

What to Do in La Palma

A 5-day guide with real prices



They call it the Isla Bonita for good reason: laurel forests, a newborn volcano and Europe's best-protected starry sky. La Palma is the Canaries without the crowds. This 5-day plan covers the essentials with real excursions and real prices.

Your 5-day plan

Day
1

Tajogaite volcano, Spain's youngest land

Start with what didn't exist before 2021: a guided hike across the Tajogaite lava flows with local volcano guides (€38, the island's best-rated activity at 4.8 out of 5). Walking on lava that still breathes heat is unforgettable.

Day
2

The Caldera de Taburiente

The island's green heart: an 8-km-wide crater turned National Park. The guided tour (€42) takes you to the viewpoints and Canarian-pine trails without worrying about the ravine logistics.

Day
3

Whales with a marine biologist

From Tazacorte, a boat trip with a biologist on board to spot dolphins and whales off one of the deepest coasts in the Canaries (€60). The science turns the sighting into something else entirely.

Day
4

Around the island

A day of contrasts on the island highlights bus tour (€48): from the green north (Los Tilos, San Andrés) to the volcanic south of Fuencaliente and its seaside salt flats.

Day
5

The stars of Roque de los Muchachos

The perfect farewell: stargazing beside the northern hemisphere's largest observatory, local wine included (€55). La Palma is a Starlight Reserve: probably the best sky you'll ever see.

Local tips

- Rent a car: the roads are spectacular, but distances deceive. Everything is curves.
- Pack layers: you can go from 28°C at the coast to 12°C at the Roque in one day.
- Book the Tajogaite hike ahead: group sizes are capped by regulation.
- Try the malvasía wine from Fuencaliente, grown on volcanic ash.

Ready to book?

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