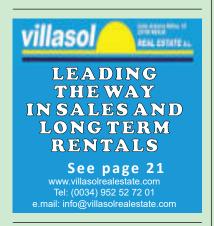


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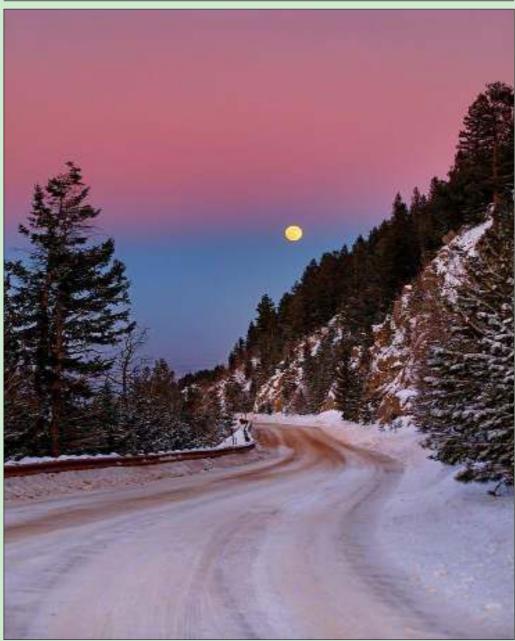






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- · Terrace: Yes ·Bathrooms: 3
- · Views: Mountain · Area: Countryside
  - Ref.CP572

**Torrox:** 



- ·Living space: 110m<sup>2</sup>
- ·Bedrooms:3
- ·Pool: Yes ·Garage: No
- · Terrace: Yes
- ·Bathrooms: 3
  - ·Views: Sea views
  - ·Area: Countryside Ref. TCP196

Price: 279.000€

Price: 360.500€

**Torrox:** Price: 299.000€



- ·Living space: 140m<sup>2</sup>
- ·Bedrooms: 4
- ·Pool: Yes
- ·Garage: No
- · Terrace: Yes
- ·Bathrooms: 3
- · Views: Sea views
- · Area: Countryside

Ref. TCP205 Price: 139.000€

Price: 50.000€ Corumbela:



- Living space: 75m<sup>2</sup>
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- ·Bathrooms: 1
- · Views: Village ·Area: Town
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**Torrox:** 



- · Pool: No
- Living space: 150m<sup>2</sup> · Bedrooms: 4
- · Garage: Yes
- Terrace: Yes ·Bathrooms: 1
- Views: Sea viewsArea: VillageRef. TTH527

**Torrox:** 



- Living space: 168m<sup>2</sup>
- · Bedrooms: 4
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Price: €157.000 Ref: NV.PU



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Price: €330.000 Ref: NV.Real19



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Price: €240.000 Ref: NV.GOL26



Attractive apartment, in the lovely urbanization EL Capistrano Village, comprises of pretty patio-garden, facing the south, with sun all day round and partial sea views, lounge-dining room, fitted kitchen, bathroom, bedroom. It has a big rental potential and enjoys facilities such as several swimming pools (within 1 minute walk), ample garden areas, bar, restaurant, security guard, bus service into Nerja and the beach.

Price: €178.000 Ref:NV.P080B



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Nice apartment located in San Juan de Capistrano. Consists: 2 beds, living room, kitchen, bathroom and 2 terraces with beautiful views of the sea and coastline. It enjoys nearby parking and all community services such as: swimming pool, garden care, exterior painting, security guard, bus service into Nerja and the beach. etc.

Price: €220.000 Ref:NV.CA025



Lovely apartment, ample terrace with sun all day. Beautiful sea and swimming pools views, lounge-dining room with cable TV, equipped kitchen, bathroom with shower, washing machine, double bedroom, wifi and air conditioning. Several communal pools, restaurant, bar, garden areas, security guard, bus service to Nerja and beach.

Price: €220.000 Ref: NV.PO117B



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Price: €265.000 Ref: NV.ALG



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Reduced to: €229.900 Ref:NV.DA09



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## 16 Types of Christmas Trees

#### 1. Balsam Fir

The balsam fir is an evergreen tree best known for its conical shape and dense, dark-green leaves that are flat and needle-like. The leaves of the balsam fir also tend to have hints of shining silvery-white and are commonly used for Christmas wreaths and Christmas bouquets. This evergreen tree not only looks good, but smells good too. Giving off that spicy Christmas scent only makes it an even more popular Christmas tree choice. This particular fir varietal is small-to medium-sized and grows to heights of up to 66 feet tall.

#### 2. Fraser Fir

Known for its pleasant scent, the yellowgreen branches of the fraser fir feature
a conical shape with branches that
angle slightly upward. The branches
of the fraser fir are also known for
being extra sturdy, making this
Christmas tree a great option
for heavy ornaments, Christmas
garland and holiday decor. Its
leaves are needle-like and spiral
along the trunk of the tree, giving
off a fragrant scent. The fraser fir
typically grows anywhere up to 50 feet tall.

#### 3. Canaan Fir

Known for its similarities to the fraser fir and balsam fir, the canaan fir is referred to as the hybrid of the two. Canaan fir is a medium-growing evergreen tree that features fantastic needle retention, like the fraser fir. Leaves are flat and needle-like, with a nice green colour. The canaan fir is native to the



mountains of West Virginia and is a newcomer to the Christmas tree market, making this particular fir varietal few and far between.

#### 4. Douglas Fir

A douglas fir will make a statement in your home. This fir tree displays a full pyramid shape with blue or dark green leaves that have one of the richest scents of all the Christmas trees. Leaves of this evergreen are flat, soft and tend to grow in bunches. Douglas firs grow from medium-sized to extremely large anywhere up to 330 feet tall. Fun fact, the



douglas fir makes up nearly half of all Christmas trees grown in the United States.



#### 5. Grand Fir

The name of this evergreen tree really says it all. The grand fir is a large tree native to the Pacific Northwest and Northern California. These giants can grow up to 230 feet tall. The grand fir features bicoloured needles with yellow-green hues and a white stripe beneath the needle. This tree produces beautiful, thick foliage and gives off



that wonderful spicy Christmas tree scent.

#### 6. Noble Fir

Noble fir is yet another one of the more popular Christmas trees and can grow up to 230 feet tall. The branches are evenly spaced along the trunk of this evergreen tree. Growing happily in the Pacific Northwest, the Noble fir displays needle-like leaves that tend to curve upward, making them a sturdy option for all of your Christmas decorations.



#### 7. Concolor Fir

The concolor fir is often referred to as the white fir. It's known for its flattened, needle-like leaves that are pointed at the tip. When it's young, the concolor fir features more bluegreen coloured leaves, but as it gets older the leaves turn into a duller green hue. The concolor fir can grow up to 195 feet tall.



#### 8. White Pine

The white pine features needles that grown in fascicles or bundles. With bluish-green hues and pointed tips, the branches of this Christmas tree are flexible and give off little to no aroma. This pine tree is not recommended for heavy ornaments or large decorations because the branches are not as strong. Fun fact, the white pine is the largest pine in the United States. Mature trees can live up to 400



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#### 9. Scotch Pine

Also referred to as the scots pine, this pine tree is another common Christmas tree option. Dark green foliage and sturdy branches equip the scotch pine: perfect for plenty of Christmas lights and decorations. This pine tree can grow anywhere up to 115 feet tall. The needles range in color from bluegreen to a darker green in



the winter months and grow in fascicles or bunches of two. The scotch pine is also known for its long term needle retention, meaning less clean up for you when Christmas ends. Fun fact, it's also the national tree of Scotland.

#### 10. Virginia Pine

The Virginia pine can be easily identified due to its short and twisted needles that grow in pairs. This particular pine tree features short branches with dense foliage that respond well to trimming. The Virginia pine is known as a small to mediumsized tree that can grow anywhere up to about 70 feet tall.



#### 11. Blue Spruce

The blue spruce, also known as the Colorado blue spruce, is loved for its waxy gray-blue needles that tend to curve upwards. Native to the Rocky Mountains of the United States, this spruce tree features dense foliage that grows in a conical shape anywhere up to 75 feet tall. The blue spruce is said to have "the perfect Christmas tree shape." Fun fact, the blue spruce is the state tree of Colorado.



#### 12. Norway Spruce

The Norway spruce is a fast-growing evergreen coniferous tree that can be found anywhere up to 180 feet tall. Its leaves are needlelike and feature a dark green hue with pointed tips. Although common in the United States, the Norway spruce is most notably a species of spruce that is native to



Europe. Needle retention of the Norway spruce is poor, so it's important to take proper care of your tree and water it correctly.

#### 13. White Spruce

The white spruce is also commonly referred to as the Canadian spruce, the skunk spruce, the western white spruce and a handful of other names. This particular spruce species is a large tree that grows to heights of up to 130 feet tall. With needle-like leaves that are short and sturdy in a blue-green colour, this



spruce is a viable option for all of your lights and ornaments.

#### 14. Arizona Cypress

As the name implies, the Arizona cypress is native to the Southwestern United States. It is a medium-sized evergreen tree that can grow up to 60 feet tall. Leaves of this particular cypress are a bluish-gray color on branches that grow in a conical shape.



#### 15. Leyland Cypress

The leyland cypress has feathery leaves that are greenish-gray in colour and grow upward, giving the tree a pyramid-like shape. This particular cypress does not give off any aroma, so if you're looking for a Christmas tree with a delightful scent, the leyland cypress might not be the one for you. On the plus side, the lack of fragrance can be great for



those with allergies. This fast-growing tree will grow up to heights of 70 feet tall.

#### 16. Red Cedar

Also commonly referred to as the Eastern red cedar, pencil cedar and aromatic cedar. Branches of the this particular cedar are dense and form a pyramid-like shape. The leaves jet upwards and are a dark, shiny green colour. Although the eastern red cedars are slow-growing, they have



been recorded at heights of over 40 feet tall. Fun fact, this cedar tree is most commonly used as a Christmas tree in Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas.



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There are no tax advantages, but there are many extra costs and tax liabilities.

Hi All,

Just a brief note to clarify a frequent occurrence for which we receive requests for advice at our Law office. Many clients are advised to set up limited companies to buy properties in Spain or sometimes it is suggested that they purchase the shares of an existing limited company which is the legal owner of a property.

Should you be thinking of buying a real estate property (either for your own use or as an investment), never use a limited company for this purpose. Limited companies are for running a business, not for holding ownership of real estate properties.

Despite what you are told by many investment and financial companies about the advantages of limited companies, I can confirm that there are no tax advantages or savings of any kind to be gained by using a limited company, but there are many extra costs and potential tax liabilities. You must always purchase your real estate in your own name. It is much simpler, cheaper, and safer. You should never set up a company or purchase the shares of an existing company that holds the ownership of a property, just to buy real estate. The ownership of a limited company or shares in a limited company would imply taxes to be paid and a risk of taking over the company's previous duties or commitments. Please also note that apart from the costs and risks of setting up a company or buying an existing company, you

would also be liable to pay the annual maintenance costs. Years pass by very quickly and you will see that having a company would involve spending money like water, with no benefits at all.

Finally, please also be aware that the Spanish Tax Office considers that if you are using a property owned by a company you should be paying rent for said property to your own company. This would implicate an important tax liability for the company who would have to pay annual corporate taxes at the rate of 25 % of the assumed annual rental that you should be paying to the company.

CONCLUSION: Never set up a company to buy a property, nor purchase an existing company holding ownership of real estate. You should always purchase properties in your own name.

And if you have already made the mistake of using a company to buy a property, we would recommend that you liquidate it ASAP and register the property in your own name. This way you would avoid an unpleasant claim from the tax office and would also save a lot of money by avoiding the maintenance costs.

If you have any further questions or doubts regarding this matter, or need assistance for liquidating your Ltd company, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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## 12 Christmas Festive Plants

Christmas trees, Holly and Ivy wreaths and Poinsettias might be the first plants we think of at Christmas, but they're not the only way to add colour and life to your home on chilly December days.

Here are some of the best plants and flowers for decorating homes throughout the festive season, from traditional winter Poinsettia, to big, blooming Azaleas and even thee Christmas cactus.

Think of Christmas, and you'll likely think of the traditional tree In all its glory, some tinsel, baubles and ornaments, and maybe a garland or two. But behind all the artificial glitz and sparkles are some fantastic plants and flowers which are not only easy to care for throughout the chillier months, but they really add to the spirit of Christmas and festivities. 'With growing concerns about plastic use, they're much more eco-friendly options too. Many of them also make fantastic presents, so are worth bearing in mind when buying for green fingered friends or family.



#### 1. Rosemary

Rosemary has been associated with the Christmas period long before Poinsettia became the poster child, as the herb is believed to have been one of the plants in baby Jesus' manger. In the Middle Ages, people believed that if they smelled rosemary on Christmas Eve, they would be healthy and happy

throughout the new year. So they walked on rosemary spread across the floor, starting a tradition of Rosemary in Christmas decorations that we continue today, with the table top Rosemary Christmas trees, wreaths, festive swags, and evergreen bouquets.



#### 2. Holly

Holly as long been a symbol of eternal life and fertility. People believed that hanging the plant in their homes would bring good luck and protection all year Christmas continued the Holly tradition from Druid, Celtic and Roman traditions, changing its symbolism to

reflect Christian beliefs. Today Holly is symbolic of Jesus Christ in two ways; its red berries represent the blood that Jesus shed on

the cross, and the pointed leaves refer to the crown of thorns Jesus was wearing when he died.

#### 3. lvy

Although it has a bit of a reputation for covering the floors and walls of gardens with its creeping vines, Ivy is actually a very popular plant during the Christmas period. Its distinctively shaped, rich green leaves are often a key component

of floral wreaths and other festive decorations. They're also said to represent the shape of Christ's crown of thorns.



Despite its name and the fact it flowers over the Christmas period, the Christmas Cactus actually has nothing to do with either the Christmas tradition or the story of Christ's birth! But, these succulents do make for a great Christmas gift.

They're affordable, long lived, easy to maintain in the cooler

months, and look great.

#### 5. Mistletoe

Having long been a symbol of love, peace, and goodwill, the custom of using Mistletoe to decorate houses at Christmas is a Druid tradition. Yet, despite its pretty appearance and associated affectionate gesture,

Mistletoe berries are actually toxic to humans!



#### 6. Poinsettia

Instantly recognisable due to its pointed red bracts and rich red and green leaves, Poinsettia has become a symbol of the festive season due to a Mexican legend. The story goes, a `poor girl's present to Jesus (a bouquet of weeds) was



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#### 7. White Chrysanthemans

As the Chrysanthemans symbolises optimism and joy, its come as no surprise that it's now synonymous with 'the most wonderful time of the year.'

However, White Chrysanthemans also have another sweet link to the



festive season. German homes are filled with flowers on Christmas Eve because of an old legend in which a peasant family urges a beggar man in from the cold. Claiming to be the Christ Child, he then fled, leaving two of the flowers behind.

#### 8. Cyclamen

Cyclamen thrives in cooler temperatures, so its bright blooms and beautiful heart shaped leaves are a great choice if you want to add some colour to your home over the winter.



#### 9. Azaleas

Often overlooked in favour of other festive plants and flowers, Azaleas' bright colours and big, open blooms make them the perfect addition to indoor planting displays at Christmas.



#### 10. Christmas Rose

The Christmas Rose is revered during the festive season for the deep green foliage and delicate white flowers it brings to cold, dark winters. But, despite the resemblance it bears to wild roses and the fact that it's known as the Christmas Rose, this delicate



evergreen perennial is actually quite deceptive as it is, in fact a member of the buttercup family. Ranunculacea.

#### 11. Amaryllis

The massive, six pointed Amaryllis bloom makes an impressive festive decoration on grey days. If you want to have a blooming amaryllis for Christmas, you should plant the bulbs no later than the beginning of November, although it0s always safer to just buy one already in bloom.



#### 12. Christmas Tree

Although the evergreen fir tree has traditionally been used to celebrate winter festivals for thousands of years, the pivotal Christmas tree is a relatively modern addition to British Christmas traditions.

Bringing a tree inside and decorating it in the way we know today first happened in 16th Century Germany, and became popular elsewhere in the 19th Century.

The first Christmas trees came to Britain sometime in 1830s and became an annual fixture almost a decade later, when Queen Victoria and her German husband Albert had a Christmas tree set up in Windsor Castle.







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#### Canillas de Albaida New this month! autifully presented, modern 2 bed 2 bath townhouse (109m²) in Canillas de Albaida with wonderful sea views. With central heating, two terraces and a huge garage/ workshop, this house offers

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## Happy Tales

Snow was reluctantly handed over to the Costa Animal Society (CAS) along with his sister Snow in the middle of last year by a young Spanish family who were forced to move into a small flat due to financial constraints bought on by the pandemic. The wife brought the siblings to

CAS and made a donation to help pay for the vet costs associated with rehoming including castration and vaccinations. After several months, Snow and Luna were seen on social media by a local resident and he visited them in kennels with the aim of adopting a new dog. As much as he would have liked to, the gentleman could not adopt both dogs as he lived in a flat on his own and could only exercise one dog at a

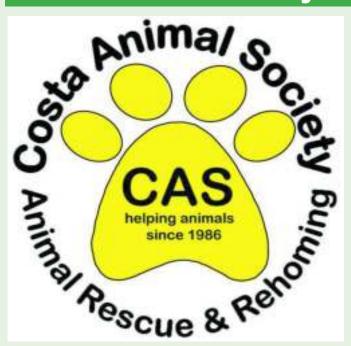


Snow

time. He chose Luna because she was smaller and he felt an instant connection with her. Snow was paired up with a new roommate in kennels and he has lingered there throughout 2022 as smaller and cuter dogs were adopted around him. His nature has calmed as he has matured into a confident 2 year old male but he still loves to play with other dogs and stretch his legs with a good run each day. Snow has lived in a house before and enjoys receiving attention and treats so he will be easily trained. Snow will make a wonderful addition to any family and is ready for his forever home.

Toby is a good natured dog who was rescued from a neglectful situation where he was left on his own in the campo and was brought to kennels about 5 months ago because he kept escaping from a foster home when the owners went out. Toby is a lovely boy who loves to be around people and gets along well with other dogs. He is a Golden Retriever type dog who is about 2 years old and his reddish coat hints at a Setter in his gene pool. Toby is a medium size and weighs about 25 kilos and he is in good health apart from needing 2 pills a day for low level Leishmania. He is quite clean in his kennel so he will easily be house trained but will need a fenced garden to keep him from wandering.

## The Costa Animal Society...





Toby







## **AXARQUIA ANIMAL RESCUE**

#### October update

October has been a hectic month for us.

We were able to once again hold our Dog Show, which we had all thoroughly missed. A great day was had by all, raising over 1700 euros, and to top it off our lovely Kiwi won 'Best in Show' - It was a perfect day all round. We have also taken on 18 new cases, including the beautiful Calie and her pups, you can follow their story on our facebook group, or look at our website at:-

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Thank you to everyone for your continued support.



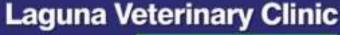
#### Kal - AAR 2608 and Kasi - AAR 2609

The delightful sisters are growing strong and loving life as they explore the world around them. They are looking for forever homes but urgently need foster homes. Sadly, Kali and Kasi can't stay with their finder as her cats won't tolerate these playful little kittens. Kali and Kasi are eating well and enjoying fish suppers of canned sardines and have quickly learned to use a litter tray and go outside when they need a poop. Both kittens are fit and healthy and would fit in easily with any loving home. Kali and Kasi love to play together and enjoy snuggling up with their finder for a cuddle where they purr and make cute little squeaky noises when they are happy. It's not easy to find homes for kittens despite them being gorgeous bundles of fun and relatively easy to care for. Could you be the one to give these beautiful girls a forever home in return for the endless joy they will bring. For more information please email









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Robbie and Rosie



#### Robbie - AAR 2602 and Rosie -**AAR2603**

Robbie and Rosei were born in August 2022. Fortunately for us, we were abandoned outside the home of our foster angel. Although we are now safe, we are looking for a special place of our own, or together, which we can call home. My foster angel says that we are affectionate and intelligent pups who just loves a tummy tickle! We also enjoy playing with our friend Fluff the rescue cat! We have just started our vaccinations and will soon have our passports. We can be adopted in Spain now and after 15 weeks we will be able to travel to a forever home in Europe too! As lucky as we are, we really can't wait to snuggle up with our forever companions, or family, who will love us as much as we will love them knowing that together we will make a house our wonderful home! For more information on Rosie, or Robbie, please email axarquia-rescue@hotmail.com

#### Axarquia Animal Rescue 11th birthday year foster campaign!



Ziggy

#### Ziggy - AAR2604

Deaf dogs truly do hear the world with their heart, and Ziggy is no exception. Ziggy is a lovely, cuddly boy and his lovely fosterer says he's very smart and quick to learn.

He already understands a few hand signals just after a couple of weeks of training. He gets on well with other dogs, has just started his vaccinations and will be chipped and castrated shortly. Found on the Benamargosa-Riogordo road in early October, this lovely boy is looking for his forever home. Believed to be around 9 months old, we think he is a Podenco Bodeguero Mix. Please email axarquiarescue@hotmail.com for more information.

#### Snowie - AAR2607

Snowie was rescued in the Los Romanes, Axarquia with her sister Zippy by a kind volunteer and were taken into the AAR care. Snowie is a 12 weeks old female Podenco Cruzado, white colour. She is a lively little girl who loves to be around humans, and play with other dogs. She will start her vaccinations soon, with chip, passport and neutered too . Snowie is looking for a foster home so



Vixey

#### Vixey - AAR 2605

Vixey was found alone in the countryside with a bit of chewed rope round her neck, underweight, and nervous of people. Her finder was walking her dogs and Vixey followed them home. She is now very happy, well fed and comfortable in her foster home with her finder. She had her first vet check and the vet said she is a healthy pup and given a date of birth as 23/3/22, she weighs 9kg and has now started her vaccines. She is a very loving, happy, playful pup. She enjoys the company of her foster family and loves playing with the other dogs in the home. Vixey is looking for a new foster home from 20th November and is also available for adoption.



#### **Snowie**

she can experience the family life and a forever home where she can share and enjoy her life together with a family . For more information, please email axarquia-rescue@hotmail.com .



#### **UNDERSTANDING CANINE** COMMUNICATION

Do you know what is your dog trying to say? Knowing how to read your dog's body language is the key to understanding your dog. Because dogs are non-verbal, their body language does the talking for them - people often assume that dogs communicate by barking when in fact, this isn't actually correct. Vocalisation or barking takes second place to a dog's body language. By interpreting body language, you can determine whether a dog is at ease or uncomfortable with a given situation.

After you learn the basic types of dog body language, spend some time observing your own dogs interacting with people and other animals in various situations. When two animals interact, their body language is almost like a conversation. It may even seem like a kind of dance. Much of the same can be seen between a human and a dog. With some practice, you will begin to see the subtleties of canine body language.

Once you understand canine body language, it can do more than simply help you communicate with dogs. Reading a dog's body language can help protect you and your dog from dangerous situations. Without a sound, your dog can tell you that it senses a threat. When watching your dog interact with other dogs, you can watch its body language to see when harmless play may turn into a fight. Interpreting body language can also help with dog training and identifying common behaviour problems. For example, popular viral videos and pictures of dogs on social media often show dogs whose eyes are open very wide, or who are looking awkward while children lie or sit on them. To the untrained eye, these pictures might look cute. Once you are familiar with canine body language, however, you'll quickly realise how uncomfortable and stressed the dogs are.

#### Reading Dog Body Language

To get a full understanding of what a dog is communicating through its body language, you need to look at a dog's entire body from mouth to tail — including eye contact. A wagging tail might mean a dog is happy like most people assume. However, tail-wagging can actually mean a variety of things ranging from happy to agitated. As such, it's important to look at the dog's overall posture and body movements

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**Karen Wallace** 

before assigning meaning.

We all know a wide wagging tail wag that extends through the whole body, combined with the dog's face being relaxed, means a dog is happy. A tight swishing tail wag, however, can be a sign of stress. A stiff wag, when accompanied by hard starting and/or a tense, tight face and body, actually means that dog is very agitated and aroused. Depending on the dog and the situation, this could escalate into an aggressive incident.

#### Stressed / Scared Dogs



This dog's body language shows he is extremely uncomfortable and fearful of his environment. Dogs who are stressed or fearful will often look as though they are avoiding something. These dogs may turn their head away, avoid looking at you or whatever is upsetting. They may also deflect or self-soothe by suddenly becoming very interested in sniffing the ground.
Dogs who are feeling uncertain or

anxious about a situation may also randomly begin scratching or licking themselves. Scared, stressed, or anxious dogs may pace, cower, shake or tremble.

People may mistake a dog rolling over as asking for a belly rub. In reality, they may be very afraid. At this point, some dogs will involuntarily urinate, attempt to hide behind their person or try to escape the situation. A scared or stressed dog may yawn frequently and round its back cowering almost into a ball. They may flatten their ears back against their head, and their tail may also be tucked tightly up between their rear legs. A tense and still body that isn't followed by play is another physical indicator that your dog may be concerned.

A fearful dog may respond by licking its lips often or drooling and panting when it's not hot out. This is often accompanied by pinned ears, a tense or tight face, and what is referred to as "whale eye." When your dog's eyes are making a whale eye, their pupils are very dilated and bulging with lots of white showing.

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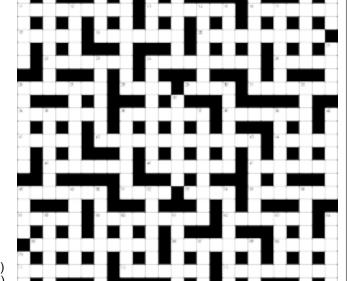
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Moving to a new country, from the UK to Spain, for example, is a major change. For anyone relocating – even more so if you are doing so on your retirement – a portfolio review should be high on the list of priorities to ensure their savings and investments are optimised for their new life in Spain.

#### Time in the markets – not 'timing' the markets

Remember, investing to yield the best returns often proves to be a marathon, not a sprint. 'Chasing candles', a term given to those who buy and sell based on market fluctuations for short-term gains, will rarely help you to achieve your long-term financial objectives. The primary failure that could be ascribed to this strategy is how it is often driven by emotion. Having a clear objective to stay in the markets for the long term can negate the effect of short-term volatility.

Warren Buffet said, "Be fearful when others are greedy, and greedy when others are fearful". This statement may have been offered to show the importance of perspective. While some may claim Buffet does not panic because he is wealthy, others could state that he is wealthy because he does not panic.

#### A diversified approach

A significant amount of data suggests that a well-diversified portfolio of investments will help you achieve better long-term returns. It may be tempting to stick to UK investments and with assets you are familiar with, but this approach, where your investment capital is concentrated in one area, potentially increases risk.

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Remember that different assets and regions generally perform differently. A diversified portfolio can help to mitigate the drop in value of a particular investment, asset type, sector or region, or even offset the loss with the gain of another to bring overall profit.

Familiarise yourself with all options – from sustainable projects with an ethos you support to tax-efficient structures that will help you to maintain the lifestyle you are used to. If you feel a little unsure about how best to structure your portfolio for a life in Spain, taking specialist advice can help.

#### **Avoiding FOMO**

The fear of missing out (FOMO) can be a strong motivator for making bad decisions. Unexpected bull runs in a region or sector, or sharp market rises hyped up by journalists and commentators, can create a strong desire to join in rather than risk regretting that you did not take the opportunity. The problem is often that it has already happened; you are too late — you may have bought at or near the market peak. Just because a particular asset or sector experiences rapid, short-term growth, there is no guarantee it will continue. Quite the contrary, a market correction often takes place shortly

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after an event such as this, causing the price to drop as quickly as it had risen as the market or sector has been over-inflated.

A leading cause of FOMO is the 'buzz' generated around a particular asset, usually via the internet and social media, but it rarely comes from an expert source. This can lead people to make impulse decisions to invest in a concentrated way, rather than have the reduced risk a diversified portfolio can bring.

#### Tax-efficient investing for living in Spain

As mentioned, it is important to structure your investments specifically around your new circumstances, objectives, time horizon and risk tolerance, and this also includes taxation. The way you hold investments can make a surprising difference to how much tax you pay. You need to understand the Spanish tax regime – and there are tax-efficient opportunities available to residents of Spain.

One of the more popular options is a Spanish-approved life assurance contract, which acts as a wrapper for a conventional portfolio. With a policy such as this in place, no tax is payable on income derived from the underlying asset until withdrawal, and even then, only the gain would be liable to tax.

Take personalised, integrated investment and tax planning advice for Spain.

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#### **ARIES:-**(March 21<sup>st</sup> - April 19)

The more someone insists you can trust their advice the more you should doubt it. It's okay to be cautious occasionally and this is one of those times when the planets warn you must trust nothing but your own instincts. So-called "experts" are not always

**Luckiest day:- Thursday** 

#### TAURUS:-(April 21 - May 21)

It's possible that someone will let you down at the very last moment today, but there is no point getting annoyed about it. Simply ask them to reschedule whatever it was you were going to do together but make it clear they only get the two chances.

Luckiest day:-Sunday

#### **GEMINI:-**(May 21 to June 20) 🦠

Do you push on with something you know is going to take up a lot of your time for a return that is modest at best, or do you junk it and start something new? If other people are concerned it's a nobrainer: you must get it done.

Luckiest day:- Tuesday

#### CANCER:-(June 21 - July 22)

Do you forgive a friend or colleague for the hurtful things they said or do you hold a grudge and aim to get back at them some point in the future? Forgiving is the best course by far, not for them but for your own peace of mind.

Luckiest day:- Wednesday



#### LEO:-(July 23 to August 22)

At some point today you will get the chance to stand up and tell those you work and do business with why you think they have got it wrong. They may not thank you for it now but they will do later on if they listen to your advice.

Luckiest day:- Friday

#### VIRGO:-(August 23 - Sept. 22)

You do so much for other people, especially for family and friends, but today you need to carve out some time and space for yourself so you can get your head and your heart working on the same level again. "Me time" is of the utmost importance.

Luckiest day:- Friday

#### LIBRA:-(Sept. 24 - October 23)

You may not care that someone is being openly critical about you but you do need to recognize that their negative remarks could harm you professionally. Stay cool but also make sure they don't get away with their wildly inaccurate claims.

**Luckiest day:- Sunday** 

## SCORPIO:-

(Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)

With the Sun, Mercury and Venus all moving through your birth sign any doubts you had about the path you are planning to take will disappear over the next 24 hours. You have no doubt that you will succeed and your self-belief will make it a fact. AIBG

Luckiest day:- Tuesday

by Kristian Marconi

#### SAGITTARIUS:-(Nov.23 -Dec. 21)

Cosmic activity in the most sensitive area of your chart means you may not be as full of yourself as you usually are today. But that's okay. Even a Sagittarius has moments when it all gets a bit too much to cope with – it's quite natural.

Luckiest day:- Friday

#### CAPRICORN:-(Dec.22 - Jan.20)

The most important thing today is that you make a conscious decision to channel your energy into areas that are positive and uplifting, rather than negative and divisive. Be someone who brings people together, not someone who delights in tearing them apart.

**Luckiest day:- Saturday** 

#### AQUARIUS:-. (21 - Feb. 18)

Cosmic activity in the career area of your chart is encouraging you to do something out of the ordinary on the work front, something that people in positions of power can't help but praise you for. Don't do what has been done already, be a pioneer.

Luckiest day:- Monday

## PISCES:-

(Feb.19 - March 20

You may be having doubts about a partnership that works great one minute but becomes a burden the next but give it more time. Maybe you are partly to blame for being a little too intense. Slow down, calm down and let it just happen.

Luckiest day:- Friday





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#### **Turkey Gravy**

Serves:-8

#### Ingredients:-

2 tbsp plain flour 700ml turkey stock 2 tbsp marsala (optional)

#### Preparation:-

Spoon all but about 4tbsp turkey fat from the roasting tin, leaving behind as much of the turkey juices as possible. Set the tin over a low heat on the hob and stir the flour into the juices to make a paste. Gradually

**Turkey Gravy** 



add the turkey stock to the pan, scraping up any bits stuck

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#### **Horseradish Encrusted Beef Tenderloin**

Serves:-8

#### Ingredients:-

- 1 whole garlic bulb
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1/3 cup prepared horseradish
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/3 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1 beef tenderloin roast (3 pounds)

#### Preparation:-

Remove papery outer skin from garlic bulb (do not peel or separate cloves). Cut top off garlic bulb; brush with oil. Wrap in heavy-duty foil.

Horseradish **Encrusted Beef Tenderloin** 

Bake at 425° until softened, 30-35 minutes.

Cool for 10-15 minutes. Lower oven setting to 400°. Squeeze softened garlic into a small bowl; stir in the horseradish, salt, basil, thyme and pepper. Add bread crumbs; toss to coat. Spread over top of tenderloin. Place on a rack in a large shallow roasting pan.

Bake until meat reaches desired doneness (for mediumrare, a thermometer should read 135°; medium, 140°; medium-well, 145°), 45-55 minutes. Let stand for 10 minutes before slicing.

#### **Honey Glazed Turkey**

Serves:- 20

#### Ingredients:-

1 turkey (14 to 16 pounds)

#### Glaze:-

1/2 cup honey

1/2 cup Dijon mustard

1 ½ teaspoons dried rosemary, crushed

1 teaspoon onion powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

1/4 teaspoon pepper

#### Stuffing:-

1/2 cup butter, cubed

2 cups chopped onion

1 ½ cups chopped celery

12 cups unseasoned stuffing cubes or dry bread cubes

1 tablespoon poultry seasoning

2 teaspoons chicken bouillon granules

1 teaspoon pepper

1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed

1 teaspoon lemon-pepper seasoning

3/4 teaspoon salt

3 1/4 to 3 3/4 cups boiling water

#### Preparation:-

Preheat oven to 325°. Place turkey on a rack in a shallow roasting pan, breast side up. Tuck wings under turkey; tie drumsticks together. Bake for 2 hours.



**Honey Glazed Turkey** 

In a small bowl, mix glaze ingredients; brush over turkey. Bake 1 ¾ to 2 ¼ hours longer or until a thermometer inserted in thickest part of thigh reads 170°-175°. Baste occasionally with pan drippings. (Cover loosely with foil if turkey browns too quickly.)

For stuffing, in a Dutch oven, heat butter over medium-high heat. Add onion and celery; cook and stir until tender. Add stuffing cubes and seasonings; toss to combine. Stir in enough boiling water to reach desired moistness; transfer to a greased 13x9-in. baking dish. Bake, covered, for 1 hour. Uncover and bake until lightly browned, 10-15 minutes longer.

Remove turkey from oven; cover loosely with foil and let stand 15 minutes before carving. If desired, skim fat and thicken pan drippings for gravy. Serve with turkey and stuffing.

**Savory Pork Loin** 

1/4 cup reduced-sodium

6 garlic cloves, minced 1 tablespoon each minced fresh basil, rosemary and sage 1 tablespoon ground

Roast

Serves:- 8

sov sauce

mustard

Ingredients:-



#### Savory Pork Loin Roast

- 1 pork loin roast (3-1/2 pounds)
- 1 cup water
- 8 green onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup brown gravy mix
- 2 ½ cups beef broth
- 1 1/4 cups sour cream
- 2 tablespoons prepared horseradish

#### Preparations:-

Preheat oven to 350°. In a small bowl, combine soy sauce, garlic, herbs and mustard; rub over roast. Place on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Pour water into the pan. Bake, uncovered, until a thermometer inserted in pork reads 145°, 70-90 minutes. Remove roast from oven; tent with foil. Let stand 15 minutes before slicing. Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, saute onions in butter until tender. Combine gravy mix and broth until smooth; stir into pan. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cook and stir until thickened. Stir in sour cream and horseradish; heat through (do not boil). Serve with pork.

### **Spiced Cranberry Sauce**

#### Serves:- 2 cups

#### Ingredients:-

- 1 package (12 ounces) fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

#### Preparation:-

In a large saucepan, combine all ingredients. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, until the berries pop and mixture is thickened, about 30 minutes. Cool. Transfer to a serving bowl; cover and refrigerate until chilled.

**Spicy Cranberry Sauce** 

#### Gin and mint sauce

#### Serves:- 1 1/2 cups

#### Ingredients:-

2/3 cup (160ml) extra virgin olive oil Finely grated zest of ½ lemon

- 2 1/2 tbs good quality gin
- 1 tsp caster sugar
- 1 cup firmly packed mint leaves
- 1/2 cup firmly packed basil leaves
- 1 french eschallot, sliced
- 2 tbs water

#### Preparation:-

Whiz all ingredients in a food processor until smooth. Pour into a sterilised bottle and store in the fridge for up to 3 days.

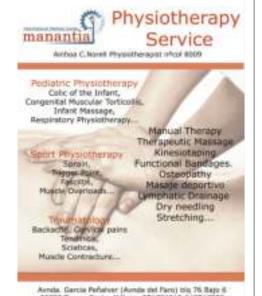


**Gin and Mint Sauce** 









#### **CAN I TREAT MY INSOMNIA WITH ACUPUNCTURE?**

Insomnia is one of the most frequent sleep disturbances that currently exist. Since they affect a large part of society. We can define insomnia as the alteration or modification of sleep.

#### TYPES OF INSOMNIA

It can be presented in several ways:

- · Problems falling asleep at bedtime. This case is the most frequent or common, and this type is called initial insomnia.
- · At other times insomnia however occurs when we wake up very frequently. Also when we wake up often throughout the night. This type is called intermediate insomnia.
- · Although sometimes insomnia can also appear when we wake up very early, much earlier than we expected. This type is called terminal insomnia.

We must know that sleeping is a vital and very important function for the human being. We say this, since when we are sleeping the brain will carry out innately or naturally, a process that will allow the whole body to regenerate and recover. But when this process is affected or altered, this is when it is said that the sleep has not been restorative.

#### **HOURS OF SLEEP**

The duration of sleep will vary from one person to another. Since, it will depend on the age. But it usually oscillates between 4 and 12 hours of sleep. For an adult, the normal and the most ideal thing is that their night sleep is about 7 to 8 hours. This sleep time will allow us, the next day, to carry out our daily or daily activities with total normality. However, on the other hand, it must be said that an elderly person does not thing for a 65-year-old person is to sleep about 6 hours at night. These hours of sleep are totally sufficient for them since they do not carry out great activities that imply a great effort throughout the day. I mean, they don't move as much as a 40-year-old. Another important fact to note is that insomnia appears more frequently in women than in men. They have been carried out and there is still a lot of study and research on the subject. This produces great alterations or even disorders on a mental and physical level. For this reason, when we are facing a case of insomnia it is important to know how to frame it in order to be able to carry out a successful treatment later.

#### INSOMNIA CLASSIFICATIONS

We can perform the following classification: 1.- FOR ITS DURATION Which in turn is divided into:

- \* ACUTE OR TRANSIENT. This type of insomnia does not last long, only about 2 or 3 days. They appear because some type of situation is related that is not usual, such as a trip or exams. It tends to disappear the moment that specific situation that causes the patient a state of nervousness disappears. They usually do not need treatment.
- \* SHORT DURATION OR LOWER DURATION. This type of insomnia has a longer duration, usually lasting about 4 weeks. They have somewhat more important problems associated with them, such as family problems, financial problems ... \* CHRONIC OR LONG LASTING. The duration of this type of insomnia is greater than 4 weeks. The causes that trigger this type are not known or are not very clear.
- 2.- ACCORDING TO ITS INTENSITY They are classified into:
- \* MILD. Insomnia usually appears almost every night, but quickly falls asleep again. Therefore, it does not usually alter the normal rhythm of the patient, being able to carry out his daily activities without any problem.
- \* MODERATE. Insomnia appears every night, but the time to fall asleep again is somewhat longer. Here if the power to perform daily activities is affected and even the quality of life of the patient is affected. This can lead to fatigue, irritability, and even anxiety.
- \* SERIOUS. It is the same as the previous case, but here the associated symptoms are much more pronounced, being of greater intensity.
- 3.- BY THE WAY OF PRESENTATION In turn, they are divided into:

CONCILIATION, are those insomnia that takes less than 30 minutes to fall asleep again.

MAINTENANCE, are those types of insomnia that take more than 30 minutes to fall asleep

A RAPID AWAKENING, are those insomnia in which the patient wakes up before the scheduled or scheduled time. They usually appear in older people.

WHAT ARE THE CAUSES OF INSOMNIA?

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They can be very varied and multiple causes for which insomnia or that sleep disturbance appears, but below we are going to point out or list the frequent or most important ones:

- Due to excessive worry. For Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) an excess of concern will affect the Lung, Spleen and Heart.
- Because the patient may have frustration or anger or resentment. For Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) this will affect the Liver.
- Because there is an excess of work in which you work long hours and without rest. For Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM), this rate of work will affect our Kidney.
- When we eat very heavy meals or excessively increase dairy products in our diet, and for Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) this will affect the Stomach.

#### **HOW CAN INSOMNIA AFFECT US?**

When we suffer from this alteration and it also lasts a long time, this has a series of consequences that will affect our quality of life and of course when it comes to carrying out all our daily or daily activities. Some of the effects it produces are:

- Fatique.
- · Mood alterations.
- · Altered mood.
- · Irritability.
- · Depression may appear.
- · We can even find ourselves with anxiety attacks.
- Decreased concentration.
- · Reduces reaction time to any unforeseen event.
- · You have even had problems keeping your balance, increasing the risk of falling.
- · Decreases the quality of work.
- · And of course, our quality of life decreases.

#### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF ACUPUNCTURE FOR **INSOMNIA?**

Acupuncture is an ancient technique and is considered one of the most effective alternative therapies. Acupuncture treatments are totally painless, because the needle is very fine and elastic and it will only be applied under the skin. The only thing that the patient will notice at the time of inserting the needle is a sensation of a small pinch, which will disappear as soon as the needle is in place. The needles used to perform this or any other Acupuncture treatment are totally sterile and disposable needles. It is important to point out or indicate that acupuncture treatment does not have any side effects on health, unlike drug treatments that most do have side effects. The efficiency of Acupuncture on a large number of diseases is more than verified, since its objective is to restore or restore the flow of energy and this for example can help us in this case, to achieve a great improvement for the treatment of insomnia.

THIS IS BECAUSE WITH THE ACUPUNCTURE TREATMENT WE WILL ACHIEVE:

- Increase blood flow.
- 2.- Regulate or balance the Nervous System.
- 3.- We are going to help the production of a very important hormone to promote sleep, this hormone is Melatonin.

#### WHAT IS THE MECHANISM OF ACTION OF ACUPUNCTURE ON **INSOMNIA?**



Previously we have listed only three points of how acupuncture works, but below we will develop more deeply how acupuncture intervenes in the treatment of insomnia.

- > The effect that the needles will have will be to act on the nerve fibers that will block the sympathetic system at the spinal level. > Acupuncture is known to positively influence the chemical activity of the brain and this is achieved through the release of:
- Some substances that will stimulate or inhibit nerve impulses. These substances are known by the name of Neurotransmitters.
- Some substances that will act on the activity of an organ in our body. These substances are known by the name of Neurohormones.
- > At the base of our skull we have a gland that is the Pituitary and there is also the Hypothalamus. With Acupuncture what we are going to achieve is to stimulate both the Pituitary Gland and the Hypothalamus. It is known that the Hypothalamus is in charge of activating and controlling a part of our Nervous System and also has the function of controlling the Endocrine System and certain bodily functions. Among these functions are the regulation of temperature, appetite and of course sleep.
- ➤ Acupuncture will regulate or balance the release of hormones that will act on sleep. These hormones are:
- Endorphins
- Serotonin
- Norepinephrine
- Cortisol
- Acetylcholine
- Melatonin
- Nitric oxide Substance P
- > Another mechanism of action of Acupuncture on insomnia is the stimulation of molecules that will regulate stress among many other

things. These molecules are known by the name of Endogenous Opiates.

WHAT POINTS DOES ACUPUNCTURE USE TO TREAT **INSOMNIA?** 

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As we have commented previously, the objective of Acupuncture is to regulate the flow of energy, using fine, sterile, disposable and painless needles as a working tool. For the Acupuncture treatment to be totally effective we have to take into account several factors:

- 1.- We must do a good, in-depth study of all the symptoms that the patient presents.
- 2.- Once all the symptoms have been correctly identified, with this what we are going to do is make a good diagnosis.
- 3.- If these two previous points have been carried out very exhaustively, it will lead us to a correct and successful treatment. In this case of insomnia, a part of the treatment will be focused on mitigating or softening stress, as well as balancing or restoring energy.
- 4.- A factor that is also important and that should not be left to free will, is choosing a good professional to perform the treatment for us. This will greatly influence the skill or expertise of the acupuncturist in inserting the needle, the in-depth knowledge of human anatomy and the exact points where the treatment should be applied.

#### **ENERGY POINTS**

It is important to indicate that all treatments must be totally personalized, since each patient may have the same symptoms, which in this case is insomnia, but may present different alterations in the background. We have previously commented that, due to insomnia, energy imbalances were presented in different organs of our body. These organs that were decompensated were Heart (C), Kidney (R), Liver (H), Stomach (E), Spleen (B) and Lung (P). Well, the treatment that we must carry out must be directed towards these six organs. We know that Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) says that the human being is all energy and that this energy circulates throughout our body, through channels called Meridians. We can say that Meridians are like the blood vessels through which blood circulates.

#### **SESSIONS:**

Finally, it only remains to highlight that with Acupuncture excellent results are obtained for insomnia problems. But for this, at least five sessions are needed, to be able to observe the first symptoms of improvement. With a total of ten sessions to achieve all the energy rebalancing. But as we have commented previously, all treatments must be personalized and this number of sessions are only indicative.

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#### **Christmas Morning Smoothie**

Serves: 1

#### Ingredients:-

1 cup strawberries (fresh or frozen)

½ banana (fresh or frozen)

1 cup unsweetened almond milk (or non-dairy milk of your choice)

1 tablespoon avocado

1 tablespoon raw

pumpkin seeds

1 tablespoon chia seeds

A handful of ice if you're using fresh fruit

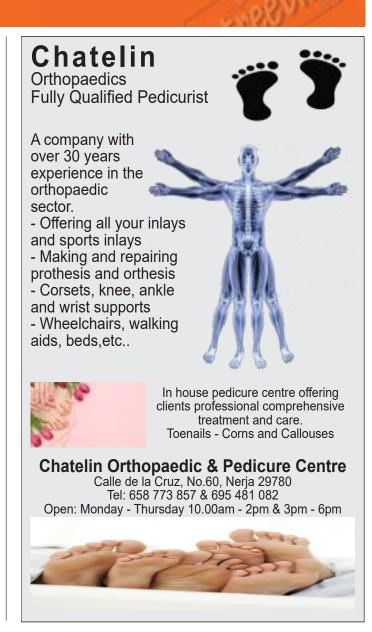
#### Preparation:-

Blend all ingredients

in a high-speed blender, like a Vitamix, until smooth. Sprinkle the top with a pinch of chia

seeds and a few extra pumpkin seeds to make it look extra festive.





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#### Why every person over 40 should exercise?

Menopause and osteoporosis

The menopause with women starts when the oestrogen levels drop. The oestrogen levels drop with age and this is a normal cycle of life starting usually between 45 and 55 years of age. It all starts with hot flashes, changes in the monthly period, gaining or losing weight, anxiety, depression, insomnia, difficulty concentrating, mood swings etc.. Some women have severe symptoms, other very few and mild ones. But disregarding the intensity, every woman feels that her body

changes. Even if you have very few problems, it does not mean you can't get osteoporosis.

Osteoporosis is a dangerous side effect of the menopause. You can prevent it by exercising (especially weight baring, resistance and balance exercises!). Taking supplements such as vitamins and minerals also helps prevent osteoporosis. Osteoporosis is a serious disease. Don't underestimate it. It can be painful. It often leads to hunched posture and will limit your mobility. Go see your doctor, take the supplements and exercise.

Sports is a good medication. It soothes the symptoms and makes you feel good about yourself. You know you have overcome the most difficult stage of the menopause when you feel good again like you did before.

And how about men?

Older men don't get in a menopause but can get osteoporosis! So men over 40 should also exercise and take supplements. Exercise not only makes your heart, muscles and bones stronger but it also makes you lose weight and this will be beneficial to the bones also. So choose a sport that is weight baring like strength training in a gym or a Bootcamp or BodyPump class. Or working out using your own weight like in a Pilates class. Take on something you really like. And one with as little obstacles as possible: Close to home, normal prices, flexible hours and no contracts. Keep moving! Venga vamos!

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#### Here are 12 foods that may rev up your metabolism.

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#### 6. Beans and legumes

Legumes and beans, such as lentils, peas, chickpeas, black beans, and peanuts are particularly high in protein compared to other plant foods. Studies suggest that their high protein content requires your body to burn more calories to digest them, compared to lower-protein foods.



#### 7. Ginger

Ginger and related spices are thought to have particularly beneficial metabolism boosting properties. For instance, research shows that dissolving 2 grams of ginger powder in hot water and drinking it with a meal may help you burn up to 43 more calories than drinking hot water alone. This hot ginger drink also may decrease levels of hunger and enhance feelings of satiety (fullness).



#### 8. Cacao

Cacao and cocoa are tasty treats that may also benefit your metabolism. For instance, studies in mice have noted that cocoa and cocoa extracts may promote the expression of genes that stimulate fat burning. This appears to especially true in mice fed high fat or high calorie diets. If you'd like to give cacao a try, opt for raw versions. Processing tends to reduce the amounts of beneficial compounds and add extra sugar and calories.



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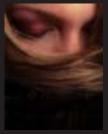






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# Festive Looks: 8 Tips on how to be your most beautiful at Christmas

The big day is approaching – are you still looking for the ideal beauty look? Discover our little beauty tips on how to look your best at Christmas.

This is it. The last minute gift is now sitting under the tree, the dress has been dry-cleaned and is now ready to be worn, the turkey is in the oven. All you need to do is just make yourself presentable for the evening Christmas dinner. Hairstyle, makeup, manicure... take a look at our best tips to make yourself feel and look good at Christmas this year.

#### 1) PREPARE YOUR SKIN

Being your most attractive during Christmas does not only mean piling on the makeup and having a perfect hairstyle. Yes, ladies, you have to prepare well in advance. A few days before the festivities, be sure to eat healthy, reduce excess alcohol consumption, and drink plenty of water to avoid unsightly blemishes. Also, make sure you get a good night's sleep in order to dodge those panda eyes and that dull complexion.

#### 2) OVER-THE-TOP MAKEUP

The holidays are an opportunity to be a little more daring than usual with your makeup looks. You can go full-on glitter crazy, and try on that vibrant eyeshadow you've always been too afraid to flaunt. This isn't like going to a formal dinner, this is a fun and celebratory holiday! A bold lipstick shade like a classic flaming red or a very dark matte would stand out perfectly.

#### 3) ILLUMINATE THOSE SHADOWS WITH A HIGHLIGHTER

We all want to shine brightly during the holiday, so we say "yes!" to highlighting makeup. Illuminate your shadows, apply it delicately on the edge of your nose and on the top of your cheekbones for a chic look. There are plenty of different highlighting makeup products out there – from powders to sticks. You just need to choose the one that suits you best.

#### 4) A SIMPLE BUT EFFECTIVE HAIRSTYLE

A festive hairstyle does not necessarily mean going crazy. If you opt for an OTT makeup look, perhaps avoid an OTT hairstyle. A nice nice loose bun or fishtail braid will be perfect for the evening. You don't want to look too "slick" and "made up" – the holidays means being a little more laid-back and fun with your appearance!

#### 5) BE DARING WITH THE FALSE LASHES

Thicken up those lashes by going for some falsies. A natural look will do, don't bother with those complex lashes with rhinestones and odd colours. Nothing



beats a doe-eyed look in holiday photographs! You'll look perfect in every snapshot!

#### 6) GETTING YOUR MANICURE

When it comes to your hands, your manicure should be impeccable. Avoid glittery glazes – it's not a chic look, especially after a certain age. Pick classic colours that are effectively eye-catching like red, burgundy, or why not black? And if you intend to wear sandals, do not forget the varnish on your toenails! Tip: Do your nails the night before to let dry and avoid any last-minute mishaps.

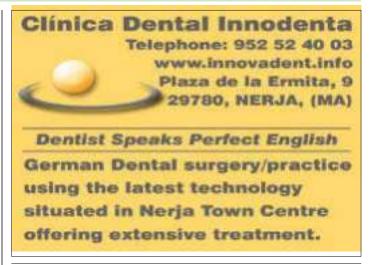
#### 7) A NICE CLEAVAGE

We rarely think about it, but your neckline can also be highlighted. If you have invested in a V-neck dress, do not hesitate to apply a little highlighting powder to the hollow of your chest. Sultry glamour, activated!

#### 8) ALWAYS RETOUCH ON THE NIGHT

After a glass of wine, a few dances, a bit of rushing around... even the biggest Hollywood stars don't spend an entire evening out without touching up their makeup every few hours. The ultimate secret to being your most beautiful during a dinner party is to regularly look after your appearance. After all, you spent plenty of time putting your look together – you're going to want to maintain it! Re-powder your nose, reapply your lipstick... this will help you look put-together all night long.









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#### MANIFESTING - (Or how to become your own Santa Claus!)

What is the art of manifestation?

To manifest is to bring something you want, dream of, or aspire to into reality. It is often referred to as using the Law of Attraction and when it works, it is a powerful reminder of the power of our minds and the abundance of the Universe.

I powerfully experienced the potential of manifestation some 15 years ago. My girlfriends and I had a fun afternoon surrounded by magazines, glue and optimism. We each created a vision board, a pictorial representation of what we wanted in our lives at the time. Mine included living abroad, a new car, laser eye surgery, a further qualification, peace, happiness and a new dog amongst others. Bearing in mind I was a single parent, most of my wishes seemed way out of my reach. When we were finished I put it on view for a while, focusing on each thing and willing it to come to me but after a while it got put in the back of the wardrobe and forgotten. Fast forward a couple of years and I moved house. I found the board and to my astonishment everything on the board had become a reality, except the living abroad. 2 years later and here I was in Spain! Now some people may dismiss this as luck, coincidence or complete mumbo jumbo but I have used the art of manifestation many times since to great success. The important thing though, is to remember it's not just about saying I want and then getting it. If you think of a small child screaming, crying and demanding a toy, compared to a child who expresses a liking for a toy but then gives you a cuddle, or offers to help with something or thanks you for something



they have already, which child are you more inclined to give what they want. People talk about having better manifestation results when you lift your vibration. And really that's what it means. To show gratitude for what you have, to be positive, help others and live your life in alignment with your goals, these all help you succeed. To lie around in your bed, whinging because you don't have the life you want, displaying jealousy of others and a sense of entitlement will not encourage the Universe to give you your dream life.

#### **How to Manifest**

- **1.** Set a clear goal about what you actually want, for example, a healthy relationship or a better job. Make it detailed: see the person, what they look like, how they act, what their interests are.
- **2.** Ask the universe for what you want in whatever manner works for you; prayer, meditation or visualisation. Make your goal more concrete by writing it down or creating a pictorial vision board either physically or on a word document.
- **3.** Start working towards your goal. Manifesting is not simply a one way street. It is a collaboration between you and the universe so you need to take some action and see what you can do to help bring about this change.
- **4.** Remove any psychological blocks you may have that are stopping you from achieving your goal. For example, many people have money blocks that stop them ever having sufficient money, despite appearing to want it and working towards it. Common blocks include feeling you don't deserve something, that you are not good enough to have something or that it is simply not available to you.
- **5.** Practice gratitude for what you have, the person you are and the people in your life. This can help you shift your mindset from a sense of 'lack' to that of 'abundance'. This means your energy is focused on what you have, rather than what you don't.
- **6.** Surround yourself with positive people. This alongside gratitude and self care also increases your sense of positivity which helps you to stay in tune with your goal or goals.
- 7. Trust the Process. Manifestation is rarely an instant fix. It can take time so try not to be discouraged, stressed or to focus on what can go wrong. Have confidence that everything is working for your benefit at exactly the right time in exactly the right way. Keep your attitude, thoughts and behaviour aligned with your ultimate goal.
- **8.** Be open to receiving signs from the universe that you are on the right path and that anything is possible.
- **9.** Be careful what you ask for. When I was a single parent and struggling on occasion to pay bills or for a treat for the children, something would always turn up to help just at the right moment. I always seemed to manage despite my incomings on paper often being less than my outgoings. In the end I just trusted that I was being looked after and I was. But in hindsight I asked for just enough to survive and that is exactly what I got. Knowing what I know now I could have asked for much, much more so don't limit yourself.

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#### 9. Apple cider vinegar

Apple cider vinegar may increase your metabolism. Animal studies have shown vinegar to be particularly helpful in increasing the amount of fat burned for energy. Likewise, apple cider vinegar is often claimed to boost metabolism in humans, but few studies have investigated this directly. It may help you lose weight by slowing stomach emptying and enhancing feelings of fullness.



10. Medium chain triglyceride (MCT) oil MCT oil is a unique type of fat that may offer some metabolic benefits. Most fats found in foods are longchain triglycerides, but MCT oil is comprised of medium-chain triglycerides. Some studies have shown that MCT oil consumption can increase metabolic rate in humans. Additionally, unlike long-chain fats, once MCTs are absorbed, they go directly to the liver to be turned into energy. This makes them less likely to be stored as body fat.

#### 11. Water

Drinking enough water is a great way to stay hydrated. Additionally, some studies show that drinking water may also briefly boost metabolism by 24-30%.



#### 12. Seaweed

Seaweed is rich in iodine, a mineral required for the production of thyroid hormones and proper functioning of your thyroid gland. Thyroid hormones have various functions, one of which is to regulate your metabolic rate. Regularly consuming seaweed can help you meet your iodine needs and maintain your metabolic health.



#### The bottom line

Certain foods may help slightly increase your metabolic rate, or how many calories you burn. So, consuming them regularly may help you lose weight and keep it off in the long term.

However, these foods will not negate a high calorie or poor quality diet. For effective, lasting weight loss and weight loss maintenance, seek a gradual reduction in calories and choose mostly whole, minimally processed foods.



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We now meet at Legends Bar, Calle Pintor Cipriano Maldonado 9, Torre del Mar. The contact is Bill Bedford, tel no 694 471 005. On the first Sunday of the month we meet at 10.30am for Communion/ Breakfast, on the other Sundays we meet at 11.00 am.

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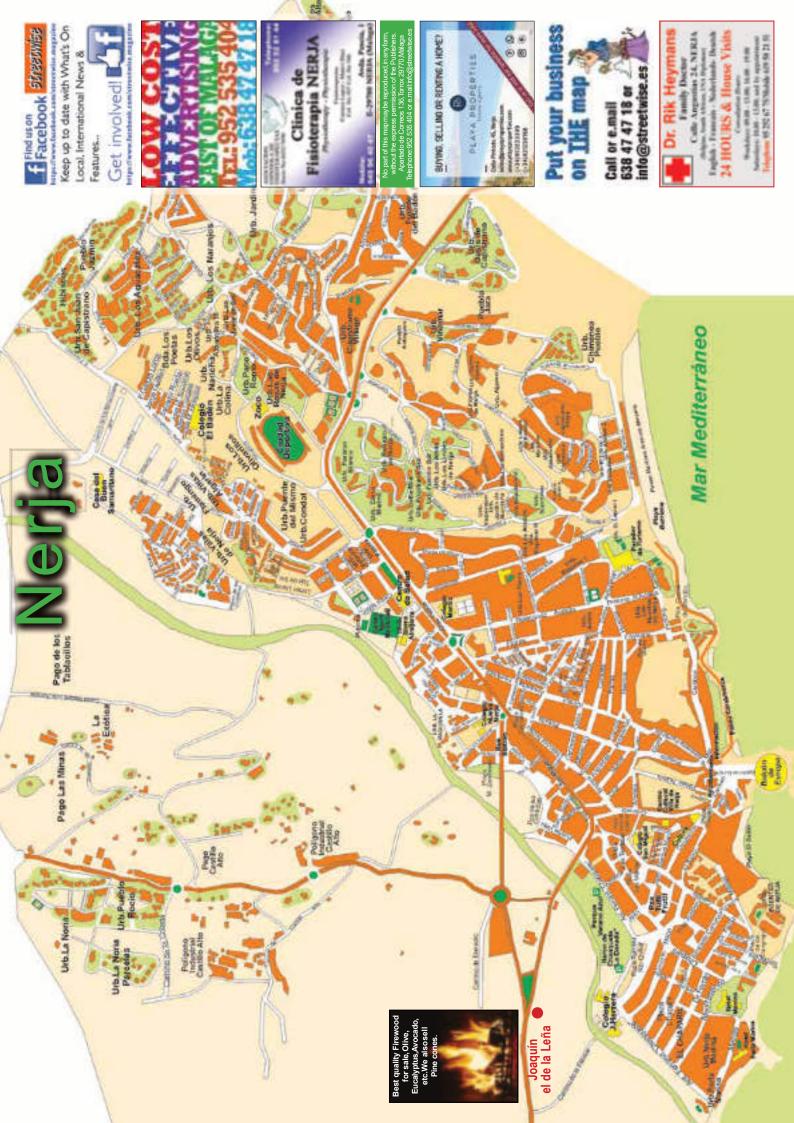
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DECEMBER & JANUARY

# DECEMBER & JANUARY COMING EVENTS & EXCURSION

Our shop will be open Wednesday and Fridays. Time 11.00 to 13.00. Donations in good conditions are always welcome.

Thursday 1st December - Coach **Excursion for Christmas Shopping** to Guzman Garden Centre, Miramar Centre & Iceland. Friends are invited on a Christmas shopping spree. The first stop at approximately 10.15 will be at Viveros Guzman to see their Christmas display and have a snack and coffee. You will then rejoin the coach for the short journey to spend the afternoon in the Miramar Shopping Centre where you will be able to have lunch and may be also visit Yorkshire Linen, Iceland and many other shops close by. The coach will return home at 16.30. Tickets available at the Centre: Price 15 Euros for Friends of Lux Mundi, guests 17 Euros. Proceeds for fundraising. Departures: Algarrobo (Lidl) 09.00, Caleta (Vets) 09.05, Torre del Mar (Bus Station) 09.15.

Wednesday 7th December - Quiz Night with a Christmas Theme. Please come along to the Centre and have a fun night out with your team of 6 friends. Light refreshments available and drinks can be purchased. Tickets available at the Centre 7€ or with a Friend of Lux Mundi card 6€. Doors open at 6.00pm and the fun starts at 6.30pm.

Tuesday 20th December - Coach Excursion to "La Mosca" Belen (if it is open) and Malaga Christmas Lights. Lux Mundi, Torre del Mar, invite you to join friends and enjoy an evening first visiting the "La Mosca" area of Malaga to see the



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Saturday 17th December – Ecumenical Christmas Carol Service. You will be welcome to join in the carols sung by the Spanish Choir "Amigos de Lux Mundi", the German Choir "Con Los Cantores" director Lisa Kropp Time

Thursday 12th January – Excursion to Gibraltar for the Sales.



# 41 CLUB NERJA PRESS RELEASE-"WE MEETAGAIN, AT LAST!" "Absolutely thrilled and delighted", exclaimed Peter MacLeod, Chairman of 41 CLUBNERJA, at the news that after

20 long months our members are at last coming together for a

proper social gathering. "Our 40 plus members come from nine different Countries and this Pandemic has therefore

had a really hard impact onus" explained Peter. "But we've kept our strong friendships going through technology, swapping snippets of fun on our Whatsapp group and by embracing remote meetings through the wonders of Zoom".

"Now,as members are starting to travel again",Peter went on to say "We are able to meet

up properly and we are so looking forward to meeting face to face and swapping all those Stories about how the Lockdown has affected us". Peter is also pleased to

report that "The Clubhas been busy behind the scenes, improving our website and developing a new Face- book page, all aimed at increasing the Club's profile in the Communityand recruiting some new members, while getting prepared for maybe just alittle bit of normality". Peter finished off by inviting any Past Members of Round Table, from anywhere in the World, whomay live or spend sometime in Nerja, or the wider area "East of Malaga", to get in touch and come along to see how we continue the

Funand Fellowship associated with the Round Table Family.

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#### YOGA FUSION DANCE

Yoga Fusion Dance online every Wednesday from 7p.m. to 8p.m. on the ZOOM platform.

Sissi, a former dancer at the Alcazar cabaret in Paris, has devoted herself to yoga for 30 years. Throughout her atypical career, she meets real yogis who teach her and pass on their knowledge.

Yoga dance was born from this fusion between dance and inner quest. Uniting these two disciplines, the science of Yoga and the creativity of dance, is the originality of her trajectory.

From this deep knowledge, she knows that healing does not come from postures or asanas but from the combination of the 5 vital breaths, the Pranas: apana, udana, prana, vyana, samana which allow the free circulation and fluidity of vital energy.

In a game of figures, Sissi makes the bridge by substituting certain Yoga postures with dance movements. An innovative, creative and fun way to approach the path to more consciousness.

For more information contact Sissi on (0034) 699 037 998 or email:- isabelgilton@gmail.com

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> Opening hours:-Monday to Saturday 10a.m. till 2.30p.m.

#### **Nerja Arts Society**

18.00 Centro Cultural Nerja.

My lecture will delve into the origins of Picasso's imaginary. Themes and images that continue to appear in his work from his beginnings till his last pieces, mostly linked to his Mediterranean roots. More than 80 years of work reflecting life and death, family, religion, the minotaur and the bull, Greek mythology, and his cannibalization of the great masters of art. From his very first known bullfight oil painting at the age of 8 to his very last musketeers at 91 years. His great variety of techniques and his constant research into new ways of artistic expressions. His life among artists friends and many other that enriched his personal and artistic life.







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#### **About Alejandra Carazo**

Alejandra Carazo studied History of Art in Málaga University and holds a Master degree in Art & Communication from the Complutense University in Madrid. She became an expert in the work of Pablo Picasso and Modern Art during her years as coordinator of the education department and researcher at the Museo Picasso Málaga, where she worked hand in hand with the curating department in the organization of the Museum's Collection and temporary exhibitions.

She is nowadays working freelance as curator and researcher for galleries and has become an expert in interior design for art.

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#### PICASSO

THE ORIGINS OF HIS ART

by Alejandra Carazo

Tuesday 13 December 2022 at 18:00 (Spanish time)

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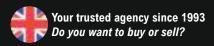








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