



Trip:	Costa Blanca CB14
Dates:	Jan-Dec 2014 (4 days)
Country:	Costa Blanca (Spain)
Places:	4-8 people
Total price:	600.-€
Level:	low/medium

HIGHLIGHTS

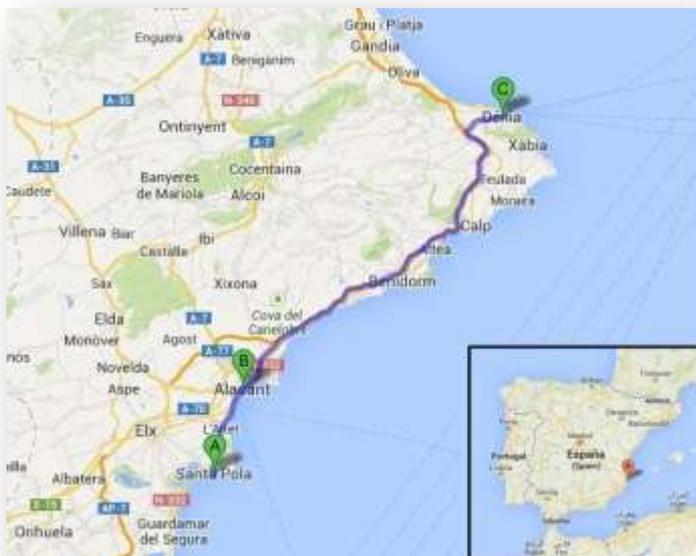
- You will enjoy 4 days next to the Mediterranean.
- Dinners in hidden coves and beaches.
- Check the watchtowers.
- A surprising dining.

SUMMARY

The Costa Blanca area is certainly famous for its fabulous beaches, and the mild spring-like temperatures that you can enjoy 320 days a year. However, the beauty of some its landscapes still remains unknown to the keen photographer. A trip when photography, gastronomy and leisure join smoothly together.

We will visit some places guided by an expert photographer and a mountain guide, where we will spend the night out, to take a memorable present back home and experience a unique experience.

A 4 day journey always with the presence of the Mediterranean ahead. Throughout the week, we will be having breakfasts, by the sea side, lunches near ancient harbours and dinners on hidden secluded beaches. The murmur of the sea will accompany you on your dreams.



FROM SANTA POLA CAPE TO SAN ANTONIO CAPE

Alicante, the capital of the Costa Blanca

Alicante is a middle size quiet city where everything is walking distance. The city embraces the seafront, where you can enjoy non stop leisure and gastronomy. Alicante is also renowned for its night life and clubbing at the seafront on weekends.

We will stroll long the marina dock, Explanada water front, where the distinctive "Cara del Moro" (Moorish face profile) can be seen at the top of the castle. We will access to the castle walking along a 142 mts tunnel to take the lift which will take us straight up to the fortress at 166 above sea level: a fabulous view point to discover the bay of Alicante.

Denia, Cova Tallada y Cabo San Antonio

Cova tallada is the original Valencian name. It means "carved cave". It is located under a seacliff at sea level within the San Antonio cape nature reserve.

It was originally a small sandstone cave, later used by Romans to extract the stones to build the Castle of Denia. Nowadays you can still find the cuts and patterns of the extraction of the rock that was shipped out on small boats.

Cala del Charco.

El Charco bay, is named after the "Torre del Xarco" which offers the best views of the Alicante bay. This is with no doubt the most visited location for night photographers in search of the most wanted picture. This is a small bay situated between Villajoyosa and Campello, and unknown to most tourists thanks to its disguised access.

The coastal watchtowers are a series of military constructions, built up in XVI century on the Spanish mediterranean coast, mainly along Murcia, Alicante Málaga and Almeria provinces, in order to defend the territory against the otomans. Carlos I king of Spain projected this defensive system of watch towers along the coast. However, it was his son Felipe II, who carried out the construction of most of them.

La Sierra de Aitana

Between Sierra Aitana and Puig Campana soars the most dramatic and capricious aretes and rocky needles of the Mediterranean.

Baptized by the first British mountaineers back in the sixties as the "Mediterranean Dolomites", The Castelletts-Penyo Cabal- Tafarmat outcrops are the best background for the magic light games that bathe them at different seasons throughout the year.

We have carefully chosen the best two locations to enjoy this fabulous natural spectacle: The summit of Divino peak, above 1000 mts of altitude, but accessible by 20 min walk dirt road, and the stone paved ancient footpath near La Carrasca farmhouse, ideal view point of the fabulous natural amphitheatre which is the monte Castelletts.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Day 1. Santa Pola and Torrevieja salt plans.

Collection at the airport
Guided visit and dinner in Santa Pola (Traditional fish casserole)
Guided visit to the salt plans.
Sunset photoshooting.
Accommodation at hotel Porta Maris in Alicante (near Postiguet beach)
Transfer to Cala del Charco bay for picnic evening meal and night photoshooting

Day 2. Calas Costa Blanca

Breakfast at hotel
Transfer to Cabo San Antonio (Denia)
Traditional rice dinner at one of the cradle of Spanish cuisine cities.
Walk to Cova Tallada along the PR77 footpath, along the water front (5 km. distance, medium difficulty)
Access to the cave and afternoon photoshooting.
Traditional Marina Baixa dinner inside the cave(pininc style)
Night photoshooting inside and outside the cave
Transfer back to hotel. Free night.

Day 3. Montaña. La Sierra de Aitana

Transfer to Sella (40 min)
Walk to summit of Divino. Photo shooting
Dinner at Sella, local mountain gastronomy.
Stroll down to ancient XV century water mill, one of the best preserved of the whole Mediterranean.
Drive to Masia La Carrasca.
Access walk to photoshooting area (25 min) and sunset photoshooting
Picnic night dinner at the shooting site.
Night photoshooting.
Transfer back to hotel in Alicante.

Day 4. Alicante

Breakfast at hotel.
Luggage collection.
Optional visit to St. Barabara castle(ascend on lift, descend by foot down to old town along the defensive town walls)
Tapas food feast for lunch
Transfer to airport.
End of the trip.



FOOD & TRANSPORT

Lunch and dinner are another attraction of this experience, so we have prepared a menu to taste the dishes during the photo sessions.

You can not visit Santa Pola without to taste fish casserole or visit Denia without eating one of the best rice. We'll eat the typical tapas in Alicante. The wines also have an important place.

Breakfasts are included daily at the hotels and are buffet style, except Tabarca that will serve a simple breakfast.

Pick up our guests at the airport or train station when you arrive.

Everyday use private cars that allow us complete freedom of time and movements.

ACCOMMODATION

A photographic journey is not incompatible with good accommodation. For anyone who has not spent a night sleeping with the background noise of the sea, we guarantee an unforgettable experience. There is a wide range of hotels in Alicante, but certainly between the marina and the beach Postiguet is the best place to watch a sunrise. All rooms have sea views and wi-fi.

Accommodation is in shared double rooms. The single room has a surcharge. If you're traveling with your partner, please tell us for the distribution of rooms.

WEATHER

Temperatures in Alicante are very nice but there is usually a lot of humid and possible rain.

We recommend you to consider that at night, to the sea can be quite cold.

Month	Temp/averag.	Ortho	Sunset
October	20,5 °C	8:15 h.	19:20 h.
November	16,3 °C	7:45 h.	18:50 h.
December	13,2 °C	8:10 h.	18:45 h.
January	11,4 °C	8:15 h.	18:15 h.
February	12,7 °C	7:45 h.	18:45 h.
March	13,7 °C	7:15 h.	19:15 h.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

During the trip, the professional photographer Carlos Serrano, will give a masterclass on night photography and we'll have your photographic assistance at all scheduled departures.

Walking routes and trails are planned and guided by GPS with topographic maps. We have a qualified mountain guide.

At all times we will be communicated by radio.

Accommodation in shared double room with breakfast.
All meals and drinks are included. We serve coffee and hot tea during night photo shoots.



WHAT TO TAKE

It is important to follow the recommendations and take at least the detailed documentation and equipment, outside the general luggage each.

Documents

Passport
E111 Card and/or private insurance full details

Personal equipment

Suitable footwear, with sturdy soles for rough terrain walking
Waterproof jacket, polar fleece (night times can be cold and humid)
We strongly recommend to bring spare boots and trousers in case of bad weather.

Photograph equipment

Reflex camera
Solid, stable tripod
Luminous lens
Remote control shooter
Headlamp
batteries and batterie chargers
Waterproof case

HOW TO BOOK YOUR TRIP

Sending an email to:

agarcia@fnexperience.es or carlosserrano@fnexperience.es with your personal data. Quickly we will contact you to let you get a brief questionnaire that must be completed and refund.

Make the reservation payment through our website www.fnexperience.es or by bank transfer and the reservation will be confirmed.

After the first 4 bookings confirmed the trip will be confirmed closed.

Travel is subject to the participation of a minimum number of 4 people.