# Villa Garbancito

Region: Andalucia Sleeps: 6

## Overview

Located in the sunny region of Malaga, this delightful villa, with its beautiful garden and two pools, is the ideal place to spend a relaxing break with all the family.

Sat within a well-maintained walled garden, Villa Garbancito is traditionally constructed with a whitewashed exterior and terracotta tiled roof. A charming front terrace lined with flowerbeds and decorative pots leads to the porch-way and entrance. To one side of the door, there is a covered patio area with quirky furniture and a small breakfast table, inviting you to enjoy a coffee in the fresh air or simply sit beneath the shade and look out onto the terrace enclosed by tall pine trees.

The rooms are arranged across one level, with exposed wooden beams and characterful furniture that create a homely atmosphere. Stepping through the front door to the living room, a large sofa and armchairs are arranged in front of the stone fireplace, creating a cosy area to curl up with a book or gather around the crackling flames during the winter months. There is also a small TV and DVD system positioned discreetly within the shelving, providing the perfect spot to switch off in front of a movie during the evening.

Leading off the main living room is a charming internal courtyard with a brick and tiled floor and a central fountain sculpture. A large roof lantern floods the space with natural light, and an assortment of quirky objects brings cheerfulness to this intermediary space. There are three lovely bedrooms located off the main corridor. Exposed beams and unique furnishings make them inviting and homely, whilst air conditioning keeps the rooms cool during the hotter summer months. The master room is vibrant and well-lit, leading through an archway to an impressive ensuite with a dressing table and free-standing







bathtub. There is a second bedroom with a double bed and a further room with two comfortable singles.

The integrated kitchen and dining room are bright and spacious, with classical wooden cabinetry and marble countertops. Fitted with quality equipment, the kitchen offers everything that you may require to prepare meals throughout your stay, whilst a large dining table to one end has ample room to enjoy dinner with everyone. From here, there is direct access to the patio area and a substantial back garden.

Shaded beneath the roof's considerable overhang, the patio offers an outdoor dining table to enjoy a morning coffee or lengthy lunch whilst looking out across the garden. Two wicker sun loungers and a sofa offer a more informal option to sit back and enjoy a glass of wine in comfort during the balmy summer nights. To the side of the house, you will find an additional outdoor dining area with an open-fire stove built out of the garden wall. With its secluded setting and rustic charm, it is the ideal place to grill some market-bought produce and gather around the impressive stone table to enjoy a light-hearted evening beneath the stars.

A stone pathway leads down steps to a central terrace which wraps around a large outdoor pool. Planted pots are arranged along its perimeter, whilst a charming garden swing and a number of sun-loungers provide the ideal spot to sit back and soak up the sun. The 15m long pool is well-sized for doing lengths or simply taking a refreshing swim to escape the heat. A side section featuring Roman steps makes an easy entry point and gives the setting a classical elegance. A further garden area is found to the corner of the property, with a heatable smaller pool and kids basin that is great for children to paddle in the shallow water, both being fenced. There is a gate and fencing that separates both of these pool areas, giving parents that added sense of safety whilst the young ones run around freely.

### **Facilities**

Wi-Fi/Internet • Villa • Table Tennis • Tennis Nearby • Watersports • Walk to Village • Romantic • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • DVD • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Recommended • Exclusive • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Coffee Machine • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Sailing • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

# **Interior & Grounds**

### The Villa

Villa Garbancito is a stunning and spacious property, located close to Malaga, that has everything you could need!

Ground Floor

- Dining room with dining table and access to the gardens
- Well-equipped kitchen
- Lounge with doors to gardens, Wi-Fi and Sat TV
- Bedroom 1: Double bed with en-suite bathroom and air conditioning
- Bedroom 2: Small double bed, extra single beds, and air conditioning
- Bedroom 3: Twin beds with air conditioning

#### Exterior Grounds

- Swimming pool with roman steps (17 x 6 m, depth: 1 2 m)
- Second heated (please see Ts&Cs) swimming pool (6 x 3 m) with adjoining
- children's pool, both with glass fencing
- Garden fence separating the larger pool area from the smaller pool area
- Poolside shower
- Sun loungers
- Barbecue with shaded al fresco dining area
- Table tennis
- Private off road parking (garage)

#### **Additional Facilities**

- Air-conditioning
- Wi-Fi connection
- Heating
- Dishwasher
- Washing machine









### **Location & Local Information**

Set within the sunny region of Malaga, Villa Garbancito is a great base to explore the surrounding area. Slightly removed from the busier touristy coastal towns, the villa occupies a secluded spot at the foot of the Sierra de Mijas mountains close to the entrance of the Guadalhorce valley.

Less than half an hour's walk takes you into the local town of Alhaurin de la Torre. With its agrarian history, the surrounding landscape is covered by olive groves and citrus fruit plantations, whilst the town centre is made up of tightly-huddled streets and old Moorish-style houses. Here you can find a number of local restaurants and bars, as well as several supermarkets. Take a stroll down the Calle Malaga and admire the colourful crochet canopy handmade by a group of local women to provide some shade during the summer months. Stop in the popular Plaza San Sebastián to admire the pretty church before heading to the popular Heladeria Valentino, where you will find delicious homemade ice cream with plenty of original flavours.

To enjoy the golden sands and warm Mediterranean waters, the beaches of Torremolinos are a mere fifteenminute car journey. With good public facilities and multiple companies offering a variety of water sports, there is plenty to keep everyone entertained. Alternatively, head south towards Benalmadena to the lesser-known Playa Las Viborillas. With slightly rougher sand and modest amenities, the beach is sheltered by huge palm fronds and offers a more secluded, laid-back setting to sunbathe or swim in the clear blue water. For a bite to eat, hop one bay down to the Restaurant El Parador. Founded almost 50 years ago, this perfectly positioned restaurant serves a variety of Spanish and Mediterranean cuisine, offering traditional dishes alongside simple seafood and fresh fish. It is a great spot to stop and enjoy a relaxing lunch whilst looking out over the sea.

As well as its impressive coastline, the Costa del Sol also is host to the splendid mountain range of Sierra de Mijas.



Numerous hiking trails invite you to explore rocky terrain as you make your way up the wild landscape to various peaks to reach incredible views back towards the sea. The most popular trail is Pico de Mijas, a challenging yet rewarding route that ends with panoramic views across the coast from Malaga to Mijas, and on a clear day, you can even make out the coastline of North Africa. With an elevation of 745m, the hike requires a reasonable level of fitness. The start is found from Mijas Pueblo, a charming hilltop village just 35 minutes from the villa.

### Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Malaga Airport (12 km)
Nearest Town/City	Port of Malaga (20 km)
Nearest Train Station	La Colina Train Station (11 km)
Nearest Town	Alhaurin de la Torre (2 km)
Nearest City	Malaga (20 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Restaurante Papas Fritas Y Huevos (700 m)
Nearest Supermarket	Supeco (2 km)
Nearest Beach	Playamar (12 km)
Nearest Golf	Lauro Golf Resort (8 km)
Nearest Tennis	La Capellania Tennis Club (5 km)

### What we love

- Villa Garbancito sits within a beautifully-maintained wall garden; with its large grassy lawn, colourful planting and arrangement of furniture and ornaments, it makes a wonderful spot to enjoy long sunny days
- A variety of outdoor terraces and seating areas are perfect for making the most of the balmy summer evenings, and the impressive fire stove is ideal for cooking dinner beneath the starts
- Whilst the elegant main pool is great for a refreshing swim, the separate children's pool is perfect for younger ones looking to paddle in the shallow water

### What you should know...

- The children's pool can be heated, giving the option to find your optimum swimming temperature or leave it cold for a refreshing dip to cool off from the sun's heat
- The property benefits from air conditioning throughout so that you can enjoy a comfortable temperature even during the hottest summer nights
- Whilst the villa is within walking distance of the local town and amenities, it is advisable to have a car to make the most of the surrounding region, but we recommend a sat nav too!

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €1,000 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4pm.
- Departure time: 10am.
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Pets welcome?: Not permitted.
- Changeover day: Flexible.

- End of stay cleaning available?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.

- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Heating costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.

- Pool heating charge?: For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge of £400/week (to be paid to OT prior to arrival) that will only apply to the smaller pool at the property. This extra is only available on request, and with prior arrangement before arrival. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- Tax: Tourist Tax included in the rental price.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included in the rental price.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.