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Why Idyllic Mallorca Should Be Top Of Your Post-Pandemic Bucket List



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The postcard-perfect Spanish island of Mallorca has everything the modern traveler needs. From its aquamarine waters, powder-sand beaches and striking mountain scenery to its medieval villages and the cosmopolitan vibe of its lively capital, Palma, Mallorca is a Mediterranean fantasy come true.



Mallorca is a Mediterranean fantasy come true. GETTY

Why Mallorca?

Mallorca has something for everyone. A sustainability trailblazer, Mallorca is famous for its organic agriculture and outstanding farm-to-table dining. While beach bums will be happy whiling away their days on [one of Mallorca's 208 beaches](#), gourmands will want to visit the island's organic [olive groves](#), [wineries](#) and [citrus farms](#). For lovers of the great outdoors, the [Tramuntana mountain range](#) offers some excellent hiking, climbing, canyoning and mountain biking, while history buffs and city slickers will be kept busy from morning to night exploring the [many wonders of Palma](#), voted the "best city in the world to live" by British newspaper The Financial Times in 2017.

When to go

As people plan their post-pandemic travel, many are looking to skip the crowds. [The Global Travel Trends Report from American Express Travel](#) indicates that space and privacy are becoming a top priority for luxury travelers, with 80% of survey respondents indicating that they are willing to travel to destinations during the offseason to avoid the crush. And while Mallorca can get crowded in the high season—and especially in July and August—it is gloriously laid back for large parts of the year. May, June and September are ideal for enjoying the great weather without sharing it with hordes of tourists.



The jaw-dropping multi-storey rooftop at El Llorenç is the talk of the town. IMAGE COURTESY MAURICIO FUERTES PHOTOGRAPHY

Where to stay

Mallorca has more fabulous boutique hotels than you can shake a turndown service at. [El Llorenç Parc de la Mar](#) is an oasis of calm, situated in a blissfully serene square on the edge of the historic Calatrava neighborhood, with its narrow, winding alleyways and sun-kissed squares. It boasts a timeless design, blending an Arabic-inspired aesthetic with contemporary features, [a Michelin-starred restaurant by local star chef Santi Taura](#), a dreamy spa, and a jaw-dropping split-level rooftop that is the talk of the town, with its infinity pool, cocktail bar and bottle-green parasols



Local Michelin-starred chef Santi Taura is cooking up a storm at DINS Santi Taura restaurant in ... [+] IMAGE



Creamy rice with Mallorcan red prawn at DINS Santi Taura in El Llorenç Parc de la Mar Hotel. IMAGE COURTESY DINS SANTI TAURA. ©TAREK SERRAJ