

# Los Alamos – Christmas 2019, Spain

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## Itinerary

The planned itinerary for your Christmas ride is as follows, however, please note that the weather might mean a change to these plans. The order of the days might also change.

### Sunday

Depart the UK on a morning flight to Gibraltar or Malaga, arriving by around midday. From the airport, you are transferred to Los Alamos.

Arrive at the villa at approximately 16:00.

The normal pattern for the week (weather permitting) is to set off at about 10am and stop for lunch at a local village bar and then ride on again in the afternoon. However, the introductory ride is usually shorter in duration. The order of the days might also change.

### Monday

After breakfast at the villa, meet at the stables (a short walk away from the villa) and be introduced to your horse, before setting off into the forest for your first ride. Today is a fairly quiet ride giving rider and horse the opportunity to get to know one another.



### Tuesday (Christmas Eve)

This will usually be your first visit to the beach with your horse. Ride through the edge of the forest down on to the beaches of Cape Trafalgar and El Palmar. There will usually be the opportunity to experience some faster riding, but please note that a beach canter is not always possible as it is dependent on the tide conditions.



### Wednesday (Christmas Day)

Start the day with a champagne stirrup cup at the stables and then meander down through sweet smelling pine forest to the historic beaches of Cape Trafalgar. Stop for drinks at the thatched tavern of Las Dunas. Perhaps try one of their famous Wobbly Hot chocolates (made with Baileys) before heading back along the forest tracks towards Los Alamos. Return for a traditional Christmas dinner with all the trimmings along with complimentary champagne and drinks.



### Thursday

Today the horses have a rest day and you are driven to Jerez to visit the Royal School of Equestrian Art for a display of "Dancing Andalusian Horses", along with Carriage Driving.

During the morning you should have the opportunity to visit a nearby tack shop and wander around the School's carriage museum and stables before taking your seats for the start of the show at around midday. Afterwards have lunch in a local Tapas bar and sample the famous local sherry. Return to Los Alamos in the afternoon.

For those guests who choose not to go to the Royal School of Equestrian Art in Jerez, there may be the opportunity to experience a sherry tour in Jerez. Please ask if you would like more details.



### **Friday**

Today you will enjoy a day riding through the forest. You should be able to see all of the flora and fauna that grows naturally from the forest floor. You may get the chance to experience some faster canters through the twisting forest tracks and enjoy an exhilarating gallop along the sandy firetracks.



### **Saturday**

Beach ride along the golden sands of Cape Trafalgar and El Palmar.



### **Sunday**

Say your fond farewells and leave Los Alamos for your airport.