



ADS VENTURES
WALKING HOLIDAYS & SHORT BREAKS

Exploring the Northern Shores of Mallorca

Explore the spectacular Formentor and Alcudia peninsulas as well as the Northern Tramuntana mountains on this fabulous new Mallorca holiday.



- 7 nights, 5 days walking
- Departure date: Sunday 11th October 2026
- Cost £1275 (deposit £150)
- Sole occupancy supplement £275
- Grade 

There is far more to walking on Mallorca than the GR221 -spectacular as it is. For this new Mallorcan holiday, we move to the far north of the island to the beautiful and traditional walled town of Alcudia to explore the spectacular Formentor and Alcudia peninsulas, walk sections of the GR222, a second pilgrimage route on the island which runs from Arta to the monastery at Lluc, and explore the northern Tramuntana mountains.

Holiday highlights

- Explore the bays, peninsulas and mountains of the north coast of Mallorca, an area we only started to delve into on the GR221
- Explore the beautiful Formentor peninsula and walk on the incredibly engineered Cami Vell once the only access route for the Far (lighthouse) de Formentor.
- Walk sections of the GR222, a pilgrimage route that winds its way through the mountains from Arta to the monastery at Lluc.
- Stay in the Petit Alcudia boutique hotels in the traditional walled Mallorcan town of Alcudia and eat in the lovely Sa Mossegada restaurant.

Accommodation

Alcudia is one of the attractive traditional old towns of Mallorca. Originally settled by the Romans with the building of the Roman city of Pol-lentia, the town walls were constructed in the 14th century after the Catalan conquest by King James II. Inside the town walls lies a beautiful Mallorcan town with sandstone buildings, winding streets and open squares lined with bars, cafes and individual independent shops.

Petit Alcudia

The town of Alcudia is remarkably short of large hotels as the majority of accommodation is down in the port. This makes it a lovely place to stay! For this holiday we use a tiny chain of 3 boutique hotels called Can Calco, with each 'hotel' containing 7 or 8 rooms. Our hotels are Petit Alcudia with its fresh and modern rooms, located in a building of great antiquity, and C'an Simo, a 1-minute walk away, a carefully remodelled 19th century manor house. All rooms are comfortable and en-suite



Meals are taken in the hotel restaurant, Sa Mossegada, a few doors away from the hotel.

Included

- Half board ensuite accommodation.
- Guided walking on 5 days, with a further day free for you to explore the island.
- All transport to and from walks.
- 6 evening meals taken in the hotel or local restaurants. The evening of the day off is free for you to sample local restaurants.

Not included

- Flights -you book these yourself, but please do not book until the minimum number for the holiday is reached. I will let you know when this is.
- Lunches
- One evening meal
- Incidental expenses such as bar bill etc
- Transfers to and from the airport, see information below.

Transfers

Transfers are not included in the holiday cost. However, a direct bus runs from Palma de Mallorca airport to Alcudia hourly and takes about 1 hour for a cost of 8 Euro. The bus stop is located approximately 100m from the hotel. Alternatively, a taxi is approximately 90 Euros.

Detailed Itinerary

The following is the proposed itinerary for this holiday. However, please bear in mind that in the event of local conditions changing, for example, due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, it may be necessary to change the itinerary.

Day 1

Arrive in Mallorca and transfer to Alcudia.

Meet at 7pm in the Hotel bar for a short briefing about the week ahead before dinner.

Meals included: dinner

Day 2: Puig de Sant Marti

We start the week with a local walk to warm us up for the days ahead. Puig sant Marti is the mountain to the south west of Alcudia and offers some wonderful views of Alcudia town and port, the two bays (Alcudia and Pollensa) and a large part of the mountains of Mallorca as well as down over the Mallorcan plain and the l'Albufereta nature reserve. In short, we can see all the areas we will be visiting over the coming days. Walking from the hotel we follow quiet lanes and paths to the summit of Puig de Sant Marti before returning to Alcudia by an alternative route. You may wish to continue your exploration of the town by visiting the remains of the Roman city of Pol-lentia situated on the edge of Alcudia.



14.5km, ascent/descent 300m

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Day 3: Talaia d'Alcudia

Today we walk on the Alcudia peninsular which contains a wonderfully compact range of



hills with wonderful views over to the Formentor peninsular, the Pollensa Bay and the Arta peninsular. We take taxis to the Ermita de la Victoria and from there ascend Talaia d'Alcudia to take in the stunning 360° views of the surrounding hills and coastline. From there we descend on a rocky path down to Coll Baix where there is a picnic area, and from there we continue to the

ancient walled town of Alcudia which has been in existence since Roman times.

13 km, 480m ascent 620m descent

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Day 4: The GR222, Caimari to Lluc

Today we follow the old highway and pilgrimage route, now the GR222, from Caimari to Coll de sa Batalla and onto Lluc. Travelling by private transport to Caimari we ascend on this beautiful old route as we climb gradually and deliberately for views that open up around us to the Coll de sa Batalla. We will penetrate the hordes of cyclists that



gather here for a drink at the bar before continuing on the GR to Son Amer and then running along with the GR221 route familiar to many of you for a kilometre or so before peeling off to Manut. From here we drop down to the Monastery at Lluc for refreshments before getting the bus back down to Alcudia.

14km, ascent 660m descent 335m

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Day 4: Free Day

Today is free for your own exploration of the local area. You could take the direct bus to Palma, the cosmopolitan capital of Mallorca to visit the cathedral and Arab baths or take your swimming things down to Port Alcudia or Port Pollensa for a swim. Alcudia itself is a lovely place to spend the day, and you could even combine this with exploring another of Mallorca's delightful old towns and take the bus to Pollensa. l'Albufereta nature reserve is a

short walk or bus ride from the hotel if you would prefer to spend the day strolling and bird watching. This evening is left free for you to try out a different local restaurant.

Meals included: breakfast

Day 6: Puig del Migdia and the GR222

N.B. This walk has not yet been reced and so may change.

Today we travel east from Alcudia to explore a second section of the pilgrimage route from Arta to Lluc, now the GR 222. We start our walk in the Llevant Natural Park heading up to the Puig del Migdia, where we will enjoy some wonderful views of the area. We then continue on the GR down all the way to the coastal path to finish at the lovely village of Colonia Sant Pere for refreshments and possibly a swim in the sea before returning to Alcudia.

14km, ascent 375m descent 585m

Meals included: Breakfast and dinner

Day 7: Formentor peninsula



Today we explore the Formentor Peninsula with its ominously leaning peaks. The new road is a feat of engineering; however, the old road Cami Vell de Far de Formentor is even more remarkable. Constructed in the 1860s it zig-zags its way along the peninsular at a gradient that allowed horses and carts to make the arduous journey to the lighthouse.

We head out of Alcudia on the bus (cars are not allowed on the Formentor Peninsula) and travel the full length of the peninsula to the Formentor lighthouse, just because we can -and the scenery is breathtaking! After a few minutes exploring, we jump back on the bus and travel part way back along the peninsula. Now on foot, we walk through the short tunnel under the peak of el Fumat and then leave the new road to pick up Cami Vell as it winds its way up to Coll de la Bretxa, once the only way to reach the lighthouse. For those that wish

to we can deviate from the zigzags to climb the peak of el Fumat. This is a short but challenging climb and is entirely optional. We regroup at the Coll before descending down to the beach at Cala Murta for a late lunch, From here we follow a track to Formentor Beach, an incredibly beautiful spot, before picking up the bus to return to Alcudia. An incredible day out.

11km, ascent 440m descent 525m

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Day 8:

Depart Alcudia for Mallorca airport. Transfers are not included but please see note under **Transfers** above.

Meals included: breakfast

Kit list and maps

For walking each day

- Good walking boots or shoes suitable for rocky terrain.
- Walking/trekking poles strongly recommended for this trip
- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Lightweight, quick drying trousers
- Base layer
- Mid-layer such as a fleece jacket and an additional 'spare' layer depending on the forecast
- Walking socks
- Warm hat and gloves -just in case the weather turns
- Sun hat, sunglasses, lip salve and high SPF sun block
- Day sack (25 litre capacity is a good size) to comfortably carry your kit, lunch and water
- Dry bag or rucksack cover to keep the contents of your daypack dry
- Water bottle
- Basic first aid kit (plasters, blister treatment, antiseptic etc)
- Some snacks to keep you going

Maps: Serra de Tramuntana Nord II

Group size

This guided holiday will have a maximum group size of 14.

Personal expenditure

All breakfasts and six evening meals are included in the holiday cost.

You will need enough money to cover lunches, one dinner and incidental expenses such as drinks.

Insurance

It is a condition of booking (see terms and conditions) that you have insurance for this holiday.

Any other queries, please get in touch with me.