



Porta Maris – Jávea Guide

2023



Dear Guest,

We are very honoured that you have chosen our house to stay in during your visit to Jávea.

Porta Maris is much more than a conventional rental property. It is the place that our family has finally chosen to disconnect and rest, and our meeting point with family and friends. For this reason, it has been carefully equipped with the enjoyment of its occupants in mind and always with the aim that living in it will be a pleasant memory for a long time (both for us and for our guests).

For this reason, we have prepared this Guide so that you can make the most of your stay, offering you unique and unforgettable places and experiences. We invite you to explore beyond the most popular and conventional plans and to discover places of incredible beauty, enjoy swimming in exclusive beaches, take a boat trip around the 5 capes and its countless hidden caves, without forgetting to savour the gastronomy of the area and visit its fashionable places.

We hope that, now back in his city, he can remember the endless chats in his garden, the red sunsets overlooking the Montgó, the constant breeze from the cape, the dinners and long after-dinners full of laughter and happy moments looking at the sea, which made Greeks, Phoenicians, Romans and Arabs fall in love with this place long before we did.

We hope you enjoy our house at least as much as we do every time we stay here.

Yours sincerely,

The owners

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Jávea and its surroundings



Introduction

Jávea (Xàbia in Valencian) is one of the most exclusive holiday resorts in Spain. Since its tourist expansion, Jávea has always opted for tourism with a high purchasing power, family-oriented and concerned about the conservation of its privileged natural environment. This has allowed it to maintain its traditional character, care for nature and reduced overcrowding.



It has a **rocky coastline of 25 with 5 capes**, which give rise to a large bay, as well as numerous coves of different sizes and types, with endless opportunities for variety when it comes to bathing on **rocky, gravel or sandy beaches**, some of which are only accessible by boat. They also form a **unique landscape of cliffs, coves and mountains**, which has been painted by famous painters such as Sorolla, André Lambert, Navarro Llorens and Sala Coll.

Jávea has a **privileged microclimate**, with an average annual temperature of between 18° and 22°C and 320 days of sunshine a year. In the 1990s it was classified by the WHO as the **second healthiest microclimate in the world**, only behind Rio de Janeiro.

Jávea is eminently suburban, having always avoided high-rise construction. Its population resides mainly in single-family homes inspired by traditional architecture scattered throughout the municipality. There are 3 population centres about 3 km apart: the Old Town, the Port and the Arenal. Jávea has hardly any public transport, so all journeys must be made by private vehicle.

Jávea also has **2 large natural parks** (El Montgó-Cabo de San Antonio and the Granadella Forest Park). The former includes a protected marine reserve, which is one of the reference points for scuba diving enthusiasts in Spain.



The village and its surroundings enjoy a **rich gastronomy and a wide variety of leisure possibilities**, of which this guide makes numerous recommendations, based entirely on the opinions and first-hand experience of the owners of the property where you are going to stay. Please take these recommendations as totally personal, subjective and not conditioned by any relationship with the providers, but we believe that they will help to make your stay much more special.

The Beaches

Jávea's rocky coastline is quite unique and different from other nearby Levantine towns, making it more similar to the coasts of Ibiza or Mallorca (its surroundings have sometimes been referred to as "**the peninsular Ibiza**"). The 5 capes that make up its coastline give rise to **numerous wild coves of singular beauty**, some only accessible by boat or hidden paths and flanked by cliffs. At the same time it has **long beaches that are easily accessible** and urban and equipped with all the services.

The **clarity of its waters and the beauty of its seabed** are highly appreciated, making them ideal for scuba diving or snorkelling. The presence of poseidonia seaweed gives it a unique mosaic of blue and green colours. **Three of its beaches (La Grava, El Arenal and Granadella) have been awarded the European Community Blue Flag** in 2022.

The rocky bottoms of Jávea's beaches can hurt feet, and the sea urchin population is abundant, but it's **essential to equip all members of the family with booties**, crab shoes or other water shoes with non-slip soles. Decathlon has several models from €5, or they can be purchased at any local beach shop. It's also highly recommended to get some snorkelling goggles for maximum enjoyment.

In the chapter dedicated to Beaches in this guide you will find useful indications to visit our favourites, as well as others chosen from nearby towns. Having a **boat also multiplies the possibilities of enjoying them** and makes it possible to go to Cala Sardinera, Cova Tallada, Cala el Pom, Cala la Barra or Cala En Caló, which do not have viable or easy access by land.

We invite you not to settle for the nearest or most touristy ones, but to explore as many as your visit allows, you won't regret it!



The historic centre

This part of Jávea still conserves its peculiar **medieval layout**, a network of narrow streets dotted with white façades, arched doorways, Gothic windows and wrought iron grilles, all topped by the **characteristic "tosca stone"** of the area. Its location far from the sea and its distribution is due to the need to defend it from the once frequent attacks by Barbary pirates. A stroll through its streets takes us back in time.



In the centre of the town stands **the Church of San Bartolomé**, from the 14th to the 16th century, a beautiful example of Elizabethan Gothic. In this same square we can see two beautiful examples of houses, such as the Palau dels Sapena (15th century) or the Casa dels Bolufer (18th-19th century). On both sides of the church are the **Municipal Food Market (1946)** and the **Town Hall (18th century, renovated in the 20th century)**.

Going up Principe de Asturias Avenue, we reach the reconstruction of a section of the old medieval walls. From there we can access the Parc Montaner where **the Riurau dels Català d'Arnauda** is located, moved from its original location, it is the most representative example of the importance of the sultana trade in the 19th century.

Over the years, this neighbourhood has grown without losing its charm. Walking through its streets you can find all kinds of shops with a long family tradition, as well as local tapas bars and other services. Shopping at the Mercado Municipal de Abastos where you can buy local gastronomic products has become a must for our visitors. In addition, a **weekly street market** is held every Thursday between 8.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. approximately in the **Plaza de la Constitución and Placeta del Convent**.



From there, along Primicies street we reach the **Soler Blasco Archaeological and Ethnographic Museum**, located in the 17th century Casa-Palacio de Antoni Banyuls. Continuing along C/ Major we pass the Casa de Tena (1867), now the Ca Lambert Exhibition Hall. A few metres away, in Carrer D'Avall, is the Chapel of Santa Anna. Going down the C/Mayor again, we arrive at the Pl. del Convent, where we find the Convent of the Augustinian Nuns.



The Port and the Arenal

The Port ("Aduanas del Mar") and Arenal make up the other two urban centres of Jávea, and are the ones that concentrate most tourist activity, given their proximity to the sea.

Around the port grew a **neighbourhood with a strong seafaring character**, with old whitewashed fishermen's houses on the ground floor and narrow streets. The charm of this neighbourhood is enhanced by the sculptural silhouette of the **Church of Our Lady of Loreto**, an important example of avant-garde religious architecture, which stands out for the bold design of its lines, the conception of space and the nod to the fishermen's boats. For many years now, in order to cater for the many foreign parishioners, the Gospel is read in English, German, French and Dutch.

Another building of note in the port is the **Casa del Cable** (1860), now an art gallery. It is located at the foot of the **Playa de la Grava beach**, on a small and charming **promenade** lined with small bars where you can have a drink a few metres from the sea and enjoy the morning sun.

The arrival of the boats, the auction and the subsequent sale of fish in the **fish market** have become an essential attraction for our visitors (8am-12am Tel: 965 790 492). Next to the port, the **Nautical Club** offers different options for water sports lovers.



The **promenade** around the Arenal beach is the tourist centre of Jávea. At its northern end there was an important Roman settlement, where today the **Parador de Turismo** is located. Along the promenade there is a leisure and shopping complex which is the nerve centre of this area all year round, but especially during the summer period.

Summer nights in the Arenal are extraordinarily lively and bustling, a place where young people usually congregate around the many leisure and restaurant establishments.

The natural parks

Jávea has always tried to make its tourist industry compatible with the conservation of its privileged natural environment. For this reason it has 2 natural parks:

Montgó Natural Park: Mount **Montgó** rises above the plains of Jávea, Dènia and Ondara and reaches a maximum height of 753 m. above sea level. It has a varied natural wealth, its plant diversity being one of the most important in the Western Mediterranean with more than 800 species. For this reason, the Valencian Government declared this area a natural park in 1987, including the cape of San Antonio and the plain of Las Planas, which serves as a link between the coast and the massif itself. In the park you can find eagles, eagle owls, kestrels, peregrine falcons, Audouin's gulls, yellow-legged and black-legged kittiwakes and shag, among other species. The park has an Interpretation Centre (Camí Bosc de Diana, Denia. Tel. 96 646 71 55.) and several authorised hiking routes (PR CV-355). It can also be explored on horseback.

As part of the Montgó Natural Park, the Valencian Government established in 1993 the **Marine Reserve of Cabo de San Antonio**, which establishes the prohibition of fishing in all its modalities, the circulation of boats, and the authorisation of diving only in controlled conditions. Jávea is one of the reference points for scuba diving in Spain (see the Scuba Diving section).

The **Granadella Forest Park covers** an area of 700 hectares of low scrubland, with species such as lavender, centaury, pyramidal orchid or bee-eye orchid (yes, there are orchids in the Mediterranean!). There is a forest route (PR CV-354) that allows you to walk along it, and which goes to the viewpoints of Granadella and Castell de la Granadella, to enjoy its spectacular views (and of course a swim in the spectacular beach of the same name). The Granadella Trail is a famous race that runs through the park every year. In 2016 the park was ravaged by a virulent fire, but the flora has now fully recovered.



Typical gastronomy

Jávea participates in the **Valencian gastronomic tradition of rice** and is a perfect place to enjoy dishes such as paella, fideua, arroz a banda, arroz negro or arroz del senyoret. There is a wide range of all these dishes in the local restaurants (see section on traditional food restaurants).

In Jávea and its surroundings there are **dishes of strictly local tradition** that will delight the curious traveller. Some of them have references to Roman or Arab times.

- **Cocas:** The most typical. Bread bases with peas, spinach or onion and tomato; esgarrat and salt, with oil and salt or sausage. They can also be eaten as a closed pie.
- **Typical tapas:** Red Prawn of Denia (a delicacy recognised all over the world), Bogamarins (Sea Urchins), Bread with allioli and tomato, Polp Sec (dried octopus in slices) Capellans: (dried cod roasted with a flame), Esgarrat (Eggplant, peppers and onion roasted in the oven), Sausages (special mention to the sobressada of Tárbenà, a small inland village repopulated by Mallorcans),
- **Stews:** Cruet (typically seafood, with fish and shellfish with potato, onion and tomato), Suc roig (based on grouper, conger eel or monkfish) Polp amb penca (octopus and fish) Borreta (salted tuna gut with dried tomato, possibly derived from Roman Garum).
- **Desserts:** Tortà de almendra (sponge cake made of almond flour), Pastissets (sweet pastries filled with almond and/or sweet potato paste), Coca Maria: (very typical sponge cake, you can find it in any bakery).

The region was an important **wine** producer from Roman times until the arrival of phylloxera. The local bodegas produce excellent wines from Monastrell and Giró red grapes and Muscat of Alexandria whites **in the nearby villages of Jalón and Lliber** (see recommended plans). A popular local speciality is **Mistela**, a sweet Moscatel wine drunk as a dessert.

Alicante's oenological jewel is **Fondillón**. A sweet wine of natural fermentation of the Monastrell grape whose production was almost completely lost due to phylloxera and its high cost of production, but which has been preserved by a few family wineries, mainly in Monovar and Villena (but also in nearby Parcent). Fondillón is obtained from the bottom of the barrel, which was emptied by a third for marketing and refilled with the last harvest. In the 19th century it was one of the most admired drinks by European royalty and aristocracy, being the favourite wine of Louis XIV of France, as attested by his doctor. Philip V was very fond of it, his doctor attributed aphrodisiac properties to it, and it was the first wine to travel around the world in the Magellan-Elcano expedition. It is one of the five wines in the world with its own denomination recognised by the EU, a category shared only with Jerez, Bordeaux, Port and Champagne. Don't leave without trying it!



Cocas



Bogamarins



Arroz del senyoret



Mistela y pastissets

Nearby towns

If we start our tour in the north, we find **Denia**, whose seafaring tradition can be seen in the picturesque **neighbourhood of Baix la Mar**. Its Moorish **castle** on top of a hill overlooks the town and is well worth a visit. It is highly recommended to visit the **Playa de las Marinas**, with 10 km of very fine sand, or the **new marina**, with its boat piers and leisure facilities.

In the interior of the region, it is worth visiting the **wine cellars of Lliber, Jalón and Parcent**, as well as **the almond blossom** (end of February, beginning of March) in the villages of Jalón, Lliber or Alcalalí. The nearby town of **Gata** is famous for **its wickerwork**.

To the south is **Teulada-Moraira**, a traditional agricultural town with a well-preserved old town centre and a fortified church from the 16th century. Its coastline is also notable for its beaches and the watchtower at Cap d'Or and the Torrén, (an old battery and coastal fortification). **Moraira** (the fishing village) is one of the most upscale tourist towns in the Valencian Community and has an excellent atmosphere and great restaurants and bars by the sea.

Benissa has a neo-gothic church known as the "Cathedral of the Marina Alta". Its well-preserved medieval old town offers a variety of traditional shops.

Calpe is located next to the **Peñón de Ifach** Natural Park, which can be reached via a path to the top. It is a tourist town of great tradition, with a beautiful promenade, and has gained gastronomic relevance due to its 3 Michelin Starred restaurants.

Further south, don't miss a visit to the picturesque and bohemian town **of Altea**, with its **spectacular historic quarter**, or if you like entertainment, go to **Benidorm**, which has an overwhelming range of leisure activities for visitors of all ages and a seafront promenade that never sleeps. Don't hesitate to visit the **Asia Gardens Hotel** and discover its incredible gardens, or the nearby Moorish village of **Guadalest**, a delight to walk around and be transported to another era.



Denia



Moraira



Calpe



Altea









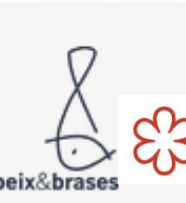

Restaurant Guide



Michelin-starred

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	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Approximate price per diner	
	<p>One of the best chefs in Spain and the world. He has other starred establishments in Valencia and Madrid, but the one in Dénia is his first and most renowned restaurant. It is the fourth best restaurant in Europe according to OAD, having been first in 2012 and 2013. Avant-garde cuisine based on Valencian gastronomic tradition. A unique experience (Tel. 965.784.179).</p>	20 km	250-420	
	<p>A restaurant founded in 2011 by Alberto Ferruz, who worked with Quique Dacosta and Martín Berasategui. Avant-garde cuisine based on ancestral ingredients and techniques, also based on local dishes (Tel. 965 08 44 40).</p>	7 km	150-200	
	<p>Fusion cuisine with a few local touches. A casual proposal, with few tables and an unbeatable price. It is in great demand and it is advisable to book well in advance (Tel. 966 47 17 45).</p>	4 km	80-100	
	<p>Recently acquired and refurbished by the owners of Bon Amb, and located in Ondara, it has a nice terrace, a luminous dining room with a half-open kitchen and a culinary offer of modern-Mediterranean taste, with good nods to the classic pairings both in the menu and in the menus (Tel 965 76 66 06).</p>	23 km	80-120	
	<p>Debuts in the Michelin star guide this year. Located in the port of Denia, it focuses on locally sourced fish and produce cooked using traditional methods but with a modern twist (Tel 96 578 50 83).</p>	18 km	65-105	

Local gastronomy

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La Perla de Javea	On the Arenal Beach. One of the restaurants with the longest tradition. Awarded a Michelin Dish in 2022. Very good sea views and excellent cuisine and service (Tel. 966 470 772).	4 km	50 €	
Mezquida	Restaurant with a long tradition in Jávea. Regional cuisine based on rice, fish and seafood, and grilled or stewed meats. The speciality is Cruet de Peix (Tel. 965 793 620).	6 km	40 €	
Pepe y Estrella	Located on the front line of the Montañar beach, it has been run by a family since 1994. The rice dishes and the Cruet de Peix are highly recommended, and they also try their hand at international dishes such as ceviche with very good results. Friendly service (Tel. 96 579 19 10).	6 km	35 €	
Posit	Another classic in Jávea. Located in the old fish market, at the foot of the Grava beach. Its speciality is a spectacular cuttlefish, artichoke and clam paella (Tel. 965 79 30 63).	6 km	35 €	
La Fontana	Located in Arenal, in front of the sea, since 1963. Traditional cuisine based on rice, fish and local seafood. Specialising in paella and fideuà (Tel. 965 790 417).	4 km	30 €	
Bar Mercat	Bar in the Mercado de Abastos. Very fresh produce and speciality local tapas. The perfect place to have "asmoraçaret" (mid-morning lunch) and try the "cocas", "sang amb ceba" or salted fish (Tel. 965 791 230).	7 km	15 €	
Tapes Muntanyar	Located on the seafront of Playa del Montañar. Specialised in local tapas: cocas, polp sec, etc. Highly recommended is their "picaeta" menu, combining various types of tapas (Tel. 965 79 26 02).	6 km	20 €	

A modern and original touch

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price per diner



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Portixol	A modern reinterpretation of traditional dishes, from the founders of Rte Mezquida. It has a Gastrobar where you can also buy delicious cold meats for your home. Spectacular tartare on marrow and a good wine list (Tel. 965 03 19 53).	8 km	35 €	
Ca Aleix	Original restaurant located next to a nursery and integrated with the art studio of a local sculptor. Good food and a curious experience (Tel. 629 268 900).	5 km	35 €	
Volta i Volta	Located in the historic centre. Tasty fusion of traditional Valencian food with Italian and other influences. Highlighted in the Michelin Guide 2023 for its excellent value for money (Tel. 966 46 38 18).	7 km	40€	
Chola Gastro	Eclectic Asian, Peruvian and Mediterranean fusion cuisine. Original and refreshing. Located in a typical historic house with a courtyard. Great sushi (Tel. 665 57 94 77). There is another sister restaurant ("La Mar de Chola") with Nikkei cuisine on the Port promenade.	7 km	40€	
Masena	Another place of reference in Jávea to enjoy both traditional Valencian dishes and international cuisine, in a beautiful villa with a patio. Excellent service (Tel. 965 79 37 64).	7 km	30 €	
Vthos	The vegan restaurant in Jávea. Asian-inspired vegetarian dishes and non-meat meat burgers (Tel. 965 641 429).	4 km	20 €	
Aticcook Bruno Ruiz	Located in Denia, small-format signature cuisine in a tasting menu. It is important to book in advance to get a good turn in the kitchen. (Tel. 678 30 43 87).	19 km	65 €	
Casa Grau	Decorated like an old Parisian bistro, ideal for a romantic dinner in the old town. Mediterranean and international cuisine (Tel. 678 30 43 87).	7 km	35 €	






With extraordinary sea views

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Cala Clemence	A charming Ibiza-style chill-out and restaurant overlooking the sea in Cala Portichol. Views of the island and Cabo Negro. International food (a bit industrialised) and good cocktails. Friendly service, good prices and great atmosphere (Tel. 966 47 21 89).	4 km	20 €	
Cabo de la Nao Restaurant	Literally hanging from a cliff 120 m above the sea on a dream terrace next to the viewpoint of Cabo de la Nao. Rice dishes, tapas, fish and grilled meats (Tel. 965 77 18 35).	4 km	35 €	
Cala Bandida	Located on the seafront of the Port, in the same building as The Beach House. Ibizan décor and international food, although there is a good selection of rice dishes. It's worth rounding off the meal with a drink on the Beach House's upstairs terrace, which overlooks the southern view of the bay (Tel. 965 79 10 64).	7 km	30 €	
Restaurante Mena	Located in Denia on Playa de las Rotas, this restaurant would already deserve a review in the traditional food section for its excellent arroz a banda, prawns and sea urchins, but it also has a wonderful view of the Cabo de San Antonio from Denia and a staircase in the rock that leads directly into the water (Tel. 965 78 09 43).	17 km	30 €	
Le Dauphin	An elegant restaurant in the Portet de Moraira. Creative French food on a spectacular Ibicencan terrace adorned with sculptures. Unrivalled views of the coastline of Moraira and the Peñon de Ifach. Book early to secure a table on the edge of the terrace (Tel 966 490 432).	15 km	65 €	

Economic and family oriented







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Chabada, Bohemians, Acqua and Bámbula	The 4 restaurants are on the Arenal promenade, are owned by the same company and share almost the entire menu. Pizzas, hamburgers and somewhat industrialised but tasty international dishes at a good price. Great service, well decorated, and on the seafront (Tel. 965 79 22 00 - 965 79 16 00 - 965 77 01 31 - 966 47 06 88).	4 km	15€	
Azorín	Located in the port, a classic for residents who don't want to cook, but want to eat with guarantees. Daily menus of homemade Spanish food. Solvent rice dishes (Tel. 965 79 44 95).	7 km	15€	
Casa Rosita	In the nearby village of Jesús Pobre, set in a traditional house with patio. Traditional tapas from the garden and local producers. The tomatoes are home-grown and are the best you can eat anywhere. The service is - purely informal - a little quirky, but all is forgiven by the owner for the good food and the great prices (Tel. 965 75 64 08).	15 km	15€	
Pizzeria Pepa	A traditional family-run pizzeria. They have a wood-fired oven and their other Italian dishes are also delicious. On the front line of the Arenal. No reservations. Take-away service (Tel. 965 79 25 72).	4 km	15€	
Bar Las Olas	A classic set menu bar close to the Arenal. Very popular with local workers in the Tosalet area, which attests to its excellent value for money. It has its own large car park and its mid-morning lunch sandwiches (" <i>esmorçaret</i> ") are highly recommended (Tel 625 267 927).	2 km	10-15€	

Restaurants with chill out lounge

They are usually large villas that have been converted into hotels that have reinvented their leisure and pool areas as original chill-outs with modern decoration, great for dining, having a cocktail and enjoying the summer nights.




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	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Price per diner	
The siesta	A classic of the Javanese (and Valencian, and Madrid) nightlife, this beautifully decorated chill-out with Arabian touches is set on the beach of El Montañar and also has an international restaurant. The food is good, the cocktails excellent (Tel. 966 46 23 00).	6 km	20 €	
Montgo Di Bongo	Another Jávea classic, right next to La Siesta. Atmosphere, cocktails and even breakfasts next to the Montañar beach never disappoint (Tel. 609 70 28 28 09).	6 km	20 €	
Terra Jávea	Beautiful Ibiza-style villa near the Arenal. International cuisine in a select ambience and great cocktails. The chill-out around the pool gives it a very special touch (Tel. 605 41 19 11).	3 km	30 €	
Oasis	Very popular with regular tourists and some celebrities. Very varied menu of traditional Spanish cuisine, well prepared and presented. The menú del día is always a good option. Good service and price (Tel. 865 79 05 03).	2 km	25 €	
El Campo	Family restaurant with a beautiful garden area and lounge. International and traditional dishes at a good price (Tel. 865 79 05 03).	5 km	30 €	
Isla Bonita	Close to the Karting and the Jávea campsite. It has a huge swimming pool with a circular island and hammock area. Specialising in rice dishes, grilled meats, tapas and mixed drinks. In the evenings they have a DJ with live music (Tel. 722 580 746).	4 km	20 €	

I don't want to cook today! Options for home delivery or pick-up

Almost all restaurants in Jávea offer the possibility of food for pick-up. Here we refer only to those for which the delivery or pick-up service is a fundamental part of their activity.

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Flor de Sal Gastrobar	Located next to the Saladar Supermarket at the entrance to Tosalet, it is very popular with residents for the quality of its local food to pick up. They offer rice dishes, cocas and other traditional dishes with a careful elaboration and good raw material.	2 km	15 €	
Arros i més	They deliver food either to your door or for pick-up. You can order online on their website (https://www.arrosimes.com/ - Tel. 966 47 04 14). The most convenient option to enjoy a rice dish without having to leave home.	2 km	10-15 €	
Alcolaia Menjars	Takeaway menu of homemade food at an unbeatable price. 2 courses and dessert for 7 Euros. The menu varies daily and can be seen on their facebook page. Collection only (Tel. 865 60 60 98).	8 km	7 €	

Chefs at home

Sometimes our guests ask for a professional chef to cook for them. You can request a catering service cooked away from home, have a Showcooking session at Porta Maris (which is fully equipped for haute cuisine) or be taught how to prepare a local or international recipe. It's a perfect way to have a truly unique experience for the price of eating out in a restaurant. A favourite for special celebrations in our house.

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	Comment	Approximate price per diner	Instagram profile
Khris Jaime	A teacher at the Altea Cookery School, she has worked in several Michelin-starred restaurants. She has a wide range of fixed price catering menus with many options, including regional Valencian, Spanish or various types of international cuisine. Contact her to discuss the different menus (Tel 663 69 94 70 or email Khrisjaimegallart@gmail.com)	40-100 € (according to menu)	
Sandra Uchu	Peruvian chef specialising in Nikkei, Peruvian and Asian cuisine, with 20 years experience working in a variety of different cuisines and cultures. She does not have fixed menus, you can indicate your requirements and she will give you a quote (Tel 665 56 11 14).	20-50 € (Depending on options)	
Sebastian Private Chef	A wandering chef born in France, he grew up in Africa and has lived almost all over the world, where he tried to learn as much as he could from local cuisines. He has worked as a chef for Club Med in Tahiti, Switzerland and Malaysia, and has run several restaurants in France, Germany, Italy and Spain. His specialities are meats, sole meunière, Tahitian fish, German Weiss, Spanish tapas and couscous. He has no fixed menus, you can indicate your requirements and he will give you a quote. (Tel 646 61 20 96)	30-50 € (Depending on options)	

The best beaches



El Arenal

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3 Km from
Porta Maris



Located in the centre of the bay of Jávea, it is the only sandy beach in the town. It is the best known and most popular beach due to its fine sand and shallow waters. It is ideal to go with small children. It has a blue flag and is equipped with lifeguards, adapted access, toilets and even assistance for the disabled.

The beach is urban and is attached to a small promenade with a wide range of leisure and gastronomic options, as well as the Parador de Turismo. It also has plenty of parking spaces nearby. It stretches for 500 m in a small bay.

Summer nights in the Arenal are extraordinarily lively and bustling, a place where young people usually congregate around the leisure establishments. This centre is undoubtedly the most cosmopolitan area of Jávea, its extensive leisure and gastronomic facilities make a visit inevitable and the temptation to return irresistible.



Cala Blanca

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2 Km from
Porta Maris



This is a wild beach of rock and gravel made up of two adjoining coves, connected by a stone coastline. Its name derives from the whitish colour of the rocks of its cliffs. Each of the two coves (Caleta de Dins and Caleta de Fora) has its own personality and both are ideal places for snorkelling, due to their rocky seabed and abundant marine flora and fauna. Sorolla painted some of his most famous pictures of bathers on this beach. The cave in the pass that separates them is one of the most famous pictures of Jávea.

It can be reached via Caleta de Fora, which forms a small rocky inlet like a natural pool. On foot along a path barely 200m away you can reach La Caleta de Dins, which has a rough stone arm that goes out to the sea as a barrier, so its waters are usually calm and crystalline.

There is a small car park at the end of Avenida de Ultramar, but it tends to fill up quickly in the summer and at weekends. It is essential to wear waterproof shoes (crab shoes or booties) to be able to walk on the seabed comfortably and avoid hurting your feet on rocks or sea urchins.



Caleta de Fora



Caleta de Dins

La Granadella

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6 Km from
Porta Maris



La Granadella regularly appears in the lists drawn up by the press as one of the most beautiful beaches in Spain, some years having obtained the first place (and deservedly so!) It is an essential visit due to the spectacular beauty of the place where it is located and the incredible colour of its waters.

Cala Granadella is a wild beach, but it has a Blue Flag and has good services such as sun lounger and deckchair hire, bars, toilets, parking, lifeguard, you can go water skiing or diving, and in summer there is a floating platform where the little ones can have fun.

It is a very busy beach and it is advisable to go early if you want to secure a good spot during the summer season. For the last few years in July and August you can't park at the beach, but you have to leave your car in a car park about 2 km away and get on a free minibus that operates between 10-19h and leaves every 20 minutes approximately. The car park fills up quickly, so it is advisable to get to the beach early.

It is a gravel cove, so it is essential to be equipped with crab shells or booties and it is highly recommended to wear diving or snorkelling goggles.



El Portichol / La Barraca

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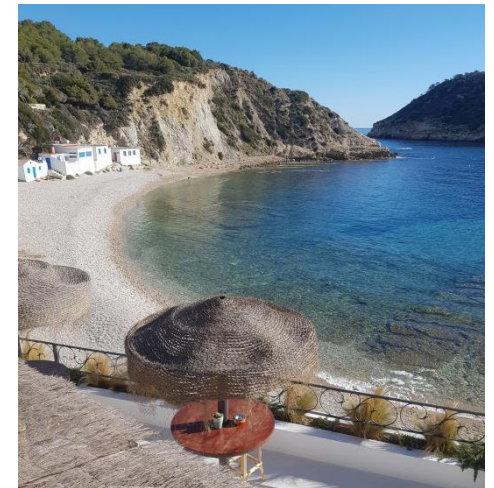
4 Km from
Porta Maris



Cala del Portichol, also known as Cala de la Barraca, is located between Cabo de San Martín and Cabo Negro. It is a beautiful rustic gravel cove with white fishermen's houses, perfect to spend a day enjoying the sun and the sea. From the beach you can enjoy the view of the Portichol Island, as well as the Capes on both sides. In summer there is limited parking space, so it is advisable to arrive early.

The fishermen's cottages on the beach itself are very picturesque. One of them has a unique blue door that has become almost a symbol of Jávea, and is one of the most shared spots on Instagram in Spain. On the beach you can find the Cala Clemence restaurant, a highly recommended place to eat or have a drink while enjoying the spectacular views.

It can be reached either by car or on foot from the Cruz del Portichol viewpoint, on the Carretera del Cabo de la Nao. There is not much parking, although you can leave your car in the streets of the neighbouring urbanisations (although they can be steep). In summer it is very difficult to find parking if you arrive later than 9.30 am. It is a gravel cove, so it is essential to equip yourself with sea booties and it is highly recommended to wear diving or snorkelling goggles.



La Grava / El Montañar

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5 Km from
Porta Maris



The beach of La Grava, also known as El Montañar or El Benissero, stretches for about 3 km from the port of Jávea to El Arenal. It is a semi-urban beach, which you can walk along a wide pavement with a cycle lane.

In its most urban stretch (La Grava), at the foot of the Port of Jávea, the beach enjoys a Blue Flag and plenty of services and places to eat or have a drink. As it faces slightly east, it is an excellent place to enjoy the sun, especially in the morning.

In summer there are several temporary beach bars along the beach, and there are 2 well known and recommended permanent places to eat or drink (La Siesta and Montgo Di Bongo).

You can leave your car on the gravel of the beach next to the road in two car parks, or in the streets of the neighbouring urbanisations. It is a gravel cove, so it is essential to wear sandals or booties and it is highly recommended to wear diving or snorkelling goggles, as the gravel soon gives way to a rocky seabed of great beauty.



Las Marinas de Denia

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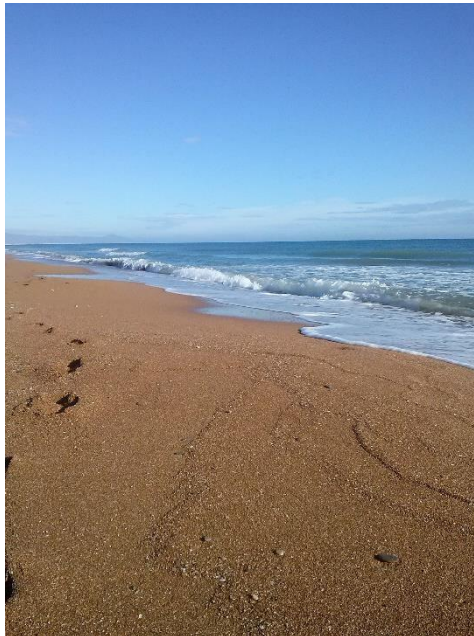
19 Km from
Porta Maris



Las Marinas de Denia, in its different stretches, is a spectacular beach of fine, shallow sand that stretches for 10 km with widths of up to 300 m. It is an ideal beach if we want a different sandy beach to the Arenal, and we don't mind going outside Jávea and getting to know the surroundings.

It has some restaurants right on the beach, ideal for a typical local rice dish. The Noguera Restaurant-Hotel is specially recommended.

As it is such a wide and extensive beach, it never feels crowded, even in summer. It has semi-urban and wild stretches and plenty of services. Given its size, parking is not usually difficult except in the stretches closest to the town centre of Denia. As it is a sandy beach, no booties are required, and its shallow depth makes it ideal to go with small children.



El Moraig

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13 Km from
Porta Maris



El Moraig is a 500 m long wild cove located in the neighbouring village of Benitachell. Like Granadella, it appears recurrently in the lists of the most beautiful beaches in Spain. It is flanked by two cliffs and has a beautiful cave with 3 eyes (Cova dels Arcs), which happens to be the outlet of an underground river. It is a frequent meeting place for divers to explore its passages. It has a single steep asphalted access coming from the Urbanización Cumbres del Sol. In summer there is restricted parking capacity, so it is advisable to arrive early.

It has a pleasant beach bar where you can have a drink. Parking can be difficult in summer. There is a parking space at some distance from the cove. The parking space has to be booked in advance on the website www.elmoraig.es. The beach has a Blue Flag, so it has plenty of services.

It is a gravel cove, so it is essential to be equipped with crab shells or booties and it is highly recommended to wear diving or snorkelling goggles,



Cala Ambolo

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5 Km from
Porta Maris



Cala Ambolo is a wild beach 300 m long, with only pedestrian access and no parking. Possibly for this reason, despite not being formally a nudist beach, it has been (and is) the most common place to bathe for visitors who prefer to do so without clothes. From here you can enjoy the spectacular view of the Isla del Descubridor and the elevated coastline that rises up to the Castell de la Granadella, perhaps the most spectacular view of Jávea.

It is not possible to park near the beach. It is best to leave your car in the streets of the Urbanisation Balcón al Mar (Calles Richard Wagner or Giuseppe Verdi) and walk the last stretch of the access road with stairs while enjoying the breathtaking view. It does not have any kind of services.

As it is sheltered by a cliff, it has been closed for some time due to the risk of a landslide. You can check its condition before visiting it at the Jávea Tourist Office (Tel: 965 79 07 36). It is a gravel cove, so it is essential to wear booties.



El Portet de Moraira

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14 Km from
Porta Maris



El Portet beach is a small semi-urban beach located at the foot of the most exclusive urbanisations of Moraira. As it is very secluded and sandy, it is ideal for children. It is famous for its crystal clear waters and its marvellous shades of green and blue, due to the presence of Poseidonia algae, and is one of the main tourist attractions of Teulada-Moraira.

It is close to several restaurants and has a blue flag, so it has a lifeguard and plenty of services. It does not have a dedicated car park, so you have to leave your car in the nearby urbanisations, which is not always easy. It is advisable to go early to ensure a good spot, as the cove is only 300 metres long and 20-30 metres wide, so in summer it fills up quickly.



Cala L'Andrago

QR code associated with Google Maps address

16 Km from
Porta Maris



Located in Moraira, Cala L'Andragó is a small corner full of charm. It is a totally rocky beach, which gives it crystal clear and transparent waters and makes it ideal for snorkelling. It is a semi-urban beach that is at the foot of several leisure and restaurant establishments, including a chill-out area with an excellent atmosphere.

It has a car park right on the beach, which tends to fill up quickly in summer, but it is not difficult to park in the urbanisations on the other side of the beach road. It can get deep quickly and is less sheltered than El Portet, which makes it less suitable for children. There is a ladder built into the rock to make access easier.

It is a rocky cove, so it is essential to be equipped with crab shells or booties and it is highly recommended to wear diving or snorkelling goggles.








Recommended leisure activities







Hiking routes - Jávea

Discovering the beautiful landscapes and coastline of Jávea is one of the many attractions that await us in this privileged corner of the Costa Blanca. Being part of a unique natural environment, which combines sea and mountains, is a very good alternative for nature lovers, who will be able to get into lush vegetation, walk along the cliffs and enjoy spectacular views through a wide variety of trails of great ecological and scenic value that run through the Network of Natural Areas of Jávea. These walking routes are well signposted in all their sections.

Route	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Full details
Port - Cape San Antonio-Montgó (PR CV 355 -16 Km one way.)	Ascent of the Cabo de San Antonio, access to the Mirador with spectacular views. Walk along the hill of the Cape and optional ascent to the Montgó. Steep slope at the beginning and final stretch, more difficult on a rocky path. There is a variant via the Mills without the Montgó, shorter and easier (8 km. round trip).	8 km	
Cape San Martín (Cap Martí or Cap Prim) (SL CV 98 - 1,2 Km one way)	Easy and gentle path, suitable for children and with beautiful views on both sides of the cape. It can be extended to Cala Sardinera -normally only accessible by boat- and take a swim.	4 km	
Barraca Cove (SL CV 97 - 0,9 Km one way)	A simple path with a slight slope, suitable for children. Ideal for a swim at the end!	4 km	
Saint Lucia Chapel (SL CV 99 - 2,4 Km round trip)	A Jávea Classic. Visit to two famous hermitages with spectacular views of the bay and Cap Marti from the village. The path is well prepared but quite steep.	8 km	
Granadella Forest Park (PR CV 354- 13 Km round trip)	Circular route through the park. The most unspoilt path. It starts and ends on the beach. It passes by the fishing villages, sites on the edge of the cliffs for old-fashioned angling.	6 km	

Hiking trails - nearby villages

Some of the most spectacular hiking trails in the Valencia region are within easy reach of Jávea.

Route	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Full details
<p>Benitachell cliffs route (SL-CV 50-3 Km in 1 direction.)</p> 	<p>An amazing route along the cliffs that connect two dream beaches: Cala Moraig and Cala Llebeig in Benitachell. The views are breathtaking and on the way you pass many fishermen's (and smugglers') caves. Some parts can be difficult for children or older people. The sun is intense in the morning, so be sure to bring hats and plenty of water. You can take a well-deserved swim at either of the two beaches.</p>	16 km	
<p>Cova Tallada (PR-CV 355-4 Km round trip)</p> 	<p>Between Javea and Denia. A steep path leads to a 400 m long cave dug into the side of Cape San Antonio by the Romans to extract stone. The place is spectacular and has appeared in many films. It is of medium difficulty, the final access to the cave is very steep. In summer the capacity is restricted and it is necessary to book first on this website: https://parquesnaturales.gva.es/es/web/pn-el-montgo</p>	12 km	

Local Festivals and Festivals 2023

Valencia is world renowned for the uniqueness of its regional festivals. Jávea and the surrounding villages are no exception and offer many opportunities for fun and contact with regional folklore.





The **Moors and Christians** festivities are deeply rooted in the province. These fiestas, full of history, have become very popular due to their colourful and spectacular nature. They commemorate the Christian reconquest of the region by the troops of King James I of Aragon. They stage the landing of the Christian troops, the battle and a commemorative parade of both sides accompanied by their bands (one for each Filá, or private club representing a squadron of each army, with their own costumes and anthem). The impossibility of having enough costumes, music bands, etc. for everyone at the same time means that the towns of the province distribute an annual calendar with the weekends of the season distributed around the summer, so that at almost any time of the season the fiesta can be enjoyed in a nearby town. The dates for 2023 are: **Jávea**: 15-16 July, **Denia**: 13-16 August. **Moraira**: 9-11 June, **Benissa or Pego**: 1-2 July. **Calpe**: 21-22 October. If you want to go to the most superlative expression of the fiesta, go to its birthplace: the towns of **Alcoy** (22-24 April), **Villajoyosa** (24-31 July) or **Crevillente** (30 Sept - 3 October).



Las **Fallas** (or its smaller Alicante sisters Hogueras de San Juan) need no introduction, and are also celebrated in the Marina region, which is halfway between Valencia and Alicante. Some towns even celebrate both. If you are not going to Valencia, the birthplace of the festival and first choice for anyone interested, and you are going to be in Porta Maris between **14-19 March**, it is worth seeing the **Fallas in Denia** where the festival has a great tradition and Fallas houses with a big budget, or even going to **Gandía**. **Jávea** celebrates the **Hogueras de San Juan** in the week of **17th-24th June**, as well as the rest of the towns southwards as far as **Alicante** itself.

Specifically in **Jávea** there are several patron saint festivities: San Sebastián, Patron Saint of Jávea (20-30 January), the Ascent of Jesus the Nazarene to the Calvario Chapel (20 March). The Fiestas of the Virgen de Carmen and its seafaring procession (16th July) and the Fiestas of the Virgen de Loreto (31st August-6th September). As for music festivals, the most traditional are **Montgó Rock** (2-3 June) and **Xabia Jazz** (1st week of August), especially for lovers of each genre. Both have been held for many years and feature some of the best artists.

Places of singular interest

	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Google Maps
<p>Garden of L'Albarda</p> 	<p>It is a spectacular Mediterranean Garden in a large private estate. It houses a variety of gardens in different styles (Valencian, Tuscan and Moorish) with groves, fountains, greenhouses, shade-house, flower beds, koi carp ponds, floral walkways and statues. It is run by a foundation and admission is €6 per person. You can enjoy some time on the terrace of the Italian-style main house and have a coffee with a delicious carrot cake.</p>	12 km	
<p>Art al Camp</p> 	<p>This is not a children's attraction as such, but the open-air workshop of local iron artist Toni Marí (Tel. 965 79 12 44). However, children will enjoy the chance to step inside a giant 30m long sculpture of a blue whale, or a 6m long ant, as well as other curious sculptures. Nearby there is a lovely oriental food café in a greenhouse (Café Bali. Tel 676 97 43 75) and a highly recommended restaurant (Ca Aleix. Tel 629 26 89 00).</p>	4 km	

Bicycle Routes

Jávea has several cycling routes that run through places of great beauty and that lead to places of tourist interest, such as the viewpoints or the Montgó Natural Park. The large number of small rural roads scattered throughout the municipality make it easy to make short cycling excursions or to access neighbouring towns. Several professional teams from Northern Europe spend part of the winter season in the town to continue their training, and it is a regular stop-off point for the Vuelta Ciclista a España (Tour of Spain), given the spectacular scenery. Dutch residents in particular, including the elderly, regularly travel around Jávea on mechanical or electric bicycles.




There are 10 official cycling routes in Jávea, which can be consulted on the website (<https://www.xabia.org/ver/1492/Rutas-en-bici.html>).







The most recommended routes are the **Vuelta al Montgó** (from the Port of Jávea to Denia, going around the Montgó along a 26 km flat route that passes through Jesús Pobre and La Jara), the **Family Route from the Port to Cala Blanca**, which is completely flat and always runs along the edge of the sea along the Bay. It is well paved and perfectly suitable for children. **The Viewpoints Route passes** by the most scenic points of Jávea on the edge of the cliffs and the **Granadella Route**, which runs through the Natural Park, the beach and the cliffs that surround it. The **Jávea Parks Route** passes just 200m from Porta Maris. In the QR code to the right of this paragraph, you can see its routes on a map.



There are several companies in Jávea that rent bicycles (see below). One company in Morair also offers guided tours of the area, which are highly recommended.

Bicycle rental companies	Address and Telephone	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Xabia's Bike Center	Av. de Lepanto, 5 - 966 46 11 50	7 km	
Gurugú Bicycles	Carrer de Jorge Luis Borges, 8 - 966 28 95 93	6 km	
Moraira eBikes (rental and guided tours)	Avenue del Portet 29 (Moraira) - 609 071 527	14 km	

Activities for children

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Google Maps
Pinosol Park	It is a beautiful recreational area with a kiosk area with an open-air German Biergarten, tables, a playground with swings, trellises and even a ping pong table and barbecues. Around it there are 20 trees with different sculptures carved by a local artist.	4 km	
Cave of the Skulls	A 440-metre long cave that was discovered in the 17th century. The cave was home to our ancestors from 130,000 years ago in the Palaeolithic Era, and contains archaeological remains and paintings. The cave rooms are very impressive and have many stalactites, stalagmites and other interesting mineral formations. Children will love it. There is a café and souvenir shop on the premises (tel. 966 40 42 35).	24 km	
Karting Jávea	Small karting track located near the Arenal Beach. 10 minutes for 13-30€ (depending on Kart models and ages). From 6 years old (Tel. 622 88 68 76).	4 km	
Arenal Amusement Park	It is a small amusement park with merry-go-rounds, bumper cars and similar non-permanent attractions in the vicinity of the Arenal beach. It is open during the high tourist season. There is a Paintball nearby (Paintball Elite. Tel. 672407046).	3 km	







Theme parks

Undoubtedly the main concentration of theme parks in the region is in the area around Benidorm, where there is a varied offer, in case you want to spend a day out and let the children enjoy the attractions.

Park	Comment	Basic Ticket Price	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
		High Season Online		
Terra Mitica	Theme park inspired by the civilisations of the Mediterranean. Roller coasters, shows, car races, merry-go-rounds, free falls...	49 € adults / 35 € children	55 km	
Aqualandia	The largest water park in Europe. Rapids, slides, wave pools...	34 € adults / 26 € children	50 km	
DinoPark Algar	Family theme park with life-size robotic dinosaurs, 3D cinema and educational activities	15 € adults / 10 € children	50 km	
Terra Natura Zoo	Zoo with invisible barriers to make it easier to observe animals	34 € adults / 28 € children	51 km	
Safari Aitana	Photo safari, which is visited by car like an authentic African safari.	24 € adults / 20 € children	83 km	
Oceanogràfic Valencia	One of the best aquariums in the world, located in the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia. It is well worth a visit.	34 € adults / 25 € children	117 km	









Gastronomy

In addition to what you can find in the Restaurants section, there are some experiences that should not be missed. Try to get a taste of the richness and variety of traditional local ingredients. Below we recommend markets, fish markets or establishments where you can sample and stock up on the genuine local flavours of the Marina area.

	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Google Maps
Jávea Food Market	Located in the historic centre in a beautiful building of unique architecture, next to the Church of San Bartolomé. In its stalls you can buy meat, fish, fruit, salted meats and fresh local vegetables.	7 km	
Riu Rau Market in Jesús Pobre	Charming market with traditional and organic food and drink stalls in a traditional Riu-Rau. There are also antique stalls, tables and chairs for a drink and often live music. Visitors love it without exception. Held on Sundays (Winter: 9-14h and Summer: 18-23h). There is good parking. Highly recommended.	15 km	
Els Magazinos	Located in the beautiful fishermen's quarter of Denia, this is an open-air gastronomic market with around 20 street food shops in a single street, combining traditional dishes and creative cuisine. Sometimes there is also live music.	10 km	
Fish auction at the Fish Market ("Pòsit de Xàbia")	Although the public cannot buy, you can attend the fish auctions at the fishermen's guild every day from 8:00h . There is a fish shop run by the Fishermens Guild in the fish market itself and another one in the Mercado de Abastos.	8 km	
Jávea street market	The Jávea street market is held every Thursday from 8:30 to 14:00 in the streets of the town centre (except on public holidays, when it is moved to Wednesday). The fruit and vegetables are of excellent quality.	8 km	
De la Tierra Jávea	A gourmet shop specialising in local products from the Alicante region. You can find wines, beers, cheeses, olive oil, nougat, sweets and organic fruits. Gerard, the owner, is very friendly and will gladly give you any advice you may need.	9 km	

Wineries

There are several high quality wineries in the Jalón Valley. The regional speciality are the Moscatel de Alejandría wines, but you can also find excellent red wines of the Monastrell or Giró varieties. Fondillon is an oenological speciality from Alicante that only a few wineries in the world make. It is a wine of great ageing, late harvest, sweet but not fortified from the Monastrell grape variety. It is not cheap, but you should not leave without trying it. It was a favourite of King Louis XIV of France. Take a look at our wine list to see our suggestions and where you can find them (shipping all over Europe).

	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Google Maps
	Small winery owned by a great winegrower. Visits with tasting at 15€ or 30€/pax (reservations by WhatsApp 683.543.636 or mail info@bodegasgutierrezdelavega.es). Their dessert wine "Casta Diva" was part of the Wedding Menu of the King and Queen of Spain. The red wine "Rojo y Negro" of Giró variety is excellent, and they even produce a Fondillón called "Recóndita Armonia" (96 Parker).	31 km	
	One of the most interesting Spanish winemakers, in his most personal project. Don't leave without trying his excellent red wine "Fierroca" (97 Parker), the Giró de Abargues (93) or the wonderful dry Moscatel white "Pureza" (92), fermented in vats. You will not be disappointed. Visits can be arranged on their web https://casaagricola.es/	24 km	
	A recent addition the local winegrowers of high quality. They make sweet and dry muscatel wines on a farm that used to make strawberries (hence the name). Located between Jávea and Denia, just one km from the archaeological site of the oldest winery on the Iberian Peninsula, dating back to the 7th century B.C. Guided tours for €15. Tel 682 53 94 63.	14 km	
	The Xaló winery is the oldest in the area. They produce the renowned Mistela "Riu Rau". It has a shop with many of its own references. Guided tours with tasting for 10€, to be booked at visitas@bodegasxalo.com	27 km	

Clubs and nightlife

Jávea has a lot of nightlife venues, which are particularly lively during the summer season. Almost all of them are concentrated in the Arenal area, although we must not forget the temporary chiringuitos (beach bars) or permanent establishments that are distributed along the Montañar beach, or the two discos in the town.

The most lively pubs, chill-outs and bars in Jávea are concentrated in the southern part of the **Arenal**. These have undergone a great transformation in the last 10 years, due to the entry of new business groups in the leisure sector who have opted for more modern premises, decorated in more modern styles and with all aspects of service much more carefully looked after. The more traditional establishments had to raise their game in order to keep up, which has led to a general improvement in the leisure offer. Places like **Achill**, **Atalaya** or **Bambula** combine an excellent atmosphere, good music and modern décor, varied cocktails with sun loungers and wonderful sea views. **Chambada**, **Carnaval**, **Khandala** or **Amnos** are also worth a visit along the promenade. For the more traditionalists there is the biker and rocker inspired **Octopus** pub, where beer is served in mugs or pints.



On the Montañar beach there are 2 essential places: **La Siesta**, decorated with sand, palm trees and Balinese beds on the edge of the gravel, and **Montgo Di Bongo**. These are old houses that were built on the beach itself long before the coastal laws and are nowadays places where the Madrid and Valencian bourgeoisie meet for dinner, drinks, socialising or shopping in their hippie-inspired clothes shops. A short distance away is the **Viva Beach** pub, another good place to have a drink overlooking the sea.







The Port is a quieter place that has traditionally been less suited to late-night entertainment, but it still has some very noteworthy venues. In particular the **Beach House** terrace, exquisitely decorated in Ibiza style, and **Cala Bandida**, also in the same building literally hanging over the sea, are highly recommended. **La Esquina** also serves delicious cocktails.

Jávea has 2 Discos: El **Molí** (formerly Molí Blanc), which also has a spectacular interior garden and a lively central dance floor, and **La Hacienda**, located on the Carretera del Cabo de San Antonio, which maintains its original, typically seventies logo.







Gyms and Yoga

In Jávea there is not a huge variety of gyms, but there is enough to keep in shape for short stays. All gyms in the area have daily passes and tourists are welcome.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Elite Gym	Started just 3 years ago, it has plenty of space, some of the most common group classes and a great Crossfit area with all the necessary equipment and good instructors.	6 km	
Club Fit	Very close to the previous one, it is very much oriented towards functional training classes and physical conditioning for the elderly. It has very individualised attention	6 km	
Plaza Fitness	New gym in the historic centre. It has state-of-the-art machines, free weights and group classes. The facilities are very modern and have EMS and nutritional advice. It has 400 m2 of training space on 2 floors, with 4 independent rooms.	7 km	
Spartagym	A small neighbourhood gym in the Arenal area. It has machines, free weights and group classes.	3 km	
Francesca Stutely	Yoga classes in front of the sea on the platform of the Monsoon Thai restaurant. Class times vary depending on the season and the teacher is often out of town, so please confirm first on WhatsApp 644.116.098.	7 km	
Javea Yoga Studio	Permanent premises dedicated to Yoga in the Port, with various levels. Pilates classes are also available	7 km	







Tennis, Padel and Golf

Jávea is an ideal place to practice outdoor sports all year round. It is the home town of tennis player David Ferrer, who has a training centre in the town, and has its own golf course and another very close by, in Denia.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Jávea Tennis Club	Tennis Club dating back to the 70's and located in the Arenal area. It is the headquarters of David Ferrer's Tennis Academy and is on the Spanish Open Tennis circuit. It has 6 clay tennis courts, 2 hard courts, 4 paddle courts and 1 squash court, as well as a swimming pool, a small gym, a children's playground and a restaurant where you can eat excellent rice. Court rental 9€/h per person for non-members.	4 km	
Los Pinos Tennis Club	Founded in the 80s and located near the Cabo de la Nao lighthouse. It has 5 clay courts and 3 hard courts, as well as a swimming pool. The coach is Mariano Peinado. Court rental 15€/hour clay court and 10€/hour hard court.	5 km	
Javea Golf Club	The first Golf Club in Jávea, with 9 holes. It has a swimming pool and Social Club. Maximum handicap 26 Gentlemen and 34 Ladies. Price 34€ for 9 holes and 44€ for 18€. Bookings 96 579 25 84	9 km	
La Sella Golf Club	At the height of Jesús Pobre, between Jávea and Denia. Designed by José María Olazabal, it has 3 circuits of 9 holes each. It is part of a complex of villas and a Marriot Hotel, which also has a Spa. The rate is dynamic and depends on the occupancy of the course and varies between 50-90€. Book online on their website	16 km	







Nautical activities

Jávea is a reference point in Spain for both nautical activities. An excursion along its coastline with the bay and cliffs in the background is an experience that we recommend to all our guests, whether by boat, jet ski or kayak.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Jávea Yatch Club	The small local Yacht Club offers sailing courses at around 200€ for 20h, and all the usual services for boat owners. Some of the members rent their boats with or without skipper. There is a good restaurant serving regional food (Tel. 965.791.025).	8 km	
Mundomarino	Organised boat trips. The excursion "Tres Cabos" is particularly recommended (2h30min - 34 € adults, 28 € children), as it runs along the entire coastline of Jávea, and includes a break for a swim in a cove that is not accessible (Tel. 966.423.066).	8 km	
Nautical Area	Boat rental with or without skipper. As an indication a 11m skippered boat for up to 9 persons would be 6h-800€, 4h-580€ (tel. 653.875.211)	8 km	
Mardays Resort	Boat rental with skipper (700€ / 6h - 300€/ 2h), and other water activities - see diving section (Tel 665.496.333)	4 km	
Maremoto Sports	Jet ski hire (30 min - 90€, 1h - 135€). They also offer flyboard and hoverboards (Tel. 609.678.764).	6 km	
Kayak Jávea	Guided tours to the most attractive coves and caves of Jávea. 50 €/person for 2h.30min excursions (WhatsApp. 679.753.761).	6 km	




Diving

The rocky seabed of the coast of Jávea makes it an essential destination for scuba diving in Spain. It has a protected marine reserve and 22 dives of great beauty, including underground caves, tunnels, slabs, crevices, blocks, overhangs, walls and more. vertical, etc. The City Council publishes a detailed thematic diving guide which can also be downloaded from our website.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Diving Cabo de la Nao	25 years of experience in the sector. Diving experience and qualifications. Courses at all levels. Baptism of Diving 75 € (Tel. 609.672.856)	4 km	
Diving Puerto Jávea	Diving courses and experiences. PADI 5 star centre (Tel 965.794.100).	7 km	
Mardays Resort	Located in the Canal de la Fontana, on the Arenal beach. Diving baptism 60€. Diving courses of various levels and snorkelling experiences. They also rent boats with skipper (Tel 665.496.333).	4 km	
Hammersea	School with a long tradition in diving and sailing courses. 45€/dive (Tel. 617 72 25 05).	5 km	
Pelicar Diving	Located in the harbour. Individual and group dives. Diving baptism and courses (Tel. 629 87 62 84).	7 km	
Four Divers	School near the arenal beach. They offer courses in diving, sailing and other nautical activities. They organise diving cruises in other parts of the world (Tel. 685 072 762).	4 km	





Horse riding

Horse riding is always a pleasure, and it's a great way to explore some of the area's hiking trails and rural landscapes. You can also take lessons or practice riding, suitable for all ages.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Jávea Riding Centre	Perhaps the reference centre for this activity in the area. It organises excursions to the nearby Montgó Natural Park, as well as classes for adults and children at various levels. Not open on Mondays. Enquiries on Tlf 675.033.516	10 km	
Lledó Riding Centre	It offers lessons, excursions and events on horseback (e.g. birthday celebrations). Also does exams and is a municipal school. Located in Denia. Price approx €25/class or hour ride. Contact: 635.531.955	19 km	
Hipica Ondara	It offers classes and excursions and horse riding. Located in the nearby town of Ondara. Price approx. 25€/class children and 30€/adult. Contact: 628.484.047	23 km	




Sports schools

There are several sports schools in Jávea to initiate children or teenagers in different sports. Our particular recommendation: Sign them up for a sailing course at the Yatch Club. Jávea is a unique place for this activity. It will be an experience they will remember for the rest of their lives.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Jávea Yatch Club	The local Yacht Club offers sailing courses from 6 years old of 20h. For 200€. There are specific groups for children and teenagers. They also have a Summer Sailing Camp. The Nautico hosts an Optimist team where children learn (and compete) all year round (Tel. 965.791.025).	8 km	
Jávea Tennis Club	It has Tennis, Padel and Squash schools, as well as a Tennis Summer Camp (125E/week). The Club is home to the David Ferrer Tennis Academy which also offers High Performance courses (from 10 years old). Tel. 96 579 02 89	4 km	
Xabia Multisports School	They organise summer camps for children between 4 and 15 years old in Football, Basketball or Multisport at the facilities of the local football team. 155€/2 weeks from 9h to 14h.	7 km	
Jávea Golf Club	The Golf Club has private teachers for both beginners and advanced lessons. Price 35€/h or 20€/half hour. Bookings 96 579 25 84	9 km	



Tailor-made activities

In Jávea and the surrounding area there are several companies dedicated to organising tailor-made activities of all kinds. If you opt for this "premium" option, here are some of our suppliers

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
Siesta Advisor	The leading company in the design of tailor-made experiences in Jávea. They organise boat, kayak, paddle surfing, diving, cycling, adventure or multi-activity plans. It is worth watching a promotional video of Jávea from their website (Tel: 965.770.490).	6 km	
Luxury Events	They organise above all boat experiences, some of which are truly luxurious, and gastronomic plans (Tel. 641635415).	No physical office	
Lantana Concierge	Very focused on premium and gastronomic experiences, in addition to the more usual experiences. They organise plans such as showcooking at home by a chef or painting classes by the sea. They work mainly for English and French clients (Tel. 625.940.125).	No physical office	

Art galleries

Jávea has been a place of inspiration for famous painters and artists, and has several art galleries and exhibition halls.

Centre	Comment	Distance to Porta Maris	Web
The Cable House	Located in the former telegraph cable station that linked Ibiza with the mainland, this modern building is now an exhibition hall run by the Town Hall that hosts themed art exhibitions (Opening hours 10-13h and 17-20h - Tel: 965.796.531).	6 km	
Ca Lambert	Another unique house in the historic centre that belonged to a bourgeois family from Jávea and housed a pharmacy until the 1980s. Recently renovated, it takes its name from André Lambert, a Swiss architect and artist who lived in Jávea for many years and to whom we owe numerous studies and engravings on the traditional architecture of the area. It houses art exhibitions of various kinds (opening hours 10-13h and 17-20h).	7 Km	
Recoleta	Recoleta is a boutique atelier, artist studio and online gallery located on the Mediterranean coast, connecting collectors, buyers and creatives online and in a workshop by the sea. As a private initiative, it has been particularly innovative in combining art exhibitions with cultural, business and gastronomic events (Tel. 605 503 185).	7 Km	

Religious services

San Bartolomé Church (Historic Centre)

Winter (1 Sep - 30 Jun)

- Weekdays: 8am and 7:30pm
- Saturdays and eves: 19h and 20h
- Sundays: 8, 10, 12 (children) and 19h

Summer (1 Jul - 31 Aug)

- Weekdays: 8am and 8pm
- Saturdays and eves: 19:30h and 20:30h
- Sundays: 8, 10, 12 (children) and 19h



Hermanos Cholbi Asylum (Centro Historico-Puerto Road)

- Sundays: 10h



Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Angels (Cape San Antonio)

- Weekdays 9h
- Sundays: 10h



Parish of the Sea. Our Lady of Loreto

(Port)

Winter

- Weekdays: 20h
- Saturdays and eves: 9 am, 7 pm and 8 pm

- Sundays: 9, 11, 12, 12, 19h and 20h

July and August (The Gospel is read twice once in Spanish and once in English, French, German or Dutch, depending on the day).

- Weekdays: 9am and 8:30pm
- Saturdays and eves: 7pm, 8pm and 9pm
- Sundays: 9, 11, 12, 12, 19, 20 and 21h



Ermita de San Sebastian (Costa Nova- Cap Martí)

- Sundays: 20h (Summer only)



Ermita del Popul (Montgo) - Anglican

Winter:

- Sundays: 9.45h
- Wednesday: 10.30h

July-September:

- Sundays: 9.30h
- Wednesday: 10.30h



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