LA RESIDENCIA

A BELMOND HOTEL

MALLORCA



## MALLORCAN EXPERIENCES

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We are thrilled to welcome you to La Residencia.

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that bring Mallorca to life and ensure

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unforgettable memories.

Whichever activities you choose,

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## **DISCOVER** A PALACE OF ART

n a protected wildlife sanctuary on Mallorca's north coast, an artistic adventure is calling. Sa Bassa Blanca Museum, the vision of artists Yannick Vu and Ben Jakober, combines intriguing artworks and stunning, Moorish-style architecture

with heavenly grounds. Discover this enchantingly different world on a private tour, which includes a drive up the steep coast to absorb the spellbinding views and a delicious picnic in the gardens.

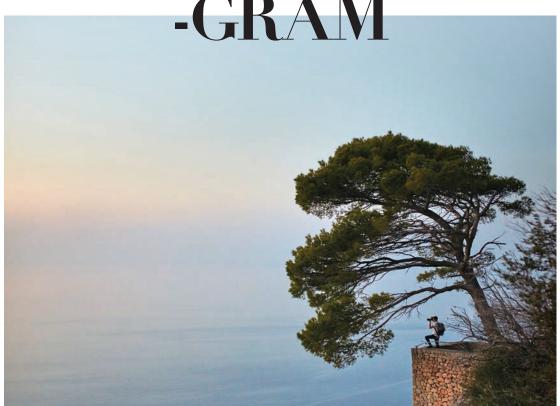
## IN HARMONY



ead to the 15th-century Son Sureda Ric winery and join oenologist Javier Jara for a cool drink in a shady spot as he tells you about his property. Tour the estate first acquired by his grandfather, one of the first 'green farmers' on the island, and learn all about

the wine-making process. Your tour ends with a wine tasting and lunch in the charming stoneclad courtyard. The surprising finale? A mesmerising bossa nova performance with Javier on guitar and his talented wife Carmè on vocals.

## MALLORCA -GRAM



reat your eyes – and your Instagram followers – to spectacular, off-the-beaten-path sights in the northwest of the island. A private driver will pick you up at the hotel and take you to the most photogenic village in Spain: Fornalutx. You'll then be dropped off in Sóller where, camera still at the ready, you can take the charming old tram down to the port. After a

picturesque lunch by the sea, sail back by boat to Cala Deià, where the hotel shuttle will collect you. Arrive back at La Residencia to find mouthwatering, Insta-worthy cocktails waiting - the perfect end to a sensational tour.

Available during the summer months





rt lovers are invited to choose from a wide range of creative activities with local artists. Choose from:

#### Painting classes

Arrange a class with our acclaimed artist-inresidence, Alan Hydes, whose works appear in
public and private collections worldwide. The
British painter's extensive portfolio embraces
landscapes, botanical studies, nudes and
underwater figures. He is also highly regarded
as a portraitist, with sitters ranging from former
Prime Minister Edward Heath to celebrated
actors and rock musicians. Visit his studio near
El Olivo Restaurant to admire his works and
even commission your own likeness from him.

#### Sculpting

Juan Waelder, resident sculptor and director of the hotel's sculpture garden, has played a key role in the Mallorcan art scene since the 1970s. Take part in a class at his studio near the Sa Tafona art gallery. Little ones can join in with fun clay and plasticine sculpting classes.

#### Painting by the sea

Take a morning walk from La Residencia to Cala Deià for a painting masterclass by the sea. With a young and talented artist from Deià, you'll learn how to capture the magical light of this enchanting Mediterranean island. You don't have to be an expert – you'll be guided through the basics to create your masterpiece.

## FIRST LIGHT



et off on a magical dawn walk from the hotel. In partnership with Leica Sport Optics, we offer private walks guided either by celebrated photographer Sebastià Torrens or our nature expert Eduardo. Or you can opt to enjoy a self-guided stroll following our map. Wander

down stone paths lined with carob and olive trees, spot Sardinian warblers or the rare Audouin's gull, and witness the majesty of Deià as it wakes up to a new day. Using a pair of Leica binoculars, bring the beauty of the early morning into vivid focus.

## IMEET OUR DONALDS

id you know that our hotel is home to a family of friendly donkeys? Don't miss the chance to meet them on two dedicated experiences.

#### Donkey trail

Take a stroll through the hotel's centuries old olive groves with our lovable resident donkeys. They will carry water and any bags you may have in their panniers as they accompany you through the Poets' Walk and up the hillside, reaching the pine-scented forests above La Residencia. One of our most popular activities, the donkey trail pays tribute to the days when Deià was a remote outpost and transport on the dirt tracks of the Sierra was mostly by hoof. During your climb you will be able to pause several times to take in the views and admire local flora and fauna. The trail stops at our ancient stone shepherd's hut, where

a delicious spread of local specialities is laid out on a linen-covered table. Indulge in cheeses, ham, olives, pa amb oli (bread with tomato, olive oil and garlic), the famous Balearic cured sausage, sobrassada, the traditional ensaimada dessert and perhaps a shot or two of the island's herb liqueur, hierbas. The views of the Mediterranean Sea from this lofty site are spectacular, so make sure to take your camera.

#### Donkey meet & greet

Once a week, come and get to know adorable Gitanillo, Chico and Fosca. Groom them, feed them and take selfies, so you'll never forget their cute faces. They'll be looking forward to their pampering session! The meeting point is at the gate just past the Jacuzzi. Wait for Melanie outside and she'll take you to them.

Wining and Dining





mmerse yourself in the creative spirit of our hotel with this deliciously unique experience. Sip a Miró cocktail inspired by the artist's 'Tête' sculpture in our gardens. Wander through the art gallery, pausing before 'Vincent's Letter to Theo' by Arthur Rhodes to feast on appetisers inspired by the painting. Pass by El Olivo

restaurant, discovering further artworks with stories to tell. Then take your seat in the studio of our resident artist, Alan Hydes, for a sumptuous main course surrounded by his works.

Available during the summer months.

## ROMANCE BENEATH



reat yourselves to a blissfully romantic sunset dinner for two. Our intimate terrace offers tranquil seclusion and mesmerising views of the sea. The sensual experience is enhanced by flickering lanterns and a pianist or Spanish guitarist serenading you. A private waiter is on hand to serve delicious local specialities – and pop corks as the whim takes you. Watch the sun slowly sink into the sea, exploding in a kaleidoscope of colours. The Mirador is

reached by the beautiful Poets' Walk, so the evening from start to finish is pure magic. For newlyweds, anyone looking to propose, or couples celebrating a momentous anniversary, there could hardly be a more perfect setting. Let us know your intentions and we'll put the champagne on ice.

Ask the concierge to organise your unforgettable dinner.

# TEA

ip exquisite, aromatic tea as you indulge in meltingly moreish homemade pastries and other sweet and savoury treats. The delicacies, presented on our signature Miró porcelain, can be served in your chosen spot in the lush gardens or inside our Café Miró. This is the perfect opportunity to try Flor d'Oli, an infusion created exclusively for us by Dos Alquemistas. It's made from the leaves of cut olive branches

from our own grove, which would normally go to waste. 100% green, local and chock-full of antioxidants, the healthy brew is enhanced with rose, lavender and camomile. Delicious!

Simply choose from Full Afternoon Tea or Full Afternoon Tea with Champagne.



## FLAVOUR

t La Residencia we're gourmands at heart and keen to share our passion with you. Choose from the following foodie experiences:

#### Olive oil masterclass

Learn the art of olive oil flavouring with our Executive Chef, Guillermo Méndez. Balearic cheese gives a creamy taste to the oil while the local sobrassada cured sausage adds a spicy touch. The DOP (Designation of Origin) oil is crafted from olives harvested in our own groves and cold-pressed in the neighbouring village of Sóller. Available every Thursday at 16:00.

#### Cooking show and class

Would you like to know how our chefs prepare popular Spanish dishes such as gazpacho or paella? At 11:30

on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, join Executive Chef Guillermo at El Olivo as he divulges his bestkept secrets. Prepare your own versions before sitting down to feast on them for lunch.

#### Children's cookie-making lessons

Budding little chefs (from 7 to 13 years old and accompanied by an adult) can learn to make delicious cookies in this fun class. Chef will help his youthful apprentices prepare the dough and teach them how to make different types of cookies. It's a great way to introduce children to the wonderful world of cuisine.

Advance reservations are recommended.

### SPANISH SPARKLE



ove over Prosecco, Cava's making a comeback! The Spanish sparkling wine has upped its game, with creamier, smoother varieties offering lovely bubbly alternatives on a summer's eve. Find out more

with our fantastic sommelier, Eva, as you sample her handpicked recommendations.

Saturday at 17:00, garden bar.



## COMPLIMENTARY BOAT



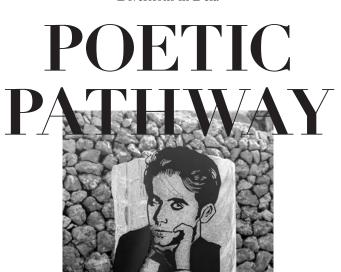
njoy a complimentary two-hour boat ride exclusive to La Residencia guests. Set off at sunset for a dreamy cruise along the coast. Includes transfers and refreshments. Available in the summer only and bookable upon arrival at the hotel.

Available every day during the summer. For half- or full-day tours, a range of boats is available for rent with trips departing from either Palma or Soller.



oin Cecilie Sheridan, curator of the hotel's art collection, on a walking tour of the village to meet local artists in their studios. Along the way, she will offer a fascinating insight into Deià's cultural history and talented inhabitants. Start with a visit to La Residencia's art gallery, Sa Tafona, where exhibitions by both local and international artists are held throughout the season. Learn about

the extraordinary collection of paintings adorning our walls. Then, take a stroll around the village of Deià and its charming surroundings. Visit inspiring artists and see where the magic happens. The route varies from one week to another, leading you along lesser-known paths as you glean fascinating nuggets from Deià's celebrated past and vital, creative present.



ur mountain pathway pays homage to a former Deià inhabitant, the great poet Robert Graves, alongside other distinguished literary figures. Stroll along the scenic route, absorbing the vistas of mountains and honey-coloured houses, and you will discover, at intervals, eye-catching granite columns positioned next to elegant benches. Each duo, the creation of our artist-in-residence Juan Waelder, bears the name and sculpted metal profile of a poet. The pathway salutes poetry from 650 BC onwards, leading you on a journey through different styles. In addition to Graves, who

settled in Deià with his great love Laura Riding, it features male writers like Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, who won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1971, and Federico García Lorca, one of the most important Spanish poets and dramatists of the 20th century. Among the five women honoured are 19th-century Galician poet Rosalía de Castro, and Gloria Fuertes, the Madridbased poet and children's author who fought for equality, peace and the environment until her death in 1998. Books by the venerated bards can be borrowed from the hotel, so find your favourite bench and lose yourself in their words.



#### Diversions in Deià



B eneficial to people of all ages and levels of fitness, yoga is a safe, simple and natural way to enhance your health. Poses and breathing exercises improve physical strength, flexibility and spiritual wellness, with benefits often being felt from the very first session. Lessons can be enjoyed in the enchanting

environs of our olive groves with Jeanne, who can also offer private yoga and meditation classes personalised to your needs.

Please enquire at reception about our weekly complimentary group classes or to arrange a private session.

# **TENNIS**

Thether you want to hone your skills or just enjoy a knockabout, take advantage of our sports facilities and resident experts. Two GreenSet Cushion tennis courts are available on site, together with a tennis coach who can help improve your game. Packages and social tennis sessions are also available.

Alongside the courts, beneath a shady canopy, are a pair of ping pong tables.

Tennis courts are also available for complimentary private hire. Contact reception to book a court, a private lesson or a child's lesson.

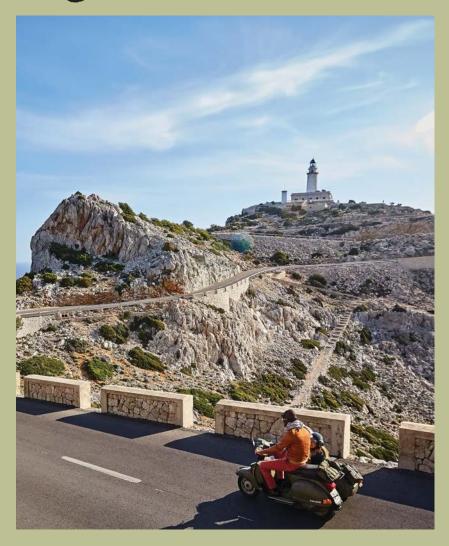
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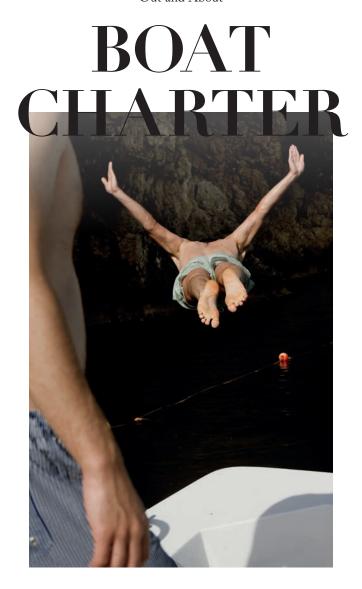
ave you ever tried pétanque? This bowling game involves precision and patience, but it's also a fun way to spend time with family and friends. Learn from the

expert at our Pétanque Masterclass, which sees revered aficionado Cipri teaching everything he knows. You might even spot professionals from the local club showing off their skills!

## Outand About

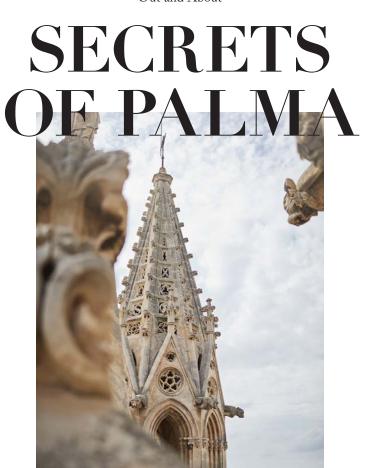


Embark on adventures



s the sea calling? Enjoy a day of pure buoyant bliss. Depart from the port of Sóller and explore its enchanting bay or venture further afield. Choose from a wide range of

boat excursions, either for a half or full day. Different vessels are available, with the biggest accommodating up to 11 guests.



ncover Palma's hidden gems on a tour with expert guide Gina Vasquez. Visit the workshop of Spain's most famous guitar maker or a pop-art ceramicist, peek inside a 10th-century Moorish bathhouse or scale the cathedral terraces. When it's time for a rest, enjoy

refreshment at a rustic wine bar where locals still order vermouth from large wooden barrels. Gina will happily tailor tours to your own interests – such as fashion, books, art or food – or take you to other parts of the island where Mallorcan artisans are keeping crafts alive.

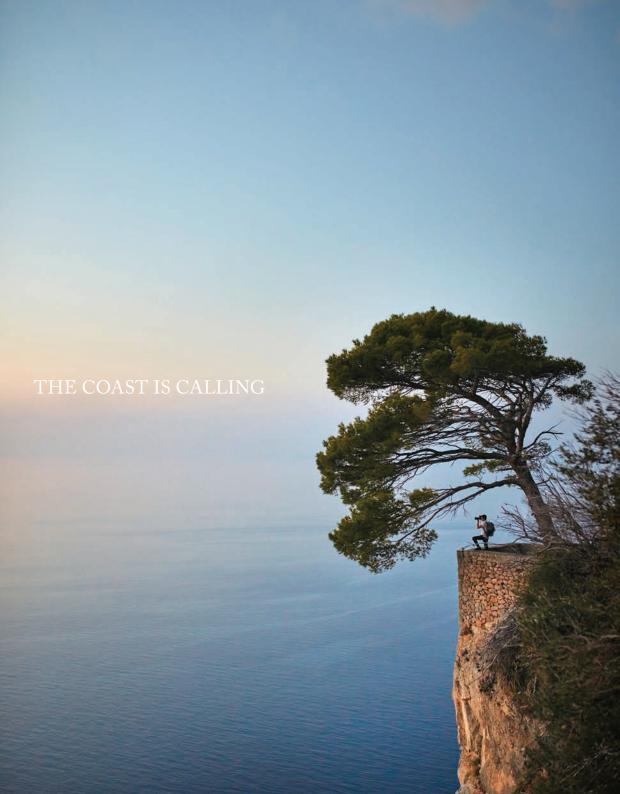
## GUIDED TOURS



Explore the island escorted by a private chauffeur, with the option of a dedicated guide. We'll tailor a spectacular itinerary based on your interests. For example: discover the beautiful Valley of Soller. Visit the town centre with its modern church and cobbled pedestrian streets. Continue to the scenic port before reaching picture-perfect Fornalutx, nestled in the

Tramuntana Mountains. Or focus on the villages of the UNESCO-protected mountain range, such as Son Marroig, Valldemossa and Banyalbufar, before heading to Palma de Mallorca to explore the capital's wonders.

Choose from half- or full-day tours.



### MALLORCA RV-RIKE



mmerse yourself in the natural landscape and pedal a mountain bike up and down the slopes, or opt for a city bicycle and enjoy a more relaxed ride. Our concierge can assist you in hiring the best bike, then take your helmet

and explore your environs at leisure. Or, for those interested in more serious cycling, we partner with a local company to offer a great choice of competition bikes, perfect for touring the mountains.

## TREKKING ON THE TRAMUNTANA INCONTAINS

In the capable hands of expert guide Eduardo, choose from a range of adventurous options to explore the UNESCO-protected mountains. Your efforts will be rewarded with unparalleled Mediterranean views.

#### Wine hikes

Combine a 2.5-hour trek through the beautiful landscape with a sampling of delicious local wines. From the hotel, your guide will accompany you on an easy walk ending at a vineyard in Banyalbufar. Be shown around the estate and enjoy a wine tasting before being driven back to the hotel.

#### Rock climbing and psicobloc

Mallorca's northwest coast boasts incredible cliff faces ideal for rock climbing, with routes to suit all levels. A local guide will provide you with expert assistance and all necessary equipment. Psicobloc is a form of solo rock climbing above a deep body of water. So, should you fall, the result is a refreshing dip in warm Mediterranean waters.

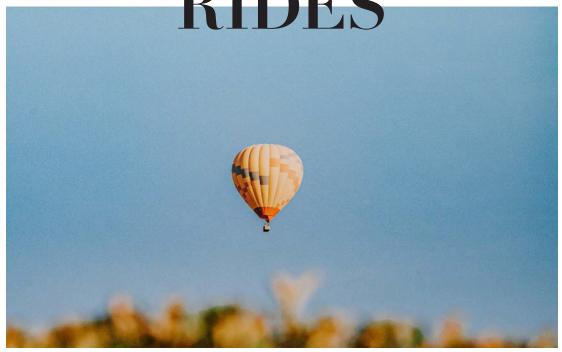
#### Coasteering

This popular adventure sport involves multiple activities, including "via ferrata" – a combination of alpine hiking and rock climbing; rappelling, snorkelling and leaping from different heights into the water. It's an exhilarating way to explore Mallorca's majestic coastline.

#### Bird watching

Spot a wonderful variety of birds in Serra de Tramuntana. More than 86 species include the majestic black vulture and diurnal raptors including the osprey, Bonelli's eagle and Eleonora's falcon. Nocturnal raptors include the long-eared owl and scops owl, while an array of marine birds ranges from Audouin's gull to the Balearic shearwater.

## HOT-AIR BALLOON RIDES



lide in a hot-air balloon over the east coast of Mallorca, absorbing unforgettable views of the coast, villages, mountains and swathes of unspoilt countryside. While airborne, you will be served a glass of cava as your pilot divulges interesting nuggets about Mallorca's history. At the end you are presented

with a CD of photographs taken during the voyage, and a flight certificate

The experience lasts 4 to 5 hours with the flight duration 60 minutes.

