

# Castillo de Arena

**Region:** Costa Blanca **Sleeps:** 10

## Overview

In an elevated position right by the water's edge, Castillo de Arena provides the perfect introduction to the Costa Blanca town of Villajoyosa. Featuring impressive outdoor spaces and welcoming interiors, this three-bedroom villa has its magnificent pool overlooking the ocean and offers direct access to the beach.

You can relax on the terrace with the Mediterranean in full view at Castillo de Arena, where a charming dining area and a large stone barbecue oven can be found. There's plenty of seating and sun loungers around the pool area, including covered areas when you want a little shade.

There's a warm, homely feel to the inside of the house, with wooden beams and chunky furnishings adding an element of rusticity to the dining and living spaces. There is a natural feel throughout, with a lot of wood and stone used, while some exciting antiques and artworks add character to the areas.

You have high-quality appliances including a large oven in the spacious kitchen, along with more places to dine, including a breakfast bar. The house contains three air-conditioned bedrooms and two bathrooms over two floors, whilst the apartment contains two bedrooms and two en-suite showers, accommodating up to 10 guests in total. There's also an exercise area for those early morning workouts. The villa is well-equipped with Wi-Fi, satellite TV, a safe, and offers parking for two cars.

The town of Villajoyosa is large enough to provide everything you could need, and lies between the sea and the mountains – at some points, you have a great view of both at the same time. A long white sand beach is there to tempt you, along with a pretty Old Town and a range of great restaurants, many of them down on the beachfront.

From there, you can head north to Benidorm, Altea or Calpe, or south towards Alicante – made very easy by the coastal tram service which passes through Villajoyosa. With a host of water and wildlife parks and natural wonders like the Canelobre Caves to visit, there are always adventures to be had in this beautiful region.

**\*\*\*Please note that the beach in front of the property is a nudist beach.**

## Facilities

Golf Nearby • Ideal for Parties • Private Pool • Watersports • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Fishing • Air-Con • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Sailing • Not for little ones • Scuba



Diving • Boat Trips • Ideal for Xmas/NY • Villa • Chef/Cook Available • Quirky (Unique) • Maid Service Available • Pets on Request • Walk to Beach • Beach Nearby • Instagrammable • Beachfront • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Waterfront • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • Seafront • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Gym/Fitness Room • Safety Deposit Box • Smart TV • Satellite TV • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Cooking Classes Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Transfers Available • Catering Available • Breakfast Available • Fenced Grounds

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Castillo de Arena has uninterrupted seaviews thanks to its waterfront location. The interiors are simple and modern, using mainly natural materials such as wood and stone. There are 3 bedrooms in the main house, with the option to rent a separate apartment, with an extra 2 bedrooms, bring to total number of guests to 10.

### *Main House*

- Fully-equipped kitchen connected to small dining room
- Dining room with circle table and sea views
- Open-plan living room with seating, corner sofa, fireplace, access to the terrace, and breakfast bar connected to the kitchen
- Main bedroom with double bed (210 x 200 cm), fireplace, large Smart TV, built-in wardrobe, and en-suite bathroom
- Shower and toilet
- Office space with desk, TV, and coffee machine

### *Main House Lower Ground Floor*

- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), TV, built-in wardrobe, and access to shared terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), TV, built-in wardrobe, and access to shared terrace
- Shared bathroom

### *Apartment (Please see T&Cs)*

- Open-plan kitchen/dining room with 6-seater table, oven, electric hob, dishwasher, and access to private terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), en-suite shower, TV, and access to terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (160 x 200 cm), en-suite shower, and TV

### *Exterior Grounds*

- Private swimming pool with sun loungers and shower
- Fitness area
- Terrace with large dining table and sea views
- Two professional outdoor kitchens
- Sun loungers and hammocks
- Outdoor dining area
- Outdoor toilet
- Barbecue area
- Firepit area
- Outdoor exercise area with rowing machines
- Front gate and driveway and space for parking
- Garage with space for 2 cars
- Direct access to a beach

### **Additional Facilities**

- Wi-Fi connection
- Hot & cold air conditioning
- Stereo system (main villa)
- Washing machine
- Dryer
- Dishwasher



- Toiletries
- Gym equipment
- Coffee machine
- Wine cooler

# Location & Local Information

Villajoyosa is a traditional Spanish town on the Costa Blanca, a short distance from Benidorm but lesser-known as a visitor destination. It is recognisable by the many coloured houses which face its long and wide beach, providing a contrast to the 3km clean, white sands in front of them.

The original purpose of this vibrant decoration was to help guide fishers home, as what is now a relatively large town was once a small fishing village – and it is still a big part of life in Villajoyosa today.

The reliably mild climate makes Villajoyosa an attractive place to stay all year-round, and its position between the sea and the mountains give it some scenic spots. The Old Town is particularly pleasant to potter around, with landmarks worth noting including the 16th-century watchtower and Roman bridges. You are likely to come across the daily fish market, which provides the ideal opportunity to sample the local catch. A local diving centre and tennis club are among the sporting diversions on offer in Villajoyosa, and its position on the tram line running from Alicante to Dénia means you can quickly go exploring.

Another place to get to know the town’s history is at the small but exciting Vilamuseu, a museum right in the heart of the city. Perhaps the town’s best-known visitor attraction is its chocolate museum – the reason for its existence is that one of Spain’s most famous chocolate brands, Valor, is based in Villajoyosa, and the museum gives you the opportunity to see how it’s made.

It’s easy to forget that nearby Benidorm was just a small fishing village itself until as recently as the 1960s, and many of its attractions have a watery element – the Aqualandia and Terra Mitica theme parks are popular family choices.

Further south, Alicante is a rewarding city filled with attractive parks, plazas and beaches. When you visit, you could also take a boat trip out to the beautiful island of Tabarca, less than an hour away and wonderfully unspoilt.

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## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Alicante Airport (42 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Port of Alicante (35 km)
Nearest Train Station	Paradis Tram Stop (1 km)
Nearest Town	Villajoyosa (4 km)



Nearest City	Alicante (30 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Restaurante Emperador (800 m)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Chiringuito Yorkos Paraiso (700 m)
Nearest Supermarket	Supermercado Sainvi/Carrefour Express (1 km)
Nearest Beach	El Asparallo Beach (20 m)
Nearest Golf	Las Rejas Golf (15 km)
Nearest Tennis	La Vila Joiosa Tennis Club (6 km)

## What we love

- This villa has the most spectacular position by the ocean – perfectly positioned for enjoying gorgeous Costa Blanca sunsets
- There's a large and homely kitchen at this villa, ideal for rustling up some authentic Spanish cuisine –or you could put some fish on the barbecue right outside
- Beautiful fireplaces inside and a firepit in an informal seating area outside add a little extra warmth and lots of ambiances
- Colourful Villajoyosa is a charming town and makes the perfect base for travels along the coast

## What you should know...

- The property is suitable for children, but only on request, and please be aware that there is a nudist beach nearby
- The swimming pool is not fenced, so children must be supervised at all times
- Please be aware that although quiet, there is a tramline that passes behind the house

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 3 pm. All arrival times should be advised, particularly if after 8 pm. An early arrival time may be possible, on request only, and subject to an additional charge.
- **Departure time:** 10 am. A late departure time may be possible, on request only, and subject to an additional charge.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Pets up to 10 kilos, are permitted in the property, on request and with prior agreement from the owner. If accepted, a supplement charge may be required. Please enquire for more information.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that in order to have access to the apartment, and all of the bedrooms, you will need to select more than 6 guests at the time of booking. Those travelling in smaller groups can benefit from a reduced rate, however, they will not be given access to the apartment. Please note that access to this apartment is also subject to availability, due to it's connection to the property next door, Villa Palmito. Guests are asked to please be mindful of their noise levels, especially after 11 pm, when there are noise rules in the community.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €200, paid to Olivers Travels with the balance payment. 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:** 5 nights during peak season. 3 nights during other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Not available.
- **Tax:** Tourist Tax not applicable.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included in the rental price.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Beach towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.