

Secrets of Tenerife

Single center   guided walking

- Elegant yet intimate family-run ★★★★★ hotel: heated swimming pool, beautiful courtyard, innovative and creative cuisine
- Great value, fully inclusive holiday – even wine with dinner
- Soaring volcanic cliffs, snow-capped Mount Teide, stunning ocean views
- Paradise for ornithologists, botanists and geologists; perfect climate for out-of-season walking
- Lovely Garachico replete with C17 palaces, grand houses, shady squares and colorful fishing port



This holiday introduces you to the little-known Isla Baja a totally unknown area whose historic culture has been rigorously respected, and where authentic towns and villages proudly guard the wild beauty of its mountains and coast. Accompanied by expert Breakaway guide, Neil Flynn, you'll get to explore the very best that this north-western corner has to offer, from lush terraced valleys to panoramic seascapes, and from cool pine forests to soaring volcanic cliffs. The walking is mainly along the ancient trails which still link tiny whitewashed villages and towns, where local fiestas and colorful celebrations remain hugely important to everyday life.

Formerly a C18 nobleman's mansion and listed building, the exquisitely stylish ★★★★★ San Roque Hotel is our base for this 2-boot guided walking holiday. Located on the edge of the Teide National Park, and just a stone's throw from the old port and cobbled streets of Garachico, it boasts just 20 beautifully appointed air-conditioned rooms and suites, each equipped with Jacuzzi bath, satellite TV/ video, DVD and CD player. There is a heated swimming pool, lovely courtyard, sauna and library. Chef Pep Nogue is renowned locally for his creative use of natural and first class organic ingredients, and his elegant dining room conveys tradition and history, alongside contemporary design and original modern art.



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SECRETS OF TENERIFE | DAY BY DAY

Day 1 Arrive in Tenerife

We meet you at the airport and take you to the hotel (75mins) in time for dinner

Day 2 El Volcan Negro 12km/7.5mi/5hr

A short drive brings us to Arenas Negras (black sands), where the fresh air smells of pine resin on our ascent to spectacular El Volcan Negro – a jet-black hill of carbon - framed by vivid yellow Teide broom, azure blue skies and scarlet poppies. With ocean views we continue past coal black Montana de Chinyero, before relaxing with a picnic in the pine trees. Then through giant flows of solid lava offering perfect views of Mount Teide, before returning to the hotel for dinner.

Day 3 Degollada de la Mesa Ridge Walk 9km/6mi/4hr

Ascending past small lakes bright with butterflies we reach ancient, rare and intensely atmospheric laurel forest. Then into sunlight once more, to begin an unforgettable ridge walk along a series of basalt peaks, offering stunning viewpoints of the jagged Masca Gorge, the island of La Gomera, and a patchwork quilt of fields and terraces in the valley below.

Day 4 Las Cañadas and Mount Teide 11km/7mi/4hr

Much of Tenerife's appeal lies in its soaring volcanic cliffs, snow capped Mount Teide and fertile valleys abundant with cork and splashes of yellow mimosa. Today's circular - and almost entirely flat - walk takes in all such highlights as we skirt the Caldera of Mount Teide - at 7000ft it's the second largest in the world. A mecca for geologists - look out for lava flows in vividly contrasting colors, pumice and obsidian. Back to the hotel in time for a swim before dinner.

Day 5 Free day

In the morning perhaps explore the lava rock pools and narrow streets of Garachico, with its 16C churches with beautiful vaulted ceilings. Lunch in the pretty square then back to the hotel to laze by the pool - you're on holiday after all!

Day 6 Masca Ridge Walk 9km/6mi/5hr

Today's walk takes you along old shepherds' routes and up through rolling hills to the Masca Ridge (1000m) where you will be rewarded with lovely clear views out across the Atlantic towards La Gomera. We picnic on the headland - 360° views of the ocean and snow-capped Teide - then descend passing abandoned farmsteads to the pretty village of Masca. Time for a refreshing drink in the palm shaded square before heading back to the hotel.

Day 7 Baracan Ridge Walk 12km/7.5mi/6hr

From the El Palmar valley, we follow shady forest paths with tantalising glimpses of ocean to the hamlet of Teno Alto. After a picnic by the tiny church and sampling village goats cheese from the local bar, we pass swaying terraces of golden barley and remote homesteads as we descend barrancos thick with vivid yellow flowering cacti. It's then a gentle ascent up onto the ridge where we round off our walking week with stunning 360° views out across the Atlantic to La Gomera with Mt Teide framing the horizon.

Day 8 Return home



Dates and Prices

Departs selected dates Tour Only

2012 departures

Nov 27	\$3,199
Jan 10, 24	\$3,085
Dec 11	\$3,264
Mar 6, 20	\$3,088
Feb 7	\$3,104
Feb 21, Apr 3	\$3,157
Dec 21	\$3,644

2013 departures

Jan 8, 22	\$3,262
Feb 5, 19	\$3,262
Mar 5	\$3,282
Mar 19, Apr 2	\$3,352

Singles: Add \$66 per night in a single room. Add \$94 per night for single occupancy of a double room.

Child: This holiday is unsuitable for children under 12.

Room upgrade: Duplex room (larger room on 2 floors with seating area) add \$26 per person, per night. Junior Suite (larger room with seating area and Jacuzzi bath) \$70 per person, per night. Suite (Tower or Duplex) \$119 per person, per night. Prices based on 2 people sharing.

Holiday type: Guided walking, single center, groups of typically 2-8 people on each tour.

Departs: Selected dates from Jan 10 2012 to Apr 2 2013.

Duration: 8 days (7 days).

Meals: Buffet breakfast, 5 picnic lunches and all evening meals including wine.

Other details: For "What your holiday price includes," see "Holiday Planning" section pp 48-51.

Tailor-made travel choices

Nearest Arrival Airport: Tenerife South Reina Sofia Airport

Flights can be arranged from most US/CANADA airports, with connecting transfers as required, prices and details on request.

The above prices include our standard transfers: Tenerife South Reina Sofia Airport at 14:00 or 15:30 (Dec 21 departure), (transfer to hotel, 75 mins, provided). **Return:** Tenerife South Airport by 13:15 or 14:40 (Dec 21 departure).

Tour only: Transfers included from Tenerife South Reina Sofia airport at 14:00 or 15:30 (Dec 21 departure) and back to Tenerife South Reina Sofia airport departing hotel at 11:30 or 13:00 (Dec 21 departure).

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SECRETS OF TENERIFE | WALKING DETAILS



This is a guided holiday walking mainly on well marked paths and trails. You should be a sure footed walker. Some of the ridge walks may be difficult for extreme vertigo sufferers.

Average daytime temperature (°C):						
18	18	19	19	21	19	
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	NOV	DEC	

Average monthly rainfall (mm):						
44	33	27	12	51	55	
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	NOV	DEC	