

Why Alicante?

WHY HAVE WE CHOSEN ALICANTE AS A PERFECT PLACE TO LIVE?

The accessibility and diversity of everything are some of the main reasons. It gives you the possibility of living in a traditional Spanish town, just inland from the award-winning beaches and away from the hustle and bustle of a vibrant resort, that is mainly aimed at Spanish city dwellers from Madrid, Seville etc. There's not a sign anywhere offering a cheap English breakfast and a pint!

The beautiful city of Alicante is just 20 minutes away from most places. There is something always going, being a modern, cosmopolitan city that you will never get bored of, Christmas markets, artisan markets, boat shows, activities for everybody to join in, annual festival...there is always an excuse for a good celebration here in Alicante. But these aren't the only reasons we would choose Alicante...



THE WEATHER

Thanks to its geographical position, in the south of Europe, Alicante has a sunny climate all year long, with around 320 sunny days a year! It's not unusual for the temperatures to be in the 20°Cs throughout the colder winter months. However, we do see snow on the mountains that surround Alicante and it's easy to drive up into the mountains, (around 30 to 40 minutes drive) and build a snowman.

Having good weather most of the year is a plus for us as we love the evening strolls down to the bars, the outdoor activities for the youngest and eating outdoors.



THE BEAUTIFUL BEACHES

The beaches of Alicante are large. There is a beach right in the heart of the city and also in San Juan, which is just a 5-minute drive or tram ride away from the centre. The beach here stretches for miles and it's wide and clean. Lifeguards are on duty throughout the summer months and there are plenty of cool beach bars that serve amazing tapas, ice-cold beer and cocktails.

The sea here is clean and crystal clear and shelves gently towards deeper water. Sea temperatures are around 30°C in the height of summer and it is possible to swim comfortably for at least 6 or 7 months a year. Cabo De Huertas is a beautiful nature reserve with scores of coves to swim and snorkel in. There are many places where you can rent a jet ski, paddleboard or kayak too.

TRANSPORT

Alicante airport is a major hub offering daily flights to almost anywhere in Europe and beyond. The airport is easily accessible and is around 20 minutes from most local areas. Taxis are plentiful and cheap and there is an excellent bus service along with a high-speed rail link from the city to Madrid and the rest of Spain.

Alicante boasts an incredible tram system that runs from the centre of the city to the beaches of San Juan. You can be in the city shopping and within 15 minutes sipping cocktails on the beach!



THE FIESTAS

There is no excuse to not have a reason for a good celebration here in Alicante. Alicante is well known for its fairs and traditions, such as the well known and most important festival in the region, San Juan, which is a three-day celebration culminating with enormous floats and parades through the city.

THE MEDITERRANEAN GASTRONOMY

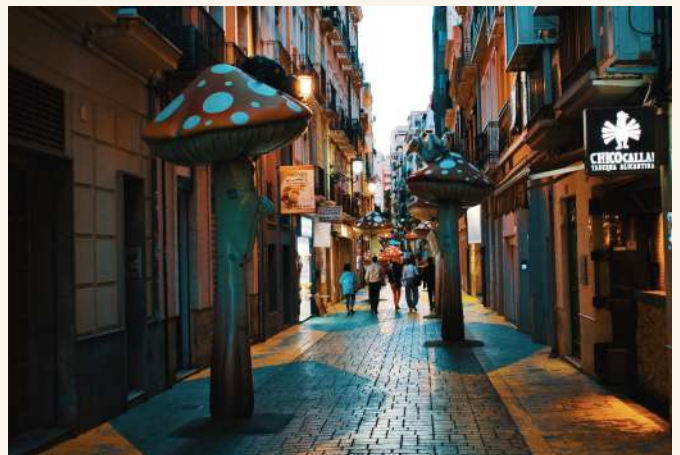
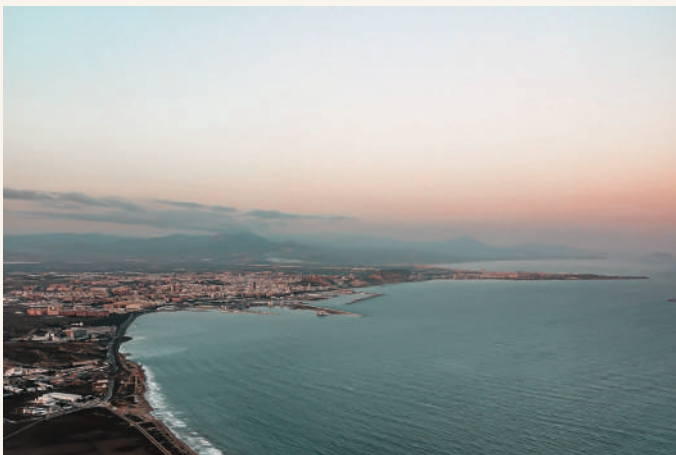
The varied and healthy gastronomy of Alicante in itself is a reason to stay. Their dishes are prepared with fresh fish and seafood, local fruits and vegetables and generally all the food is homemade and prepared daily.

For the Spanish, it's a tradition to keep the family recipes and dishes alive and one thing that the Spanish do have, is they look to share it with everybody. You will often see three or even four generations of the same family all working together in their restaurant.

A CITY OF MANY CULTURES

20% of Alicante's population is international, which means that more than 380,000 foreigners currently live in Alicante. The most widely represented nationalities are British, German, Dutch, French and Russian.

Because of this, Alicante not only allows you to immerse yourself in Spanish culture but also to discover a variety of other cultures. Alicante is also home to EUIPO, which is the patent office for the whole of the European Union. The offices are located just a few minutes from the city centre.



THE EDUCATION

For us, this one is again very important, and it's the international education Alicante has to offer. Alicante's province has more than 14 international schools offering bilingual education. In Alicante itself, you can find the King's College Alicante, which regularly wins many awards of excellence. Many people specifically choose Alicante for their new home-based mainly on the merits of the educational opportunities available.

THE SECURITY OF LIVING AND INVESTING IN ALICANTE

In Alicante, you can truly live the life and the dream. It's normal for us to sit in a beautiful square sipping a cold caña and let the children run around without a care in the world. Other families will be doing the same and the kids all just get on and play together.

Alicante has been voted in at 2nd place, in a recent survey as the best expat place to live in the world, beating New York, Singapore, Milan by miles. Additionally, investing in this lifestyle is secure. Houses prices are feeling upward pressure and now is the time to get on the bandwagon.



HEALTH CARE

Alicante city boasts three world-class hospitals catering for all eventualities. Health insurance is reasonably priced and the service offered is outstanding.



THE PROPERTY MARKET

The scope and quality of reasonably priced property available are endless. A simple search of "3 bedroom properties with pools" in the Alicante region will bring up hundreds of possibilities. This is where we at Kaasa Property Finders come into our own.

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