



Sa Cova Trail

Weight limit: 90kg

Nearest airport: Palma

5 days / 4 nights / 4 days riding



Discover the varied landscapes of Mallorca on this short riding break, combining peaceful countryside, mountain trails and the island's beautiful coastline. Based at the charming Finca Sa Cova Vella throughout your stay, you'll enjoy a different riding experience each day without having to pack and move accommodation.

Begin with relaxed rides through the countryside surrounding Sa Cova before following the Via Verde, a former railway line winding through rural Mallorca. The adventure builds to a full day in the mountains, with around six hours in the saddle and far-reaching views across the island, before finishing with a final ride along the coast. With comfortable finca accommodation, all

meals, airport transfers and four days of riding included, this is an easy and varied way to experience Mallorca on horseback.

The Riding

The riding on this holiday takes you along a stretch of wild, remote coastline. You'll be riding on country lines and forest paths as well as along beaches. You'll be exploring a part of Mallorca that few visitors get to see. The pace can be fast where the terrain allows although there are some steep mountain sections where the pace is walking.



Level of Riding and Fitness

You should be a capable rider who is able to spend several hours in the saddle and enjoys a good fast pace. You will be riding around 5-6 hours each day, so you must have a good level of current riding fitness.

Guides & Group sizes

All the guides at this destination have an extensive knowledge of the horses and the island. They are relaxed, friendly & professional.

Strict minimum of 4 & maximum of 8 guests per trail

Horses and Tack

You will be matched to one of the incredible herd of fit, friendly, forward going trail riding horses which are a mixture of breeds, many have been rehabilitated and are ex-competition horses. Both English and Western tack is used at this destination so let us know when booking if you have a preference. Saddlebags are provided for essentials and luggage is transported by road.

Accommodation & Dining

Rustic Mallorcan farmhouse apartment with two bedrooms, 4 beds and 4 sleeping sofa beds in total. Sleeps 8 guests. Accommodation shared. Sanitary: bathroom, toilet/hot showers bed linen and towels included.

Mediterranean food, local produce. The chefs prepare a rich variety of dishes, locally produced meals accompanied by delicious salads, home made bread and local bread.

Itinerary

Day 1 – Arrival at Sa Cova

Arrive in Mallorca and transfer from Palma Airport to Finca Sa Cova Vella, your base for the next four nights. Check-in is from around 3:00pm, giving you time to settle in and enjoy the finca before the riding begins the following morning.

Dinner is served at Sa Cova Vella.

Day 2 – Sa Cova Countryside

After breakfast at around 9:00am, meet the horses and set out for your first ride of the holiday. Spend around two hours exploring the beautiful countryside surrounding Sa Cova before returning to the stables for lunch.

In the afternoon, head out on horseback again for approximately 1.5–2 hours, giving you plenty of time to get to know your horse and enjoy the surrounding landscape.

Return to Sa Cova Vella for dinner at around 8:00pm.

Day 3 – Via Verde Ride

After breakfast, set off on a four-hour ride through the Mallorcan countryside.

Today's route takes you along the Via Verde, a former railway line which has been transformed into a peaceful route through the rural landscape. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant during the ride before returning to Sa Cova Vella.

Dinner is served at the finca at around 8:00pm.

Day 4 – Mountain Ride

After an early breakfast, a taxi will collect you at around 9:00am and take you to the starting point for today's Mountain Ride.

Spend approximately six hours in the saddle exploring Mallorca's mountain landscapes, stopping for lunch at a local restaurant along the way.

Return to Sa Cova Vella after the ride, with dinner served at around 8:30pm.

Day 5 – Coast Ride & Departure

After breakfast, a taxi will collect you at around 9:30am and take you to the starting point for your final ride.

Enjoy approximately 2.5 hours on horseback on the Coast Ride before returning to the stables for lunch at around 2:30–3:00pm.

After lunch, your riding adventure comes to an end and your transfer to Palma Airport is included for your onward journey.

Flights & Airport transfers

You should fly into Palma airport. Transfers are included in the price. We recommend staying an extra night on the island after the trail ends or booking a flat for after 6pm so you don't have to rush through the final lunch!

What to bring

It is warm to hot all year round, although in the evenings it may be cooler in the autumn, winter and spring.

- Riding hat (available to borrow and not compulsory)
- Jodhpurs/riding trousers
- Long sleeved shirt
- T-shirt
- Riding boots/hiking shoes (short boots are infinitely preferable to long ones for trail riding)
- Half chaps
- Sun protection (hat, sunglasses, suncream)
- Toiletries,
- Waterproof coat
- Camera
- Swimwear
- Shorts



Climate

Mallorca benefits from a Mediterranean climate all year round. Summer is generally hot and dry, while winters are usually mild. Even in the colder parts of the year, you can expect the sun to shine and spring and autumn offer some of the most pleasant temperatures for horse riding.

Health

For health and vaccine recommendations, please consult your healthcare provider at least 8 weeks before your trip.

Country specific information can also be found at the National Travel Health Network and Centre website: <https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/countries>.

Travel documents

For entry requirements to Spain please visit the Foreign Office website here <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/spain/entry-requirements>

For entry requirements to Spain for non-British citizens, please visit your local embassy website to check entry requirements.

Having the correct travel documents is entirely your responsibility.

Currency & Tipping

The local currency in Mallorca is the Euro. Your holiday is fully inclusive but we recommend bringing some local currency for before and after your trip. You will also need some cash if you plan to take a taxi from the airport to the stables.

Tipping your guide is at your discretion.

Cancellation policy

Payment & Cancellation Terms

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Holidays are confirmed with 20% non-refundable deposit. The full balance is due 56 days before start date.

If you cancel your booking less than 56 days before the start date of your trail we are entitled to receive full payment, less refunds as follows:

42 days or more before booking date - 50% 30 days or more - 30%

less than 30 days - nil

Insurance

All saddletravel.com customers are required to take out appropriate travel insurance that covers horse riding and holiday cancellation. Proof of insurance details will be required during the booking process.

