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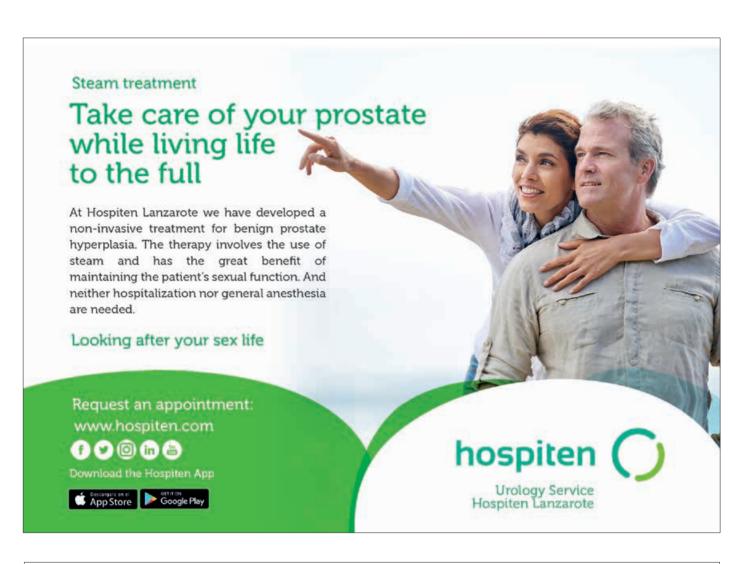
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# **EDITORIAL**

"Treat the Earth well. It was not a gift to you from your parents, it is on loan to you from your children." **Kenyan proverb** 

# Lanzarote Isle of the Biosphere

Welcome to Lanzarote and welcome to Lancelot now entering our 38th year of publication and the oldest magazine in Spain.

There are many beautiful locations in the world, many of which are holiday destinations, but very few of them hold the United Nations distinction as a World Biosphere Reserve and fewer still have been declared a Geopark by the global organisation. Lanzarote was declared a World Biosphere Reserve in 1993 because the mass influx of tourism was not allowed to affect the overriding policy of conservation of the environment due to legislation introduced by the Cabildo Island Government under President Enrique Pérez Parrilla in tandem with the guidance of César Manrique.

Lanzarote was, and still is, a real scale living laboratory for sustainable development in which economic and social development go hand in hand with the preservation and improvement of the island's natural and cultural heritage. Because these principles were strictly adhered to, two decades later Lanzarote once again received the highest environmental distinction as being named a Geopark by Unesco. Further to this, the Majority of Lanzarote's hotels and their association Asolan-Federation also promote responsible tourism and environmental conservation as an essential component in the running of their establishments.

Having enjoyed your holiday, you may wish to buy a holiday-cum-retirement home on the island with 12 months year-round sunshine only a few hours away from the UK, Ireland and most of Europe's airports. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our next issue is out on 1March.

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# Household Cavalry Cochineal Dye

Thank you so much for sending me the Lancelot article on cochineal from Lanzarote being used to dye the uniforms of the Life Guards in the 19th century. I was wondering if I might use a shortened version to publish in our regimental magazine. If you are happy for me to proceed, then I would send you a copy of the finished magazine (in May 2022).

Yours ever.

Lt Col (Retd) R R D Griffin Regimental Adjutant HQ Household Cavalry Horse Guards Whitehall London SW1A 2AX

GUINEVERE The feature article about the Lanzarote Connection to Cochineal Dye in Lancelot No. 155 has aroused an exceptional volume of interest, as can be seen from the





above as well as in the following three letters. Unfortunately we cannot print them all due to space restrictions but please accept our thanks.

# Cochineal Dye Lanzarote Connection

I would like to congratulate Lancelot on the excellence of your comprehensive history of the cultivation of cochineal dye and its connection with Lanzarote. It has taken many years of hard work by the Milana Association to have revitalised the cultivation of the dye on Lanzarote and achieved national and international recognition as well as its declaration by the European Union as a unique heritage.

With very best wishes Sebastiana Perera President Milana Association

### César Manrique Cochineal Paint

Dear Sir,

In the superb main feature in your last issue about the connection of Lanzarote to the cultivation of cochineal you mention some famous painters such as Rembrandt and Re-



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noir using cochineal in their works. You also stated that César Manrique sited the Cactus Garden in Guatiza because of its proximity to the area where cochineal was cultivated. It would be interesting to know whether Manrique used cochineal in his works.

Thanks once again for an excellent article.

Sheila Sturridge, Puerto del Carmen a nd Arbroath UK

GUINEVERE You have raised a highly interesting point and we turned to Felix Martin Hormiga of Arrecife, a local historian, author and also a painter who knew Manrique and his works very well. He told us that neither Manrique nor any other well known local artists, Ildefonso Aguilar or Juan Gopar ever used cochineal paint because the carmine acid which is ex-

tracted from the cochineal insect to make the natural dye fades too fast.

This condition known as "light-fastness" is the permanence of a pigment and its resistance to change on exposure to light. The longer a pigment retains its original colour determines the life expectancy of the work of art which is why certain colors fade faster than others. The lightfastness rating printed on a paint tube label is an indication of the resistance a hue has to changing when exposed to light. Grades I or II are the most lightfast and should not fade if a painting is properly cared for.

Our article mentioned Rembrandt and Renoir but another readers has pointed out that Van Gogh is another example of a famous painter who used cochineal in his masterpieces which of course subsequently faded. Colour change in artworks has been commented on by experts for centuries.

### **Cochineal Dye**

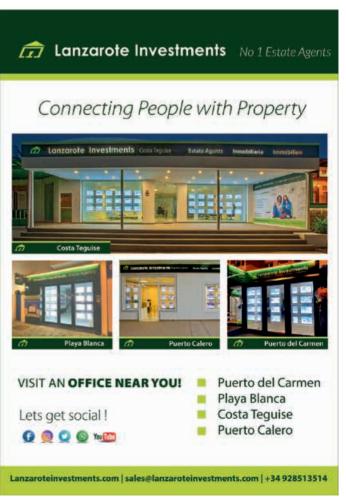
Dear Sir,

During a visit to the Cactus Garden our guide took us to an adjoining field to show us a prickly pear cactus and scraped some white powder resembling cigarette ash off a leaf into a folded piece of cellophane. She crushed it in her hand and a crimson liquid oozed which, she said, was the source of the war paint used by the Aztec Indians to paint their bodies and faces before going into battle. When the Spanish colonisers of Mexico learnt about this source of bright red colouring they shipped vast amounts of the prickly pear "tunera" plant back to Madrid where it became a major industry. Spain kept the secret of its origins from the other European nations for over a century.

Nowadays, what process do they use to make the dye?

Stanley Woodruff, Las Brisas, Playa Blanca.







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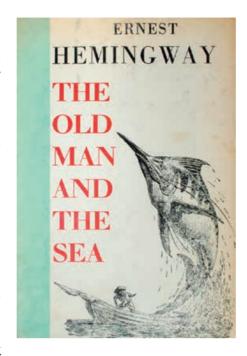
GUINEVERE According to the Milana Association the process is as follows: Grind the dried cochineal insect, then dilute it in a container of water and boil for three minutes. Filter the preparation to obtain cochineal colourant and immerse the textile in a colour fixative diluted in hot water, leaving it to soak for a short time before rinsing out. The colour fixatives used are aluminium sulfate lemon juice, vinegar, salt and tartaric acid.

# **Hemingway and Lanzarote** Dear Sir,

What is the connection between Ernest Hemingway and Lanzarote? A commentator on a radio programme said that January 2022 will mark the 20th anniversary of the death of the skipper of Hemingway's boat Gregorio Fuentes, a sailor who had been born on Lanzarote. How did they meet up and did Hemingway ever visit Lanzarote?

Stewart Singer, Island Homes, Famara

GUINEVERE Gregorio Fuentes was born in Arrecife and went to sea as a deck hand in his father's boat at the age of ten. Several years later he emigrated to Cuba. 1928, the writer Ernest Hemingway, riding on the success of The Sun Also Rises, was on board a boat owned by publisher Max Perkins who used to invite his



most successful authors, including Scott Fitzgerald and Tennessee Williams, to go marlin fishing with him during a yearly vacation in Florida. Hemingway had a strong passion for brown onions which he munched incessantly whilst at sea but one day his supply ran out and he insisted on finding his favourite snack by hailing every ship that passed asking if they had some on board. Suddenly a storm blew up and their engine broke down and they started drifting in the Carribean very far from land.

They were spotted by Gregorio Fuentes who was sailing close by and he towed them to safety. When

Hemingway noted the immaculate condition of his fishing smack he said that if he ever was in a position to buy his own boat, he would put Fuentes in charge. A few years later he bought the Pilar and appointed the Lanzarote-born sailor his skipper.

Thus began a friendship which lasted for the rest of the author's life and as a sign of this he called his youngest son Gregory. During their long trips, Fuentes would regale the American author with stories of his adventures at sea. One incident that caught his attention took place in his younger days when he single-handedly battled a 600-pound marlin which was so large that it had to be tied to the side of the boat in order to land it on shore. But, by the time he reached the harbour the marlin had been chewed up by sharks. This tale was the inspiration for the storyline of The Old Man and the Sea, in which the leading character, a fisherman, was based on Gregorio Fuentes and for which Ernest Hemingway was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1954.

Ernest Hemingway committed suicide in 1961 and bequeathed the Pilar and his fishing tackle to Fuentes. who turned the boat over to the Cuban government. They installed it as a tourist attraction outside the author's former home Finca Vigia near Havana - now named Museo Ernest Hemingway – and appointied







Gregorio Fuentes as custodian. After Hemingway died, Fuentes retired as a skipper saying, "I loved that man very much, and never wanted to take charge of anyone else's boat."

In recognition of the international fame he had brought Lanzarote, Gregorio Fuentes was invited to visit the island in 1998 as a guest of the Cabildo Island Council. It was the first time he had set foot on his native isle in 96 years. Gregorio Fuentes died in Cojimar, Cuba, in 2002 at the age of 104 and was survived by four daughters, seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. There is no record of Hemingway ever visiting Lanzarote.

### Hospital "Triaje"

Dear Sir,

I was recently attended by the emergency department at Lanzarote hospital but mystified by the word "triaje" on the wall of the waiting area. What does it mean? Raymond Edge

C/ Costa Rica s/n Puerto del Carmen

GUINEVERE The word "Triaje" is of French origin and refers to the emergency medical staff deciding on the gravity of a patient's illness and whether it requires hospitalisation or he/she could be treated as an outpatient. Apparently the word dates back to the time of the French Revolution when field doctors gave wounded soldiers wristbands of differing colours indicating how serious their wounds were. Chambers translates the meaning of the word as 'the selection for treatment of those casualties most likely to survive'.

### **Malvasia Wine**

Dear Sir,

We have just returned from our first holiday on Lanzarote and

brought back some wine as gifts for friends one of whom asked us the meaning of the word Malvasia seen on the label.

John Havestum Oslo, Norway

**GUINEVERE** Malvasia is the name of a grape brought to Lanzarote and other Canary Islands by the Romans. It originated on the Greek island of Monembasia which translates as Malvasia in Spanish and Malmsey in English. Shakespeare writes about Malmsey in many of his works most notably in Love's Labour's Lostand Henry IVbut the most famous reference to Malmsey in all literature can be found in Richard III. when Richard orders the execution of his brother, the Duke of Clarence. Richard's two hired assassins decided to drown Clarence in a large butt (cask) of the brew. When they arrive at the Tower of London to carry out the task, the unsuspec-



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ting Clarence asks for a cup of wine. The "Second Murderer" offers this ghastly retort: "You shall soon have wine enough, my lord."

### **Drago Tree**

### Dear Sir,

My wife and I are fascinated by the regal-looking drago tree which we first saw many years ago at the Monumento Al Campesino. We understand that it has an interesting history and its sap was used as a healing remedy at one time. Can you tell us anything more about it?

Helga and Manfred Schmidt Los Molinos Costa Teguise

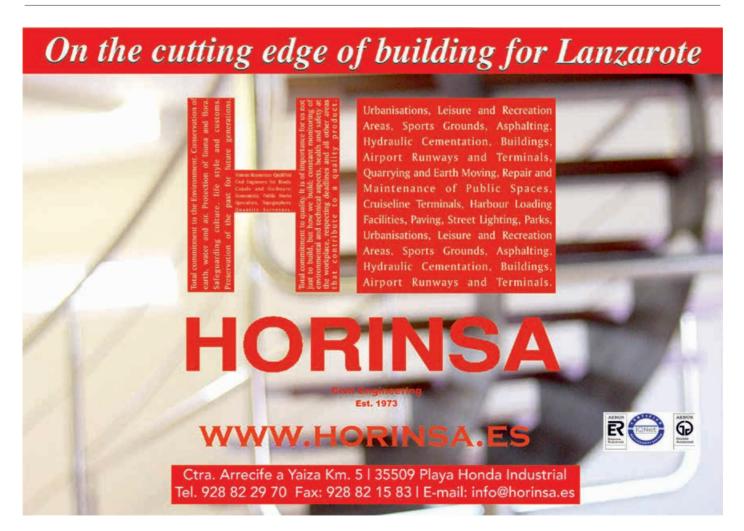
GUINEVERE Dracaenadraco, the Canary Islands dragon tree, or drago, is a subtropical species native to the Canary Islands, Cape Verde and Madeira. When the bark or leaves are cut they secrete a reddish resin, one of the sources of the substance known as dragon's blood was used to stain wood, such as the Stradivarius violin. The Guanche ancient inhabitants of the Canaries worshipped a specimen in Tenerife and hollowed its trunk into a small sanctuary.

The unique characteristic of the drago is its slow growth. It increases in height in the same way as a palm does, by putting out new leaves in the heart of its tufted crown and dropping an equal amount of old ones. When a dragon tree once branches, it never grows higher but continues to spread in width. The branching takes place only after it blossoms and it generally does not flower for fifteen or even thirty years or even longer.

Part of the mythology of these islands, the famous drago tree at

Icod on Tenerife is estimated be over 1,000 years old. The hollow trunk was large enough for a good-sized room or cave-dwelling. When the original Guanche inhabitants of Tenerife called an assembly to appoint a new chief, the meeting took place in the famous drago tree at Orotava. According to German scientist and explorer Alexander von Humboldt, at the beginning of the 19th century it measured 21 metres in height with a circumference of 14 metres and estimated to be 6,000 years old.

According to Canarian historian Viera y Clavijo, the sap of the drago was used for dyes and varnishes and was in great demand in Europe as a cure for dysentery, haemorrhage, and diarrhea and was placed on ulcers and open wounds to dry them out. Known as dragon's blood, the resin only used to ooze







from the bark in the heat of midsummer.

There used to be a custom in the Canary Islands to take any child suffering from a hernia to a drago at dawn on the feast day of San Juan. Before sunrise, an incision was made in his foot which was immediately followed by a cut by the same knife in the bark of the tree. If as a result of this, sap flowed from the bark, it was taken as a sign that that the hernia would heal. The drago is also being studied as a possible cure for leukaemia.

# **Spanish Civil War** Dear Sir,

I read a report in a newspaper that at the start of the Spanish Civil War General Franco flew to Morocco from the Canary Islands in a plane which had come from Croydon Airport, England, flown by a British pilot. What was Britain's role in what proved to be the outset of the conflict and how was it connected to the Canary Islands?

Stella Abercombie Portsmouth and Costa Teguise

GUINEVERE Historians believe that in 1936, when General Franco was stationed as head of the military in the Canary Islands, his supporters hired a plane to fly from Croydon (London) to Las Palmas and then on to Morocco. On board

the aircraft were another man and two girls, to give the appearance of two couples en-route for a holiday weekend in North Africa. However, in recent years other reports have thrown light on what could point to the covert involvement of the British Government. The following is an extract from the BBC History Magazine by Michael Alpert, Emeritus Professor of Spanish History at the University of Westminster.

One summer morning in 1936 a plane took off from Croydon airport, piloted by Captain Cecil Bebb, with a friend, Major Hugh Pollard as navigator. A flight log showed that it was bound for the Canary Islands. Two young platinum blondes were on board to make it look like a pleasure trip. Special Branch, who are responsible for national security in the UK, monitored all international flights at Croydon. They may have known that this was no joy ride. Major Pollard was an experienced MI6 officer, Spanish-speaking and with firearms expertise. He had worked under journalistic cover in Ireland, Mexico and Morocco. His superiors in the intelligence services probably had a fair idea of what his object was in flying to the Canary Islands.

The commander of the Spanish garrison there was one General Francisco Franco, whom the Spanish Government had sent there some months before to keep him out of the way as he had a reputation for his hostility to the Republic. Had a Spanish plane landed in the Canaries the authorities might have been alerted, but the British flight did not arouse suspicion

The plane flew Franco and right wing conspirator Emilio Mola to Tetuan in Spanish Morocco. On July 18 1936, some Spanish generals announced a coup against the elected Socialist government and Franco arrived in Morocco the following day to raise support from Spain's African army. The generals had thought that their coup would give them power within a couple of days, but the Spanish people resisted, and so the Civil War began.

Franco's flight had been planned over lunch at Simpsons restaurant in the Strand where Douglas Jerrold, editor of the right-wing Catholic English Review met London-based Spanish journalist Luis Bolin who was later Franco's propaganda and censorship chief. They decided to charter a De Havilland Dragon Rapide aircraft and a pilot, Captain Cecil Bebb from Olley Air Services at Croydon. Jerrold brought Major Pollard into the plot and arranged for him to travel on the plane as navigator, along with Pollard's daughter Diana, and another young woman, Dorothy Watson, as cover.



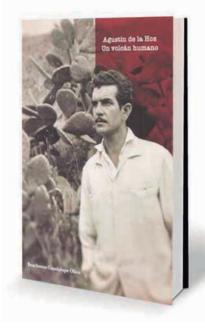
# Agustin de la Hoz - A Human Volcano

### By Benchomo Guadalupe published by the Ayuntamiento of Arrecife

This excellent book is based on the unpublished works of historian and writer Agustin de la Hoz which were donated by his family to the Archives of the Ayuntamiento de Arrecife with Archivist Benchomo Guadalupe as executor.

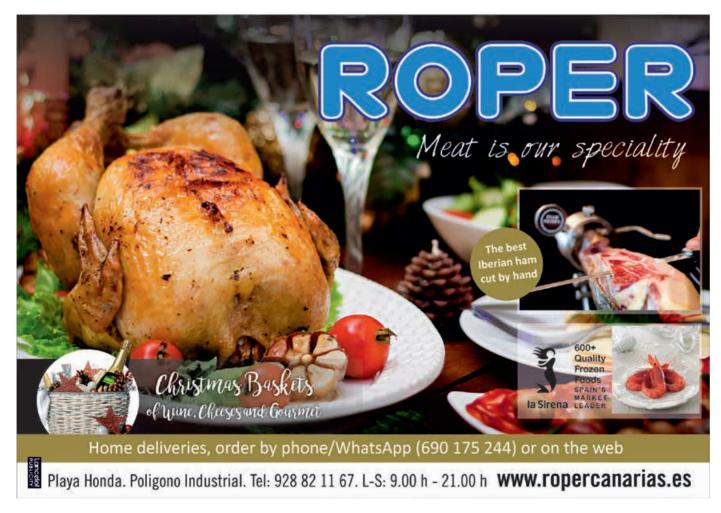
Agustin de la Hoz was born in Arrecife in 1926 and died in Tenerife in 1988. In the mid 1950s he began writing for Diario de Las Palmas and Eco de Canarias newspapers and later wrote a weekly column for Lancelot magazine from 1981 until his death seven years later. A street in Arrecife bears his name and as does the Casa de la Cultura Agustin de La Hoz.

The voluminous book contains references to every literary and educational citizen whose works benefited the life of the island. Included are details of correspondence about a local art student called César Manri-



que whom the Cabildo of Lanzarote was sponsoring at the University of La Laguna in Tenerife. Agustin de la Hoz's address to the Circulo Mercantile Society on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Blas Cabrera Felipe, a famous scientist born on Lanzarote who became an expert on the subject of heavy water. He corresponded with Albert Einstein on his Theory of Relativity and came to Spain to meet him. Arrecife-born Blas Cabrera also introduced science to be as a subject in Spanish schools.

Agustin de la Hoz's work also includeesdetails of the poetry of Victor Fernández Gopar the former manager of Salinas de Janubio Salt Ponds who wrote verses about the conditions the hundreds of members of the work force had to endure at the beginning of the last century. He also names the various harbours of the capital describing the Charco de San Ginés as Little Venice which "attracted the attention of all visitors." There is also a reference to a letter in the



mid 1960s César Manrique sent to the island from New York saying he intended converting the Castillo de San José into something spectacular in conjunction with Jesús Soto.

In his 1962 book "Lanzarote," Agustin de la Hoz relates the history of every part of Lanzarote's geography from the smallest hamlet to the capital Arrecife.

Agustin de la Hoz writes as follows about Puerto del Carmen. previously called La Tiñosa: "Some eight hundred souls live around the fishing harbour, the men are fishermen who spend up to six months of the year in their trawlers at Cabo Blanco off the shores of Africa. The coastal route at La Tiñosa is among the most picturesque on Lanzarote and it would be a good idea to put deckchairs on its glorious beaches as they do at Las Canteras in Las Palmas." These words were prophetic because only a few years later commercial tourism was born on these very shores with the opening of Los Fariones, Lanzarote's first tourist hotel.



Historian Agustin de la Hoz with the artist César Manrique, who greatly admired him. Photo José Luis Rojas

Benchomo Guadalupe Oliva, born on Lanzarote, studied philosophy at La Laguna University and Documentation at Granada University and was appointed Archivist of Arrecife in 2007.

Benchomo Guadalupe at the launching of his book at the Casa de la Cultura by the Ayuntamiento de Arrecife







# Guide for Britons Resident in Post Brexit Spain

Lancelot spoke to the new Consular Regional Director to Europe South Fleur Willson during her first visit to Lanzarote about the post-Brexit rights of British Residents in Spain



Fleur Willson gave a message of reassurance to British residents about the post-Brexit situation



British Consul Las Palmas Jackie Stevenson, Consul for Southern Spain Charmain Arbouin, Honorary Consul on Lanzarote Sue Thain accompanied Fleur Willson, newly appointed Consular Regional Director Europe South with Larry and Liz Yaskiel on a recent trip to Lanzarote. They visited Emerlan in Arrecife to thank the voluntary staff of Lanzarote Emergencies Serves for the help they extended to British residents and holidaymakers during the Covid 19 pandemic.

Please check Guidance to Living in Spain at www.gov.uk on the internet with comprehensive information for British citizens. The site is regularly updated.

I would like to begin by stating that nothing has changed as far as the rights of British citizens who were living legally resident in Spain before 1 January 2021. There is absolutely no change in their status regarding healthcare or anything else of importance. Many people have been worried by unfounded rumors they hear or read about in the press, because these instances are all based on individuals who for some reason do not fulfill all the requirements and would not have done so even before Brexit. Whatever you do, do not give up your happy life in Spain to return to the UK based on false information.

Spain's great quality of life, sunny weather and reasonable house prices have helped make it a dream holiday home location for many Brits, with the latest Spanish government estimates suggesting 800,000

to 1 million Britons own a property in Spain. Some had intended to eventually reside full-time or retire to Spain while others wanted to continue enjoying spending prolonged periods of time at their Spanish home while keeping their primary base in the UK.

As far as the "90-days out of 180 days" limit is concerned which has now been introduced, it is not new it has always been in place for all non-EU citizens wanting to spend time in EU countries and was the case for Britain before we entered the EU which older residents may recall. Please check the Guide to Living in Spain. It is really well worth doing your homework because this truly comprehensive guide contains details on every subject you need and whatever changes may occur, the site is regularly updated. Remember that the new norm we have to adhere to has also always been and remains the procedure to follow when Britons travel to Australia, the United States, Mexico and every other country in the world - although differing time limits apply - and now Europe is in the same category.

For residents who are unable to navigate the internet. Until the end 2021, the UK Government is funding three organisations to provide support for UK Nationals who may be having difficulties with the residency process so do get in touch with them if you need any help. Who to contact depends on where in Spain you live. You can find their details and how to contact them at https://www.gov. uk/guidance/uk-nationals-supportfund-uknsf-applying-for-residency-in-eu-or-efta-countries#spain

Fleur Willson, full name Fleur Marianne Cecile Willson, was born in England and is a dual British French national who has worked for the Foreign Office for 13 years which she joined straight from university studies in England and France. She has previously worked in Paris, Taiwan and Libya. Both her parents were trainee teachers who met whilst working in Lyon.

# Latest figures from the Spanish Government reveal 36% of UK Nationals in Spain have the Withdrawal Agreement TIE





British Ambassador to Spain Hugh Elliott

Just over a year since the Withdrawal Agreement TIE (Tarjeta Identidad de Extranjero) was launched, the latest figures published by the Spanish Government reveal that over a third of UK Nationals in Spain now have the biometric card that explicitly recognises their rights under the Withdrawal Agreement.

Commenting on the figures, HMA Hugh Elliott said: "It's great to hear that so many UK Nationals now have the TIE and I'm sure that the next set of figures will show an even higher number. Whilst it's still not obligatory to have one, it has become clear over the last 12 months that the TIE makes people's lives easier. It's more durable, more easily recognisable than the green residency certificate and it explicitly recognises your rights under the Withdrawal Agreement. What's more, it really is a straightforward exchange process and we have a step-by-step guide to what you need to do on gov.uk. My advice would be to do it as soon as vou can - we've seen instances where the green certificates are not recognised and, whilst we continue to raise such instances with the Spanish authorities, a TIE has proven to be a more reliable option. Because It explicitly recognises your rights under the Withdrawal Agreement and is easily recognisable at border crossings and is clear evidence of your immigration status."

Drawing on comments from its Facebook community (www.facebook.com/britsinspain) and results from a survey carried out with 6,500 UK Nationals living in Spain, the British Embassy has identified the following Top Ten Reasons to get your TIE.

- It's more durable
- It's easily recognisable eg. at border crossings as it follows the model established at European level
- The process of exchanging your green certificate is straightforward and cheap (12€) (https://www.lamoncloa.gob.es/lang/en/brexit/Documents/GUIDE%20 BREXIT%20eng.pdf)
- It is clear evidence of your immigration status
- It will make some day-to-day administrative processes easier (eg. with your bank)
- It should help to ensure you don't get your passport stamped incorrectly
- It contains biometric information, so is less easy to fake
- There are currently more resources available within the Policía Nacional to facilitate the exchange
- It can fit easily into your wallet
  especially for those who have the older A4 green certificate

If you are experiencing difficulties using your green certificate whilst waiting to exchange it for the TIE, do refer to the document provided by the Spanish Government to clarify its continued validity https://www.inclusion.gob.es/ficheros/brexit/nota\_aclaratoria\_green\_certificate.pdf.

Until the end of the year, the

UK Government is funding three organisations to provide support for UK Nationals who may be having difficulties with the residency process, so do get in touch with them if you need any help. Who to contact depends on where in Spain you live. You can find their details and how to contact them at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-nationals-support-fund-uknsf-applying-for-residency-in-eu-or-efta-countries#spain

The process to exchange the green certificate for the TIE is as follows:

To start the process you must apply for an appointment online.

- select your province
- then 'trámites cuerpo nacional de policía' (if this option is available)
- then 'Policía Exp tarjeta asociada al Acuerdo de retirada ciudadanos británicos y sus familiares'

You must attend this appointment at the police station in person with the following documentation:

- application form EX23
- passport
- proof you have paid the fee (via form 'modelo 790, code 012' – choose option 'certificado de registro de residente comunitario'). Currently this fee cannot be paid online.
- photograph (you must ensure this meets the Spanish administration's requirements)

Many police stations will also require you to provide photocopies of official documents, such as your passport, at your appointment.

You will need to return to the police station with your valid passport to collect the TIE once it is ready.

Kindly refer to the article on the next page.

# Policia Nacional Arrecife Reassure British Residents about Registration for the Biometric ID Cards TIE

Following enquiries from our readers, the Policia Nacional at Arrecife explained the procedure for British nationals registering for the Biometric ID Card. They told Lancelot (1) we can reassure your readers that they should not worry about the time it is taking to register on line as there are three opportunities to do so in the first six months of 2022 (2) The Biometric ID Card is optional and not obligatory and no one can lose their Residents status because they have not registered on line. In addition English-speaking officers are on hand for anyone not proficient in the Spanish language.

In any normal year the Policia Nacional at Arrecife process up to 5,000 ID cards for foreign nationals but this year due to Brexit an additional 6,000 cards for British residents are required. This is the second highest amount of Britons on any of the seven islands. To help cope with the rise, additional officers have joined the staff and many are working additional hours in the afternoon despite which there are still hold ups. However whenever a new date is announced, there is a logjam of applications so that within three hours the maximum capacity is exhausted until the next date. So residents are advised to apply as early as possible.

### **TIE Biometric ID Cards - Tarjeta Identidad Extranjera**

British Residents can apply to receive their new Biometric Identity Card, by applying on-line on 1 January 2022, 1 March and 1 May at the cost of 12 euros. It is important to note however long it takes, you will not lose your Residency status, the TIE Card is voluntary and not an obligation.

The cards have a QR code containing the citizen number and have chips embedded containing biometric details such as two fingerprints, clear evidence of your immigration process. The harmonized cards serve as travel documents within the EU meaning no passports are required. It will also make some administrative processes easier and can fit easily into your wallet as opposed to the A4 green certificate.

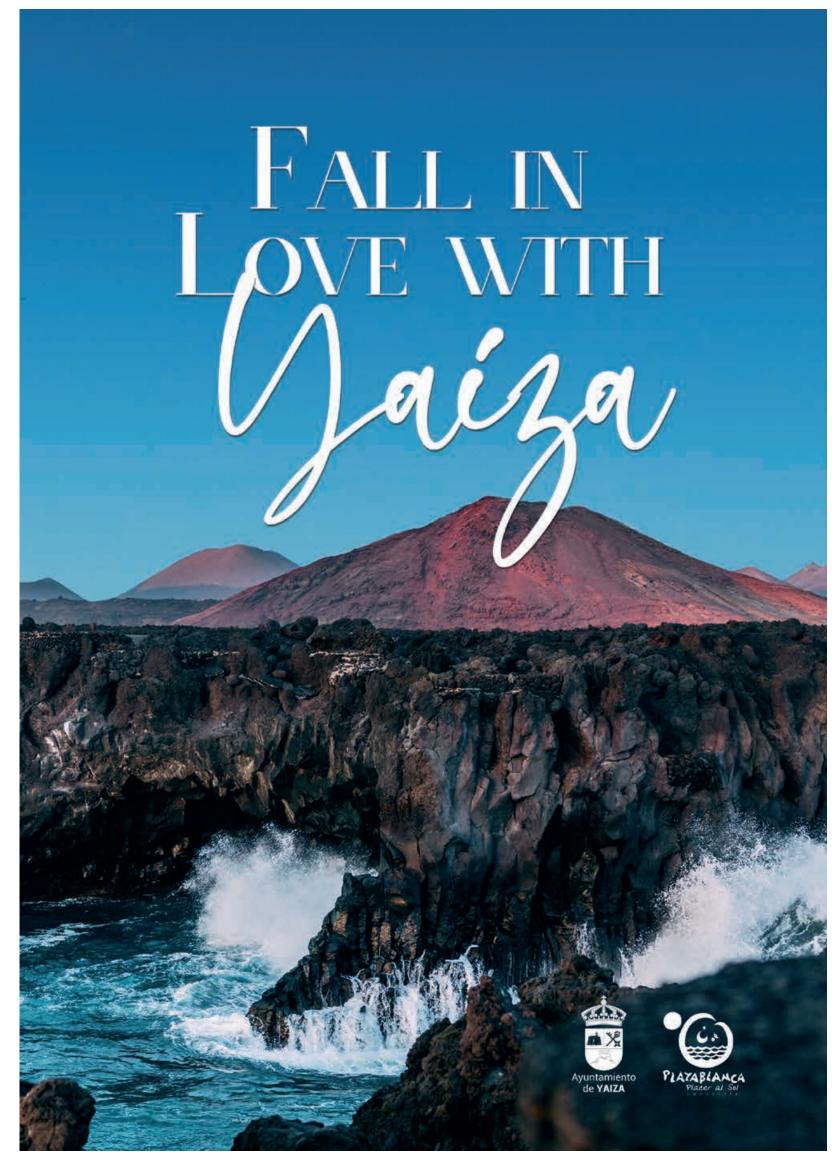




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On behalf of our readers Lancelot wishes to thank Agente Alejandro of the Departamento de Extranjería of the Policia Nacional for taking the time to prepare the above information.







# Inheritance Tax in the Canary Islands

In our previous article we pointed out the general guidelines of Inheritance Tax in Spain, which are also applicable to most of the autonomous regions. These regions have the power to pass complementary legislation with aim to mitigate the tax burden of its resident citizens. In this follow-on article we try to explain in a simplified wayhow this tax is calculated in the Canary Islands as from January 1st, 2020.

At this point we'd like to repeat the main factors which determine the amount of tax payable:

- a) Value of estate
- b) Kinship
- c) Pre-existing wealth
- d) Personal allowances

Following procedure must be followed to calculate the corresponding tax amount:

- 1) Establishing the total value of the estate (plus 3% of total value for the value of personal and domestic items)
  - 2) Deduction of corresponding kinship allowance
- 3) Application of tax scale to remaining value of estate to calculate tax
- 4) Multiplication of calculated tax with corresponding factor from pre-existing wealth scale to establish gross tax
- 5) Application of Canary Island deduction scale to the gross tax to establish net tax due.

Three important formal points to the filing of an inheritance tax return are:

- I) The period to file this return is within 6 months from the time of death. If for some reason this is not possible, an application for extension of further 6 months can be filed and is usually granted by the authorities, but it must be filed within the first 5 months after death. If granted, the authorities won't levy any fines or surcharges, but will ask for interest on the tax due to be paid.
- II) Tax returns must be filed with the competent tax authority. If any of the parties involved (deceased or heir) has a non-resident tax status in Spain, the return must be filed with the Central Tax Authority in Madrid (Oficina Nacional Gestion Tributaria, in any other case with the Tax Administration of the Canary Islands (AgenciaTributariaCanaria).
- III) Tax returns must be filed separately, meaning each heir of legatee must file individually. This could be a big advantage if there is more than one successor or legatee, as the estate is divided and the resulting tax is usually smaller, as there are more individual allowances applicable.

Please notebecause of limited space available for this article and the complexity of the matter we can't go into specific details or mention all possible additional rights of allowances or deductions available under the current legislation. In any case we suggest you consult with a tax advisor or accountant.

The following individual tables might look confusing at

first,but the following example might help to demonstrate how to use them.

### Here the example:

A couple in their 50's with two children owns a property in the Canary Islands as a holiday home, a joint Spanish bank account and a locally registered car.

One partner died on June 1st, 2020, leaving al her/his assets, valued at 250.000  $\in$ , to the surviving partner or spouse.

This is how theinheritance tax is calculated:

- 1) Value of estate: 250.000 € + 3% = 257.500 €.
- 2) Deduction kinship allowance: 40.400 €.
- 3) Application tax table to net asset value.

 $(257.000 - 40.400 = 217.100 \ \ \ \ \ \ \ ).$ 

159.634,83 € = 23.063,25 €.

Remainder: 57.465,17 € x 21,25% = 12.211,35 €. Value estate: 217.100,00 € = 35.274,60 € gross tax

4) Pre-existing wealth: under 402.678,11 € = multiplication factor. 1

 $35.274,60 \in x \ 1 = 35.274,60 \in$ 

5) Application of reduction (Canary Island legislation).

We hope this article illustrates, that inheritance tax in the Canary Islands is not necessarily a frightening subject. However, the more valuable the estate, the higher the tax might result, and it might be advisable to name more than one heir or legatee in your last will to split up the value of the estate into individual portions.

Table of tax reduction for the Canary Islands							
Calculated tax inferior or equal to:	Reduction	General conditions					
0,00 € - 55.000 €	99,90%	4) White and white a section to block to second					
55.000 € - 65.000 €	90,00%	This reduction applies to kinship groups I,     Il and III only.					
65.000 € - 95.000 €	80,00%	This reduction can also be used by fiscally					
95.000 € - 125.000 €	70,00%	non-resident persons.					
125.000 € - 155.000 €	60,00%	3) More than 50% of the value of the estate					
155.000 € - 185.000 €	50,00%	in Spain mustbe situated in the Canary					
185.000 € - 215.000 €	40,00%	Islands					
215.000 € - 245.000 €	30,00%	4) This reduction table has come into law as					
245.000 € - 275.000 €	20,00%	from January 1st 2.020 and can't be used for deaths occurred prior to this date.					
275,000 € - 305,000 €	10.00%	General prior to this date.					

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Taxable value of estate	Assigned tax amount	Remaind er	Tax rate remainder	Pre-existing wealth	Groups of kinship		hip
0,00	0,00	7.993,46	7,65%		1+11	III	l IV
7.993,46	611,50	7.987,45	8,50%	From 0 to 402.678,11	1,0000	1,5882	2,0000
15.980,91	1.290,43	7.987,45	9,35%	From 402,678,11 to 2,007,380,43	1,0500	1,6676	2,1000
23.968,36	2.037,26	7.987,45	10,20%	From 2.007.380,43 to 4.020.770,98	1,1000	1,7471	2,2000
31.955,81	2.851,98	7.987,45	11,05%	From 4.020.770,98	1,2000	1,9059	2,4000
39.943,26	3,734,59	7.987,45	11,90%	Kinship rela	ated allowances		
47.930,72	4.685,10	7.987,45	12,75%	Kinship	Reduction	Maximum €	
55.918,17	5.703,50	7.987,45	13,60%	Children to 10 years (I)	100 %		138.650
63.905,62	6.789,79	7.987,45	14,45%	Children 10 - 15 years (I)	100 %		92.150
71.893,07	7.943,98	7.987,45	15,30%	Children 15 - 18 years (I)	100 %		57.650
79.880,52	9.166,06	39.877,15	16,15%	Children 18 - 21 years (I)	100 %		40.400
119.757,67	15,606,22	39.877,16	18,70%	Spouse, registered partners (II)			40.400
159.634,83	23.063,25	79.754,54	21,25%	Adopted children(II)			23.125
239.389,13	40.011,04	159.388,41	25,50%	Children, parents (II)			18.500
398,777,54	80 655 08	398 777 54	29.75%	2nd + 3rd line relatives			

# A Brief Guide to Property Purchase



LANCELOT has prepared the following for the benefit of holidaymakers unfamiliar with the language and laws of Spain. It is not, and is not intended as, a substitute to advice from a solicitor and/or an estate agent.

Only buy from the office of an Estate Agent and seek the services of an independent solicitor.

It is not advisable to give anyone a GENE-RAL POWER OF ATTORNEY. Where necessary, it is prudent to grant a limited power of attorney (only) to an independent solicitor.

Do not believe that you are protected because the conveyance will be notarised, as the Notary presumes that you are acting on the advice of your Lawyer.

When buying property insist on the presence of an impartial sworn translator. By law a Notary can refuse to notarise a deed if the conveyance is not translated into the language of the party(ies) concerned.

Before you purchase make sure the Vendor has paid all back property taxes, *Impuesto sobre bienes inmuebles*, to the local Town Hall, by checking the receipts.

If, by purchasing, you will become a member of an Association of Owners, make sure that the Vendor has paid all his community bills. Also check on the liquidity of the Association itself, and examine their statutes, *estatutos*. Their rules may not permit you to keep your domestic pets.



Before buying land present a written enquiry at the local Town Hall (with a return address on the Island) asking if there is planning permission to build on the site of your choice and if any building restrictions apply there.

Instruct your solicitor to conduct a search at the Property Registry, *Registro de la Propiedad*, immediately before the conveyance and return there as soon as the notarised document can be collected from the Notary.

Make sure that your architect is one of the 24 members of the Canarian College of Architects working on Lanzarote, otherwise you will have to pay a second fee. If in doubt call the Colegio de Arquitectos in Arrecife on 928 800799 or fax: 928 800798. Spanish-speaking.

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# Hospiten Lanzarote incorporates water vapor therapy to treat benign prostatic hyperplasia

Hospiten Lanzarote, as part of its ongoing work to improve services offered to patients, has incorporated water vapor therapy to treat benign prostate hyperplasia (BPH).

Dr. Ricardo Bernardez, urologist at Hospiten Lanzarote, points out that it is a new technique with great advantages for the patient, which, by means of the Rezum system, allows interventions to be carried out on an outpatient basis and, furthermore, maintains the patient's sexual function.

BPH affects half of the male population from the age of 50 on, increasing to almost 100% from the age of 80 on. Dr. Bernardez emphasizes that this is not a prostate cancer, but it significantly affects the quality of life of the patient because it means there is a substantial increase in the frequency and urgency of the need to urinate. So, if left untreated, benign prostate hyperplasia may lead to urinary tract infections, bladder or kidney damage or incontinence.

The new technique, offered by Hospiten Lanzarote, is minimally invasive and can be performed in a single appointment while the patient is sedated, without the need for general anesthesia or hospital



admission. The therapy consists of administering small amounts of water vapor to the enlarged prostate. The steam destroys the cells causing the blockage, reducing the overall size of the prostate, relieving the symptoms, thus eliminating with the problem.

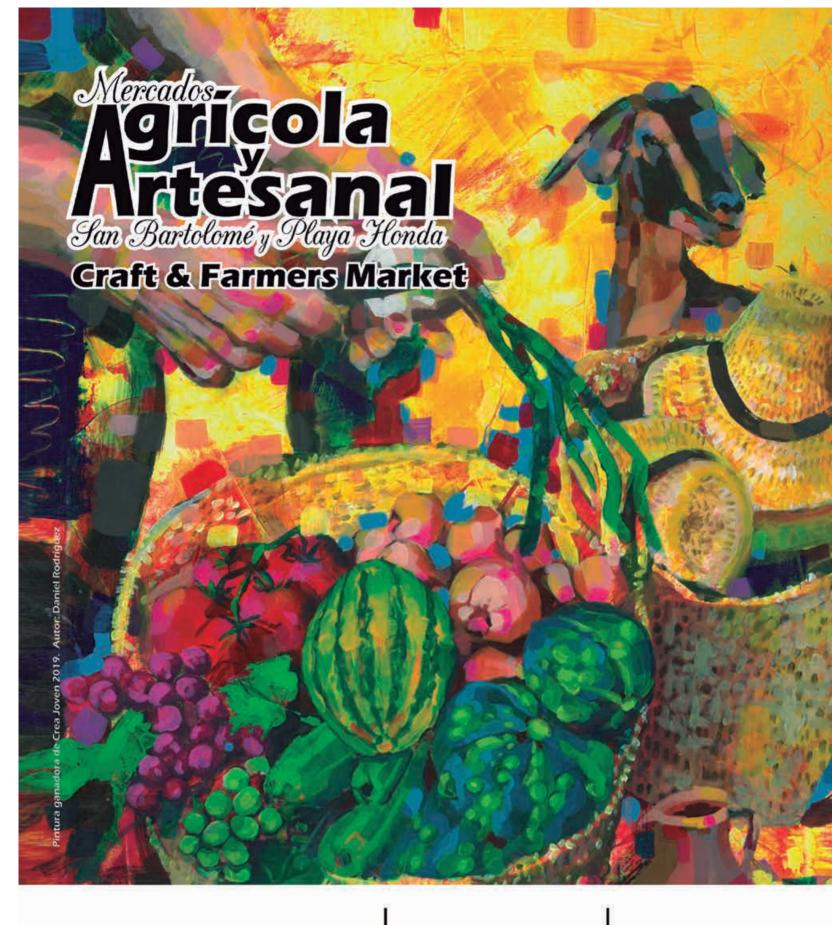
The result is that the patient can go home the same day, with a catheter he will have to keep in place for a week and which will be removed at the hospital.

The treatment is indicated for patients who do not want an invasive treatment or for whom the prescribed medical treatment is not working, and who may be candidates for this therapy depending on the size of the prostate. It is also very suited to elderly, complex, high-risk patients, given its minimally invasive nature.

Dr. Bernardez reminds the public of the importance of check-ups from the age of 40 on, for an early diagnosis, as well as maintaining healthy lifestyle habits like regular exercise, watching our waistline, eating plenty of fruit and vegetables, and keeping an eye on the fats in our diet. All these things, the doctor stresses, can help with benign prostatic hyperplasia and reduce the risk of erectile dysfunction, diabetes and heart disease.

Hospiten Lanzarote: For further information, 928 596 171















### San Bartolomé

Plaza León y Castillo

5<sup>th</sup> September 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7<sup>th</sup> November 11th - 12th December

### Playa Honda

Calle Mayor

18<sup>th</sup> September 16<sup>th</sup> October 20th November 18th December



### Central Southern Route La Geria

Puerto del Carmen, the island's largest tourist resort, has almost 13 kilometres of beaches and a picturesque fishing harbour in the Old Town. On the main Island highway close to the Puerto del Carmen turnoff, a road opposite leads to ASO-MADA. Drive through and turn left at the first T junction until reaching a main road. This is LA GERIA, the wine-growing region of Lanzarote where grapes are cultivated in a manner not used anywhere else in the world. The result is an unforgetteable landscape dominated by the sight of thousands of shallow pits stretching as far as the eye can see.

The young vines planted inside are covered with layers of porous black volanic grains which feed them moisture and protect them from the harsh rays



of the sun. They are sheltered from the constant Trade Winds by the semi-circular walls of dry volcanic rock above.

### **Puerto Calero Marina**

One of Europe's truly beautiful marinas in a magnificent setting which hosts international regattas.

The bustling commercial area is enhanced by an open air Museum of Sculptures located among the landscaped pathways comprising 12 impressive pieces by important artists. Watch out for the Puerto Calero signpost on the main island road between Puerto del Carmen and Yaiza.







### Yaiza and El Golfo

Turn left driving past UGA village until rejoining the Island highway where YAIZA is soon reached. The town square contains several buildings typical of Lanzarote's traditional architecture with the Town Hall at one end and the ancient Los Remedios Church at the other.

To the right a few kilometres along after the town is a sign to CHARCO DE LOS CLICHOS, the

GREEN LAGOON, (and neighbouring EL GOLFO village), which is reached after a short ride along a winding picturesque coastal road. A brief stroll round the corner brings us to the GREEN LAGOON. Scientists are not absolutely certain as to the source of its colour, some believe it is caused by algae, others attribute it to the green olivine semi-precious stone, found in abundance on the Island. (There are several good fish restaurants around the bay at EL GOLFO).

Returning along the coast there is a large parking area to the right. The seas below can frequently be seen battering away at the cliffs trying to force a way through. During the 18th century volcanic eruptions, lava thrown out by the volcanoes covered a large area of the ocean in this area which it has been attempting to







reclaim back ever since.

Yet another pretty scene just a few hundred metres along is presented by the JANUBIO salt ponds. Employing over one hundred workers at the turn of the century to provide sailing ships with salt for keeping food fresh, the salt works gradually fell into decline with the advent of refrigeration.

### **Stratvs Vineyard**

Driving through La Geria from the direction of Yaiza, Bodegas Stratvs is on the right directly off the main road. The display at the shop in the spacious visitor's gallery offers a fascinating glimpse into traditional wine cultivation on Lanzarote. The vineyard is open 7 days a week 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and there are 2 daily guided tours by appointment. However, visitors can visit the premises and cafeteria without appointment.

### Playa Blanca Papagayo Beaches

Twenty years ago a tiny fishing village, PLAYA BLANCA on the south coast, is now a flourishing but tranquil resort with a beautiful beach bordered by a picturesque restaurant-lined promenade. The small harbour is used by ferries sailing to Fuerteventura, the Fred Olsen Express car ferry makes the 20 minute crossing six times daily.

Close by along the headland to the east several paths lead to the magnificenti PAPAGAYO BEACHES. Composed of several small bays and coves, many consider these golden sands to be the most beautiful in Spain.

### Marina Rubicón

This habour at Playa Blanca combines the most modern and well-equipped docks for sea-going yachts with the olde-world charm of tradi-



tional island architecture housing amenities and facilities on the shoreline including an art gallery. Two new deluxe hotels overlook the marina and the coastal promenade.

### **The Fire Mountains**

Returning north on the main road turn left in YAIZA to MONTAÑAS DEL FUEGO, the FIRE MOUNTAINS, part of TIMANFAYA NATIONAL PARK. This region was devastated by intermittent volcanic eruptions over a six year period, 1730 - 1736. The scenery is both breathtaking and vividly awesome, a few hundred metres to the left a string of camels await passengers for a scenic ride round the rim of a volcano.

The red and white barrier at a toll booth signals arrival at the road which leads to the parking area at Hilario's Plateau.

Here the DIABLO RESTAURANT serves meals from a grill fitted across a natural volcanic chasm, with geothermic heat rising from the bowels of the volcano cooking the food!

A coach fitted with multi-lingual commentary leaves to tour the nearby region of volcanic destruction taking a route offering the clearest indication of what took place here some two and a half centuries ago. There are stops for photographs and the 45 minute trip is included in the price of the admission fee to the Park. Open daily 09.00 - 17.00 hrs.

For the best times and conditions to visit the Cabildo Tourist Centres download the CACT Lanzarote App at Apple Play or Google Store.

### **Timanfaya Information**

On exiting via the barrier turn left and after two kilometres watch out for the Timanfaya Visitors Centre on the left before Mancha Blanca. This is an excellent source of multilingual information about the Park and its volcanoes. Admission is free, open 7 days a week 09.00 - 16.45.

### **El Monumento**

Continue past Mancha Blanca to Tao, turn right until the next roundabout. The MONUMENTO AL CAMPESINO at the right of the road was one of the first creations of the late Cesar Manrique whose intention was to commemorate past generations of Lanzaroteans who stuck to their toil in the fields even after volcanic eruptions had devastated their most fertile land. These hardy early 18th century pioneers invented the irrigation method still in use throughout Lanzarote today. They had no-



ticed that wherever an amount of black volcanic grains known as picon thrown out by the volcano had settled on fertile soil, some type of plant-life eventually emerged from the ground. Soon realising that the grains were porous, farmers began covering their fields with picon. The typical farm house contains a restaurant serving local cuisine. Nearby, the public can watch artisans create traditional arts and crafts which can be purchased in the souvenir shop. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00, restaurant 12.00 - 16 .30, bar 10.00 - 17.45.

### San Bartolomé

A short distance along take the right fork towards San Bartolomé. This is the geographical centre of the island and an important agricultural region where vegetables grow in the sandy 'jable' soil, unique on Lanzarote. Sweet potatoes, water melons and squash are the main crops grown in this region. Buildings of interest in the town itself include the Casa Mayor Guerra, the 18th century home of the former military governor of the island.

### **Tanit Ethnic Museum**

Close to the Town Hall is the Tanit Ethnic Museum which contains a display of the working and cultural life of the island over the past centuries. Open Mon to Sat 10 - 14, closed Sunday.

# Cesar Manrique Foundation

On the outskirts of town cross straight over the main Monument-Arrecife road until passing some ruins on a plateau to the left. Continuing downhill round a sweeping curve for a few hundred metres the imposing white gateway of the FUNDACION CESAR MANRIQUE appears on your left with its adjoining spacious parking area. The Foundation is housed in what was originally one of the world's most uniquely beautiful homes built by Cesar Man-



Cactus Garden

rique for himself and where he lived for over twenty years. Set in a sea of petrified lava and constructed on two levels by interlinking five volcanic bubbles, this residence has attracted journalists from the world's leading architectural magazines and as a work of art in its own right is certainly worth visiting.

In September 1992 only six months after the Foun-dation opened its doors Cesar Manrique was killed a few yards away in a car accident. Without his intuitive genius for enhancing without spoiling nature, Lanzarote would today look just like many other holiday resorts with sunshine and nice beaches. Open Monday to Saturday 10.00 - 18.00 hrs and Sunday 10.00 - 15.00 hrs.

### Museo Agricola El Patio

The buildings and grounds of El Patio Farm Museum represent an authentic and comprehensive reconstruction of traditional Lanzarote folklore and culture including its unique agricultural history. Take the Arrecife-Tahiche main road, turn right at Tiagua and follow the signs. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30, Sat 10 - 2.30.

### **Northern Route Teguise**

The main road north from Arrecife leads to TEGUISE, the capital of Lanzarote for over 500 years until ceding the title to Arrecife in the middle of the last century. Moorish corsairs attacked this old town many times murdering, pillaging and carrying its inhabitants off into slavery. A small alley at the side of the church in the main square is called Sangre - Blood - on account of Christian blood flowing through the nearby streets on many occasions. Opposite, the SPINOLA PALACE fronted by two stone lions was the home of a wealthy 19th century merchant family which has been restored and is open to the public. Every Sunday and Public Holiday a market is held in and around the square.

The resort of Costa Teguise has five beaches the largest of which is Playa de las Cucharas.

### Piracy Museum Santa Bárbara Castle

Standing on Mount Guanapay overlooking Teguise is strategically placed to overlook the coastline on both sides of the Island and was originally built to warn the Island capital below if pirates were sighted.

A Piracy Museum is located in the



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medieval fortress with a wonderful array of interactive screens, panels and information boards with the names and histories of some of the most famous names of pirates and privateers in maritime history. British and North African buccaneers prowled the waters of the Canaries in search of booty as well as attacking individual islands such as Lanzarote which suffered a series of devastating raids from the 16th until the 18th centuries.

The Pirates Museum open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 Sunday and Public Holidays 10.00 - 16.00. Currently closed for alterations.

# Timple Music Museum Palacio Spinola, Teguise

This museum in the beautiful interior of the 19th century Spinola Palace is dedicated to the "timple" miniature guitar whose strident tones are known as the "The Sound of the Canary Islands." A timple is an integral part of every folklore group and the museum traces its evolvement on the island since the start of the last century. Fifty-five instruments from all over world are on display, all of which create a similar sound to the "timple", the most well known of these is the Hawaiian ukelele. Open Monday to Friday 9.00 -16.00 . Sunday and Public Holidays 9.00 - 15.00. Closed Saturday.

### Haria

The road north passes Los Valles an important agricultural village continuing past several laybys offering commanding views across to the opposite coast. Rounding some sharp curves cut through the cliffs the road descends to HARIA, nestling peacefully in the Valley of 10,000 Palms. Reminiscient of a North African oasis the town was a spa for wealthy Canarians in the past. The Artesanal Market every Saturday 10.00 – 14.30 is rated 5 Stars by Trip Advisor; Arts & Crafts Workshop Mon-Sat 10-14.00.



### Manrique House Museum

Follow the signs to the House Museum of César Marique in Haria. It was the artist's second home where he spent the last few years of his life having converted his original residence into the Foundation at Tahiche which bears his name. Everything has been left in the original state it was in when he died. Open 7 days a week, but advance purchase of tickets is recommended due to limited capacity.

### Mirador del Rio

Continuing northward past Maguez village a road towards the clifftop leads to Guinate Tropical Park. A short drive on the main road and you arrive at MIRADOR DEL RIO, a belvedere with breathtaking views of the straights below and islands out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.

### **The Green Caves**

The route continues downhill towards the GREEN CAVES, (open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.), on the opposite coast over a region known as Malpais de la Corona, 'badlands'

caused by the eruption of nearby Monte Corona. During an eruption whilst debris is shot out skywards, volcanoes also often break out below ground, a molten lava stream forging a tunnel. One such volcanic tunnel, the Atlantida, is below the earth's surface at this point which at 7 1/2 kilometres is the longest in the world.

### Jameos del Agua

This large grotto harbouring an underground lake forms the last section of the Atlantida Tunnel and came into being when the molten lava stream met the cooler waters of the nearby Atlantic Ocean. An amenity not to be missed in this wonder of nature embellished by Cesar Manrique, is the underground concert hall located in a massive volcanic cavern. Open daily 10.00 - 19.00 hrs. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, 19.00 - 03.00 hrs.

### **The Cactus Garden**

The route south passes through several villages until reaching an area where the fields are all planted with cacti. Known as the 'tunera' cactus it attracts the female co-





chineal beetle from which carmine dye is extracted. Dusty white patches on the leaf indicate a colony of this parasite and if crushed turn to bright crimson. Guatiza village is the centre of this cactus crop and is the home of JARDIN DE CACTUS - the CACTUS GARDEN - the seventh and last of the Tourist Centres, which opened in March 1990. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs

### Arrecife

Continuing south the road leads past a white stone gateway leading to Costa Teguise, one of the three major tourist resorts on Lanzarote. Arriving at the capital ARRECIFE, home to half of the 70,000 inhabitants of Lanzarote, whose tree-lined promenades and SAN GINES Lagoon are beautifully landscaped. A colourful street market takes place on the promenade every Wednesday selling traditional island arts and crafts among other items.

The main shopping area is in and around Calle Leon y Castillo which has a drawbridge at one end leading to SAN GABRIEL Castle, the Arrecife History Museum. A drive

around the NAOS fishing harbour past some abandoned windmills leads to another medieval fort, CASTILLO SAN JOSE, whose 18th century interior was converted by Cesar Manrique in 1974 to house the International Museum of Contemporary Art. Open daily 11.00 - 21.00 hrs. On the lower floor an excellent restaurant with panoramic views out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 01.00 hrs

### Marina Lanzarote

Just a short walk from the town centre along the seafront leads to the shops and restaurants of the luxury Marina Lanzarote, newly-opened in October 2014. A first class selection of shops and boutiques overlooking the colourful tableau of transatlantic yachts bobbing at their moorings await the visitors as well as dining facilities to suit every taste and every pocket, offering everything from local and international cuisine to smart snack bars and cafeterias.

### **Golf - Theme Park**

The island has two 18 hole par 72 golf clubs at Puerto del Carmen

and Costa Teguise as well as Rancho Texas animal theme park at Puerto del Carmen.

### **Rancho Texas**

Rancho Texas is an animal and water park close to Puerto del Carmen and just off the main island road. Among multiple attractions: a live sea lion show, dolphin interaction, a huge pool with water slides, a splash park and a country and western show. Among services is a free bus pick up. Open 265 days a year.

### La Graciosa & Fuerteventura Ferry

Lineas Maritimas Romero operate frequent sailings from Orzola Harbour to La Graciosa as well as excursions from Puerto del Carmen. Other services include: Water-taxi Puerto del Carmen-Puerto Calero and Water-bus Playa-Blanca- Marina Rubicón-Papagayo. Departure and arrival times are convenient for tourists wishing to spend a whole or half day on Lanzarote's sister isle.

The neighbouring island of Fuerteventura is only 12 minutes away by Líneas Romero from Playa Blanca to Corralejo.

# **Historic Costumes and Music**

# Lanzarote's Traditional Music and Dancing over Four Centuries

**Collated by Larry Yaskiel** 

In 2008, Ricardo Reguera published his monumental work of how traditional dress on Lanzarote has evolved over the ages.

Titled "Indumentaria (Apparel) de Lanzarote" published by the Gobierno Canario the comprehensive study - which manifests a love of detail and hours of handiwork - runs to 600 pages and reveals every strata of local life from farmers in the fields to grandees in their mansions as well as covering every age group from young to old.





# Traditional Costumes Drawn by Englishman Alfred Diston

The Historian and Author Lived on Tenerife for 51 Years

# English Author Alfred Diston on Tenerife 1810-1861

Ricardo Reguera pays tribute to the contribution of English author Alfred Diston, who lived in Tenerife between 1810 and 1861. His illustrated manuscripts, watercolours and drawings published in both England and Germany represent a valuable documentary source about many aspects of the Canary Islands' traditional clothing and customs. 'The traditional female costume is

one of the most unique dresses, characterized by the use of a semicircular headdress of fine canvas, and on it a palm leaf hat. In the torso they wore a linen shirt and a jerkin or corset, skirts were striped and multicolored, and an added apron made the clothes even more colorful. Men's clothing consisted of a short and tight black silk vest with wooden buttons and trousers of white cotton with hemstitches, fitted with a woolen sash. As accessories, they







wore a felt hat and a scarf to cover their necks.'

Alfred Diston's pioneering role in the introduction of the Cavendish Banana (now known as Plátano Canario) in the Canary Islands and its export to England had an enormous impact on the economy of the Canary Islands for over a century.

### Historic Costumes and Music "Most Gifted Dancers in Medieval Europe"

Historically, Canary Islanders were considered to be among the most talented dancers in Europe, described as "even more gifted than the courtiers of Louis XV of France." One of the dances they created known as "The Canarian" became

one of the earliest dance crazes to sweep Europe and the demand was so great that the movements were published in France: Consisting of two dancers alternately approaching and retreating from their partner, the steps comprise a series of toe and heel taps followed by a high kicking jump described in its day as being very difficult and highly unusual. The "Canarian" also made its way to South America and back again to Italy in Europe where it is still a traditional Italian folklore dance. Spanish poet Antonio Viana (1578-1650) wrote of the first instruments used: flutes, tambours and bagpipes accompanied by clapping and stamping.



The most important instrument of Canarian folklore music is the Timple, a miniature guitar similar to the ukulele but with its own identity whose melodic notes are known as the "Sound of the Canary Islands." Upon hearing it one appreciates the musical skill and suppleness of wrist required to play it. According to ethnologist Mike Eddy in his work Canarian Crafts and Traditions, a Lanzarote timple maker said that the first true timple was made in the Las Palmas workshop of a Catalan carpenter called Alpañe at the end of the eighteenth century. The other most common instruments used by folk groups: guitars, lutes, mandolins, castanets and tambours. Among the virtuosos of the Timple on Lanzarote are Pedro Cabrera, custodian of the Timple Museum in Teguise and Toñín Corujo a member of one of the Island's most historical folklore families.

### 1884 English Author Olivia Stone Malagueñas Isas Folias Seguidillas

Following a six months stay in 1884, English author Olivia Stone published a travel guide in London entitled "Tenerife and her Six Satellites, the first book in history to recommend the Canary Islands as a holiday destination. She clearly recalled the music, "the Malagueña was the Islanders favourite dance and its music was an inseparable companion during our six months visit." The dance involves a man and a woman facing each other

raising each hand alternately and snapping their fingers whilst moving in time to the music. Sometimes one sings, and sometimes the other. They twine and intertwine their hands, back to back, then over their heads or on their hips, joining and separating. The pretty dance then ends with a very slow and graceful kind of waltz with the man leading his partner to her seat.

The Isa is a lively individualistic dance accompanied by castanets, requiring skilled footwork and has evolved into a variety of different forms comparable to square dances. Four equal numbers of men and women dance in a circle part of the time forming a "ladies chain." For the Folia, four people stand in a square facing different directions, frequently changing partners whilst singing and snapping their fingers. Both men and women take two steps back and forward again; and when they meet, as if preparing to dance a waltz, they never touch each other during the entire dance, although often seem to be on the on the verge of doing so. In Lanzarote the Seguidillas take on their most lively and colourful form giving rise to the term Seguidillas Corridas, running rhyt

Among other interesting Canarian dances is La Cunita, the cradle dance, which was a Christmas tune danced around a full-sized wooden cradle, the men dancing in the opposite direction to the women, and changing partners constantly.



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# Several of the Island's Most Popular Folklore Groups



### Agrupación Folclórica Guanapay

The formation of Guanapay comprised an additional page to the cultural history of Teguise, the royal and ancient of Lanzarote and originally of the whole of the Canary Islands. In 1968 Nieves de León together with José and Federico Padrón decide to form a folklore group based on the performances which Nieves de León had experienced as a female member of the dance group. From the very beginning Guanapay preserved its unique identity by performing the traditional folklore dancing style of Teguise. The greatly lamented José Maria Gil, one of the most respected folklore figures in Lanzarote's history used to watch the performances of Guanapay whom he considered to be the most competent performers of purist Teguise folk traditions. With many thanks to Teguise Emeritus Town Historian Francisco Hernández Delgado.



### **Asociación Cultural Acatife**

The popular music group Acatife was founded in the Villa de Teguise, in 1983 and their first public performance was on the TV Tenderete programme of the late Nanino Díaz Cutillas. Over five hundred concerts have since followed including the XXI Los Sabadeños Festival as well as appearances all over the Canaries and in France and Germany. Among major topics in their lyrics is the emigration of Teguise

citizens to the American continent from the 17th to the 20th centuries and they strive to keep their memory alive. Acatife have recorded eight major albums including "600 Years of Teguise History and Legends." The annual Acatife Festival attracts artists from Latin America and the rest of the Archipelago and has established a yearly Volcán de Plata Award for other artists and institutions for their contribution to the popular heritage of the island.



### Los Diabletes de Teguise

Los Diabletes, a play on the word for little devils, of Teguise are among the best known Carnival groups on Lanzarote with traditions reaching back to the fertility rites of the original pre-Hispanic inhabitants of the Canary Islands, Spain and Portugal. Their performances are highly popular, not only in Teguise, but throughout the Island A large bull-faced mask and a red tongue portray the enormous horns of the male goat and combine with the red and black whirling rhombus painted on their white shirts and trousers to convey an image of masculinity and virility as does the rhythm and beat of the accompanying music. In the true spirit of the Carnival, members of the group perform on the street playing their music whilst singing specially-adapted carnival lyrics to popular songs and playfully tap onlookers on the back with cow bells and batons.



### Agrupación Folklórica Malpais de la Corona

In 1978, Malpais de la Corona folklore singers and dancers founded by Luz Maria Rodriguez, commenced their career by knocking on doors in Haria district inviting anyone who could sing or play an instrument to join them. The group is composed of 35 musicians who have performed on Lanzarote and throughout the Canary Islands for over the past four decades and have won many prizes. Most notably, they played at César Manrique's 69th birthday which coincided with the housewarming of his new home. They brought tears to the eyes of the artist by playing a traditional folk song with specially adapted lyrics to celebrate the occasion. For over twenty years the group performed weekly concerts for holidaymakers at Jameos del Agua. In 2016 Malpais de la Corona received the Distinguished Tourism Award for their cultural contribution to Lanzarote.





### Asociación Folclórica Coros y Danzas de Arrecife

Coros y Danzas de Arrecife are celebrating their 63rd anniversary since their founding by the Torres and the de La Fé families and are composed of forty members. Luis Morales Padrón was president from 1964 to 1976, followed by Santiago Torres de la Fe who presides up to the present day. They started their career during the San Ginés Festival in 1958 and have since performed all over Lanzarote, the Canary Islands, mainland Spain Coros y Danzas have recorded several singles and LPs starting in 1991. A major aim of the group has been to research the traditional clothing of Lanzarote in the 18th and 19th centuries and their findings were published and exhibited by the Cabildo. Including details of costumes for men and women, the design and colour of the original materials and the evolvement of traditional music and dancing. The public enjoy concerts of Coros y Danzas de Arrecife dressed in attire created by their forbears hundreds of years ago whilst dancing and playing their music.



### **Parranda Marinera Los Buches**

Parranda de los Buches are the most popular and oldest Carnival group who trace their origins back to the end of the 19th century. Originally the celebration was spontaneous but in 1963 a group of old friends decided to rejuvenate the custom of singing and playing sea shanties during the Carnival especially because the island capital is one of the most important ports in the Canary Islands with a maritime

history reaching back for several centuries. Many local fishermen would spend months at sea off the coast of North Africa but would always return in time to celebrate Carnival week with their family and friends. In 1991 they released a record with a cover designed by César Manrique. They follow the custom of playfully tapping onlookers on the back with inflated shark's stomachs.



### **Amigos de Puerto Naos**

Amigos de Portonao pioneered folk music about fisherman and the sea. Songs about agriculture and work on the farm had traditionally been the contents of local folk music because before the advent of tourism agriculture and fishing had been the staples of the local economy. But it was Amigos de Portonao who first introduced songs sung by fishermen on their trawlers recalling their voyages to distant shores off the coast of the nearby African continent. As the lyrics of one of their shanties relates "Wherever our boats were anchored many miles from Lanzarote we made sure that we always returned to our home port of Puerto Naos in Arrecife in time to celebrate the Fiesta of San Ginés with our families."



#### **Los Campesinos**

Founded in the 1960s, the 35 members of Los Campesinos have been directed by Miguel Angel Corujo throughout their career. As their name, would indicate, the lyrics and music of their highly original folklore repertoire consists of songs about work on the farm. Eight dancing pairs hold spades, forks, sieves and winnowing baskets mirroring the movements of farmers cultivating the crops. They have performed numerous concerts on Lanzarote, the Canary Islands, mainland Spain, Germany, North and South America and have represented the Island at international folklore festivals. Los Campesinos have made several successful recordings, appeared on TV programmes and have been awarded the Gold Medal of the Canarian Government and the Cabildo of Lanzarote for their contribution towards the preservation of Lanzarote's culture and identity for over half a century.

#### Agrupación Folclórica Guardafia

Agrupación Folklorica Guardafia of San Bartolomé was founded in 1978 under the artistic direction of Tito Perera who continues in his position until the present day. Their instruments consist of the timple, guitars, lutes mandolins and percussion, used on festive occasions who accompany the vocalists. They have performed throughout the Canary Islands, the Spanish Mainland and abroad. During their first rehearsals they were joined by members of the mythical group Ajey, founded by José Maria Gil, which allowed the members of Guadarfia the opportunity to absorb the musical spirit of this historical legendary group. They are composed of 32 members including dancers and have recorded several albums of very old traditional Lanzarote Isas, Sorondongos and Folias as well as "Looking at the Horizon" with lyrics and music by their musical director Tito Perera.



#### Agrupación Folklórica La Peña

Founded in San Bartolomé in 1993 by Marcial de León, they have played all over Lanzarote, the Canary Islands and Spain. Each year they celebrate Festival Antigua Ajei, whose first performance was dedicated to the memory of the historical founders of Agrupación Ajei in San Bartolomé considered by many to have been the best folklore group on the island. In 2004, the group suffered the death of their president Marcial de Léon which prompted the remaining members to honour his memory by continuing to carry out all the projects that their late founder had planned for the future. Among them was the release of their very first record entitled "Recuerdos" (Memories) in 2011 which was very well received by the public. Nowadays the group has consolidated its reputation representing the true culture and traditions of the people of Lanzarote.





#### **Guágaro Asociación**

Associacion Musical y Cultural Guagaro was founded by pupils of the Tias Municipal Folklore Music Association in 1995. The origin of its name is a hamlet in Asomada, one of 21 villages which were buried under the lava during the intermittent eruptions of 1730-1736. By the time the eruptions had ceased the streams of magma which had flowed all the way to the sea added an entire third to the surface area of Lanzarote. The group's twenty five members, conducted by Cristian Morales, have made several recordings including Fulgida Luna, Cantares de mi Tierra and Cantos de Navidad. Guagaro have participated in the festivities of every municipality on Lanzarote as well as in cultural exchanges with Fuerteventura, Las Palmas, Tenerife, La Palma and Asturias. With thanks for the information to Emma Soto, daughter of the famous artist Jesús Soto.

#### **Agrupacion Folklorica Gaida**

Agrupación Folklórica Gaida, named for a local mountain, was founded by brothers Juan, Bartolomé and Benigno Diaz Mesa of Tias in the mid 1960s to play traditional Canarian folk music. The folklore group reformed in 2000 with 19 musicians and added 11 pairs of dancers. Gaida gave concerts at festivities in every municipality of Lanzarote as well as Gran Canaria, Fuerteventura and Tenerife, and in Murcia on mainland Spain. Agrupación Gaida also represented Spain at an international folklore festival in Portugal and were featured on the national TV programme Tenderete La Candelaria y San Blas. Their repertoire of songs and dances: the Sorondongo, Foliás, Isa de Figura, Isa Suelta, Malagueña, the song Viejo Volcan Guanche and Santo Domingo. Their costumes are based on the typical clothes of Lanzarote.





#### Salineros de La Hoya

Parranda Salineros de la Hoya folklore group were founded in 2009 and currently consist of seven members who play Canarian repertoire including, "cumbias" a style of dance music of Colombian origin, similar to salsa and traditional Mexican music, "rancheros" consisting of boleros and corridos, with Latin American rhythms as well as local dances such as isas, malagueños, folias and seguidillas. Salineros de la Hoya have been invited to perform at fiestas and festive celebrations especially Christmas concerts at every municipality on Lanzarote and throughout the Canary Islands. They have also appeared on Spanish National Folklore TV programme Tenderete and the highly popular Canarian TV programme Noche de Taifas.

#### Parranda Janubio

Parranda Janubio, led by Elena Acosta and Clotildo Martín were founded in 1986 in Las Breñas, Yaiza. Their repertoire consists of traditional Canarian music as well themes of local content written by members of the group who have performed at concerts throughout the Canary Islands as well as on "Tenderete" the Spanish national TV folklore programme. Parranda Janubio also include the works of Victor Fernández Gopar, a former manager of the Janubio Salt Ponds who wrote songs about the lives and conditions the workers endured in the last century, whose compositions are highly respected and who is still venerated today for his poetry and music. Their first record "Costumbres" was released in 1999 and another is planned for 2022.

#### The Importance of Sustainability for the Tourist Sector





The president of ASOLAN and the Lanzarote Tourism Federation, Susana Pérez

Continuing the strategy that promotes Lanzarote as a sustainable destination and taking advantage of the current situation as an opportunity to incorporate sustainability as a fundamental value in all destinations, "Webinar Lanzarote Biosphere Destination - Companies aligned with the 17 SDGs", organized by ASOLAN, in collaboration with Lanzarote Tourism, Responsible Tourism Institute and the Lanzarote Tourism Federation was aired in September.

And it is that as the offer of responsible tourism activities expands, so does the number of sustainable companies that on the island are committed not only to the recovery of the sector, but also to respect for the environment and social development. Some of these companies have participated in this virtual meeting as speakers, sharing their sustainability plans and publicizing their experiences with the platform, Biosphere Sustainable Lifestyle (BSL), launched last February as a



tool that indicates the real level of sustainability of any company aligning with the 17ODS.

The president of ASOLAN and the Lanzarote Tourism Federation, Susana Pérez, responsible for opening this webinar, highlighted the importance of working for sustainability, bearing in mind the 2030 Agenda and the 17 SDGs . "With the establishment of objectives and action plans, aligned with the 17 SDGs set by the United Nations, it is possible to promote not only the conservation of the environment, but also to commit to responsible production and consumption, reduce the carbon footprint, and contribute also with social objectives. poverty, equality, zero hunger, objectives of greater scope contributing directly to make Lanzarote a sustainable tourist destination, and worldwide in the compliance with the 2030 Agenda", he pointed out.

Cabildo Tourism Councillor Ángel Vázquez congratulated the first Lanzarote companies aligned with the 17 SDGs within the framework of the 2030 Agenda and thanked the tourist association "for organizing these types of events that show the importance of the private sector when it comes to contributing to the positioning of Lanzarote as a sustainable destination". In this sense, he highlighted "the meritorious effort and the high awareness of the island tourism sector in complying with responsible practices, within a broader and more global management concept, as has been demonstrated today in this webinar."

The Secretary General of the Responsible Tourism Institute (ITR), Patricio Azcárate, highlighted how tourists are increasingly asking for more and better sustainable experiences, and it is the task of everyone, citizens, companies, employees and those responsible for the administration to align with the 2030 Agenda and that tourism of contributes to having a better world, and also to be competitive as a destination worldwide.



The grounds of the Lava Beach Hotel hosted 120 guests at the MBA graduation ceremony organised by the Canarian Institute for Tourism with Asolan

## Asolan Celebrates IV Annual Master's Degree for Marketing and Digital Tourism

Asolan President Susana Pérez introduced a programme of specialized training courses for managers and middle managers in the tourist sector on Lanzarote which recently celebrated the end of its IV Academic Year with the presentation of Master's Degrees to 32 students. Their MBA titles covered Administration and Management of Tourism and Leisure Companies and the ECN Specialized Programme in Marketing and Digital Business of the Canarian School of Business to whom Asolan wish to offer special thanks for their continuing commitment to the island of Lanzarote.





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activities as well as sharing eco-friendly experiences and success stories. Only establishments which practise eco-efficiency can belong to this category by incorporating minimum use of nonrenewable resources thereby eliminating pollution wherever possible. Leading tour operators report that many of their clients now specifically request accommodation in establishments which practise sustainability on behalf of conservation of the environment.

Many major hotels on Lanzarote have also received the Smart Island distinction guaranteeing clients seeking sustainable holidays where both the hotels and the local population encourage responsible tourism. Added to that is the broad introduction of digitalisation by regional and local governments which has led to a high percentage of the island's top hotels and apartment complexes obtaining the Smart Island distinction. Because the Island has always pursued a policy of technical innovation in tandem with responsible development establishments are well equipped to meet the requirements and expectations of visitors because of Lanzarote's reputation for conservation of the environment.

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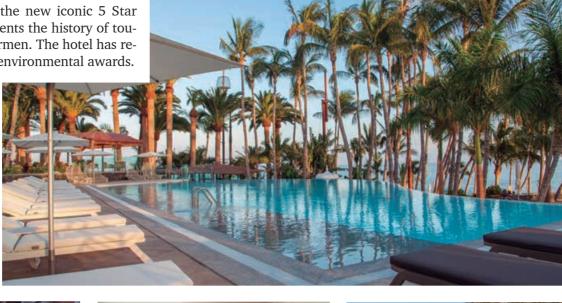
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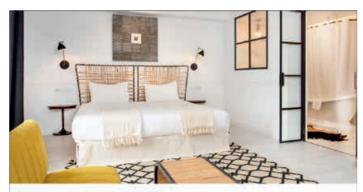
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#### Celebration of 7th Annual Week Promoting Lanzarote Wines Highly Informative and Enjoyable Activities

The Council for the Denomination of Wines of Lanzarote Origin held the VII annual celebration of Malvasia Wine Week at the beginning of November. The intention of this annual event is to draw attention to local wines the majority of which are made from a grape known as "Malvasia.

Various activities connected with the cultivation and harvesting of Lanzarote's wines attracted the participation of several hundred enthusiasts. Visitors enjoyed samplings from various bodegas including Tinto La Geria 2019, Tinto Syrah 2019 Stratvs, 2021 La Grieta and 2015 El Grifo; artist Rufina Santana displayed her latest works to celebrate Eno-Artistic harmony; music and dancing at La Recova, Arrecife and Casa Ajei San Bartolomé each participant receiving a complimentary bottle of wine. Events concluded with a trek around hiking trails in La Geria, the most unique wine-growing landscape in the world, followed by a Sonidos Liquidos (Liquid Sounds) Festival concert in a vineyard.

A great souvenir of Lanzarote or a gift is a bottle of Malvasia wine which is highly praised by Shakespeare numerous times in his works, translated into English as Malmsey. Toast the New Year with a volcanic wine!





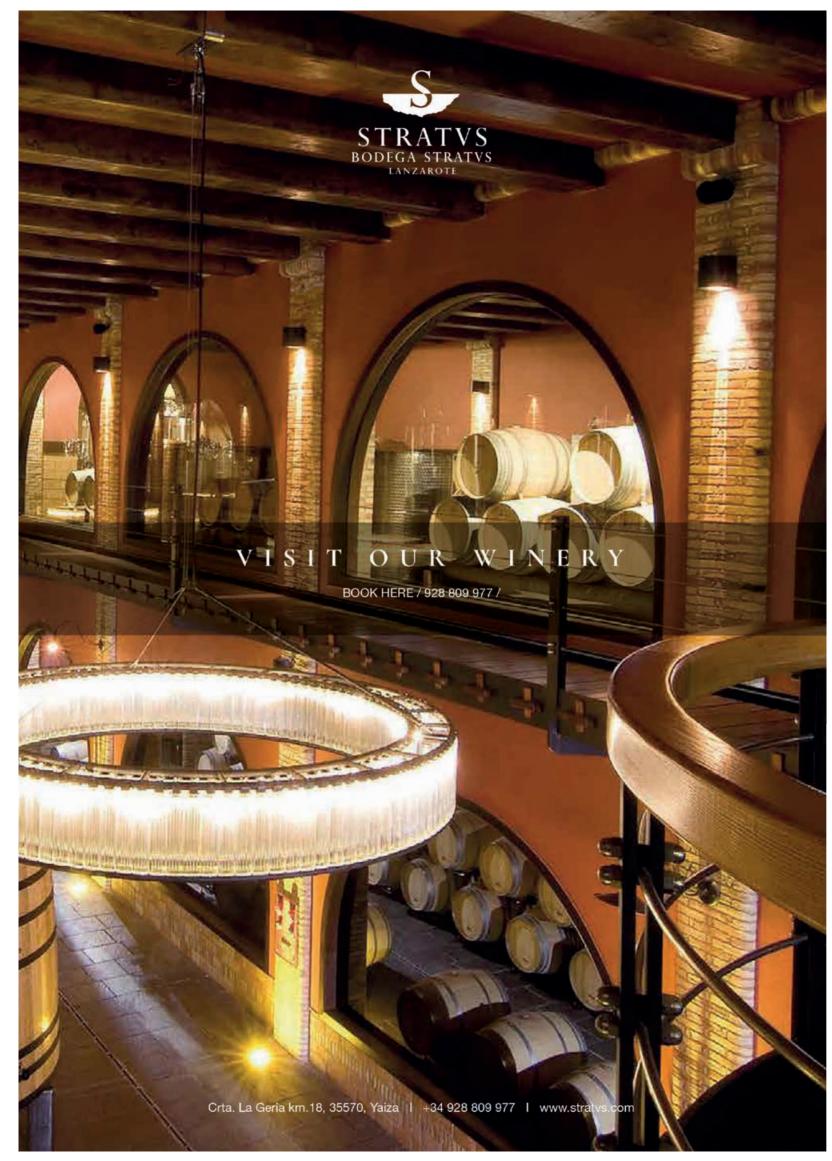




Council President Victor Diaz and Managing Director Nereida Pérez warmly thanked all participants for their wonderful support









Tribute to Enrique Pérez Parrilla (1948-2021) the late President of the Lanzarote Cabildo

# Man of the Biosphere

"Enrique Pérez Parrilla was a true gentleman"

Peter Nevitt British Consul



During a courtesy visit of British frigate HMS Montrose to Lanzarote, Lieutenant Commander Damian Belgonne welcomes Cabildo President Enrique Pérez Parrilla on board accompanied by British Consul Peter Nevitt and Raija Barnes Consul of Finland



The team of Enrique Pérez Parrilla and César Manrique were responsible for Lanzarote's declaration as a World Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO

Parrilla, a high school teacher with a degree in physics was elected president of the Cabildo Island Government at the age of 35, a position he held intermittently over a period of 14 years. His major legacy was the introduction of a moratorium to strictly control building regulations in harmony with conservation of the environment at the pivotal time when Lanzarote was on the verge of mass tourism. Enrique Pérez pioneered this legislation based on principles evoked by César Manrique which led to Lanzarote being declared a World Biosphere Reserve by Unesco. This led the Island to retaining its unique identity up until this very day.

During English Lancelot's first interview with President Pérez Parrilla in 1985, Liz and Larry Yaskiel told him that besides providing tourist information for visitors the contents will also include articles on Lanzarote's culture and history. His reaction was to say, "in that case, the Cabildo will distribute several hundred copies of your magazine to the island schools enabling pupils to read about their own traditions whilst improving their knowledge of the English language." This support manifested itself especially when we were able to contact descendents of Lanzarote families whose ancestors had emigrated to America and founded San Antonio, Texas in 1730 as



Author of this letter Senator Tauzin with Joan Philips Vice President of the Canary Islanders on presenting a copy of Lancelot to the Library of the House of Congress



The symbol of Lanzarote held by the Mayor of St Bernard and a Descendent in the grounds of the Canarian Museum, St Bernard, Louisiana. Photos Liz

well as St Bernard, Louisiana, which borders New Orleans, in 1780. The most important response came from Member of the United States Congress Senator Bill Tauzin of Louisiana who referred to the "extraordinary article in Lancelot about the Canary Islanders" and invited the President to visit St Bernard as his personal guest. The Senator officially presented this issue to the Library of Congress as a testimony to the historical Lanzarote-Louisiana connection. His letter is reproduced above.

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Mr. Enrigue Perez Parrilla President of the Cabildo of Lanzarote Canary Islands

Dear Mr. President:

I just read, with great personal pride, the extraordinary article in Lancelot on the history of the Los Islenos of St. Bernard, Louisiana.

As you know, I am a decedent of the Martinez family from the Canary Islands.

Additionally, I have the great honor of representing this wonderful community as a Member of the U. S. House of Representatives.

On behalf of the Los Islenos Society and the many decedents currently living in my Congressional district, I thank you for the exceptional tribute to our traditions, history and culture. We are proud to share our roots with the citizens of Lanzarote.

I look forward to the day I am able to visit your beautiful country. In the meantime, if your travels bring you to Louisiana, please let me know. It would be my esteem honor to give you a personal tour of St. Bernard Parish and the Islenos Community.

With best wishes, I am

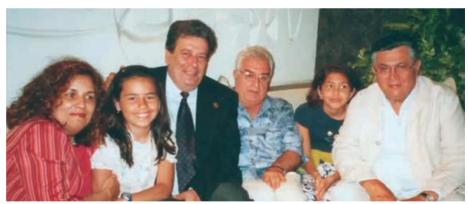
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Member of Congress

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The President, his wife Nieves and daughter Alicia with Dr Alfonso Chiscano and Professor Felix Almaraz from San Antonio Texas during their visit to Lanzarote



President Enrique Pérez
Parrilla presented a traditional Lanzarote costume
to Dorothy Pérez of San
Antonio, Texas who responded by saying, Lancelot is the
first contact my family have
received from the island of
their birth since emigrating
to America in 1730



**Reports from the Canarian Government** 

#### Canarian President Torres Summarises Government Aid for La Palma

Canary Islands President Ángel Victor Torres, the Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez and La Palma Cabildo President Hernández Zapata held several meetings of the Joint Commission for the recovery of every sector of life and property on the island



Canarian President Ángel Victor Torres thanked the Spanish Government for their immediate and continuing support for La Palma



King Felipe and Queen Letitzia of Spain greeted Canarian President Ángel Victor Torres at the Royal Palace on the Saints Day of Pilar

President Torres recalled that the Government of the Canary Islands has handed over the keys to 18 homes to which another 45 homes and some 200 provisional prefabricated houses were added to victims of the disaster in order to guarantee maximum roots and closeness. The government is also covering the cost of accommodation for all those affected whose homes were destroyed and have been moved to hotels.

A further €8 million has been allocated by the government to install four portable desalination plants to irrigate fields and plantations operating in Puerto Naos whose water distribution network had been totally disrupted by the eruptions. It has also organised a social care office with a staff of 30 to attend to the needs of people who have lost their homes, farms and livelihood which also operates a telematic service.

The president also thanked central government for expanding benefits for the self-employed on La Palma so that more people can be accommodated and which will that it will last until February 28 and for the 10 million euros of additional aid for palm companies affected by the eruptions. Ángel Torres concluded "We have to wait and see the final cost the devastation has brought but must publicly recognize that the Government of Spain has acting promptly and placed itself firmly alongside us as a participant in the volcanic catastrophe that continues to evolve."

On the International Day for the Prevention of Natural Disasters, Torres asked the EU for maximum solidarity and urgency in supporting La Palma for the most harmful eruptions in Europe over the last hundred years. His speech was telematically connected to the Com-

mittee of the Regions of the EU who were focused on how to best deal with this phenomena, and asked for maximum understanding and support from public administrations throughout the EU to help with the best of their ability the affected area to recover from this disaster. "As the Canary Islands are located on the outermost geographical limits of the EU Region, President Torres requested sensitivity and support from the European Commission for the streamlining of the solidarity funds commensurate with the damage caused by this natural phenomenon," he concluded.

Kindly note that this report is dated October 2021 and the statistics of government aid has been increased in proportion to the continual eruptions.





"Other Winter Campaign" Launched in 14 International markets

'The Warm Climate of the Canary Islands offers the perfect escape from the sun and rain of the European winter and where the only umbrella you need is a sun shade. '
Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla

National and international flight arrivals in November totaled 1,992. This increase of 213 flights a week on pre-pandemic figures signals a record amount of holidaymakers to the Canary Islands 7,860,000 seats are programmed between November (2021) to March (2022).

In addition to the growth experienced from the UK and Germany the two most popular countries of origin the United Kingdom and Germany, flights from Holland have doubled and connections with France have grown from 46 to 69 flights a week, "a promising upward trend defining growth and diversification in other markets."

According to Councillor Castilla, "The "Other Winter Campaign" by Promotur Turismo Islas Canarias, is budgeted at 4 million euros, and will run until mid December in the UK, Germany, Ireland, France, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Holland, Belgium, Switzer-

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land and Poland. It is aimed at couples and families between 18 and 65 years old, with special attention to the age group between 45 and 55 years old. Director of Communications to the End User, Elena Gonzalez Vázquez de Parga, explained that the promotion visually highlights the contrast between freezing Europe and the warm Canary Islands.



Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla

The latest survey by the European Travel Commission on Intra-European and Domestic Travel, which monitors the attitude of Europeans towards travel after the pandemic, indicates an increase of 15 points in the index of people planning holidays, because vaccination and the digital travel certificate has boosted their confidence.

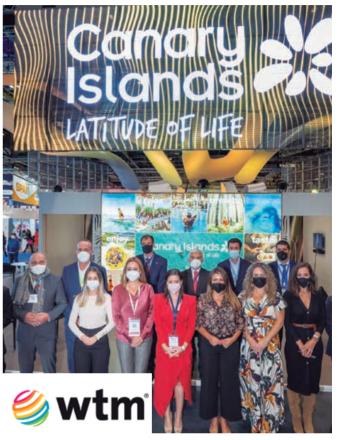
#### World Travel Market London November 2021 Optimistic Outlook for Holiday Makers to the Canaries Scheduled Flight Increases from Major Source Markets

Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla: "The outlook is highly optimistic for the Canary Islands to be a favourite destination among holidaymakers from our traditional source markets even more so than before the pandemic seasons."

National and international connections for this winter will grow by 14.5%: Germany marking the greatest increase, with 23.6%, followed by the United Kingdom with 12.5% and the Spanish mainland Peninsula, with 9.3%. Total foreign and domestic flight operations rising from 38,406 to 43,962.

By islands, Lanzarote with 18.8% show the largest increase in connections from the United Kingdom, followed by Fuerteventura, 16.2% and Gran Canaria 15.9%.





Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla, was accompanied by Vice Councillor Teresa Berástegui, General Director Tourism Promotion Ciprán Rivas and Director General Promotur Tourism, José Juan Lorenzo



Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla, Vice Councillor Teresa Berástegui and Promotur Director José Juan Lorenzo visiting the Cicar Cabrera Medina stand where they were received by the company's executives. The Cabrera Medina car fleet is equipped with multi-lingual audio guides to the islands with reference to traditional culture sites

#### Canary Islands Wins Best Design Award at WTM

The Canary Islands pavilion received the award for best design from the WTM organization. An award that adds to the one already received by the stand at Fitur as one of the most sustainable, when "the appropriate choice of materials used in the pavilion was valued with the aim of promoting their recycling and reuse".

The design of the 770 m<sup>2</sup> stand stands out for its luminosity, with graphic and audiovisual media as the protagonists, through the projection on latest generation screens of landscapes and elements of the eight islands that cause an immersive effect and convey uniqueness of destiny.

#### Reducing the Carbon Footprint for Sustainable Tourism

The Canary Islands are well positioned to fully incorporate the \*decarbonisation of the tourist economy

During meetings the Canary Islands Tourism team, attended at the WTM, major tour operators and airlines, -Jet2, easyJet, Eurowings and TUI UK stated their commitment to reduce their carbon footprint "as it has become an important factor that weighs heavily on tourists' travel decisions." Councillor Castillo told them that her department is allocating 13.4 million euros in terms of digitization and sustainability throughout 2022." easyJet and Jet2 announced that they will undertake milliondollar investments in 2022 to offset their carbon footprint and execute their sustainability plans. "Climate neutrality is one of the protagonists of the Canary Islands Destination strategy, which we began in 2020 and which, among other measures, provides for the creation of a single digital platform for administrations and companies in which decarbonization occupies a prominent place," added Councillor Castilla.

#### Turismo de Canarias Negotiates Improved Connectivity with the Islands at the Routes World Fair 2021 in Milan

Promotur is Investing 6 Million Euros to promote International Sporting Events in the Canaries during 2022



Thirty meetings to prioritize recovery and increasing connections with France, Italy, Nordic destinations, and Eastern European countries

Led by Managing Director of Promotur Turismo de Islas Canarias, José Juan Lorenzo, the Canary Islands Tourism team met with senior executivesCondor, Air Lingus, Vueling, Wizz Air, Air Baltic, Expedia Group and Aviation Express among others, whose representatives "confirmed the high expectations that the tourism sector and, specifically, the airlines have regarding the Canarian winter season, with connectivity figures more than 9% higher than those of 2019/2020 the winter prior to the pandemic."





The Canarian Government Dedicated World Tourism Day to the Island of La Palma Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla presented awards to the APIT Tourist Guides of the Seven Islands for their excellent service during the Covid 19 pandemic and to Fred Olsen Ferries for their dedication to tourism in the Canaries since 1974. The ceremony took place in the Elder Science Musem at Las Palmas.



Canarian Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla, Cabildo President Dolores Corujo, Tourist Centres Councillor Benjamin Perdomo, Héctor Fernandez CEO Spel-Tourism and staff, Tourism Councillors from the Ayuntamientos and Asolan President Susana Pérez

#### Lanzarote at the 2021 World Travel Market in London

Major Increase in International Airline Seating Capacity Heralding the Best Travel Connections in the Island's History

César Manrique-Lanzarote Airport is expecting 555 direct flights a week over the winter period, operated by 35 airlines from 86 airports in 19 countries

The Lanzarote delegation arrived at the World Travel Market, one of the three most important annual tourism events, held annually in the British capital in November to meet with 30 of the world's leading travel agencies and airlines. The result points to a total recovery of the Island's tourist market which will yield 1,415,648 airline seats between November 2021 and April 2022, a 20% increase on the same period in 2019 which is almost double the average increase of 11.90% expected in the seven Canary Islands.

Accompanying President Dolores Corujo were Managing Director of the Tourist Centres Councillor Benjamin Perdomo and the team of Spel-Turismo headed by Chief Executive Héctor Fernández. On the first day, the Lanzarote stand received the visit of the Spanish Minister for Tourism Reyes Maroto and Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla. A representative delegation of officials from the Town Halls and the local tourist sector were likewise present.

Increases in airline seating capacity: UK 10.4%, Germany 18.8%, Italy 108%, France 43.4% and mainland Spain 22.6%. Emerging markets which showed impressive rises were Portugal and Poland.



The Cabildo President with the Councilor for the Tourist Centres

Cabildo President Dolores Corujo:

"We can look forward to a rise in tourism from
the United Kingdom, the source of 48% of holidaymakers on Lanzarote as well as from other
important markets. Sustainable tourism means
eliminating the carbon footprint from our unique
destination wherever possible"



Spanish Minister for Tourism María Reyes Maroto and Canarian Government Tourism Councillor Yaiza Castilla and Vice Councillor Teresa Berástegui and Director Promotur José Juan Lorenzo were received at the Lanzarote stand by President Dolores Corujo, Managing Director of the Tourist Centres Councillor Benjamin Perdomo and the team of Spel-Turismo headed by Chief Executive Héctor Fernández and Asolan Tourist Association Susana Pérez

## Climate Change Action in Tourism Cut Emissions to Net Zero

President Dolores Corujo: "The Cabildo objective is for the island to regain its international position as a sustainable, exclusive and unique tourist destination based on the legacy of César Manrique, the Lanzarote artist and environmentalist who was way ahead of his time.

To this end the president and the Lanzarote Tourism team, held meetings at the highest level at the WTM, with executives from European Tourism Association, the World Travel and Tourism Association and the British entity The Travel Foundation. Equally noteworthy was the meeting with Jet2, one of the main British operators to Lanzarote, which is making an important commitment to sustainability through the reduction of emissions and innovation in less polluting fuels.

A document designed by Jet2 under the title "Net Zero, Sustainability Strategy" was discussed, which may serve as the basis for establishing a joint framework between SPEL-Turismo Lanzarote and Jet2. Following the WTM these principles were presented at the COP26 Declaration for Climate Change in Glasgow by The British Travel Foundation.









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**Reports from the Cabildo** 



€19.5m Allocated to Refurbish Lanzarote Airport César Manrique Included in the 2022-2026 Plan of the Ministry of Transport

#### Photos Sergio Betancort, Jesús Betancort, Liz



Cabildo President, María Dolores Corujo

The investment in both the interior of the terminal and on the apron is a result of dialogue and interadministrative collaboration between the Cabildo and the Spanish Government over several months. The refurbishment will resolve challenges posed by additional flight volume as well as to better safety and quality

President Dolores Corujo: "The aim is to upgrade the airport facilities to a standard worthy of the native isle of César Manrique for whom it is named."

standards of airport services to improve the island's competitiveness as a sustainable tourist destination.

The president of the Cabildo expressed her gratitude to the Ministry of Transport for providing the funds for the main entrance and point of entry to Lanzarote "so that the island can count on a venue suited to its needs and compatible with the island's development model as well as making visitors aware that they arrived on the native isle of César Manrique."

#### **Brief History**

When a Boeing 737 from Oslo operated by Braathens Safe with 189 passengers on board landed at Guacimeta Airport on 3 March 1970, it

heralded the first international tourist flight to land on Lanzarote. Tourists accounted for just 10% of the 300,000 arrivals in 1971, the year in which Iberia opened the first checkin desk an Avis the first international car hire office. It was not until 1984 that passengers exceeded 1 million for the first time, over one half were tourists and 10,000 flights landed. By the time the airport was located in its present premises in March 1999, fifteen years later the figure had risen to 4.5 million passengers annually with a handling capacity of 4,400 passengers per hour. The original airport building was converted into an aviation museum located close to the dual carriageway to Arrecife.

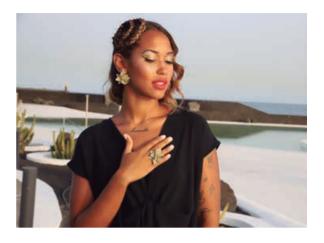


President Dolores Corujo received British Consul Las Palmas Jackie Stevenson and Honorary Consul on Lanzarote Sue Thain in order to strengthen relations with the United Kingdom at a time when tourism is once again on the rise



#### Lanzarote Showcase on the Catwalk at Islote de Fermina





A unique fashion parade displays styling ideas offered by the best local designers with the most up-to-date brands for clientele seeking that perfect outfit

Organised by: Lanzarote Moda - Cabildo Industry - Proexca Overseas Promotion - the Tourist and Culture Centres and Juandi Hairdressers.



#### Photography Exhibition of Javier Reyes at the Casa Amarilla

Maria Dolores Corujo: "The work of this 94 year old veteran photographer is among the most important audiovisual legacies of Lanzarote and La Graciosa."

Entitled "The Artisan View," the display is but a sampling of the 17,000 negatives Javier Reyes has donated to the Cabildo Memoria de Lanzarote Data Archive representing his life's work. The lenses of his camera have captured every aspect of life on Lanzarote from the mid 1950s over the next half century showing people from every walk of life in their towns and villages.





Photographer Javier Reyes and his family with the Cabildo President, Dolores Corujo Data and Publications Councillor, Paula Corujo and Exhibition Commissioner Mario Ferrer



Data and Publications Councillor, Paula Corujo



**Reports from the Tourist Centres** 

## Ruben Acosta PhotoWalk Lanzarote '21 At Casa Museo del Campesino

"An initiative which allows us to discover other landscapes on the island through our own eyes and through the lens of a camera guided by a true Lanzarote professional" Councillor Benjamin Perdomo



Benjamin Perdomo Cabildo Councillor for the Tourist Centres

PhotoWalk Lanzarote, an integral part of the national annual event PhotoEspaña, was a seminar held at Museo del Campesino organised by

the Cabildo Tourist Centres, CACT, on how to use a camera. Students visited areas of Lanzarote countryside off the beaten track accompanied by Rubén Acosta who gave them instruction in all facets of photography.

Rubén Acosta is recognized as one of the Lanzarote's most creative photographers who specialises in artistic and commercial projects concentrating on sustainability and identity. He has held several exhibitions, most recently his lens captured urban Arrecife and the photo-

graphs hung in the streets of the capital. Another collection of his works were on display in the Cabildo. Ruben Acosta is also a book publisher, his company Ediciones Remotes, publishes works on folklore and historical subjects and the cultural heritage of Lanzarote and the Canary Islands.







Tourist Centres Councillor Benjamin Perdomo is requesting authorization to restore the entire six-piece Diablos de Timanfaya monument, sculpted by César Manrique out of metal and wood in the 1970s, to its original splendour. The highly creative Lanzarote artist placed the emblematic sculpture at this location to indicate the entrance to the magnificent Fire Mountains of Timanfaya National Park.



**Reports from the Tourist Centres** 

## All energy used in the Tourist Centres is from ecologically sound renewable sources







#### Museo de Campesino

Open daily 12.00 -. 16:00

Tomato and fresh goats cheese served with garlic oil and oregano, Pork medallion specialty served with wild mushrooms and dates; classical rabbit with salmorejo sauce served with a creamy jable sweet potato purée; Classic rabbit recipe served; fried and crispy chicken breast filled with ham and served with a creamy Canarian almogrote cheese sauce. Also dishes for the "little ones."

#### El Diablo Restaurant

Open 10.00 -16.45 daily 15 July - 15 September 09.00 - 16.45.

A once-in-a-lifetime eating experience awaits guests at the El Diablo Restaurant in the Fire Mountains. Food is cooked on a grill heated by geothermal heat emerging from a volcanic chasm below in the bowels of the earth. The temperature inside the mountain at this point is 500° C and even a few inches below the surface it is 100° as can be seen in two displays by park rangers. Before or after your meal be sure to go on the guided tour of the Volcanic Route on coaches equipped with multi-lingual commentaries. The tour is included in the admission price paid at the park entrance.



#### Castillo de San José

Wednesday - Saturday 12.30 - 16.00 19.30 - 23.00 Sunday 12.30 -16.00

Starters include Caramelised goat's cheese, Iberian roast pork carpaccio, foie shavings and vanilla salt. Main dishes include, Atlantic wreckfish with king prawn Canarian tuna steak Tataki style, honeyed squid rice with saffron and cured cheese slices, Carved grilled entrecote, Pork cheeks served and seasoned with local salt flower, duck magret with crispy skin served with Porto sauce and dates, Desserts include, goats milk yoghourt with local strawberry compote.

#### Jameos del Agua Dining

Friday nights 3 menus Vegan - Classic - Premium

The restaurant is considered among the most beautiful dining lo-

cations in the world. Rita Hayworth, who had been filming on Lanzarote when it first opened in 1978, told the international press "I have just experienced the "eighth wonder of the world." Selection includes: Tofu tartar served with guacomale, tomato, soft lettuce and soya, sesame and palm honey vinaigrette. Wild asparagus and mushroom risotto with coconut milk, curry and toasted pine nuts; shitake mushroom. Roasted maize meal roll, vegetable stir fry served with terivaki sauce. Harvest-fish sirloin with maize meal and cilantro broth or duck thigh comfit of sweet potato and figs. Cheese mousse with passion fruit.

Denomination of Lanzarote volcanic wines served at all the Tourist Centres. Information 901 200 300 online reservations: www.cactlanzarote.com/es/events/

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Please check timetables during limited lockdown on www.cactlanzarote.com/es/events/



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#### Reports from the Cabildo

Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Lanzarote Webinar Lanzarote: Your Remote Working Platform to Grow your Business in Spain:

Presented in October with the Cabildo and EBF Consulting

The webinar online event in October positioned Lanzarote as an exclusive and attractive remote working destination for Businesses and Senior Managers/Directors, from where British businesses can catapult their growth in this market and beyond.

#### Why Lanzarote?

Located in the Canary Islands off the coast of West Africa administered by Spain, Lanzarote has the best landscapes and scenery to enjoy the experience of working remotely and doing business. Clear skies, lovely warm weather, idyllic beaches and mouth-watering gastronomy will give you and your business the boost you need for growth and take it to another level. Come and enjoy working from the sun!

#### Why should I work remotely from Lanzarote?

Turismo Lanzarote offered a team building programme— Bring your team together with team building activities based in Lanzarote. We can work together to create a perfect personalised programme. Team retreats are the ultimate solution for eliminating isolation, encouraging team unity, and learning, which overall enhances remote working for companies. Turismo Lanzarote also offered to arrange accommodation, cultural, sports and leisure activities and more.

For remote workers – Remote working has created great benefits to companies, employees, and society. Advancements in technologies, practices, and methods will only elevate remote working, which indicates likely permanent existence.

The survival of remote working is unquestionable being that all undermining challenges have been complemented with overly efficient solutions



#### The expert panel:

**Natasha Meah Layland-** Registered Economist and Lawyer in Spain and Founder and Director of EBF Consulting SL.

#### **Héctor Fernández Manchado** CEO Turismo Lanzarote

Degree in Labor Sciences (UOC), Diploma in Tourism, Master in Tourism Business Management (UL-PGC) and Master in Environmental Tourism Management (Polytechnic University of Madrid), with more than 13 years of academic experience at the University School of Tourism of Lanzarote.

In the field of tourism promotion, he holds the management of the Tourist Board and the Foreign Promotion Society of Lanzarote since December 2006 and May 2007, respectively.

He has also completed doctoral courses, of the Department of Economics and Business Management in the University of Las Palmas, Gran Canarias, where the orientation of the second phase of research and investigation was "Management of tourist destinations".

**Paula Muñoz López** – CMO Chief Marketing Officer in Turismo Lanzarote

**Susana Cordoba** – Head of International Trade with over 23 years of experience

#### What does Lanzarote have to offer?

- Team building events accommodation, cultural, sports and leisure activities, gastronomy industry offering world class food.
- Remote workers ideal location - three month or permanent work experience – work centre, accommodation, programme of activities etc.
- Business establishment tax incentives:
  - 1) 7% IGIC versus 21% VAT
- 2) 4% corporation tax versus 25%, if considered a ZEC entity.
- 3) RIC reinvestment of business profits exempt from tax.

For Business establishments:

With outstanding infrastructures, services and advantages of the European lifestyle, Lanzarote enjoys the best tax climate in Europe and full connectivity to access to global markets. Lanzarote has an Economic and Tax System (REF) of their own which is transparent, applies double taxation conventions and complies with all EU guidelines and competition laws.

Lancelot wishes to thank Ambassador Fidel López, former President British Spanish Friendship Society for this report



## Puerto del Carmen Beaches Receive Safe Tourism Seal

Tourism Councillor Mame Fernández was delighted to confirmed that Puerto del Carmen's major beaches, Matagorda, Los Pocillos, Playa Grande and Playa Chica have all been granted the Safe Tourism Certificate by TÜV Rhineland for the second year in succession. It has the approval of the Spanish Institute for Quality Tourism for incorporating measures to reduce hygienic-sanitary risks against # COVID-19.

#### Led Lighting Signposts Redecorated Beach Access Refurbished

In support of sustainable tourism, the Town Hall have installed energy efficient Led bulbs along Avenida Las Playas, Rambla Islas Canarias and Risco Prieto. Signposts in Puerto del Carmen have been repainted for the benefit of holidaymakers seeking the wide range of tourist attractions, facilities, and public services and establishments located in the island's most popular tourist resort. Retaining walls on the landscaped beaches have been reinforced and a new access ramp installed.

#### **Tias Council Install Defibrillators**

Defibrillators have been installed in municipal offices which can be operated by non-health personnel as an emergency tool to save lives and ensure "a cardio-protected municipality." These medical devices send an electric pulse to the heart to restore a normal heartbeat in the event of an emergency by delivering a dose of electricity to the heart. At this point, the body's natural heart rhythm is able to re-establish itself. Studies show that when a person suffers a sudden cardiac arrest, their chances of survival decrease by as much as 10% for each minute that passes without a defibrillator or cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

#### **Driving Regulations**

Following a period of public consultation Tias is introducing the latest traffic legal regulations for Personal Mobility Vehicles (PMV) which include when and under which circumstances cars may enter or use a bike lane.



The Mayor of Tias presents the British Vice Consul with the book El Volcán de Turismo by Juan Cruz

Mayor José Juan Cruz was visited by British Vice Consul Jackie Stevenson, accompanied by the Honorary Consul for Lanzarote, Sue Thain. More British citizens reside in Tias than in any other municipality on Lanzarote. The Vice Consul thanked the Mayor for the excellent attention received by the resident British community and holidaymakers over the past year and a half, especially the elderly.







**Reports from Tías** 

#### Survey for Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan Global Compact of Mayors – Citizens' Participation

#### **Photos Dory Hernández**



Mayor of Tías José Juan Cruz

This Action Plan is part of the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy, which has the support of the European Commission. Tías Council unanimously approved its adherence to the network to develop the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda. Councillor for the Environment, Carmen Gloria Rodríguez, explains that this action is "totally in line with

the SDGs of the United Nations (UN) and with the principles of climate justice." The programme addresses three main problems: the mitigation of climate change, adaptation to the adverse effects of



climate change and universal access to safe, clean and affordable energy.

The public satisfaction survey was divided into five sectors: Municipal equipment and facilities, Residential, tertiary and industrial machinery and facilities, Transportation, Local production of renewable energy and Waste. Participants chose high, very high, low or medium priority.



## Otilia Rodriguez López of Tias Congratulated on Rural Women's International Day



90-year-old Otilia Rodriguez López of La Tiñosa was celebrated for her lifetime's work for at a touching celebration in Tias Town Hall attended by family and friends. The room was decorated with photographs and flowers and a video of parts of her life was shown. Her granddaughter Ruth sang a potpourri of ancient songs which concluded with line, "I went to the sea to see the water, to the fields to see the flowers, the river to watch it flow, and I came here today just to see you."





Tias Organises Solidarity with La Palma Concert in Puerto del Carmen Instructors and Dancers Perform a Zumba Masterclass



Under the heading "We are all La Palma," an exciting performance of Zumba workouts by over 300 participants at the Varadero Plaza in Puerto del Carmen raised €2,000 for the people affected by the volcanic eruptions in the sister Canary Island of La Palma. All of the spectators, dancers and instructors including British resident and holidaymakers enthusiastically enjoyed the highly choreographed movements, set to upbeat salsa and international music best known for its signature Zumba Latin dance fitness anthem.





Tías Ayuntamiento and the Círculo de Empresarios Strengthen Ties to Develop Common Projects as a Public Private Partnership

Mayor José Juan Cruz, received the president of the Lanzarote Entrepreneurs Circle, José Valle, together with the Councillors for New Technologies, Human Resources and Commerce, Kalinda Pérez; and Urbanism and Classified Activities, Ulpiano Callero and Domingo Lorenzo tourism consultant.

The meeting served to coordinate joint actions between the public and

private sectors and assessing project proposals which may qualify for EU funding.

José Juan Cruz thanked the chief executive of the Entrepreneurs Circle, which comprises over twenty businessmen from different economic sectors on Lanzarote, for his visit, and stressed the importance of this global collaboration.



Tourism Councillor Mame Fernández

#### Accessible Destination with Gastronomy and Sports

According to Tourism Councillor Mame Fernández at the World Travel Fair 2021 in London stressed that with the recovery in tourism well underway following the long period of the pandemic it is important to restate our intention to work on improving the tourist sector and raise the quality of life of the local community. At the same time we must ensure compatibility between development and protecting the environment and reduce the carbon footprint to negligible levels. The modernization of Puerto del Carmen under sustainable criteria has led to the removal of architectural barriers for the handicapped, and wherever possible, eliminating the use of single-use plastics.



**Reports from Yaiza** 

## Yaiza Invests €600,000 for Camel Interpretation Center at Uga

Known as the "Camelus Dromedarius," Lanzarote-bred camels are recognised for their unique characteristics and origin by the Canarian Government General Directorate of Livestock and are included in the catalogue of Spain's native cattle breeds. Having only one hump, the "Camello Canario" is actually a dromedary but has traditionally been called a camel by the islanders

#### **Photos Alex Salebe**



Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda

#### 15th Century Origin

The first camels were brought to Lanzarote in the 15th century when the leader of the Norman colonisers, Juan de Bethencourt, was caught up in a storm at sea just off the nearby coast of Morocco and sought refuge in a harbour. Upon going ashore he saw camels ploughing the fields and thought they would be the ideal farm animal for Lanzarote which had a similar climate to North Africa. Feudal governor, Diego Garcia Herrera, imported them in large numbers a few decades later.

For well over five centuries camels were used on local farms for ploughing and to transport both crops and people. Up until the 1960s, thousands of camels laboured in the fields but nowadays, seeing a camel pulling a plough is a rare sight. Individual visitors, or travellers as they were known before the advent of mass tourism, travelled round the island by camel and donkey. This method of transport was used by Olivia Stone, the English writer who first popularised the Canary



Photo Gobierno de Canarias

Óscar Noda "we want to inform visitors about the historic role the camel played in the history of Yaiza and Lanzarote."

Islands among the British public as a holiday destination in a book she wrote which was published in 1887. She and her husband had spent six months visiting all seven islands and she is photographed on the frontispiece, sitting on the seat of a camel which was called the English chair, "sillainglésa." A few years later, a local travel agent purchased nine camels to carry visitors on sightseeing tours of the island.



Mayor Noda has approved a 1.2 Million budget to resurface and re-equip 15 streets in Yaiza Town in addition to 17 streets in Playa Blanca for a total outlay of 3 million euros as well as €547,000 for sports and leisure facilties in Playa Las Coloradas and San Marcial del Rubicón urban centre





Mayor Oscar Noda with authors Óscar Torres and Jesus Perdomo at the presentation in Casa de la Cultura

#### Comprehensive Website for Yaiza Historic City

As part of the campaign "Yaiza – Historic City" the Ayuntamiento have opened a website Historiadeyaiza.wordpress.com containing a comprehensive report of every aspect of Yaiza Town and District from the arrival of the Normans in the 15th century up to the current archaeological research of that signal event under the sub headings: History, Culture, Social, Economy and Heritage. Mayor Óscar Noda congratulated authors Óscar Torres and Jesús Perdomo, who conducted all their research in an honorary capacity, for their precise chronicle down to the last detail of every town and hamlet as well as geographical feature in the municipality. The web page was created through the Culture Department under Councillor Daniel Medina.



The three mayors and officials at the gala presentation of their Twinning Ceremony



Deputy Mayor and Councillor for Tourism Ángel Dominguez



Mayor Óscar Noda with Public Works Councillor Jonatan Lemes

Mayor Óscar Noda has proposed that the 2.4 km highway from the main island road to Puerto Calero, currently under refurbishment, be classified by the Canarian Government as a highway of Regional Interest and assume its ownership, as the cost of €897,000 has been borne by the Ayuntamiento. The work - being carried out by local civil engineering firm Horinsa - consists of resurfacing the entire road, constructing a rainwater drain, wide hard shoulders as well as asphalting the parking area of the IES Yaiza School.



The Mayor and Works Councillor discuss the total refurbishment of Playa Blanca "Boat Park" in Avenida Papagayo, the Faro Pechiguera and Lighthouse Park at a cost of €183.000



Energyefficient led lighting installed at Playa Blanca



## Twinning of Three Historic Canarian Towns





Mayor Óscar Noda said that the naming of Yaiza as a "Historic City" is a distinct honour for the local population, both past and present. Among the celebratory events was the twinning of the town with two others which shared the distinction of being the very first bishoprics in the Canary Islands founded by the Normans: Telde, Gran Canaria in 1351, Yaiza Lanzarote in 1404 and Betancuria, Fuerteventura in 1424. When the French expedition arrived on Lanzarote, the ancient Guanche inhabitants led by their leader Guadarfia did not find the newcomers threatening; they appeared willing to welcome the Normans who could defend the island from constant pirate raids. The leaders of the expedition Juan de Bethencort and Gadifer de la Salle immediately constructed Castillo del Rubicón on the southern coast where they had landed.

Among notable discoveries in recent decades were a tower-fortress, a church some wells and a necropolis which represent the very first contacts between European and aboriginal culture in the 15th century which led to the exploration and conquest of the Canary Archipelago. The most recent research supported by the Canarian Government and Yaiza Council was by a team of fifteen archaeologists from both Canarian Universities.



#### Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda:

"Our Council is committed to continual investigation of this archaeological zone because we are uncovering the founding not only of Yaiza but of the whole of the Canary Islands."



#### Lineas Romero and the Insular Federation of Lateen Sailing Celebrate the First Isla La Graciosa Lateen Regatta

Seven boats participated in the very first La Graciosa sailing regatta a two day event organised by Lineas Romero in order to popularize the social aspects of the sport. A display of Lateen Sailing Craft illustrated the history of navigation in the Chinijo Archipelago which is historically linked to the Eighth Canary Island.

Lineas Romero used the occasion to launch the latest addition to their fleet, the 8′55 mts "Graciosa Lineas Romero" which competed among the vessels Isla Graciosa, Puerto del Arrecife, Poeta Tomás Morales Clipper, Puerto de la Luz Fundación Puerto de Las Palmas, Isla Graciosa Mimados, Graciplus and Archpielago Chinijo Graciplus. The event was won by the newly-named Graciosa Lineas Romero.













The Mararia Organisation for the Defence of Women's Rights held a meeting in Lancelot Playa Hotel, emphasizing equality and human rights.

President Nieves Rosa Hernández welcomed the opening speaker Aida Bueno the Afro-Cuban anthropologist, documentary filmmaker and professor at New York University who made the opening address spoke on the subject of "dignity."

Among the audience were Canarian Government Vice President of Education Maria Dolores Rodriguez, Cabildo Social Services Councillor Isabel Martin and Arrecife Social Services Councillor Maria Jesús Tovar and the event was presented by Mararia Vice President Carmen Delia Reyes. Hotel Lancelot was among sponsors of the event.



Reports from San Bartolomé

#### Refurbishment of Traditional Culture Area of San Bartolomé 750 Metre Open Water Swimming Circuit at Loro Verde



Alcalde San Bartolomé Mayor Alexis Tejera wishes to emphasize the cultural identity of the municipality



#### **Cultural Traditions**

San Bartolomé is the geographical centre of the island and the centre of its agricultural heritage which is why César Manrique created his first tourist attraction, Monumento Al Campesino, as a tribute to the farming community. The windmills of José Maria Gil and Juan Armas Perdomo grind the maize for "gofio," a cereal which was the staple diet of the ancient Guanche inhabitants, consisting of maize, roasted and then ground to flour. It is still used as a breakfast cereal, a thickener for soups, as biscuit dough and in dumplings.



San Bartolomé continues refurbishing traditional local culture in the area linking the historic windmills of José Maria Gil and Juan Armas Perdomo

Mayor Tejero visits the work in hand with his Culture Councillor



Singer and musician Pedro Luzardo Perera "Perico" was awarded the Premio Ajei trophy for his contribution to local folklore by the Mayor and the Councillor for Culture



The Town Hall is in the final stages of replacing 186 older lampposts with renewable energy Led bulbs at locations in Playa Honda. These are are more economical to run, improve the quality of public lighting and help conserve the environment, according to Public **Works Councillor** Raúl de León





The San Bartolomé Family Rehabilitation Centre which cares for the families of hospital patients is being thoroughly refurbished



A supervised Open Water Swimming Circuit measuring 750 metres on a course marked out with buoys is destined for offshore Loro Verde, Playa Honda. This area is well known by local swimmers and is an additional aquatic facility to complement Beach Soccer, Beach Tennis and Beach Volleyball and Loro Verde was the location for the Enmax Playa Honda Crossing according to Sports Councillor Isidro Pérez



San Bartolomé Culture Department presented the latest work by author Pepa González "Plumas en la Corazon"





A puppet presentation entitled "Dreams of César Manrique" concert was performed during the San Bartolomé XXIII Culture Week with several of the most symbolic works of Lanzarote's universal artist displayed by the talented puppeteers



The annual Montaña Blanca Playa Honda Vertical Mountain Trail Contest resumed in October at Lomo de Tesa following last year's cancellation due to the Covid 19 pandemic. As a novelty, a night-time Mountain Trail Vertical against the clock took place over a 2.3 km uneven course



**Reports from Teguise** 

#### Bike Lane Costa Teguise-Los Marmoles Harbour Arrecife



Teguise Mayor Oswaldo Betancort



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort visits the commencement of the cycling route with Town Hall and Cabildo Public Works Councillors

#### Costa Teguise-Arrecife Harbour Bike Lane

Mayor of Teguise Oswaldo Betancort announced that construction is underway on the 2 km stretch of the pedestrian walkway and bike lane that runs along the coast of Costa Teguise. When completed, the route will connect Hotel Melia Salinas at Costa Teguise with the port of Los Marmoles in Arrecife allowing tourists a highly enjoyable ride along one of the Island's most scenic routes. The route which started, at the height of Ancla beach, is a joint project between Teguise Town Hall and the Insular Cabildo.





According to Teguise Public Works Councillor Eugenio Robayna the ancient Teguise Windmill, an important symbol of the historical heritage of Teguise is being totally refurbished. To include structure, blades machinery and housing as well as access to the monument and its lighting, the project is being co-financed by the Lanzarote Cabildo with the support of the EU Sustainable Development Fund.



#### Visit the Christmas Fashion Market at Teguise



Mayor Betancort with Cabildo and Town Hall Public Works Councillors Jacobo Medina and Eugenio Robayna, respectively, at the road works connecting Guatiza with El Mojón



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and Social Services Councillor Isidro Alonso visit the Casa-Museo El Timple one of the public areas to receive a defibrillator As part of the campaign Teguise + Protection the Ayuntamiento have installed additional defibrillators in municipal offices



#### Stimulating Local Commerce at Christmas

Teguise Commerce Department Councillor Olivia Duque introduced proposals to stimulate promotion for local businesses and restaurants in the Open Shopping Centres at Costa Teguise and in the Town Centre attracting the public to enjoy leisure activities, local cuisine and home-grown products. Activities began on Halloween at Pueblo Marinero followed by the Enyesque Tasting Route at snack bars and restaurants serving local specialties at a special price of 3.50 euros including a drink. The Christmas Market enhances the magic of the historic route of Teguise which been awarded the title "One of the most beautiful towns in Spain."

Throughout December prize-winning local artisan products and fashion are on display in the Plaza de la Constitución providing an opportunity to browse around for truly original Xmas. Parallel to the market the profile of shopping is being promoted online.

Tourism Councillor
Antonio Callero initiated
the Welcome 2 project
for Teguise, highlighting
local facilities and
amenities for tourists
and providing intelligent information for
holidaymakers including
connection to Big Data





#### Marathon Reading and Writing Session for Children at the Library

A marathon reading and writing session for children was held on Noche de Finaos , Eve of All Saints Day, commencing with a theatrical performance by the youngsters. Adults also participated with their own creative works. Library Councillor Sara Bermudez thanked all who had placed their cultural knowledge in the hands of Teguise and converted the library into an enjoyable living experience led by author Elena Morales.

















#### Asociación Mercedes Medina Celebrate Their 10th Anniversary

A book has been published chronicling a decade of activities by the Mercedes Medina Association Charity. The scholarships they have granted, plus help from the local business community, have benefited over 50 Lanzaroteans attending university. Presenter was José Juan Romero Cruz, English teacher and deputy headmaster of César Manrique School, Tahiche.

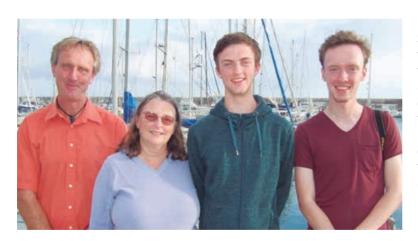
This NGO Association, an important element in the social cultural life of the island, promotes documentation on the history of education on Lanzarote, particularly through an annual contest for infants entitled "Paint and Take Good Care of Your Island," in association with CICAR car rentals. More than 6,000 students from all over the Canary Islands have participated in this experience which actively introduces children from a very early age to care about conservation of the environment.





José Juan Romero Cruz during the presentation at the Sociedad Democracia

(L-R) Association President, Juan Cruz Sepúlveda, educationalist and prize-winning author; Association Honorary President, Maura Palarea Medina; Canarian Government Vice-Councillor of Education M Dolores Rodriguez González, Director of CEP on Lanzarote Flor Alonso Betancor and José Juan Romero Cruz, who presented the book



Dr Duncan Reavey, Chichester University
Senior Lecturer for Teaching and Learning, and
for Adventure Education, recently sent us the
following message "I am getting very excited
about returning to your special island. Almost
childlike!" prior to coming on holiday with his
wife Margaret and sons Peter and Joe. Over the
past 22 years Dr Reavey has been conducting
courses on Lanzarote with members of his staff
for 800+ Chichester University students to
allow them to experience Adventure Education
in situ.



#### Christmas Trees and Plants

Lanzarote's largest garden centre, Vivero Las Palmeras have a selection of Christmas trees on sale as well as various seasonal plants. Director Idafe Cabrera says that the poinsettia is a traditional plant for Christmas in Spain and invites clientele to see the large variety of cacti on display.







**Reports from Arrecife** 

#### Arrecife Christmas Lighting - 800,000 LED Bulbs

Arrecife will be lit up for Christmas with 800,000 LED bulbs adorning the arches, porches, garlands of flowers of the downtown streets. The main concentration is along the promenade and El Reducto Beach, José Ramírez Cerdá Park, Castillo de San Gabriel, Puente de las Bolas Bridge and Charco de San Ginés. This conveys an air of festivity for holidaymakers and residents especially in the shopping areas, restaurants and snack bars who suffered so much during the Covid 19 Pandemic. Mayoress Astrid Pérez said "the Christmas illumination will be full of surprises because we want our citizens to be proud of the city they love so much which is returning to normality after the crisis."





The launching of "Un Volcan Humano" by Benchomo Perdomo, Town Archivist, and published by the Ayuntamiento of Arrecife. This is the definitive biography of Agustin de La Hoz, one of Arrecife's most famous citizens as an historian and author and for whom the Casa de la Cultura is named. Mayoress Astrid Pérez - seen in the photograph with his widow, Pilar Perdomo and daughter Nereida – stated, "Agustin de la Hoz was a thinker with an eye on the future, a chronicler of the everyday life of the capital who contributed to the plurality of opinion among of its citizens through their differing points of view." Full review of the book on pages 12/13.



#### "Mirando a César" Inauguration of "Mirando a César" Exhibition by artist Rubén Amiche

Mayoress Astrid Pérez accompanied the artist Rubén Amiche during the opening of his exhibition "Looking at César" which consists of 19 framed original comic pages and twenty laminated panels which represent various phases in the life of César Manrique as well as the creative process of his art. Amiche describes his work as "seeking the reflection of the viewer without idolizing the artist." "Mirando a César" was first shown in 2018 influenced by the XV edition of the International Comic Fair of Tenerife.



## Arrecife – Second Most Popular Location on Lanzarote for Holidaymakers

The news is based on the most recent survey out by Promotur Islas Canarias, the promotion arm of the Canary Government. Another interesting statistic to emerge is that the percentage of visitors who intend returning for a second vacation on Lanzarote is the highest of all seven islands.



Because Arrecife is the second most visited attraction on Lanzarote, said Mayoress Astrid Pérez, we have increased the amount of personnel and the services they provide to Arrecife beaches for the benefit of holidaymakers and residents. A total of 11 workers plus a supervisor now attend to their cleaning and grooming every day which involves removing trash especially plastics which can be detrimental to wildlife, besides improving aesthetics for beachgoers.



Mayoress Astrid Pérez: "I am delighted that the attractions that Arrecife has to offer are so highly appreciated by our international visitors to the island capital, we must always bear in mind that our port is the entrance to Lanzarote."





Mayoress Chaxiraxi Niz with Cabildo President Dolores Corujo and the architect Miguel Ángel Fontes

#### Opening of the Mirador de Haría

The newly refurbished Mirador de Haria opened at the beginning of September. Mayoress Chaxiraxi said that this was a new beginning for an attraction which is of major importance for both the local population and visitors to the island is it represents a perfect symbiosis between tourist development and the geological and natural culture of Lanzarote as defined by the late artist César Manrique who designed the original site fifty-five years ago in 1966. The project was financed by the Lanzarote Cabildo-Municipalities Cooperation Plan.





#### Grape Treading

The Fiesta of La Caridad takes place every year on 15 August at Bodega La Geria enjoyed by hundreds of holidaymakers many of whom enthusiastically join in the traditional barefoot grape treading ritual. Camels had been the traditional agricultural beast of burden on Lanzarote for hundreds of years until tourism arrived and they now they carry tourists on their backs around the volcanoes of the Fire Mountains.



#### Santos Kitchens

The Wood Store in Arrecife represents Santos Kitchens a family business for over sixty years who have vast experience in developing and manufacturing kitchen cabinets of the utmost quality, which are hard wearing, ergonomic and functional. Their designs are adapted for a new lifestyle with carefully designed interiors and exteriors offering the greatest versatility because the kitchen has now become a space to entertain and interact in, meaning that the line separating what goes on in the kitchen and the experience of relaxing at home is no more, resulting in open spaces that feel so much bigger.



#### Building Roads in Harmony with Conserving the Environment

The company HORMIGONES INSULARES, SL (HORINSA), has carried out a test section with Recycled Asphalt on the LZ-1 Highway at the entrance to Guatiza.

It is the first time that recycled asphalt has been used in a paving in Lanzarote, which is good news for the island that, due to its characteristics, is limited in the use of raw materials.

HORINSA has been becoming aware for years of the problem posed by the non-reuse of waste, in order to carry out environmental and social initiatives of this type it has administrative authorization for the management of asphalt pavement waste and this is a test in completing the cycle with the reuse and recovery of these wastes, turning them into valuable resources for the construction of public infrastructures.

HORINSA at the forefront of works in the Canary Islands!



### Dr. José Molina Orosa Hospital incorporates speech the therapy into the Rehabilitation service

The Doctor José Molina Orosa Hospital, a center attached to the Ministry of Health of the Government of the Canary Islands, incorporates into its portfolio of services the provision of speech therapy with the hiring of two professionals who are integrated into the staff of the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation service with the purpose of serving both hospital and outpatient patients.

The head of the Rehabilitation service, Dr. Ricardo Diez, values the incorporation of these professionals to the staff very positively since "it satisfies a demand raised jointly by this service and by the Otorhinolaryngology, Pediatrics and Neurology Section."

#### **Exercises**

Between January and August, hospital rehabilitation specialists have conducted a total of 7,609 consultations, physiotherapists have held almost 49,000 sessions with 1,960 patients and 79 patients have received occupational therapy during more than 2,400 sessions.



#### Petra Lava

The design of the Petra Lava series takes its inspiration from volcanic rock. Its sober, elegant appearance is an attractive option for modern settings and architectural and interior design projects. Very suitable for outdoor areas especially on Lanzarote where at least one of the 300 volcanoes to be found on the island is visible from every home on the island.



#### Roper Groceries

Under General Manager Carlos Lozano, Roper Groceries have always enjoyed a reputation for attentive and friendly service and for stocking products unavailable elsewhere on Lanzarote. These include cured ham and a large variety of meats and game including stuffed birds in the butchers department; as well as cheeses and patés a fine array of fish and seafood as well as an excellent choice of wines and champagnes. Roper is the exclusive distributor in the Canary Islands of La Sirena, the most prestigious company in Spain for quality frozen food. The best fresh fruit and vegetables are also on display as well as the tastiest sweets, chocolates and Christmas hampers. Home deliveries and teleorder service online at www.ropercanarias.es. Roper Groceries has always been a firm favourite among British residents.





#### Successores Hermenegildo Duarte - Caravanning

Hermenegildo Duarte have opened a new department in their Arrecife store dedicated to caravanning with everything essential for going on holiday in a RV. This includes vehicle technology, components and extension parts, a full range of accessories offering over 1,000 items from the best international brands. Caravanning is becoming ever more popular with sales of caravans spectacularly rising because it is the safest way to have a family holiday whilst respecting social distancing.













#### Bodega Stratvs

Stratvs Winery, located at La Geria, the wine growing region of Lanzarote, was established in 2008 with the intention of preserving and promoting traditional local viniculture. The vinevard is located in a spectacular environment unique in the world, its well planned architectural design is not just in keeping with the landscape around it, but also with the natural surroundings of the island of Lanzarote. All these features combined to lay down the foundations for the creation of unique wines that are renowned both nationally and worldwide. A guided tour of the modern facilities at Stratvs enables visitors to observe the different stages of winemaking whilst learning about the history of the unique method of cultivating and harvesting vines in La Geria. Make your reservation to visit the Stratvs winery, in small groups, every day at 12:00









pm and at 16:00 pm hrs. (15€ p/p) Bodega Stratvs 928 984 525

tienda@stratvs.com

#### Centro Deportivo Fariones

The 14.000 m2 Sports Club, located in the heart of Puerto del Carmen, a few meters away from the Fariones Hotel, allows you to train in a renovated and fully equipped gym, offering a complete weekly schedule of supervised classes and specific programs.

If you take care of your health and integrate sports into your lifestyle, at Centro Deportivo Fariones you will find all the facilities you need. The 400m2 room structured by type of activity that has cardiovascular workouts overlooking the pool and paddle tennis courts, and a large free weight area permanently supervised by our gym monitors.

#### Finca de Uga

Finca de Uga is a family farm on 70,000 m2 dedicated to the traditional and seasonal cultivation of fruits and vegetables. It is the principle gastronomic source of supply for PY Hotels respecting the natural maturation of each variety for its later harvesting. A livestock farm with dairy animals and other cattle, it also operates a small artisan cheese factory.

Finca de Uga cheeses, produced in the traditional manner, have won a wide range of national and international awards at the annual World Cheese Awards as being among the best high quality cheeses in the world.





## Lancelot is on sale throughout the Island at the following newsagents, supermarkets and other points of sale

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#### Tourist Information



#### **Christian Worship**

#### **Church of England**

All services are Holy Eucharist with hymns. 10 am Nazaret: Iglesia Nuestra Señora, 1st and 3rd Sunday in the month. 12.30 pm Puerto del Carmen: Nuestra Señora del Carmen (Old Town Harbour). 5.00 pm Playa Blanca: Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Main Street. For more information call 928 514 241.

#### **Catholic Church**

Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Puerto del Carmen harbour. Sunday Mass 11.00, 18.00; Saturday night, 20.00. San Ginés Church central Arrecife, Sunday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00; Saturday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00.

#### **International Evangelical Church**

Meets at La Hoya, Puerto del Carmen Sundays 11 am, service in English, call 928 173618 for more details. Arrecife services in Spanish, Sunday 10.30 am and 18.30 pm, call 928 812027 for more details. For informal meeting at Costa Teguise, call 928 590342.

#### Inter-denominational Sunday Worship at Costa Teguise

Services are held in english at the Hotel Beatriz Costa & Spa every Sunday morning at 11:00am. Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

For more information please contact Stuart 630 175 810 or via our website www.sundayworshiplanzarote.

#### Norsk Kirkescentre and Social-Cultural Centre

Norwegian Church abroad – Religious and Social Cultural Centre C/Rociego Puerto del Carmen close to Cinco Plazas. Open mid-September to mid-May: Tuesday-Friday 11.00-16.00, Saturday 11.00-15.00, Sunday Service 18:00. Office tel: 928 515 561 Pastor Knut Kaldestad: 616 407 693

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There is no synagogue on Lanzarote. For information about Sabbath and Festival services on Las Palmas call 928 248 497.

#### **CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES**



#### British Honorary Consul Lanzarote

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#### **British Consulate**

Jackie Stevenson is the British Vice Consul at Las Palmas. To seek advice, or make an appointment with a consular official in Las Palmas or Lanzarote, call the number above. Notarial bookings online service: www.ukinspain.fco.gov.uk

#### EMERGENCY CALLS

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#### Markets

#### **Arrecife Markets**

Charco de San Ginés Wed and Thur 9-2

Recova Town Market Mon to Sat 9-2

Historic Old Town Saturday 9-2

#### Puerto Calero Friday 9-2

#### **Puerto del Carmen**

Plaza del Varadero Friday 10-3

#### Playa Blanca

Marina Rubicón Wed & Sat to 10-2

#### **Teguise Market**

Sundays and Public Holidays 9-2

#### **Costa Teguise**

Pueblo Marinero Thursday mornings 9-2

#### **Tinajo, Mancha Blanca** Sunday 9-2

Haría Artesanal Market

Saturday 10-14:30

#### **Postage and Post Office**

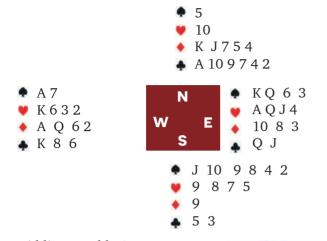
Letters and postcards within Europe 1.50 euro, USA 1,90 euro. Puerto del Carmen post office is open Monday-Friday 08.30 - 14.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Arrecife post office: Monday-Friday 08.30 - 20.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Opening times are for stamps and registered letters etc. but both offices close earlier for money transfer.

#### **BRIDGE No 142**

#### By Maria Brandt

An amazing deal with suicidal efforts?

Dealer West All vulnerable



Bidding at table 1
W N E S
1 NT 2 NT pass 3C
pass pass Dble pass
pass pass



West lead the six of Clubs and declarer won the trump lead in dummy with the Ace and tried a low Diamond towards his 9. East stepped in with the 10, drew a second round of trumps with his Queen and cashed the Spade King. He then played two rounds of Hearts, forcing the dummy to trump. Declarer, at the crossroads, elected to lead a second low Diamond from dummy. East rose with the 8 and forced dummy again with a Heart. The result was that the declarer just scored four trump tricks, conceding a penalty of 900 to East-West.

Not a bad result for East-West with six Hearts doomed to failure. But the North-South pair on table 2 managed to concede an even greater penalty. There the bidding went:

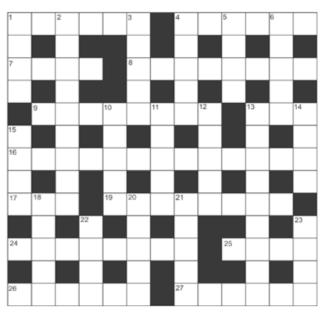
W	N	Ē	S
1 D	2 C	Dble	pass
3 H	pass	4 H	4 S
Dble	pass	pass	pass

East's double was a negative double; for takeout. Four Spades was anything but cheap. The defenders: three trumps, four Hearts, one Club and one Diamond. Result: down six for a penalty of 1100. South's flight of fancy was a poor idea for various reasons, not least because East's negative double had suggested good values in Spades.

SOLUTIONS TO GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD NO. 81. Across:- 1 Asturias, 5 Stigma, 10 Durra, 11 Legwarmer, 12 Rear Sight, 13 Snafu, 14 Oloroso, 16 Snacks, 19 Cancer, 21 Chester, 23 Rogue, 25 Petersham, 27 Prostrate, 28 Annul, 29 Ritual, 30 Interred. Down:- 1 Anderson, 2 Tarragona, 3 Rials, 4 Allegro, 6 Translate, 7 Gamma, 8 Atrium, 9 Agates, 15 Orchestra, 17 Kitchener, 18 Trembled, 20 Repeal, 21 Cittern, 22 Proper, 24 Grout, 26 Reave.

#### **SIMPLE CROSSWORD No 142**

#### By Imelda Coombes



#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Clergyman. (6)
- 4 Kind. (6)
- 7 Painful. (4)
- 8 To begin. (8)
- 9 Leave of absence. (8)
- 13 Timid. (3)
- 16 A dog. (6,7)
- 17 The organ of sight. (3)
- 19 Takes a seat. (4,4)
- 24 Sidewalk. (8)
- 25 Not straight. (4)
- 26 Severe. (6)
- 27 Another name for stevedore. (6)

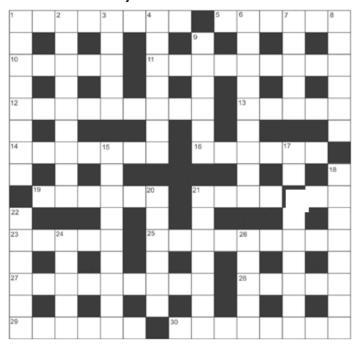
#### **DOWN**

- 1 Flower. (4)
- 2 Skin eruption. (9)
- 3 Wild animal. (5)
- 4 Leaving. (5)
- 5 A fastening device. (4)
- 6 A door fastener. (5)
- 10 A city in Yorkshire. (5)
- 11 To tip over. (5)
- 12 Hidden store. (5)
- 13 To destroy. (a ship) (9)
- 14 Shout. (4)
- 15 Pimples. (4)
- 18 Rising agent. (5)
- 20 Sluggish. (5)
- 21 Located. (5)
- 22 Fairy-like creature. (4)
- 23 Celestial object. (4)

SOLUTIONS TO SIMPLE CROSSWORD NO. 141. Across;- 1 Primer, 4 Cinema, 7 Sate, 8 Burgundy, 9 Brasilia, 13 Mad, 16 Surgical Knife, 17 Set, 19 The Derby, 24 Arrecife, 25 Axle, 26 Orient, 27 Damson. Down;- 1 Pest, 2 Interpret, 3 Rabbi, 4 Corgi, 5 Nous, 6 Media, 10 Shirt, 11 Leave, 12 Ankle, 13 Mailboxes, 14 Deer, 15 Isis, 18 Error, 20 Hoist, 21 Dread, 22 Fete, 23 Mean.

#### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD No 82

#### By Imelda Coombes



#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Any of the various parrots of the genus Kakatoe. (8)
- 5 The season including the four Sundays before Christmas. (6)
- 10 Goods carried by a ship. (5)
- 11 A town in N Scotland, administrative centre of the Highland Region. (9)
- 12 A fine-grained usually white, variety of gypsum. (9)
- 13 Any of a number of chemical elements, such as iron or copper. (5)
- 14 Emotionally aroused. (7)
- 16 Relating to or a resembling a horse. (6)
- 19 A circle of light around a luminous body. (6)
- 21 A group of over 700 coral islands in the West Indies. (7)
- 23 A plate, usually made of silver or gold. (5)
- 25 A region of NE Spain, with a strong separatist tradition. (9)
- 27 One of a breed of large gun dogs. (9)
- 28 dish, A shallow circular flat-bottomed dish used in laboratories. (5)
- 29 One hour before noon. (6)
- 30 Someone who moves unsteadily. (8)

#### **DOWN**

- 1 Any Old World plant, having nodding white, pink or red flowers. (8)
- 2 Vittore , 1460-1525, Italian painter of the Venetian school. (9)
- 3 A distinctive pleasant smell. (5)
- 4 Failed to do something. (7)
- 6 A port in SW England, home to the Royal Naval College. (9)
- 7 To put up or construct. (5)
- 8 To fight or wrestle in a vigorous way. (6)
- 9 Disinclined or reluctant to. (6)
- 15 Dame Sybil , 1882-1976, British actress. (9)
- 17 A proposer of a candidate. (9)
- 18 A fruit tree that has been trained to grow flat, as against a wall. (8)
- 20 A recess or niche in the wall of a room. (6)
- 21 A relish consisting of the roe of mullet and tunny, salted and pressed into rolls. (7)
- 22 Thinly scattered or scanty. (6)
- 24 A distinctive name of a work of art. (5)
- 26 Ran with a long swinging stride. (5)

#### LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

#### Ombudsman - Diputado del Commún

For complaints about a utility or public authority: Rambla Medular, 99, Arrecife. Arrecife, 8-2 Mon to Fri, Tel: 928 812 407 The service is free and confidential.

#### **Cabildo Consumer Protection Office**

For complaints about private or state-run businesses or services: Cabildo Building, Arrecife, 9-13 Mon to Fri. Tel: 928 80 33 67.

E-mail: consumo@cabildodelanzarote.com

#### **Cabildo Wildlife Protection Service**

Tel: 696 733 177 (07.00-22.00)

#### Mararia - Official Women's Support Office

In case of maltreatment or abuse. All nationalities welcome. C/ Fajardo n° 24 - 1°B. C.P: 35500 Arrecife (Lanzarote). Tlf. 928 804 834. E-mail: voluntarias.ascmararia@gmail.com. In case of emergency call 112

#### **SARA Animal Protection Society**

Next door to the Tahiche Garden Centre, Tahiche, open 10:30 - 13:00 Monday to Saturday, Tuesday 17:00 - 19:00. Tel/fax: 928 173 417. www.sara-protectora/eng

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

**English-Speaking Meetings** 

Call 638 484 113 or visit www.aalanzarote.com Costa Teguise Barcelo Hotel Mon and Wed 18.00-19.00. Tel: 928 511 846 or 928 173 525

#### Visiting Rotarians Welcome - Lanzarote Rotary Club - Arrecife

Weekly meeting Friday 14.30 at Lancelot Hotel Arrecife Visiting Rotarians welcome. Information: Tel.: 928 80 50 99.

#### **English-Working Lodge**

(Emulation) in the Spanish Constitution (recognised by U.G.L.) will welcome visitors October-April. Information: Tel: 928 83 34 90

#### **Local Bridge Club**

From September to June, two Bridge Clubs on Lanzarote hold weekly meetings in Arrecife to which visitors are welcome: Tuesdays 18.30 at the Arrecife Gran Hotel and Wednesdays at 19.00 at the Casino Club Náutico, Arrecife. Both are located on the promenade. www.bridgelanzarote.com



#### Recycling-themed Concert at San Bartolomé Theatre World Tourism Day Gala at Playa Blanca Beach, Yaiza

The Lanzarote Classical Orchestra's (LCO) most recent concerts commenced with the San Bartolomé Festival, CEFEO 2056, dedicated to the importance of recycling. This was followed by the opening gala for the Arrecife Fiesta de Ginés at the Atlántida Theater where the LCO accompanied internationallyfamed operatic tenor Pancho Corujo who was born on Lanzarote. On World Tourism Day at Playa Blanca, hosted by the Ayuntamiento of Yaiza, the Lanzarote Classical Orchestra Quintet performed works by Soundtracks and a week later plaved pieces by well-known composers at the official ceremony of Yaiza Ciudad Histórica.

Currently the Lanzarote Classical Orchestra is preparing an "Arrecife Turn-on-Christmas" concert with over 100 participants at José Ramírez Cerdá Park on the seafront

Despite the difficult moments restricting large cultural events on Lanzarote due to COVID, the LCO is gradually offering small concerts with the required security whilst hoping to resume our full schedule of activities in 2022. Future concert dates: Facebook and Instagram at Orquesta Clásica de Lanzarote.







Conductor and founder Roberto Fuentes with the members of his orchestra



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