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LA PARATA

The new EES system (European Entry & Exit System) is now fully working at Almeria Airport. This system takes your fingerprints and eye scan on entry with your passport at Almeria. There are approximately 9 machines after you come up the stairs and into the zig-zag system, after walking off the aircraft. The machine will offer you the chance to press the English Language and a series of questions will come up. Ensure you answer YES to each question. The main criteria to entry into Spain is that you have accommodation already booked, which of course with us you have your confirmation of reservation documents and have completed the questionnaire that we have to register with the Spanish Government and Authorities with our licences for holiday rentals.

However, at Almeria Airport there is an early morning problem. The EasyJet Gatwick Flight arrives around 10am, but also the EasyJet Southend flight should land 15 minutes later, but just lately the Gatwick flight has been a little late and the Southend flight a little early, so all of a sudden, there are some 360 people trying to get through the machine entry system—at Easter this caused serious delays. If you are with children under 12 years old, there was only 1 of the 9 machines allocated to children's entry. Hopefully by August they will increase the machine to at least 3 of the 9!

The other problem is that while you are queueing for anything up to an hour waiting to go through the en-

try/exit system there are no toilet facilities, so I would suggest that about half an hour before landing you use the toilet facilities on the Aircraft.

The new Mojacar By Pass has now opened but it is a disaster. The entry is on the roundabout by the petrol station on the way down from the Pueblo to the beach road, just next to the new medical centre. The problem is that like many things in Spain, particularly in Andalucia, the Authorities did not purchase the land or organise for the demolition of properties, so at the end of the by pass, after you have gone over 3 roundabouts the dual carriageway abruptly ends. Once you go past the 3rd roundabout and the end of the road, you must carefully turn left onto a very narrow bendy, sometimes single track, countryside roads, keep to the right hand side as much as possible as vehicles can come from the left hand side at a narrow point in the road. There is also a small section where it is single track and you approach it blind as you cannot see what is coming over from the other side!

In the peak season we can foresee it being a problem area so we would strongly recommend going the traditional, more scenic route along the playa to get back to La Parata.

The stables at the stables roundabout are no longer. It is currently being converted into a luxury, very large villa with extensive gardens.

You will notice some extensive modernisation and improvements to parking along the beach road.

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Some believe it improves the area. I preferred it in its old, more rustic form. By the Parque Commercial roundabout, there is now paved parking areas. The authorities have been widening the pavements making the roads more narrow—but why?

The Chiringuito beach restaurants have all been demolished and at Easter, only half have been rebuilt but all smaller as they have lost their direct beach access—another improvement according to the local government however I do not agree.

You will probably know from the UK News that Spain, this winter, has experienced many storms. In Mojacar we have experienced the wettest winter for some 30 years, however after a couple of days of rain, the sun comes out with temperatures of around 24 degrees, so the shorts go back on—but the weeds have been growing out of control. Just at La Parata, we have had our 7 skips full of garden material. Kevin could just not keep up with the extent of the work so we have had to get contract gardeners to do regular clearance.

Some of you, particularly those August timeshare owners, are aware that we have been having problems with the internet access.

Originally we had Next Communications in Turre as our supplier, as if there was a problem they were local. They were taken over by a larger company and a year later, that company was then taken over by a larger company based in Al-

meria City. Where before an engineer could be with us in a day, the new company could not get an engineer to us for anything up to 7 days.

We therefore looked at alternative suppliers. We changed over to a local Mojacar supplier who could offer us Fibre Optic. It has inevitably cost more overall than the old scheme as they do not do the “temporary switch off” during the vacant winter months, but we felt it is worth the expense to have fibre optic and a more reliable service.

We have been carrying out the usual winter decorations and redecoration works painting, repairs etc to keep all our properties looking good and in good repair and with the usual linen and towel replacements.

At Oasis La Parata we have continued to improve the facilities. There is now a petang court. Due to the storms the extent of the continuing maintenance has been extensive. There are new sun umbrellas and a number of new sunbeds. The whole area is looking in good order.

Don't forget for 2027 we have vacancies during Easter week. Come and see the Easter Parades—they are incredible to see. We can advise the best local ones to see and where to get your Sunday lunch paella (prebooking is advisable)

Don't forget to come and see us in the La Parata Office. We are there 09:30 to 12:30 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday. Kevin is of course available at all times for anything you need.

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Malcolm Stevens, our MD) who lives in the Mojacar/Turre area of Almeria, came over to the UK and had 3 days in the UK Crawley, Sussex office with the UK Company's accountants and with Wendy Jennings the Office Manager.

On Tuesday 14th April, he and his daughter Trudy were on the EasyJet Flight to Mahon to do the inspections of the winter works to ensure everything was correct and ready for the summer season, and were able to see how the new EES (Entry Exit System) was working at Mahon Airport, after the experiences of Almeria Airport where the new system is a disaster with up to 1.5 hours in a queue to get through.

I am therefore very pleased to advise all Julimar owners that Mahon has everything under control. There are 20 plus machines to take your fingerprints and eye scan and for you to answer 4 questions in English that you must say Yes to, the main one being "Have you already booked your accommodation?" In case you are challenged, make sure you have available your confirmation of reservation document that we supply. The exit system when you leave Mahon is also first class with no delays—so well done Menorca.

Malcolm and Trudy were at the Julimar Villas for 3 days checking off the works and meeting with Menorca365, our managing agents.

Well this is the first that on our April inspection, the works listed in October of the previous year had

not been completed.

Villas 1 to 6 are all complete and are looking good, however no work had been done to Villas 7, 8 & 9, and in particular the scraping off the loose flaking white paint to the front of the villas and the inside covered area of the entrance arches.

I accept that Menorca has had a very wet and windy winter, but Menorca365 have considerable works to do before the first timeshare owners arrive at Villas 7, 8 and 9. Menorca365 confirmed in our discussions that works will be underway at the time you receive this newsletter.

However there is a problem with Villa No 9.

We advised you all in the September 2025 Newsletter that we were going to remove the steel bath that had started to rust and that we were going to install a walk in shower unit and partially retiling the area. However in discussions with Menorca 365 in October, the proposed a complete reinstalment of the bathroom and did not like our part improvement. We requested a quotation for the works they proposed, that would have made a magnificent shower room, but when the costs were presented to us they were very expensive and would have increased the maintenance costs to you all to an unacceptable level. We instructed Menorca365 to remove the old steel bath and install a plastic style bath and plastic bath panel to give easy access to pipework. Naturally damage will be caused to the tiles in getting the old bath out and the new one in and therefore these will be replaced in white tiles.

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As this work had not been started, we could not see what the bathroom looks like. We have advised Menorca365 of the date of first occupation of Villa No 9 and we trust that everything will be completed.

Cala en Porter in Mid April was only just beginning to open up. El Rustica bar on the beach was open. The Samoa restaurant was open but only doing Menu del Dia at Lunchtime. In the evening it was Al la Carte—good quality but quite expensive. Sa Paissa and Pulpi were closed.

Isabels restaurant, the first one on the left as you walk up the hill to the centre of Cala en Porter, was open. They do an extensive breakfast menu from 8am to 1pm. They then close and reopen at 6.30pm to 10.00pm and have an extensive Menu del Dia at 28 euros per person. We had 2 very good evening meals there. You probably know it is owned by a Spanish man and his English wife. They work extremely hard and we hope they succeed. We have their menu with this newsletter.

So, have a good holiday.

We do have some early and later dates available and possibly a 2 week slot in August (watch this space for this one).

Regards,

Malcolm and the Staff
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Menú 28,00€

Starter, main course, dessert or coffee, bread, pate, 1/2 bottle of wine, beer or soft drink

Starters

Garlic prawns	Chicken Caesar salad
Grilled King prawns	Avocado with prawns
Steamed mussels	Prawn cocktail
Mussels in marinara sauce	Piquillo peppers stuffed with vegetables
Spaghetti Bolognese	Piquillo peppers stuffed with fish
House salad	Scrambled eggs with asparagus, prawns, and ham
Melon with ham	

Main course

Meat lasagna	Pork ribs
Vegetable lasagna	Chicken fillet
Grilled squid	Grilled swordfish
Roast lamb	Grilled sea bass
Pork medallions	Grilled salmon
Beef entrecote	Turkey chop

(Sauces: pepper, roquefort, mushroom, and gravy)

Served with French fries & vegetables or salad

Dessert

Black forest cake	Fresh fruit
Cream Cheese caramel	Tiramisu
Cream Coffee caramel	Chocolate mousse
Ice cream	Trifle

Profiteroles