanish imperial eagle, and the Mediterranean monk seal. Visitors can explore the natural parks and reserves, such as the Donana National Park or the Sierra Nevada Natural Park, and see these animals in their natural habitats.

Spring is a wonderful time to enjoy Andalucia, with its stunning scenery, vibrant

festivals, and delicious cuisine. Whether you're interested in culture, nature, or simply want to relax on the beach, Andalucia has something for everyone. So grab your camera, and get ready to experience the best of Andalucia in spring.

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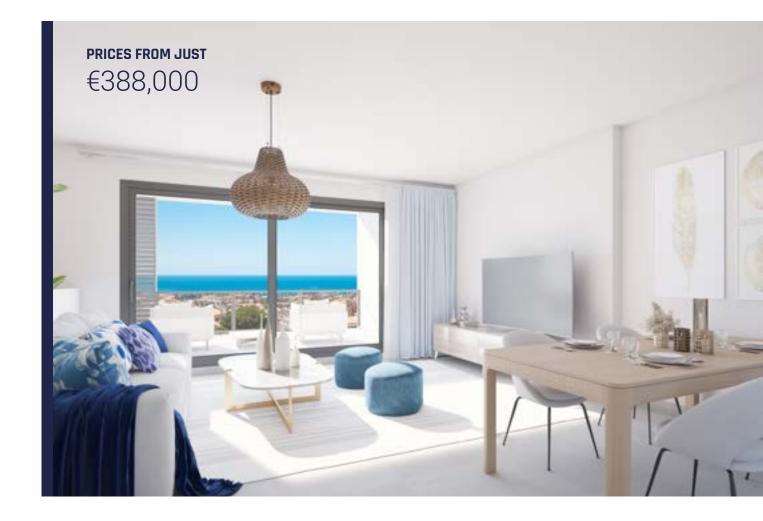
During Andalucia's spring, you can see flocks of migrating birds on their way to their breeding grounds in northern Europe.

In Andalucia, the arrival of spring is also marked by the blossoming of almond trees, which create beautiful pink and white landscapes.



Alya Mijas

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lya Mijas offers the opportunity to 'live the 'mediterranean lifestyle' at an affordable price. This beautiful new development of contemporary semi-detached houses has been designed with quality and comfort in mind. Each home provides that all important private outdoor space for entertaining and enjoying the Costa del Sol's maginificent climate.

PERFECT LOCATION

Alya Mijas is superbly located on a hillside overlooking the mediterranean close to Mijas. All facilities are in close proximity, including good access to the highway, beautiful beaches, international schools, fine dining, golf courses and the lively cosmopolitan towns of Mijas, La Cala de Mijas and Calahonda.

THE DEVELOPMENT

The 3 and 4 bedroom homes each have a built area of 120m²-145m², distributed over 2 floors, together with a garden and the option to add a private pool.

The communal areas include a saline chlorination pool, gymnasium, co-working area, and landscaped garden areas.

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ne of the defining features of the nightlife in Andalucía is the lively and social atmosphere. Bars and clubs often spill out onto the streets, creating a festive atmosphere with music and dancing. It's common for locals to meet up with friends and family for tapas, drinks, and socializing before heading to a club or bar for dancing and music.

The nightlife in Andalucía typically starts late, with many bars not getting busy until midnight or later. This is due in part to the region's warm summer climate, which means that people often wait until the sun goes down to start their evening activities. The

dress code is usually smart-casual or dressy, especially in upscale venues.

Andalucía has a reputation for having a diverse music scene, with everything from traditional flamenco to modern pop and electronic music. Many clubs and bars feature live music performances, DJs, or both. This means that visitors can enjoy a wide variety of music and dance styles during their night out.

Some of the most popular destinations for nightlife in Andalucía include Seville, Málaga, Marbella, and Granada. In Seville, the areas of Alameda and Calle Betis are particularly popular for bars and

clubs. Málaga has a thriving nightlife scene, with bars and clubs open late into the night. Marbella is known for its luxurious nightlife scene, with upscale clubs and bars. In Granada, the area around Plaza Nueva is popular for nightlife, with many flamenco bars and clubs where visitors can enjoy traditional music and dance.

Marbella, located on the sunny southern coast of Spain, is known for its luxurious resorts, pristine beaches, and vibrant nightlife. With its stunning Mediterranean scenery and glamorous atmosphere, Marbella offers a



unique and exciting nightlife experience that attracts visitors from all over the world.

The nightlife in Marbella is centred around the famous Puerto Banús marina, which is home to an array of bars, nightclubs, and restaurants. Here, visitors can enjoy live music, DJs, and entertainment that lasts until the early hours of the morning.

One of the most popular nightlife spots in Marbella is the Ocean Club, a luxurious beach club that boasts a huge outdoor pool, sun loungers, and VIP areas. The club features live DJs, dancers, and performers, and serves a variety of delicious cocktails and food. The Ocean Club is known for attracting the rich and famous, so it's not uncommon to spot a celebrity or two enjoying the scene.

Another popular club in Marbella is Olivia Valere, an elegant nightclub that combines Moroccan architecture with modern design. The club has a large dance floor, several bars, and a VIP area, and is known for hosting some of the best DJs in Europe. Olivia Valere attracts a mix of locals and tourists, and is a great place to experience the high-energy atmosphere of

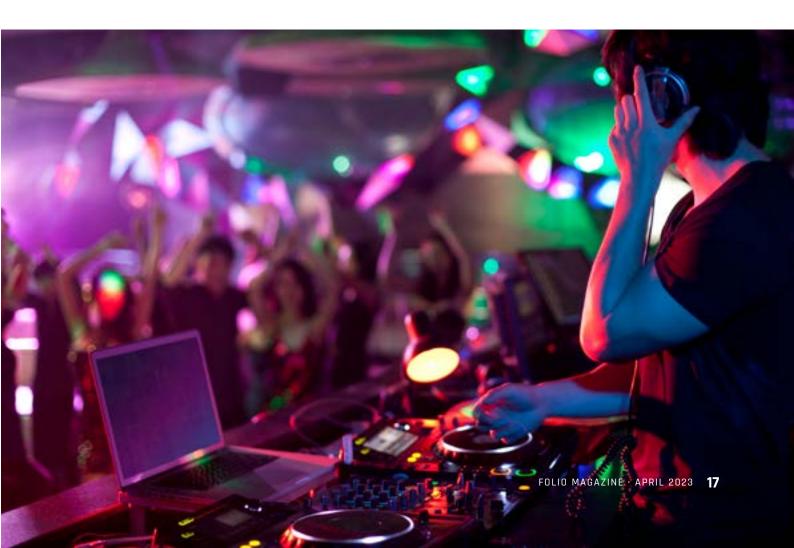
Marbella's nightlife.

For those who prefer a more laid-back atmosphere, Marbella also offers a range of cozy bars and pubs. One of the most popular is La Sala, a trendy bar and restaurant that serves delicious cocktails, tapas, and live music. La Sala is a great place to unwind after a long day at the beach or to start your night out with some drinks and good company.

In addition to the bars and clubs, Marbella also offers a variety of entertainment options such as cabaret shows and dinner theatres. The Moonlight Cabaret Theatre is a popular venue that hosts dinner shows featuring live music, comedy, and dance performances.

The nightlife in Andalucía is vibrant, fun, and welcoming, with something for everyone. Whether you're looking for traditional flamenco or modern pop music, you're sure to find it in this region of southern Spain. So put on your dancing shoes, grab some friends, and enjoy the lively atmosphere of Andalucía's nightlife scene.

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NEW EXCLUSIVE LISTING



A spectacular villa in the heart of Paraiso Alto.





istributed over three levels. Villa Chopo 266 is a striking 4 bedroom home enjoying a large dining room and living room. The spacious kitchen features a large central island and breakfast area that benefits from the natural light of the bay windows and views of the banana trees.

THE LOCATION

Strategically located in one of the most soughtafter areas on the New Golden Mile, Benahavis, close to golf courses, international schools, beaches and all amenities.

THE PROPERTY

The property is set on a large 1800m² plot allowing for ample garden space as well as the large pool and surrounding area.

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THE PENTHOUSES

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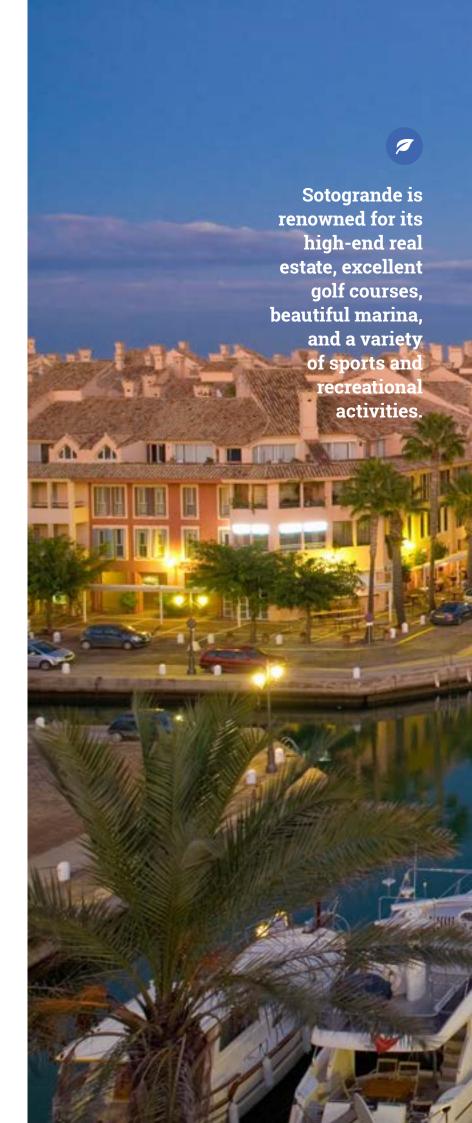
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otogrande is a luxurious residential area located in the province of Cadiz, in the southern region of Andalusia, Spain. It's a prestigious and exclusive resort that's popular among high-end buyers from around the world.

Here we take a closer look at Sotogrande and its unique features.



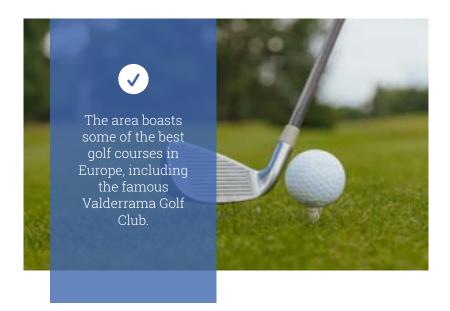


LOCATION AND ACCESS

Sotogrande is located on the western side of the Costa del Sol, near the Mediterranean Sea. It's only 15 minutes from Gibraltar and an hour from Malaga, making it easily accessible by air, land, and sea. The area is known for its stunning natural beauty, with miles of sandy beaches, rolling hills, and green landscapes.

REAL ESTATE

Sotogrande is home to some of the most exclusive and luxurious real estate in Spain. The properties in the area are varied, ranging from apartments and townhouses to luxurious villas and mansions. The prices of these properties



are among the highest in Spain, reflecting the exclusivity of the area. Many of these properties have stunning sea views, private pools, and beautiful gardens.

GOLF COURSES

One of the main attractions of Sotogrande

is its golf courses. The area boasts some of the best golf courses in Europe, including the famous Valderrama Golf Club. The courses are designed by world-renowned architects and offer challenging play for golfers of all levels. The golf courses are beautifully landscaped and offer stunning views of the Mediterranean Sea.





MARINA

Sotogrande is home to a modern and well-equipped marina that can accommodate yachts of all sizes. The marina has a variety of amenities, including shops, restaurants, and bars. It's a popular spot for boating enthusiasts and provides easy access to the Mediterranean Sea.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

Apart from golf and boating, Sotogrande has many other sports and recreational activities available. The area has several equestrian centers that offer horseback riding lessons and excursions. There are also tennis courts, padel courts, and fitness centers in the area. The beaches in Sotogrande are also popular for water sports such as surfing, windsurfing, and kitesurfing.

RESTAURANTS AND NIGHTLIFE

Sotogrande has a vibrant and lively nightlife with many bars, pubs, and nightclubs. There are also many restaurants in the area that serve traditional Spanish cuisine and international dishes. The restaurants in Sotogrande are known for their quality and sophistication, with

many offering stunning views of the Mediterranean Sea.

Sotogrande is a unique and exclusive residential area that offers luxury, beauty, and sophistication. It's a popular destination for high-end buyers from around the world, who are attracted by the stunning properties, excellent golf courses, beautiful marina, and many sports and recreational activities available in the area. If you're looking for a luxurious and exclusive lifestyle in Spain, Sotogrande is definitely worth considering.

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NEW EXCLUSIVE LISTING

EMERALD GREEN <u>■□</u>

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VIEWS

This modern apartment is perfect for a holiday or full time living home with views of the sea, the golf course and the surrounding mountains from every window.

PRIVATE ACCESS

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LOCATION

With underground parking and storage room this development is arguably sat in one of the most tranquil incredible locations on the entire coast.

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illa Rosas is a magnificent 5 bedroom villa set in the heart of the Nueva Andalucia Golf Valley, close to the beach and just a short distance from the luxury amenities of Puerto Banus and Marbella.

It is a superb property set on a spacious plot of over 1,218m² and surrounded by some of the most prestigious championship golf courses in the area including Las Brisas, Los Naranjos and Aloha. Its enviable location makes Villa Rosas the perfect holiday retreat or permanent home for those looking for a healthy mediterranean lifestyle.

The immaculate exterior spaces of the villa are perfect for enjoying an outdoor lifestyle. The enticing turquoise swimming pool with integrated sun beds is surrounded by mature tropical gardens, natural stone floors, balinese sun beds, an exterior dining area and chill-out terraces.







♥ VILL∧ ROSAS

he interior of Villa Rosas is exquisitely presented with contemporary openplan living spaces. The lounge boasts floorto-ceiling windows, a modern fireplace and a spacious dining area. The luxurious contemporary kitchen combines marble and oak wood for a sophisticated finish and is equipped with high-end Miele appliances. The master suite has been intricately designed and decorated with luxury and comfort in mind, and enjoys direct access to the swimming pool area. The elegant and contemporary guest bedrooms are all on-suite and have direct access to the swimming pool or beautiful views of the tropical gardens.

Villa Rosas is also equipped with an array of entertainment and wellness areas. The remarkable TV lounge, located on the lower level, has direct access to an elegant cocktail bar. The villa also enjoys a chic gym area, accompanied by a bathroom, steam bath and sauna.

The prime location of Villa Rosas, makes this magnificent property a must-see. Viewing highly recommended!

Click Here to find out more about Villa <u>Rosas</u>.









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