

8 DAYS FROM £989
£140pp Single Supplement

HIGHLIGHTS

- 7 Nights half board in Calpe
- 3 Guided walks included
- Knowledgeable local guide
- Optional excursion to the Albir lighthouse, Altea & Guadalest

WALKING IN THE COSTA BLANCA MOUNTAINS



Inland from the resorts of the Costa Blanca lies some of the best walking country Spain has to offer.

The sparsely populated mountains rise up to 3000ft and are a haven for wonderful wildlife, flora, fauna and

spectacular views. Your holiday base in Calpe has a bit of everything – beautiful beaches, a lively and picturesque old town, stunning scenery in the shape of the immense Rock of Ifach, and varied wildlife, both on the Rock and on the salt pans.

ACCOMMODATION

7 NIGHTS HALF BOARD

Diamante Beach Hotel
CALPE, ALICANTE, SPAIN



DEPARTURE DATE 2024 3 OCT

FLIGHTS INCLUDED FROM YOUR LOCAL AIRPORT

Airport: Manchester

Airline: Easyjet

Outbound: 0705/1105

Inbound: 1140/1330



ITINERARY

Day 1

Fly to Alicante, transfer to your hotel for seven night's half board accommodation. Transfer time approximately one hour.

Day 2

La Ruta del Agua. Beginning in the Alicante town of Sella, an ancient mountain village, located 18 kilometers inland from the coastal town of Villajoyosa, on the Spanish Costa Blanca. This small, authentic place is surrounded by magnificent mountain peaks and ridges, terraced almond groves, wooded valley trails, and spectacular gorges. Sella is also famous for having some of the best rock climbing in Europe. Depending on the time of year olives, almond blossom, oranges, lemons, various wild herbs, several varieties of birds, and, if there is luck, maybe a wild boar can be seen! From Sella, you make your way towards Fuente del Berro, relishing the scenery as you go. Continuing from Fuente del Berro, traverse the path adorned with lush vegetation, cross wooden bridges and enjoy the peaceful ambiance before reaching Puente del Perdón. From here, the trail meanders through captivating landscapes, absorb the tranquility and natural beauty as you progress towards La Pesquería. The trail continues, offering glimpses of diverse flora and fauna. Arrive at El Manantial, a serene spring that marks the 5-mile point of your journey. After a rest stop at El Manantial, you begin your return journey to Sella. Retrace your steps, taking in the familiar yet captivating scenery from a different perspective as you head back to Sella.

Day 3

Free day.

Day 4

Guadalest reservoir walk followed by a visit to Guadalest. The village of Guadalest balances precariously on top of a cliff. A little tunnel carved into the rock takes you to the bell tower and old Moorish castle. Meanwhile, the quaint streets and squares are filled with cafés, craft shops and museums. Commence your walk from Guadalest village and head towards the reservoir, you follow the path that takes you around the perimeter of the reservoir, enjoying the stunning views along the way until you reach the dam. From here you continue along the trail that runs adjacent to the reservoir, embracing the tranquility of the area, following the path leading to the Embalse de Guadalest viewpoint, which offers breathtaking panoramas of the reservoir. Leaving the viewpoint, you guide leads you on the trail toward El Castell de Guadalest. As you walk, immerse yourself in the natural beauty and enjoy the scenic vistas that accompany the route. The final leg of the journey takes you from El Castell de Guadalest back to the village of Guadalest. Traverse the path or road leading down, relishing the views and the historic charm, before concluding your walk back in Guadalest.

Day 5

Free day in resort or alternatively, you may decide to join the optional excursion to the Albir Lighthouse and Altea.

Day 6

Jalon Valley - 50-minute coach transfer to the start of the walk which will explore the Jalon Valley, famous for its vineyards and fine wines, including the typically sweet white Mistela. The route starts from the summit of the Coll de Rates from where you have panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and the Tárben Valley, the Sierra de Ferrer and the Jalon Valley with its whitewashed villages, vineyards and citrus groves set out in neat rows. The route descends from the Coll de Rates along the old Royal Road that takes you down into the Jalon Valley. This footpath was the principal connection between the provincial capitals of Valencia and Alicante up until the early 20th century. You then follow an easy footpath through pinewoods along the southern flanks with views of the valley below. This walk is 8 miles with a break-off point of 5 miles with ascents of 80m and descents of 525m.

Day 7

Free day in resort.

Day 8

You have free time until your transfer to the airport for your return flight.

