



## ***Impressions of La Palma & information on the Apartamento Del Sol***

La Palma, one of the most western Canary Islands, was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site and for this reason has been spared from mass tourism. Strict rules regarding the construction of apartments and holiday homes have so far prevented the landscape from being spoiled by excessive urban development. There are no tourist, high-rise blocks, and *finca* tourism is heavily promoted by the island government.

For the most part the island is covered with extensive pine forests, the Palmarian pine trees. There are four climate zones on the island. The subtropical climate means that up to 500 metres in altitude bananas, avocados, papayas, mangos and figs can be grown. In addition, wine, potatoes, nuts and almonds are cultivated. Large parts of the population still live from agriculture today and this means they live today as they have traditionally lived on La Palma. The everyday life of the local population, the *Palmeros*, still follows the daily rhythm of nature. The wind and the sun rule their lives, and the decade-long cycles of crop cultivation characterize the country and its people.

There is no industry on the island. The fact that there is hardly any air and light pollution means that some of the largest telescopes in the world have been and are being built on the Roque de los Muchachos (2,426 m).



Sunset on the Roque de los Muchachos



Pine forests at 1,500 m altitude



The view of the port and beach of Puerto de Tazacorte

## **ARRIVAL**

You can fly directly from Germany to La Palma in just under five hours. The airport of La Palma is small and well-structured. It lies directly on the coast and is called Santa Cruz de La Palma. The following airlines offer direct flights from Germany:

**EasyJet** | Tuesdays and Saturdays from Berlin Schönefeld | from 1 September to 30 June | Easyjet offers no flights in July and August| very cheap airline  
**www.easyjet.com**

**Condor** | Mondays from Düsseldorf and Hanover, Wednesdays from Munich, Frankfurt/Main and Hamburg, Fridays from Düsseldorf, Sundays from Frankfurt and Stuttgart | from the beginning of November until the end of April | No flights available from May to October  
**www.condor.com**

**Eurowings** | Tuesdays from Düsseldorf, Saturdays from Düsseldorf and Hamburg | No flights available from the end of October to the end of April | from May to September  
**www.eurowings.com**

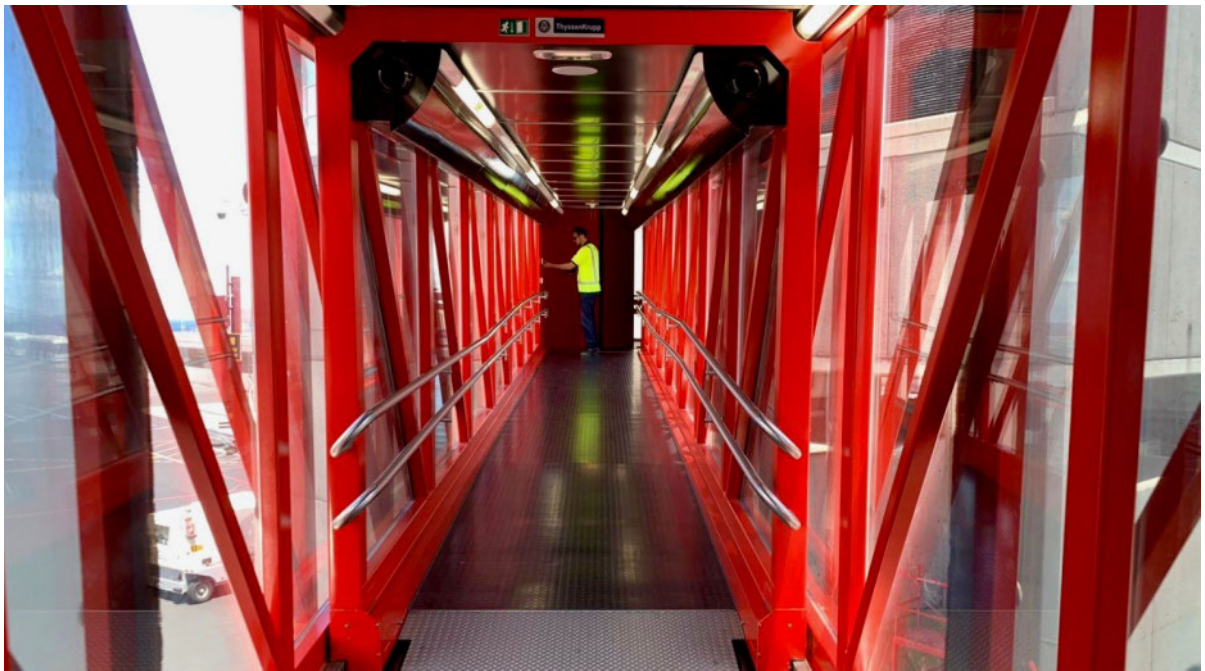
The following airlines offer flights with one transfer:

**Iberia** | one plane a day flies from Madrid to La Palma all year round | several times a day you can fly from the major German airports to Madrid and then transfer  
**www.iberia.com**

**EasyJet** | You can also fly to la Palma via London Gatwick all year round | Cheap flights are available daily from Berlin to London Gatwick  
**www.easyjet.com**



La Palma from the air



Airport of Santa Cruz de la Palma

## RENT-A-CAR

We recommend renting a car to travel around the island. It is very cheap to book a rental car online. The car rental counters are located directly in the arrivals hall near the baggage carousels. Getting to a rental car is quick – the cars are located on the first and second parking deck under the airport building.

These are our recommendations:

**CICAR** | [www.cicar.com/de](http://www.cicar.com/de) | low prices, no accident damage excess, so an "all-in, carefree package", a second driver is already included in the price

**THRIFTY** | [www.thrifty.de](http://www.thrifty.de) | low prices and good service

All common car rental companies, such as Avis, Europcar, etc. are also available on La Palma.

## PUERTO DE TAZACORTE/ THE SUNNY WEST SIDE

Puerto de Tazacorte has a beautiful beach situated right next to the marina. There is always a refreshing wind blowing from the Atlantic Ocean and in summer the temperature doesn't go above 30 degrees. Many restaurants, a small supermarket and a pharmacy line the beach promenade. Puerto de Tazacorte is about 40 minutes' drive from the airport. In the immediate vicinity of the apartment there are regular buses to all the island's destinations.



The main beach of Puerto de Tazacorte on the Atlantic    The beach of Puerto de Tazacorte in the morning

With an average of 3,850 hours of sunshine per year, Puerto de Tazacorte is the sunniest place in Europe. The water temperature is above 20 degrees Celsius all year round, so you can swim 365 days a year. Due to the trade winds the temperatures in summer are very pleasant and nothing like the heat on the Spanish mainland.



The Palmarian banana



Restaurant on the beach in Puerto de Tazacorte



The harbour of Tazacorte



View of the beach and the harbour of Tazacorte

The town of Tazacorte is 5 minutes' drive away by car. This is a good place to go shopping and eat out at restaurants. It is primarily the local population - the *Palmeros* - who live here, and everyday life is tranquil and quiet. A visit to the banana museum is particularly recommended.



Pergola in Tazacorte



Church of Tazacorte

The historic town centre of *Tazacorte* is lined with small shops and street cafés. As the town is only 150 metres above sea level, it is always warm and sunny during the winter months.



Historic town centre of Tazacorte

## **LOS LLANOS DE ARIDANE – THE LARGEST TOWN**

The two bigger municipalities Los Llanos de Aridane (10 minutes away from Puerto de Tazacorte) on the west side and the capital Santa Cruz de la Palma (40 minutes away) on the east side are well worth visiting. With 25,000 inhabitants, Los Llanos de Aridane is the biggest town on the island. The traditional Canarian houses dominate the town centre and a pedestrian zone with high-quality shops invites you take a stroll. Here, there is a well-run market hall only with local products and the best bocadillos (filled baguettes) in the region. Small galleries and museums are within walking distance.



Historic town centre of Los Llanos de Aridane



Market hall of Los Llanos



Town hall of Los Llanos de Aridane

## **SANTA CRUZ DE LA PALMA - THE CAPITAL**

The capital Santa Cruz de la Palma is always worth a visit. It is directly at the coast and also offers perfect opportunities for swimming and sunbathing. Just bear in mind that due to the trade winds and clouds from the north, the east of La Palma is considerably more cloudy and rainy than the west. A stroll along the large harbour where fishermen land their fish is as exciting as the newly designed beach promenade. The town centre is characterised by individual shops, restaurants and cafés. Theatre performances and concerts regularly take place in the Teatro Circo De Marte.



Town centre of Santa Cruz de la Palma



Seafront promenade of Santa Cruz de la Palma

## **PALMA | THE GREEN ISLAND**

There are approximately 80,000 inhabitants, known as Palmeros, and they are descendents of the North African Berbers and are friendly and helpful. It's easy to strike up a conversation with the locals and to learn more about the country and its people. La Palma is under special protection as a UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site. You can go hiking in the mountains and shopping in the cities, visit museums, watch dolphins and whales at sea, and eat delicious and low-cost food. With only 6.5% VAT, La Palma enjoys a special Spanish tax status and many services are therefore very good value. Unwind and relax on the ISLA BONITA!



Sea view from Tzacorte



Taburiente National Park





Easter procession in Santa Cruz



Cloud waterfall on the western slope of the mountains



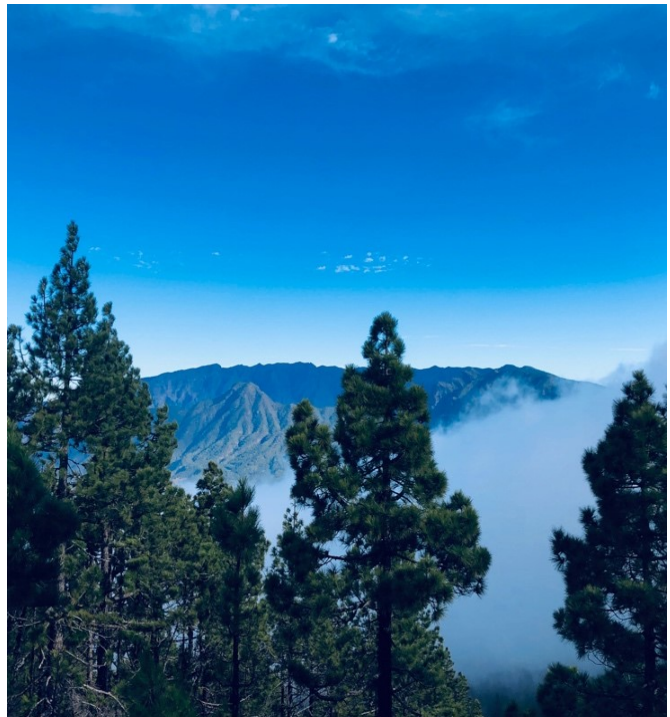
Pirate bay near Tijarafe



Pilot whale off the west coast



North-west coast



View from Pico Birigoyo across to Roque de la Muchachos



Carnival in Los Llanos



Waves on the beach of Tzacorte



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## »APARTAMENTO DEL SOL« HOLIDAY HOME | PUERTO DE TAZACORTE



Sun terrace with a view of the beach and the Atlantic



Living room



Dining area



Living room



Breakfast on the terrace

## **RATE**

The apartment costs **€120** per night plus **€100** final cleaning fee. As La Palma has 365 days of holiday season per year, the rate is the same all year round. The price includes the use of the underground car park and all additional costs.

## **ADDRESS**



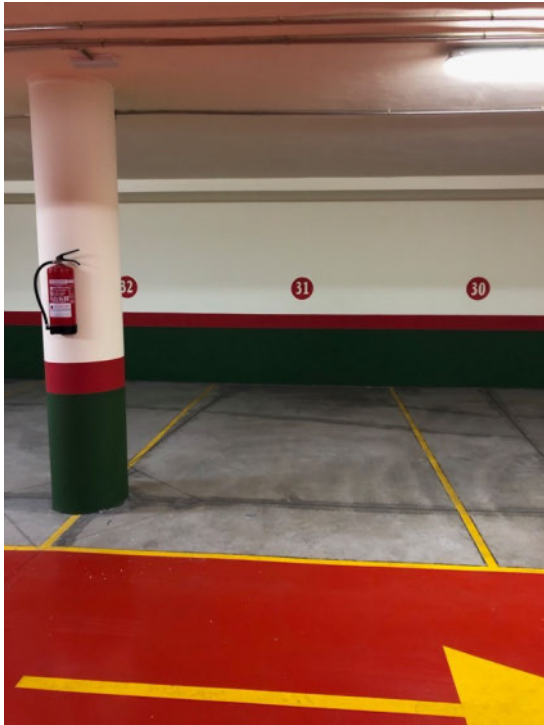
Balcon del Puerto



View from the marina towards the apartment building

*Apartment building*  
*Balcon del Puerto*  
*Apartamento 2D*  
*Avenida del Emigrante 10*  
*38770 Villa e Puerto de Tazacorte*  
*La Palma*

## KEYS & UNDERGROUND CAR PARK



Underground car park



Corridor on the second floor

You will receive two sets of keys for the house and apartment door. The door opener for the underground car park is located on one of the sets of keys. The car park is located to the left of the front door of the house. Please press the red button on the door opener and the door will open and close automatically.

You can use parking space No. 31. The use of the car park is included in the rent. The free parking spaces in front of the house are often occupied. From the underground car park you can take the lift directly to the 2nd floor to get to the apartment. You can also use the main staircase to get from the underground car park to the beach or the apartment.

## APARTAMENTO DEL SOL



Hall area

The apartment building Balcon del Puerto is located right next to the beach at Puerto de Tazacorte. The island's most beautiful and longest sandy beach stretches for more than 1.5 km and invites you to swim, walk and relax all year round. The house stands on its own between the fishing harbour and marina of Tazacorte and the small village of Tazacorte del Puerto. Here you can buy all your day-to-day needs in the mini-market and can order fresh bread rolls to be picked up in the morning. A pharmacy and a variety of restaurants are all available on the beach promenade. Everything is within walking distance, and the public bus service takes you from here to all parts of the island.

WiFi is available to our tenants free of charge.

### **SUMMARY**

- holiday home (80 m<sup>2</sup>) right on the sea
- 2 bedrooms
- 1 living room
- 1 bathroom with a glass-panel shower and bath with a jacuzzi function
- 1 large sun terrace
- 1 underground parking space
- lift: house and apartment are wheelchair accessible
- fridge with a freezer
- washing machine
- dishwasher



Open kitchen with bar



Kitchen equipment

The washing machine is in the kitchen inside a cupboard next to the fridge. Above the washing machine and also enclosed inside a cupboard is the central hot water boiler and cleaning equipment. The apartment has a Dyson compact cordless vacuum cleaner without a dust bag. Please empty it after use. If necessary, please plug in the vacuum cleaner to recharge. The dishwasher is also a part of the fitted kitchen. Tabs, salt and rinsing agent can be found under the sink.

The kitchen is equipped with the basics such as salt, pepper, oil and vinegar. Please replace these items for the next guests if you use them up.

Our apartment is furnished to a high standard, and so we kindly ask that good care is taken of the furniture and everything else in the flat. Please leave us a note if any glasses or plates get broken. We will need to replace the missing item(s) before the next guests arrive.

Rubbish is separated and recycled on La Palma. The rubbish bin is under the sink. There is also a container for cardboard, glass and plastic in the kitchen. There are central collection points for depositing your rubbish. The bins for household waste, paper/cardboard, glass and plastic are located at the entrance of the marina or at the main bus stop on the way to the village.



Glass-panel shower



Washbasin and bath with a jacuzzi function

If you need to, you can wash the towels in the apartment yourself. The foldable clothes rack is in the bathroom behind the door. If placed on the balcony, the laundry usually dries very fast due to the sun from the west. Please don't hang any laundry over the balcony railing!

There is a hairdryer in the cupboard under the wash basin for your personal use. There are also plenty of clothes hangers in the cupboards.



The bedroom EL MAR with its large, queen-sized double bed (180 x 200 cm) has large glass doors affording sea views and with direct access to the sun terrace. The solid oak double bed

was custom-made by a Palmerian carpenter. Two built-in cupboards offer enough space for everything you need on holiday. There is also a safe in the bedroom.



Bedroom No. 2 - EL SILENCIO - is furnished with two single beds (each 90 x 200 cm) with an east-facing patio. This means that this bedroom is always quiet. The two oak single beds (90 x 200 cm) and bedside tables were also handmade by a carpenter. A three-level, fitted cupboard offers plenty of space for clothes and bed linen. The suitcases can easily be stowed under the beds.

In the Apartment del Sol you can listen to your favourite music. On the kitchen counter facing the living room there is a SONOS sound lamp. It is connected to the WiFi router which also allows you to listen to music, international radio stations and stream films via your personal Sonos account.



SONOS - sound lamp



## CONTACTS



Owner Martin Kranz and apartment manager Sven Fibich

We have a qualified man who is there to answer any questions you may have regarding the apartment. Sven Fiebich was born in Berlin and has been living on La Palma many years. He speaks Spanish, German, and English fluently.

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The property management itself is at *Balcon del Puerto* (the office on the ground floor with the large shop window). If there are any problems with underground parking, the front door or the neighbours please contact **Alicia Castro** (she speaks Spanish and English).

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## SHOPPING



Market hall in Los Llanos

The supermarkets on La Palma are usually open from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m.  
After arriving at the airport, the best place to do your first main shop is El Paso:

**HiperDino** – Avenida Islas Canarias 1, 38750 El Paso – here there is an excellent fish and meat counter in the basement.

**SuperMercado Tazacorte Puerto** – only 200 m from our apartment (to the right) in the village of Tazacorte Puerto, there is a small supermarket on the promenade (next to the pharmacy). Here you can get your basic, everyday needs at very reasonable prices.

**SuperDino Tazacorte** – Plaza Enrique Noqueroles, 38770 Puerto de Tazacorte – the next big supermarket is located in the town of Tazacorte (5 minutes' drive away by car or bus). On the main square of Tazacorte (with the fountain in the middle) is the SuperDino. There is also a SPAR on the same square.

**Mercado de Los Llanos** – Calle Ramón Poll 2, 38760 Los Llanos – a market hall run only by local farmers and tradesmen is located in Los Llanos. Only regional products are offered here. We especially recommend the fruit and vegetables here. In the morning you can also purchase freshly caught fish. At a stand in the southern part of the market hall you can find the best *bocadillos* (sandwiches) of the region.

### RESTAURANT TIP FOR THE FIRST EVENING!

If you arrive late, we recommend going to a restaurant. Here are two restaurant we recommend which you can reach on foot:

The Pizzeria "**Il Tramonto**" – Avenida del Emigrante 3, 38779 Puerto de Tazacorte – right next to our apartment building. The pizzas are cooked in a stone oven and the restaurant has a cosy atmosphere. We recommend the *entrecôte in gorgonzola sauce* for meat eaters.

At the southern end of the marina you will find **Cafeteria-Churrería Adrinere** - Ctra Puerto Tazacorte 1D, 38779 Puerto de Tazacorte. From the terrace you have a wonderful view of the port entrance and you are directly facing the water. Apart the fish dishes and churros, we warmly recommend the *pimientos de padrón*!



Restaurant in Los Llanos

More restaurant tips for the region:

**Restaurant Re-Belle** - Plaza de España 1, 38770 Puerto de Tazacorte. The owner and chef Dennis is a native German and has fulfilled his dream of having his own restaurant on the Canary Islands. Dennis entertains his guests with fine regional and international cuisine. The restaurant opens at 5 p.m. and you need to book a table in advance. Phone +34 680 69 81 74

**Restaurant Franchipani** - Ctra. General 57, 38750 El Paso - high-quality international and Canarian cuisine served in a wonderful atmosphere. Besides the Asian and Caribbean dishes you will find a wide range of fine traditional dishes on the menu. Reservation recommended. Phone +34 922 40 23 05

**Bodega and restaurant La Casa Del Volcán** - Calle los Volcanes 23, 38740 Los Canarios. This restaurant has already won numerous awards and is located in the south of the island. The typical Canarian cuisine has much to offer. We warmly recommend the house wine. Reservation recommended. Phone +34 922 44 44 27

**Restaurant Kiosco Cocomar** - Calle la Bombilla, 38779 La Bombilla. The Palmerian *kioscos* are very simple restaurants at the roadside or directly on the beach. The Kiosco Cocomar is located on the small sandy beach of La Bombilla shortly before Puerto Naos and is an absolute insider tip. The local cuisine and especially the fish dishes are delicious! This is a great place to watch the sunset. We recommend making a reservation for the evening. Phone +34 655 45 96 87

**Restaurant El Rinçon de Moraga** - Calle san Antonio 4, 38768 Los Llanos. Here you will find regional products cooked in a new interpretation of Palmerian cuisine. This beautifully decorated, high-quality restaurant is located just outside the town of Los Llanos when coming from Tazacorte. Reservation recommended. Phone +34 922 46 45 64



We wish you a wonderfully relaxing and sunny holiday in the APARTAMENTO DEL SOL!

Familie *Christin Kraus*