Marbella Golf Apartment, Las Philipinas, Alicante, Spain.







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We are 20 minutes drive to the holiday town of Torrevieja which has a lively sea front with bars, restaurants and a few shops and also from 4pm a street market and a funfair in the evening.

We are 50 minutes by car from Alicante Airport but it is a straight run and about 25 minutes from Murcia Airport.

We have many bars, restaurants and shops within easy walking distance.

The apartment is new, clean, air conditioned and well equipped, by using the sofa bed as a double bed it sleeps 6, on the first floor it is accessed via the stairs leading to a front enclosed balcony, there is also a large private roof terrace/solarium.

The swimming pool is surrounded by a patio area and small grassed area, this is a private facility for Marbella golf residents only it can only be accessed through locked gates to which you will have a key.



The front door of the apartment leads into the open plan living, dining area with the kitchen at the rear.

Living Area: Chair, Sofa, Coffee Table, TV, DVD, CD Player and at the side of the TV are speakers that act as a dock for an MP3 Player. There is a cupboard above the TV which has a well stocked first aid supply and there is a remote controlled air conditioning/heating unit in this area.

Dining Area: Table and 4 Chairs

Kitchen: Electric oven and Grill with 4 ceramic hobs, Kettle, Toaster, Deep fat fryer, Microwave and Fridge Freezer, through the back door from the kitchen is a utility area where there is a Washing Machine.







An archway from the living/dining area leads to a bathroom and two bedrooms.

Bathroom: Bath, Shower, WC, Basin and Bidet and is normally well stocked with toiletries.

Bedroom 1: Double bed, 2 Bedside cabinets with drawers and a built in double wardrobe with hangers, there is a hairdryer in one of the top drawers and a remote controlled air conditioning/heating unit in this room.

Bedroom 2: 2 single beds and a bedside cabinet with drawers, a built in double wardrobe and a remote controlled air conditioning/heating unit in this room.





Front Balcony: Table and four chairs for evening drinks or breakfast



Roof Terrace: Covered shaded area (as this gets the sun all day) with a table, six chairs and a parasol, sun-beds and a gas barbecue. A gas bottle is available from Keith our neighbour

There are also recliner chairs and 2 folding chairs for use at the pool or beach



Shops and Provisions

The three main shops are within easy walking distance.

There is a **24 hr shop** which is left up the road from the bottom of our stairs, towards the restaurants and banks and follow the road round to the right, the 24hr shop is the last shop on your right, you should be able to get the basic essentials in there and some English provisions.

There is also another **small shop**, which also sells some English provisions along with beach toys, lilos etc, left up the road at the bottom of our stairs it is on the left but is open Spanish hours.

The nearest large **supermarket** is the **Mercadona**, turn left at the bottom of our stairs at the main road turn left and up that road you will see the Mercadona on your left. This is the cheapest place for provisions for your holiday.

Eating out & Drinking

Within easy walking distance there is a great selection of restaurants and bars.

The Pato Peking is a friendly **Chinese** restaurant, from the bottom of our stairs cross the road, at the T junction turn left and the Pato Peking is almost at the end of that road on you right.

The Gateway to India is a fantastic **Indian** restaurant, from the bottom of our stairs turn left follow the road up and round to the right near the banks and a couple of other bars the Gateway to India is on the corner.

There are a couple of bars which also serve food, next to the Gateway to India, **The Junction** and next to there is **The Priory**, an Irish pub (run by Spanish).

The Vaults is a café bar on the right just before the Gateway to India. Instead of crossing the road to the above bars and Gateway to India if you carry on up that road toward the 24hr shop there is another Indian restaurant, a fish and chip shop and Bojangles Bar and The Pint Depot Bar.

Donaghues is an Irish barbecue bar which is up the road but turn left before you get to the shops area, there is a British bar up that road on the right and immediately after it some black iron gates and Donaghues is there.

If you want somewhere essentially British that is within walking distance try **Wolfies**, this is up through the parade of bars and shops round to the right at the top of the hill, over the mini island and at the bottom of the hill immediately left and it is on the right in front of you.

In the opposite direction on the way to the Mercadona on the left hand side is **The Royal Oak**, very friendly serving great value food and drinks. A particular favourite of ours.

Further on from the Royal Oak and Mercadona down the hill on the left is **La Fuente** there are many bars, cafes and restaurants and a couple of Irish pubs.

If you want a selection of about 30 bars and restaurants to choose from head to **Villamartin Plaza** about five minutes away by car.

Take the road up through parade of bars and shops and follow it round to the right at the top of the hill keep over on a mini roundabout and at the bottom of the hill turn right. This road takes you through Villamartin Golf Course with weirdly one hole (the 2nd) on your left and the other 17 on your right, slow down as you are about to take the next right which leads down to Villamartin Plaza on your right.

If you fancy treating yourself there are a number of restaurants at the ok/budget end, take the road to San Miguel (as though you were going to Villamartin Plaza) but don't turn right at the bottom of the hill, carry on up the hill and out into the country along a windy road until you hit a T junction to the main road.

San Miguel de Salinas is about 400 yards on your right. Go along and take the first left about the second right **Meson el Prado** is a typically Spanish restaurant popular with locals and ex pats.

Also in San Miguel is **The Market Place** run by a family from Liverpool, which is more at the luxury end of the budget but very good value.

In the opposite direction if you turn left as though going to the Mercadona, go straight on at the mini roundabout when you get to the Aldi Supermarket **Don Marino Restaurant** is there it is very good and very Spanish.

Further on is **El Portalon**, past the golf courses, round the bad bend by the ravine and up the hill, when it flattens out, El Portalon is on your left, park on the right and the restaurant is through an archway, it is recommended but no cheap.

La Finca de Edwuardos is an Ultra high quality British restaurant with an outdoor pool which is very popular. The menu is expensive but includes evening entertainment in the peak season.

Beaches

Where do you start, they are all good, for the best waves go to La Zenia Beach. Follow the directions to Villamartin Plaza then keep going straight until you get to the large roundabout wish sops and bars by it, go straight across and the beach is straight in front of you, park along that road. There is a friendly beach bar selling Tapas as well as chips, burgers, pizza, sandwiches etc and cold local beer, there are public toilets and sunbeds and shades to hire, the hotel on the beach also has a great cheap restaurant attached to it where you can have lunch.

Another beach is at Campoamor, turn left at the top of our road as though going to the Mercadona follow that road all the way to Brico Todo where it meets the N332, at the junction there turn right and go over the bridge and on the far side turn right, follow the road to the Farmacia roundabout and carry on fairly straight, NOT the first exit, the road that runs parallel with that one on it's left takes you to Campoamor beach. There is an outside bar or two and around the corner by the marina there is a restaurant where you can get Tapas and a jug of Sangria and anything else Spanish that you fancy.

If you turn left anywhere off of the N332 heading towards Murcia / Catgena there of lots of other samller secluded beaches to explore.

Golf

There are three golf courses immediately around Marbella Golf.

Villamartin is the oldest established course, just past Villamartin Plaza on the left.

Campoamor and **Las Ramblas**, are both good, Go past the Mercadona, straight across the roundabout and down the hill, the entrances to both are on the bad rivine bend.

It is advised to book by phone and confirm if you want to play a particular course on a particular day at a particular time. The peak period is from September through to May, in June through to September the courses are generally quieter a sit can be too hot to play. Take a buggy and plenty of water and it can still be done, if 18 holes seems daunting try nine early in the morning or after 4pm