

the menorca guide



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Please note that some places mentioned in this guide do not appear on the map. This guide is to be used as an overview of the destination.

Relax on the peaceful Island of Menorca...

Smaller and quieter than its neighbour Majorca, Menorca has a blend of family-friendly resorts, sleepy traditional fishing villages, and unusual and intriguing towns. The north coast of Menorca is rocky and rough, whilst in contrast, the south coast is full of sandy coves with fine, golden sand, sheltered by cliffs.

Top tips for Menorca

- A **right hand side road** system operates in this area of Spain.
- **Children under 12** cannot sit in the front unless in a suitable child seat.
- Spain has stricter **drink-driving** laws than the UK with severe penalties and automatic bans.
- **Speeding fines** are on the spot for non-residents.
- It is **illegal** to use a mobile phone whilst driving.
- **Speed limits**

Motorways:	120kph
Main Roads:	90kph
Urban Areas:	50kph

Did you know?

Menorca was declared a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 1993, it is protected against the scourge of development which has overrun its neighbouring islands.

Discover the beauty of Menorca with an Avis car...

- Plaça Alfons III – take the car to this attractive square situated just on the outskirts of the old town, **Ciutadella**. Surrounded by great restaurants and cafes, the most outstanding attraction is the old windmill.
- For nature-lovers, this is a must! Take a drive up to **S'Albufera des Grau** in the North, where three well-marked walks lead you around the beautiful bays, beaches, wetlands and farmlands; important staging posts for migrating birds.
- The small fishing village of **Fornells** located on the North coast of Menorca is famous for two things: it's pretty location beside the Bay of Fornells and its fantastic seafood restaurants.
- Hire a car and drive to the quiet town of **Alaior** in the centre of the Island. Perched on a hill around a pretty sandstone church, Alaior is famous for cheese and shoe-making, and its quaint maze of narrow streets.

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Getting the most out of Menorca

Benefits of renting a car...

- **Comfort** – choose an air conditioned car and travel in comfort.
- **Freedom** – explore those hidden treasures.
- **Value for money** – if you enjoy sightseeing, car hire can work out much better value for money than excursions.
- **Flexibility** – do what you want, when you want.
- **Reliability** – no need to wait around for buses or trains.

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- **Maó (MAH) A1** Maó Airport, Menorca Island +(34) 971-361576
- **Maó Downtown (MH1) A2** Moll De Ponent 61
- **Ciutadella (J34) A3** Cuitadella Sabaters 1
- **Ciutadella (B71) A4** Av De Los Delfines 22
- **Cala Blanca (S4T) A5** Cala Blanca Ply Cala Blanca
- **Calan Porter (B51) A6** Cala en Porter Apt Vidal Court
- **Cala Galdana (BM9) A7** Complejo Floramar Local 1 ,C Galdana
- **Hotel Sol Elite Menorna (S6N) A8** Urbanizacion Santo Tomas

Top places to eat...

Cap Roig – the dramatic coastline just north of Maó provides a spectacular backdrop to this excellent seafood restaurant, high on a cliff above Sa Mesquida.

Club Menorca – this superb restaurant is perched right on top of the cliff above Cala en Porter, with great views out to sea or onto the cliffs on the other side of the crystal-clear bay.

Sa Vinya – this terraced wine and tapas bar offers beautiful views of Maó Port, and with no traffic nearby, it's a great place for a quiet drink.



Top selling tips

Always introduce car hire into every booking...

Q. What do you like to do on holiday?

"I hired a car in... and it was great for seeing / doing..."

Q. Have you been to the area before?

Yes "So you know that there's lot to do round there. Let me get some car hire prices for you"

No "Well there's lots to do in that area (such as) and the best way to see them is by hiring a car"

Q. Do you normally hire a car on holiday?

Yes or No "Let me get some prices for you, it usually works out cheaper to pre-book"



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Places to note...

Mount Toro – no holiday to Menorca is complete without a trip up to the highest point on the island. As well as being the highest point it is also the spiritual centre with the sanctuary built in the late 16th century.

Fortaleza de Isabel II – built in the mid 19th Century, this extensive fortress guards the northern side of the entrance to Maó harbour.

S'Algar Divers – perfect for the inexperienced diver.

Talati de Dalt – a large settlement with several ruined chambers and huts, which give a good idea of the layout of a prehistoric Menorcan village.

Join the festivities...

Monthly celebrations around the destination:

January/February/March

The **Processo dels Tres Tocs** in Ciutadella celebrates Alfonso III with dancing, feasting, and parades.

April/May/June

Festa Sant Francesc – a popular feast of St. Francis is celebrated throughout the Balearic Islands.

Horses play a major part in celebrating **King Juan Carlos's** name day on June 24th, held in Cuitadella.

July/August/September

Dia de Virgin de Carmen is held over all of the Balearic Islands. The feast of the patron saint of sailors includes parades and the blessing of fishing boats.

The second week in August heralds riding displays in the streets of Alaior, for the **Festa de Sant Lorenc**.

Savings to be made...

Do more with your holiday by hiring a car. You could save money at the same time as well! Here's an excursion cost to compare car hire against:

A tour of the beautiful capital Maó costs approximately £13 per person. That's £52 for a family of 4 for just one excursion!