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Next year marks the 20th year since Lanzarote was awarded the designation as a World Biosphere Reserve by Unesco in 1993 and is one of only a handful of tourist resorts to be included in the Sustainable Tourist Destinations of the World by the Tourism Council of the United Nations. One of Lanzarote's most realistic examples of outstanding environmental value and excellent state of conservation is the island's hotels and apartment complexes who pioneered the category of Biosphere Hotels in Spain.

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Having enjoyed your holiday, you may consider buying a holiday cum retirement home on the Island. And why not, with year-round sunshine only a few hours away from most European airports you can't go wrong. We publish quarterly with the next issue out on 1 December. Safe journey and hoping to see you again.

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The Cavendish Banana Low Carbon Footprint

Dear Sir,

Why is the Canary banana sometimes referred to as the Cavendish banana or the dwarf Cavendish? Is there an English connection?

Peter Hancock
Bognor Regis

GUINEVERE The first known origin of the Cavendish banana was introduced by Charles Telfair from South China to Mauritius in 1826. Three years later he sent plants to England which reached the Duke of Devonshire in whose green houses in 1836 one flourished. Paxton, the gardener in charge of the Cavendish green houses, described the plant in 1837 adopting the name *Musa Cavendishi*, according to author Eileen Yeoward.

First imported into the UK

from the Canary Islands in the 1890s, within ten years the banana became the most popular fruit in the country.

Bananas have one of the smallest carbon footprints of all fruits as they grow in natural light, last a long time and need almost no packaging. Therefore, their CO2 emissions come mostly from transportation rather than from cultivation. In 2013, supermarket chain Asda started selling bananas from the Canary Islands instead of from the Caribbean and Central America, in an effort to cut the fruit's carbon footprint and reduce transportation time. According to a report in

The Guardian, at the time, journeys, which lasted four days, are 80% shorter from the Canaries to Spain and then to the UK compared to the 24 days required for fruit from the Americas.

Thermal Heat Alternative Energy

Dear Sir,

During our visit to the Fire Mountains, we watched rangers demonstrate how close the heat is to the surface by burning twigs and pouring a bucket of water into a drill-hole in the ground followed by an eruption. Has anyone ever tried to harness this heat to use as a source of power as the island is known for its respect of the environment and for using alternative sources of energy wherever possible? Bye the way, have any lives been lost during eruptions on Lanzarote.

Edith Sharpstone
Stoke on Trent

GUINEVERE According to volcanologists Robert and Barbara Decker, in discussing geothermal energy and power, it is important to un-



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derstand the subtle difference between the two terms. Heat is a form of energy and there is an immense amount of it inside the Earth. The heat energy contained in just the upper 10 kilometers of the United States would supply the country's energy for the next 100,000 years. Geothermal energy is enormous but its natural rate of release is trivial and even if it could be converted into electricity with an efficiency of 20 percent it would require all of the heat flow from an area as large as a football stadium to power a 60 watt light bulb. A lightning bolt contains only a modest amount of energy, equal to that of about two barrels of crude oil, but it expends this energy in a fraction of a second, unleashing enormous power. Concerning loss of life, the volcanoes of the Canary Islands belong to the Hawaii type of volcano which is considered a weaker category as

far as strength is concerned. One of its features is that it gives plenty of warning about any possible eruption up to six months in advance through smoke emissions from the ground, or eruptions in the sea just off the coast. As you probably know, the Fire Mountains erupted intermittently over a six year period, 1730-1736, followed by a smaller eruption in 1824 and neither resulted in any loss of life.

Cacti and Succulents

Dear Sir,

What is the origin of the plants and succulents seen in various parts of the island and of course most especially at the Cactus Garden. I understand from a book by Guillermo P. Perdomo, "Lanzarote Cactus Garden," that originally cacti were limited entirely to the Americas, from Canada to Patagonia. Some lived in coastal deserts and others

hang from flatland trees and others grow at an altitude of more than 4,000 metres. In their natural habitat some barely stick out of the ground and others are more than 20 metres tall. Some bloom at night and others during the day, and generally for a short time, some from a few hours to three to four days.

How did they come to be on Lanzarote and the other Canary Islands in the first place?

Betty Bradley. Las Breñas

GUINEVERE Almost all non native plants including cacti and succulents were brought to the islands by British shipping lines in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. They used to sail to the coast of Africa via the Canary Islands with merchandise from England and among goods from African they also



Wine cultivation on Lanzarote is unique, with vines planted individually in small craters. Volcanic grains shield the grapes from the sun and a wall protects from the wind. Many thousands of such craters in the La Geria wine region are catalogued the the New York Museum of Modern Art as "Engineering without Engineers." Due to the terrain, grapes are planted and harvested manually, resulting in high labour costs. When visitors buy a bottle of Lanzarote-origin wine, a they actively contribute to the preservation of a traditional method of viniculture in danger of dying out.



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brought plants. These enterprising merchants were the first to buy fresh fruit and vegetables in the Canary Islands for Britain especially during the winter months and soon realized that due to the Canarian weather African plants would thrive there.

One of the main features of the Canarian landscape is the typical vegetation of succulent plants throughout the dry zones of Lanzarote as well as the other Islands. Many species in these plant communities are native, particularly on the cliffs of Famara which is often covered with a mantle of low cloud. This applies to *Euphorbia canariensis* (cardonis) whereas others such as the Agave and Opuntia, were introduced to the Islands from the American continent many years ago although they are now completely naturalized.

A major group among semi desert plants, are those generally termed succulents, plants which survive periods of extreme drought by storing water in their stems and leaves which have become especially adapted for this purpose according to Jardines de Canarias by David and Zoe Bramwell,

Such adaptations make for unusual plant architecture and permit succulents, including cacti, to be used as the basis of spectacular displays in gardens fortunate enough to be located where such

plants can be grown out of doors. A prime example of which is the Cactus Garden designed by César Manrique where the *Opuntia ficus-barbarica* was originally brought in as host for the cochineal insects.

Churchill and the Canary Islands

Dear Sir,

What happened on the Canary Islands during the Second World War! Spain was supposedly neutral but according to the History Channel, German U boats used to regularly stock up with supplies as well as refuel in Canarian waters. There was supposedly a secret refuge at Cofete on the coast of the isle of Fuerteventura owned by a German botanist by the name of Winter who had leased a large amount of land on the island several years before the war specifically for this purpose.

Sara Pear. Huddersfield

GUINEVERE According to highly respected military historians, Paul Preston and John Keegan, Spain's wartime neutrality was a myth concocted by the nationalists and their supporters after the event. They say that that the Franco regime was an enthusiastic supporter of Germany, without whose assistance in 1936 - in providing air transport for the

Army of Africa to cross the Straits of Gibraltar from Spanish Morocco to mainland Spain – the Nationalist coup would have stalled and possibly failed. The leader of the rebellion, Franco had originally flown to Morocco from the island of Tenerife where he was stationed as Captain General of the Canary Islands. In return for their help, Spain supplied various materials to Germany during the Second World War as well as submarine refueling and resupplying facilities on the mainland as well as the Canary Islands.

An article published by Der Spiegel in 2006, reports that a German engineer Gustav Winter (posing as a botanist involved in environmental research) who was very close to the Nazi hierarchy, built a two-storey house near the coast on Fuerteventura, with a lookout tower and extensive underground tunnels which reached the sea, for the sole purpose of refueling submarines. In 1971, Stern magazine, published the only interview Gustav Winter gave during his lifetime in which he denied everything about the rumours of a submarine base on his land. However, other sources were quoted saying that after the war a large amount of German army uniforms were found in one of the rooms of the house and that Winter had also built an airfield and road using prisoners.

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months after the outbreak of WW2, Winston Churchill's War Cabinet discussed plans to occupy the aerodromes and ports of the Spanish (and Portuguese) Atlantic Islands as retaliation should Spain allow the German army to enter the mainland in order to attack Gibraltar.

Local Wine

Dear Sir,

On our first visit to your beautiful island we found the word "Malvasia" on the label of most bottles of wine we ordered. A waiter told us that it is the name of the grape cultivated to make this wine. Could you tell us the origin of the word please?

Heinz Jürgens

Island Homes Famara

GUINEVERE The origin of the word Malvasia found on the label of Canary wine, dates back to Roman times. When the legions of Julius

Cesar travelled to foreign shores they carried seedlings of fruits and vegetables which grew well in climates similar to those they were colonizing. In the case of the Canaries they planted grape vines which originated in the Monemvasia region of Greece. Over the centuries the word Monemvasia evolved into Malvasia in Spanish, Malmsey in English and Malvoisie in French. There are numerous mentions of Canary wine in the works of William Shakespeare.

French Canaries?

Dear Sir,

We read in your magazine that the island was discovered by an expedition from Normandy in 1402 led by a French nobleman called Juan de Bethencourt. If this was the case, why do the Canary Islands belong to Spain and not France?

Colette Leclerc. Lyon

GUINEVERE To answer your question in one word, "money." Before embarking on his journey, the French nobleman had sought the financial assistance of his monarch Philip III of France, but was turned down. He then submitted a request to Henry III of Castile who agreed to subsidise the expedition on the condition that should the mission succeed, the Canary Islands would become part of the Spanish Crown. However, when Bethencourt was about to declare the Islands a Spanish protectorate, Portugal stepped in and laid claim to the Canaries based on the prior explorations of the region by Prince Henry the Navigator. Both countries appealed to Pope Boniface IX in Rome for arbitration, who decided in favour of Spain.

We should add that the Normans did not actually discover the



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Canaries, which had been known since Roman times, what the Normans did do however, was to bring the Islands to the attention of the major European Powers at the beginning of the 15th century during their search for natural dyes..

Miniature Guitar

Dear Sir

We had a wonderful time during our first holiday on Lanzarote. One of the most enjoyable experiences was the singing and dancing at fiestas and listening to the folklore music. We noticed musicians playing what looked some kind of miniature guitar like a ukulele. Can you tell us anything about the instrument?

Simon Warner. Chester

GUINEVERE The miniature guitar is called a timple and is indigenous to the Canaries where it forms an integral part of every traditional folklore group. In fact, the unique high-pitched sound it emits is known as the "Voice of the Canary Islands." There are two versions of the timple, one with four strings which is used on Lanzarote but on the other isles musicians use five strings. The instrument is made from various kinds of wood, mulberry for the body, laurel for the base and pine for the back and normally weighs less than three pounds.

Teguise is the traditional home of

the instrument where the Morales family have been crafting the instrument for over 160 years. One of the most famous of them was Esteban Morales - known as Juanele of the Timples - who had learnt his craft from his father and grandfather. He assembled the instruments on a foot-operated lathe relying on skill and experience to form the shape without the assistance of any measuring instruments. When he was active every folklore group on Lanzarote had at least one instrument made by him.

A permanent exhibition of the instrument can be seen at the Timple Museum located in Spinola Palace in the main square of Teguise. The exhibit contains over 40 examples of musical instruments from all over the world which are similar to the timple, all are from the private collection of the curator, Benito Cabrera. Born on Lanzarote, he is considered the most accomplished timple musician in the Canary Islands and besides playing with folklore groups both in the Canaries and abroad has also been invited to perform as a soloist with many classical orchestras.

Camel Ride

Dear Sir

Having enjoyed a camel ride at the Fire Mountains, we wondered how this animal came to be used on Lanzarote as its normal habitat is the desert.

Sheila Paddock. Arbroath

GUINEVERE Historians believe that it was a medieval governor of the island called Diego de Herrera whose ship was caught in a storm at sea and forced to seek refuge off the coast of North Africa in a Moroccan port. Upon going ashore he saw camels being used for ploughing by farmers and as beasts of burden and thought they would be ideal for the island of Lanzarote whose climate has similar characteristics to the desert, a burning sun and scant rainfall and brought some back with him to work in the fields.

When the first tourists arrived many years later a local travel agent had the idea of introducing a camel ride round the Fire Mountains but with modified seating as there were no ordinary chairs to sit on only pack seats on which barrels, packages or stones were carried. It was obvious that this would be far too uncomfortable for foreign sightseers so a local carpenter came up with the idea of placing a chair on either side of the hump. As the majority of visitors in the early days were from England, the seat was referred to as the silla inglesa - i.e. "English Chair," and is still known by that name.

Cactus Garden

Novelty

Dear Sir

During a visit to the Cactus Garden, we watched a tour guide scrape white powder off a plant in a nearby field which she then plac-



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ced in a piece of cellophane and squeezed so that scarlet-coloured juice came out which she said was cochineal. There were so many people in our party that we did not have an opportunity to find out more about it, in addition our English is not perfect and the girl spoke with a very strong regional dialect. Could you tell us where cochineal came from and how it came to be cultivated Lanzarote.

GUINEVERE The female cochineal beetle is attracted to the 'tunera' cactus (*Opuntia coccinellifera*) and a colony of them on a prickly pear leaf resemble a spreading stain of white powder. Individual beetles look like a cross between a wood louse and a mealy bug. Cochineal dye was first discovered by the Spanish when they began colonising South America. Soldiers, who had seen members of an In-

dian tribe wearing scarlet war paint on their bodies, asked them where they obtained the dye from and they pointed to a prickly pear plant.

In the 19th century, the Spanish attempted to cultivate the plant in various parts of Spain and found that the Canary Islands of Tenerife and Lanzarote were the best place to grow them. This was a very welcome crop in the early 19th century because a blight had had attacked the vines practically wiping out the wine industry which had been the region's most important export. Cochineal soon took over and rapidly became the most important economic industry in the Canaries. Unfortunately, this did not last for ever as by 1870 French chemists began producing aniline dyes which supplied the market at a much lower cost and once again the Canary Islands were thrown into a deep depression. During this period, many thousands

emigrated to Cuba in search of work. Incidentally, it was these immigrants who started the Cuban cigar industry.

César Manrique created the Cactus Garden in this location because originally, the tunera cactus was grown in 300 acres of the surrounding fields. He was once asked to name his favourite among all the tourist centres he had created and he replied, "that is like asking a parent, which child is your favourite?" He added, "but if pressed I would have to say the Cactus Garden". One can only contemplate that the reason for this was that all the other attractions had previously existed in some form or other and Manrique had modified and embellished them. The Cactus Garden, however, stands on the site of a stone quarry which had been abandoned some 150 years before and Manrique had created it out of nothing.

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Hugh and Toni Elliott cut the birthday cake



Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

HMA British Ambassador to Spain Hugh Elliott and his wife Toni Elliott, hosted a garden party in the embassy residence in Madrid

During his speech Hugh Elliott referred to many of the most important happenings which took place during the 70 years since Queen Elizabeth's accession to the throne. Over this period she has represented the United Kingdom at more than 3,000 major events in the UK, the Commonwealth as well as in other overseas countries. During the course of the afternoon the Queen's Green Canopy tree was inaugurated in a shady corner of the garden and an award was presented to the Royal British Legion. Age In Spain presented the Ambassador with a personal letter to the Queen signed by all their members.



Planting the Queen's Green Canopy Tree
Toni Elliott and Spanish Consular Director Juan Duarte who spoke of the enduring friendship between Britain and Spain followed by the playing of both countries' national anthems



The Ambassador presents an award to the British Legion



British Consul Charmain Arbouine with friends



Live music was provided by Costa Blanca entertainer Stevie Spit, who sang all the old favourites starting with We'll Meet Again accompanied by the enthusiastic audience



Age in Spain presented a letter addressed to the Queen signed by their members



Liz Yaskiel with diplomats Sue Thaine, Fleur Wilson, Sara Cowley, Jackie Stevenson and a colleague



Toni Elliott with the Embassy Public Relations and Communications team including Debbie Christopher who keeps the readers of Lancelot up to date with all the latest news affecting British residents



Ambassador Hugh Elliott and his wife Toni Elliott with all the Embassy and Consulate staff





Communiqué from the British Ambassador 2 June 2022

Larry Yaskiel Lancelot editor and former music industry executive, has been awarded a British Empire Medal, BEM, for services to the British Community in Lanzarote, in the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Honours List

HMA Hugh Elliott said:

"Larry has an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, which makes him a fascinating writer and wonderful company. My wife Toni and I were lucky enough to catch up with Larry and his wife Liz earlier this year. He has an unrivalled understanding of the connections between the UK and Lanzarote, which he has shared in his articles for over 20 years, as well as in his landmark book. Larry has also been a great support to our consulate in Las Palmas, building relationships with Lanzarote decision makers and acting as a spokesperson for the British community. I am delighted that such a longstanding and important cultural ambassador has been honoured for his work."

Larry Yaskiel moved to Lanzarote in 1981, in search of relaxation after a hectic life in the music business, where he contributed to the success of many top names. However, needing an outlet for his creativity and ambition, he soon established the Lancelot Island Journal, a quarterly magazine, which quickly became a valuable source of information for British residents; helping them to integrate into island life. He also used the magazine to share his knowledge of the connections between the UK and Lanzarote, which have proved a valuable resource for both British and Spanish students, and led to his 2018 book "The British Connection to Lanzarote and the Canaries". Some of the most fascinating links include the numerous references to Canary wines in Shakespeare and his theory that La Graciosa is the inspiration for Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island". On World Tourism Day in 1994, the President of the Lanzarote Cabildo presented Larry with the Distinguished Services to Tourism Award.

Larry Yaskiel said: "It is humbling to receive the British Empire Medal from Her Majesty the Queen for basically carrying out a job



Hugh and Toni Elliott with Liz and Larry Yaskiel

which gives me such pleasure. God Save the Queen.

I would never have reached this stage without the solid support of my beloved wife, Liz, who has been my gracious partner in every aspect of my life including the production of Lancelot Island Journal from the very beginning."

Lancelot would like to thank all authorities, readers and media outlets for the messages of congratulations re-

ceived directly or via Facebook, Twitter and other social media, and so many others who have appreciated and encouraged the cultural content of Lancelot over more than three decades.

We would also like to thank our clients for their continual support of the magazine without which we would have been unable to publish so much material about the UK-Lanzarote connection and would like to include them as recipients of the award.



Snacks and drinks were served throughout the afternoon by a team of friendly and highly efficient staff flying the flag with their bow ties



Guests received the Platinum Jubilee souvenir mug as a memento of the occasion



Traditional symbols of public life in the UK during the Queen's reign

Scotsman is new head of Age in Spain

A Scot living in Santiago de Compostela has been elected President of Age in Spain, the organisation dedicated to supporting older English language speakers living in Spain or thinking of moving there

John Rafferty joined the organisation as a volunteer on its Residency Helpline which supported people concerned about their residency status during the Brexit negotiations. Becoming a trustee of Age in Spain, John convened a campaign group which has delivered awareness raising campaigns on dementia and on what is involved in moving to or living in Spain.

Alongside a career at chief executive level in the voluntary and public sectors, John chaired NHS trusts in Scotland and England before moving to Spain.

Commenting on his election as President, John said

‘I am delighted to accept this role and I very much look forward to contributing to the magnificent work carried out by the many volunteers who are at the heart of Age in Spain.

‘The organisation has been serving English speakers in Spain for 30 years and has provided many vital services to those needing support and information, particularly the most vulnerable.

‘The task before us is to maintain and expand those services to meet increasing need in the future. I relish the opportunity to work without many volunteers, staff and supporters to achieve that end.’

John has long been a champion of volunteering and the development of infrastructure to support volun-



teering. He takes up his new post alongside three new Trustees of Age in Spain who have also had practical experience as volunteers with the organisation. Marijke Cazemier, David Dransfield and Margaret McKay strengthen the practical skills on the Board of Trustees, with expertise in project management, quality standards and leadership.

The founder of Age in Spain, Judy Arnold-Boakes, MBE, becomes the organisation's first Honorary Vice President.

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Hospiten Lanzarote adds a new Sleep Unit to its services



The hospital network continues to incorporate technology and quality spaces to improve the treatment of its patients

The Hospiten Group continues to expand its Neurophysiology team and establishes a new Sleep Unit at Hospiten Lanzarote specialized in the diagnosis and treatment of sleep disorders. The objective of the project is to improve the quality of life of patients, adults and children, who suffer from this type of disorder which, on some occasions, leads to other diseases such as depression, hypertension or heart attacks.

The first consultation at the Sleep Unit is usually carried out by a neurophysiologist by means of a conventional neurophysiology test. Overnight night, different physiological variables of the subject are measured while they sleep: brain activity, muscle tone, eye movements, EKG, blood oxygen level and so on. This study allows doctors to achieve an accurate diagnosis and suggest an appropriate treatment for each case and patient.

As explained by Dr. Navajas, a specialist in Clinical Neurophysiology, "the test carried out using a polysomnograph objectively determines what happens during rest after spending a single night in the Sleep Unit". With the completion of a final report, "it is determined whether the patient requires medication with drugs or another type of device".

The most common sleep disorders

are sleep apneas/hypopneas, followed by insomnia, parasomnias, narcolepsy and restless legs syndrome. Sleeping well is essential to leading a healthy life, therefore, any deterioration in the quality of life of someone suffering from this type of disorder is undeniable.

A variation in one's routine, sudden changes in schedule and the type of activity the person does affects the well-being of the individual, causing stress, anxiety and problems in maintaining effective, restful sleep. "People spend a third of their lives sleeping and that is why it is very important to take care of their rest," explains Dr. Navajas. For that reason, monitoring the subject is important and subsequently treating the issues so the problem does not worsen, giving rise to pathologies that cannot be solved.



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New Tax Rules 2022 Income Tax

Extension of the current limits to apply the estimates income regime (Modules)

The quantitative limits applicable from the 2016 financial year that delimit the scope of application of the objective estimation method in the personal income tax are extended for the 2022 tax period (except for agricultural, livestock and forestry activities, which maintain their own quantitative limit by volume of income at 250,000 euros.

We should remember that since January 2021, a last section for general payable bases from 300,000 euros with a state tax rate of 24.50% was incorporated into the general tax scale. A section was also added to the savings scale for payable bases of more than 200,000 euros, with a national rate of 13%. This savings base is where interest dividends, savings insurance and income derived from the transfer of assets, etc., are integrated.

New Corporation Tax

A minimum taxation of 15% is introduced on the tax base, which would affect the following taxpayers:

- Those whose net turnover is at least 20 million euros during the 12 months prior to the date on which the tax period begins, and

- Those who are taxed under the Corporation Tax Consolidation Regime, in this case regardless of their turnover.

It is important to point out that certain taxpayers are outside the scope of application under the common denominator that they are taxed at a reduced or zero tax rate, such as, among others, variable capital investment companies and regulated financial investment funds, real estate investment companies and real estate investment funds, Socimis (Real Estate Investment Listed Corporations or pension funds.

The General Budget Law of 2022 also contemplates a minimum percentage of taxation different from 15% for certain taxpayers.

For example:

- For newly created entities that are taxed at the rate of 15%, the minimum rate is set at 10%.

- A minimum rate of 18% instead of 15% will be applied to credit institutions, as well as entities engaged in the exploration, investigation and exploitation of underground hydrocarbon deposits and storage.

- In the case of cooperatives, the minimum liquid quota may not be

less than the result of applying 60% to the full quota calculated in accordance with Law 20/1990, of December 19, on the Tax Regime of Cooperatives.

And a special rule is applied for the entities of the Canary Islands Special Zone according to which, 15% will be applied on the positive tax base without including the part of it corresponding to the operations carried out materially and effectively in the geographical scope of said Zone, which is taxed at the special tax rate of 4%. This means, that the part of the annual taxable profit made outside the Canary Islands will be taxed at 15%. This affects trading companies which are only issuing invoices for goods, which do not enter the Canary Islands, but are traded between other countries.

The General Budget Law of 2022 also redefines the concept of liquid quota as the amount that results from applying the appropriate bonuses and deductions to the full quota and that, in no case, may be negative.

In our next article we shall explain a few more new regulations for 2022.



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A Brief Guide to Property Purchase



LANCELOT has prepared the following for the benefit of holidaymakers unfamiliar with the language and laws of Spain. It is not, and is not intended as, a substitute to advice from a solicitor and/or an estate agent.

Only buy from the office of an Estate Agent and seek the services of an independent solicitor.

It is not advisable to give anyone a GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY. Where necessary, it is prudent to grant a limited power of attorney (only) to an independent solicitor.

Do not believe that you are protected because the conveyance will be notarised, as the Notary presumes that you are acting on the advice of your Lawyer.

When buying property insist on the presence of an impartial sworn translator. By law a Notary can refuse to notarise a deed if the conveyance is not translated into the language of the party(ies) concerned.

Before you purchase make sure the Vendor has paid all back property taxes, *Impuesto sobre bienes inmuebles*, to the local Town Hall, by checking the receipts.

If, by purchasing, you will become a member of an Association of Owners, make sure that the Vendor has paid all his community bills. Also check on the liquidity of the Association itself, and examine their statutes, *estatutos*. Their rules may not permit you to keep your domestic pets.



Before buying land present a written enquiry at the local Town Hall (with a return address on the Island) asking if there is planning permission to build on the site of your choice and if any building restrictions apply there.

Instruct your solicitor to conduct a search at the Property Registry, *Registro de la Propiedad*, immediately before the conveyance and return there as soon as the notarised document can be collected from the Notary.

Make sure that your architect is one of the 24 members of the Canarian College of Architects working on Lanzarote, otherwise you will have to pay a second fee. If in doubt call the Colegio de Arquitectos in Arrecife on 928 800799 or fax: 928 800798. Spanish-speaking.

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Puerto del Carmen

Central Southern Route La Geria

Puerto del Carmen, the island's largest tourist resort, has almost 13 kilometres of beaches and a picturesque fishing harbour in the Old Town. On the main Island highway close to the Puerto del Carmen turn-off, a road opposite leads to ASOMADA. Drive through and turn left at the first T junction until reaching a main road. This is LA GERIA, the wine-growing region of Lanzarote where grapes are cultivated in a manner not used anywhere else in the world. The result is an unforgettable landscape dominated by the sight of thousands of shallow pits stretching as far as the eye can see.

The young vines planted inside are covered with layers of porous black volcanic grains which feed them moisture and protect them from the harsh rays of the sun. They

are sheltered from the constant Trade Winds by the semi-circular walls of dry volcanic rock above.

Puerto Calero Marina

One of Europe's truly beautiful marinas in a magnificent setting which hosts international regattas. The bustling commercial area is enhanced by an open air Museum of Sculptures located among the landscaped pathways comprising 12 impressive pieces by important artists. Watch out for the Puerto Calero signpost on the main island road between Puerto del Carmen and Yaiza.

Yaiza and El Golfo

Turn left driving past UGA village until rejoining the Island highway where YAIZA is soon reached. The town square contains several buildings typical of Lanzarote's traditional architecture with the Town Hall

at one end and the ancient Los Remedios Church at the other.

To the right a few kilometres along after the town is a sign to CHARCO DE LOS CLICHOS, the GREEN LAGOON, (and neighbouring EL GOLFO village), which is reached after a short ride along a winding picturesque coastal road. A brief stroll round the corner brings us to the GREEN LAGOON. Scientists are not absolutely certain as to the source of its colour, some believe it is caused by algae, others attribute it to the green olivine semi-precious stone, found in abundance on the Island. (There are several good fish restaurants around the bay at EL GOLFO).

Returning along the coast there is a large parking area to the right. The seas below can frequently be seen battering away at the cliffs trying to force a way through. During the



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18th century volcanic eruptions, lava thrown out by the volcanoes covered a large area of the ocean in this area which it has been attempting to reclaim back ever since.

Yet another pretty scene just a few hundred metres along is presented by the JANUBIO salt ponds. Employing over one hundred workers at the turn of the century to provide sailing ships with salt for keeping food fresh, the salt works gradually fell into decline with the advent of refrigeration.

Stratvs Vineyard

Driving through La Geria from the direction of Yaiza, Bodegas Stratvs is on the right directly off the main road. The display at the shop in the spacious visitor's gallery offers a fascinating glimpse into traditional wine cultivation on Lanzarote. The vineyard is open 7



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Playa Blanca Papagayo Beaches

Twenty years ago a tiny fishing village, PLAYA BLANCA on the south coast, is now a flourishing but tranquil resort with a beautiful beach bordered by a picturesque restaurant-lined promenade. The small harbour is used by ferries sailing to Fuerteventura, the Fred Olsen Express car ferry makes the 20 minute crossing six times daily.

Close by along the headland to the east several paths lead to the magnificent PAPAGAYO BEACHES. Composed of several small bays and coves, many consider these golden sands to be the most beautiful in Spain.

Marina Rubicón

This harbour at Playa Blanca combines the most modern and well-equipped docks for sea-going yachts with the olde-world charm of traditional island architecture housing amenities and facilities on the shoreline including an art gallery. Two new deluxe hotels overlook the marina and the coastal promenade.

The Fire Mountains

Returning north on the main road turn left in YAIZA to MONTAÑAS DEL FUEGO, the FIRE MOUNTAINS, part of TIMANFAYA NATIONAL PARK. This region was devastated by intermittent volcanic eruptions over a six year period, 1730 - 1736. The scenery is both breathtaking and vividly awesome, a few hundred metres to the left a string of camels await passengers for a scenic ride round the rim of a volcano.

The red and white barrier at a toll booth signals arrival at the road which leads to the parking area at Hilario's Plateau.



Guacimeta. San Bartolomé

Here the DIABLO RESTAURANT serves meals from a grill fitted across a natural volcanic chasm, with geothermic heat rising from the bowels of the volcano cooking the food!

A coach fitted with multi-lingual commentary leaves to tour the nearby region of volcanic destruction taking a route offering the clearest indication of what took place here some two and a half centuries ago. There are stops for photographs and the 45 minute trip is included in the price of the admission fee to the Park. Open daily 09.00 - 17.00 hrs.

For the best times and conditions to visit the Cabildo Tourist Centres download the CACT Lanzarote App at Apple Play or Google Store.

Timanfaya Information

On exiting via the barrier turn left and after two kilometres watch out for the Timanfaya Visitors Centre on the left before Mancha Blanca. This is an excellent source of multi-lingual information about the Park and its volcanoes. Admission is free, open 7 days a week 09.00 - 16.45.

El Monumento

Continue past Mancha Blanca to Tao, turn right until the next roundabout. The MONUMENTO AL CAMPESINO at the right of the road was one of the first creations of the late Cesar Manrique whose intention was to commemorate past generations of Lanzaroteans who stuck to their toil in the fields even after volcanic eruptions had devastated their most fertile land. These hardy early 18th century pioneers invented the irrigation method still in use throughout Lanzarote today. They had noticed that wherever an amount of black volcanic grains known as picon thrown out by the volcano had settled on fertile soil, some type of plant-life eventually emerged from the ground. Soon realising that the grains were porous, farmers began covering their fields with picon. The typical farm house contains a restaurant serving local cuisine. Nearby, the public can watch artisans create traditional arts and crafts which can be purchased in the souvenir shop. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00, restaurant 12.00 - 16.30, bar 10.00 - 17.45.



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San Bartolomé

A short distance along take the right fork towards San Bartolomé. This is the geographical centre of the island and an important agricultural region where vegetables grow in the sandy 'jable' soil, unique on Lanzarote. Sweet potatoes, water melons and squash are the main crops grown in this region. Buildings of interest in the town itself include the Casa Mayor Guerra, the 18th century home of the former military governor of the island.

Tanit Ethnic Museum

Close to the Town Hall is the Tanit Ethnic Museum which contains a display of the working and cultural life of the island over the past centuries. Open Mon to Sat 10 - 14, closed Sunday.

Cesar Manrique Foundation

On the outskirts of town cross straight over the main Monument-Arrecife road until passing some ruins on a plateau to the left. Continuing downhill round a sweeping curve for a few hundred metres the imposing white gateway of the FUNDACION CESAR MANRIQUE appears on your left with its adjoining spacious parking area. The Foundation is housed in what was originally one of the world's most uniquely beautiful homes built by Cesar Manrique for himself and where he lived for over twenty years. Set in a sea of petrified lava and constructed on two levels by interlinking five volcanic bubbles, this residence has attracted journalists from the world's leading architectural magazines and as a work of art in its own right is certainly worth visiting.

In September 1992 only six months after the Foundation opened its doors Cesar Manrique was killed a few yards away in a car accident. Without his intuitive genius for enhancing without spoiling natu-



Playa del Jablillo. Costa Teguiise

re, Lanzarote would today look just like many other holiday resorts with sunshine and nice beaches. Open Monday to Saturday 10.00 - 18.00 hrs and Sunday 10.00 - 15.00 hrs.

Museo Agricola El Patio

The buildings and grounds of El Patio Farm Museum represent an authentic and comprehensive reconstruction of traditional Lanzarote folklore and culture including its unique agricultural history. Take the Arrecife-Tahiche main road, turn right at Tiagua and follow the signs. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30, Sat 10 - 2.30.

Northern Route Teguiise

The main road north from Arrecife leads to TEGUISE, the capital of Lanzarote for over 500 years until ceding the title to Arrecife in the middle of the last century. Moorish corsairs attacked this old town many times murdering, pillaging and carrying its inhabitants off into slavery. A small alley at the side of the

church in the main square is called Sangre - Blood - on account of Christian blood flowing through the nearby streets on many occasions. Opposite, the SPINOLA PALACE fronted by two stone lions was the home of a wealthy 19th century merchant family which has been restored and is open to the public. Every Sunday and Public Holiday a market is held in and around the square.

The resort of Costa Teguiise has five beaches the largest of which is Playa de las Cucharas.

Piracy Museum Santa Bárbara Castle

Standing on Mount Guanapay overlooking Teguiise is strategically placed to overlook the coastline on both sides of the Island and was originally built to warn the Island capital below if pirates were sighted.

A Piracy Museum is located in the medieval fortress with a wonderful array of interactive screens, panels





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and information boards with the names and histories of some of the most famous names of pirates and privateers in maritime history. British and North African buccaneers prowled the waters of the Canaries in search of booty as well as attacking individual islands such as Lanzarote which suffered a series of devastating raids from the 16th until the 18th centuries.

The Pirates Museum open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 Sunday and Public Holidays 10.00 - 16.00. Currently closed for alterations.

Timple Music Museum Palacio Spinola, Tegüise

This museum in the beautiful interior of the 19th century Spinola Palace is dedicated to the “timple” miniature guitar whose strident tones are known as the “The Sound of the Canary Islands.” A timple is an integral part of every folklore group and the museum traces its evolution on the island since the start of the last century. Fifty-five instruments from all over world are on display, all of which create a similar sound to the “timple”, the most well known of these is the Hawaiian ukelele. Open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 . Sunday and Public Holidays 9.00 - 15.00. Closed Saturday.

Haria

The road north passes Los Valles an important agricultural village continuing past several laybys offering commanding views across to the opposite coast. Rounding some sharp curves cut through the cliffs the road descends to HARIA, nestling peacefully in the Valley of 10,000 Palms. Reminiscent of a North African oasis the town was a spa for wealthy Canarians in the past. The Artesanal Market every Saturday 10.00 – 14.30 is rated 5 Stars by Trip Advisor; Arts & Crafts Workshop Mon-Sat 10-14.00.



Arrecife

Manrique House Museum

Follow the signs to the House Museum of César Manrique in Haria. It was the artist's second home where he spent the last few years of his life having converted his original residence into the Foundation at Tahiche which bears his name. Everything has been left in the original state it was in when he died. Open 7 days a week, but advance purchase of tickets is recommended due to limited capacity.

Mirador del Rio

Continuing northward past Maguez village a road towards the cliff-top leads to Guinate Tropical Park. A short drive on the main road and you arrive at MIRADOR DEL RIO, a belvedere with breathtaking views of the straits below and islands out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.

The Green Caves

The route continues downhill towards the GREEN CAVES, (open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.), on the opposite coast over a region known as Malpais de la Corona, ‘badlands’ caused by the eruption of nearby Monte Corona. During an eruption whilst debris is shot out skywards, volcanoes also often break out below ground, a molten lava stream forging a tunnel. One such volcanic tunnel, the Atlan-

tida, is below the earth's surface at this point which at 7 1/2 kilometres is the longest in the world.

Jameos del Agua

This large grotto harbouring an underground lake forms the last section of the Atlantida Tunnel and came into being when the molten lava stream met the cooler waters of the nearby Atlantic Ocean. An amenity not to be missed in this wonder of nature embellished by Cesar Manrique, is the underground concert hall located in a massive volcanic cavern. Open daily 10.00 - 19.00 hrs. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, 19.00 - 03.00 hrs.

The Cactus Garden

The route south passes through several villages until reaching an area where the fields are all planted with cacti. Known as the ‘tunera’ cactus it attracts the female cochineal beetle from which carmine dye is extracted. Dusty white patches on the leaf indicate a colony of this parasite and if crushed turn to bright crimson. Guatiza village is the centre of this cactus crop and is the home of JARDIN DE CACTUS - the CACTUS GARDEN - the seventh and last of the Tourist Centres, which opened in March 1990. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs



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Arrecife

Continuing south the road leads past a white stone gateway leading to Costa Tegui, one of the three major tourist resorts on Lanzarote. Arriving at the capital ARRECIFE, home to half of the 70,000 inhabitants of Lanzarote, whose tree-lined promenades and SAN GINES Lagoon are beautifully landscaped. A colourful street market takes place on the promenade every Wednesday selling traditional island arts and crafts among other items.

The main shopping area is in and around Calle Leon y Castillo which has a drawbridge at one end leading to SAN GABRIEL Castle, the Arrecife History Museum. A drive around the NAOS fishing harbour past some abandoned windmills leads to another medieval fort, CASTILLO SAN JOSE, whose 18th century interior was converted by Cesar Manrique in 1974 to house the International Museum of Contemporary Art. Open daily 11.00 - 21.00 hrs. On the lower floor an excellent restaurant with panoramic views out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 01.00 hrs

Marina Lanzarote

Just a short walk from the town centre along the seafront leads to the shops and restaurants of the luxury Marina Lanzarote, newly-opened in October 2014. A first class selection



La Graciosa

of shops and boutiques overlooking the colourful tableau of transatlantic yachts bobbing at their moorings await the visitors as well as dining facilities to suit every taste and every pocket, offering everything from local and international cuisine to smart snack bars and cafeterias.

Golf - Theme Park

The island has two 18 hole par 72 golf clubs at Puerto del Carmen and Costa Tegui as well as Rancho Texas animal theme park at Puerto del Carmen.

Rancho Texas

Rancho Texas is an animal and water park close to Puerto del Carmen and just off the main island road. Among multiple attractions: a live sea lion show, dol-

phin interaction, a huge pool with water slides, a splash park and a country and western show. Among services is a free bus pick up. Open 265 days a year.

La Graciosa & Fuerteventura Ferry

Lineas Maritimas Romero operate frequent sailings from Orzola Harbour to La Graciosa as well as excursions from Puerto del Carmen. Other services include: Water-taxi Puerto del Carmen-Puerto Calero and Water-bus Playa-Blanca- Marina Rubicón-Papagayo. Departure and arrival times are convenient for tourists wishing to spend a whole or half day on Lanzarote's sister isle.

The neighbouring island of Fuerteventura is only 12 minutes away by Líneas Romero from Playa Blanca to Corralejo.



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Jardín de Cactus Hosts Unique Cochineal Fashion Parade

Historic Centre of Cochineal Cultivation on Lanzarote

César Manrique created the Cactus Garden in this location because 350 acres of fields between Mala and Guatiza are planted with the prickly pear 'tunera' cactus which serves as a host for the cochineal beetle, a scale insect from which the natural dye carmine is derived.

Photos: Jesús Betancort / Sergio Betancor



CEO of the Tourist Centers, Benjamín Perdomo, congratulated the Milana Association for ***“the overwhelming enthusiasm and the work they have done for over twenty years to launch such a wonderful initiative around a crop that is part of the history of this island.”***

The Cactus Garden at Guatiza hosted Media Lúa Reunion, a fashion show with clothes dyed with cochineal created by the young designer Regina Ferragut who had studied under Sebastiana ‘Chana’ Perera headmistress of CEIP Las Mercedes. She went on to graduate in Fashion and Designs from Rey Juan Carlos University, Madrid.

Designer Regina Ferragut has applied 21st century-state-of-the-art techniques to the traditional cochineal cultivation. (With the exceptional help of Jacinta Placeres she has designed a unique collection made from 100% natural silk, satin and crystal using a monochromatic palette tinted with pink hues of varying intensity.)

The public filled the old quarry transformed by César Manrique, for this Media Lúa Reunion event organized by the Milana Association, with the objective of reconverting a fundamental landscape of Lanzarote history to cochineal cultivation and boost the economy of the Guatiza and Mala district. →



→ *Some of the designer's classmates were among the models*

Models paraded along the catwalk paths of the Cactus Garden in three categories, boys and girls between three and twelve, followed by men and women in garments of pastel tones made with organic fabrics such as linen and finally, more subtle and delicate designs closed the parade. Music was provided by members of folk group Malpais de la Corona with vocalist Esmeralda singing specially adapted lyrics about cochineal dye, and a ballet was performed Fit-dance Activity.

Cabildo Industry Councillor Ariagóna González “there is no more appropriate space than the Cactus Garden to host an event that is beauty,

countryside, agriculture, innovation, inclusion and good taste, and that offers new uses that tint our traditions with modernity”.

Sebastiana Perera reviewed the work carried out by the Association she presides over to rescue the cochineal as a backbone, dynamizer and enriching element in the Guatiza and Mala area, and thanked the collaboration provided by “the Cabildo de Lanzarote, by the director of Relations Institutional from the area of vice-presidency of the Government of the Canary Islands, Carmen Nieves Gaspar, and by the Tourist Centers with their CEO at the helm, Benjamín Perdomo”.





(L-R) Designer Regina Ferragut Cabildo Industry Councillor Ariagona Rodriguez, Milana Founder and President Chana Perera and CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo

Designer Regina Ferragut applies finishing touches before the start of the parade



Cabildo Councillor Isabel Martin Tenorio joined her colleagues



Haria Deputy Mayor Pepe Torres Stinga, Sebastiana Pepera, Canarian Government Institutional Executive Carmen Nieves Gaspar Ferrera and Teguisse Milana Collaborator Paqui Viera

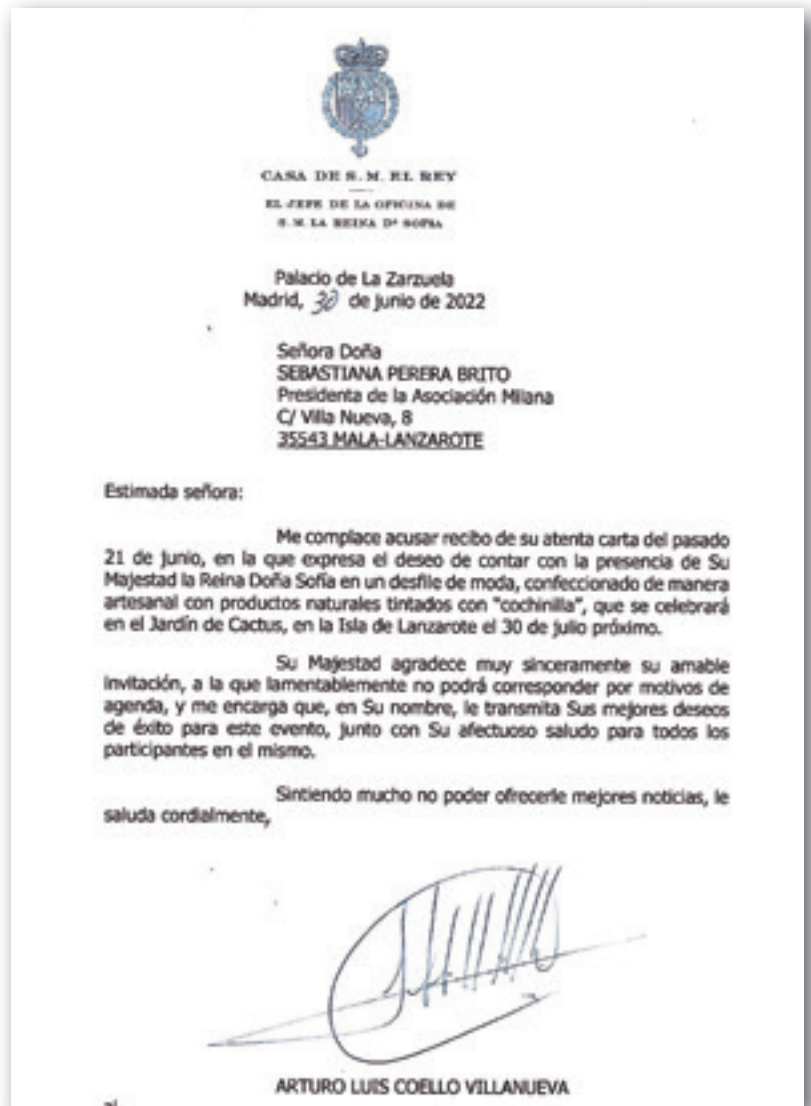


Chana Perera and CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo

Historical Background

The production of cochineal on Lanzarote was the island's most important export industry in the 19th century. Among the high-points: cochineal from Lanzarote was used to dye the uniforms of the Life Guards at Buckingham Palace and of the Canadian Mounties: the unique pinkish colour of Campari came from cochineal cultivated on Lanzarote." This period of glory was brought to an abrupt close by the invention of aniline dyes in 1856 which were far cheaper to produce than labour-intensive cultivation in the fields.

Twenty years ago, Sebastiana 'Chana' Perera, headmistress of Mala Secondary School was determined to revive the ancient art of cochineal cultivation and organised a project called "Atlantida" for her pupils which has evolved into what is now the Milana Cochineal Centre at Mala, dedicated to the once flourishing local industry. Pupils learn the basic process of cochineal breeding and harvesting from the placing of the parasite beetle on the host plant through to its extraction from the cactus. As a result of the initiative of 'Chana' Perera the European Union has granted a Denomination of Origin Seal for Lanzarote cochineal as part of its Rural Development Programme. Two noted American art museums in Santa Fé, New Mexico and Santa Barbara, California have exhibited garments dyed with cochineal by the Milana Association.



At the request of Her Majesty Queen Doña Sofia I would like to congratulate you on this memorable occasion of artisan craftsmanship. However she regrets being unable to be present at the Cochineal Fashion Parade confected by local artisans to be held at the Cactus Garden on 30 July due to reasons of conflict of agenda. The President of Inditex, Amancio Ortega, founder of the Zara Group congratulated Sebastiana Perera for her initiative in presenting the Cochineal Fashion Parade but expressed his regrets at being unable to attend as he was travelling abroad.

"Rembrandt, Renoir, Joshua Reynolds, JMW Turner and Thomas Gainsborough used cochineal dye in their paintings"



Researchers and Lecturers from the Chemical Department of Prague Agricultural University visited the Milana Association in Mala under the Erasmus programme in May to discuss experiments they are carrying out dyeing wool and silk with cochineal and to establish close cooperation between both entities. Doña Chana Perera is seen welcoming the visitors.

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Pintura ganadora de Crea Joven 2019. Autor: Daniel Rodríguez



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San Bartolomé



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Photos courtesy Juan Brito

Juan Brito Foundation Establishes “Memory of Tomorrow”

Named Hijo Predilecto by Cabildo in 2011
Received Highest Award of the Canarian Government

Presented by the Lanzarote Cabildo, “Memory of Tomorrow” will preserve for future generations the rich cultural heritage of Juan Brito, historian, conservationist, artisan and master potter. These attributes embrace the natural environment and indigenous rituals and ceremonies. Juan Brito collected objects of historical importance from every part of Lanzarote throughout his life and in 1972 donated more than 1,000 of these archaeological and ethnological objects to the Museum of History located in the Castillo de San Gabriel on the Arrecife seafront.





Legendary Lanzarote: Queen Ico and the Smoke Test

Juan Brito combined his knowledge of the history of the island's pre-Hispanic inhabitants - known as Mahos or Guanches - with his talents as a master potter to illustrate the legend of Princess Ico and the "Smoke Test." The 25 pieces in his collection reflect a legendary story supposed to have taken place on Lanzarote at the beginning of the fifteenth century with the arrival of the Normans under Juan de Bethencourt and Guadifer de la Salle.





The Smoke Test

A Spanish vessel under the command of Captain Martín Ruiz de Avendaño sailed to the island seeking refuge from a storm and the ruler King Zonzamas invited him to stay at the palace as his guest. When the storm abated a few days later the ship set sail for the Spanish mainland. Nine months later, Queen Fayna, wife of Zonzamas, gave birth to a daughter with fair skin and blonde hair, who was named Ico. It wasn't long before rumours started spreading about her striking resemblance to Captain Ruiz de Avendaño. The girl grew up strong and healthy, and on her parents' death, her brother Timanfaya was proclaimed king and when he died the next in succession was Ico but many challenged her right to nobility claiming she was the descendent of a Spanish sea captain.

The island's rulers decided that to prove Ico was of royal lineage she must undergo the Smoke Test by spending a night imprisoned in a cave full of smoke, together with three other women, all commoners. When the cave was opened in the morning they were found dead and Ico, the only survivor, was proclaimed queen. According to legend, the night before the test Ico's nanny, named Uga, advised her to place a sponge soaked with water in her mouth as soon as the smoke started to swirl and it was this ruse which enabled her to withstand the smoke. Her right to the throne was never questioned again.

Juan Brito also founded Los Campesinos Folklore group wearing the traditional garments worn by Lanzarote farmers and holding spades, pitchforks and winnowing baskets choreographing traditional dance movements based on the separation of grain from husks prior to threshing. He was succeeded as artistic director by Miguel Angel Corujo



Himself a former shepherd, Juan Brito paid tribute to the historical role of the camel as follows, "literally back-breaking toil on hard parched soil throughout many long periods of drought, without the hardy loyal camel pulling the plough under the baking sun, Lanzarote would have been bereft of crops for many years. When the island economy changed from agriculture to tourism the camel once again became actively involved by transporting tourists around the volcanoes of Timanfaya National Park.



Descendents of Juan Brito at the Presentation of his Foundation.

"The name of Juan Brito will be perpetually related to Lanzarote". Acting Cabildo President Marcos Bergaz



Photos Cabildo

Juan Brito's archaeological collection is on display at the 16th century History Museum located in the Castillo de San Gabriel on the Arrecife sea front. Open Monday to Friday 10:00 - 17:00, Saturday 10:00 - 14.00





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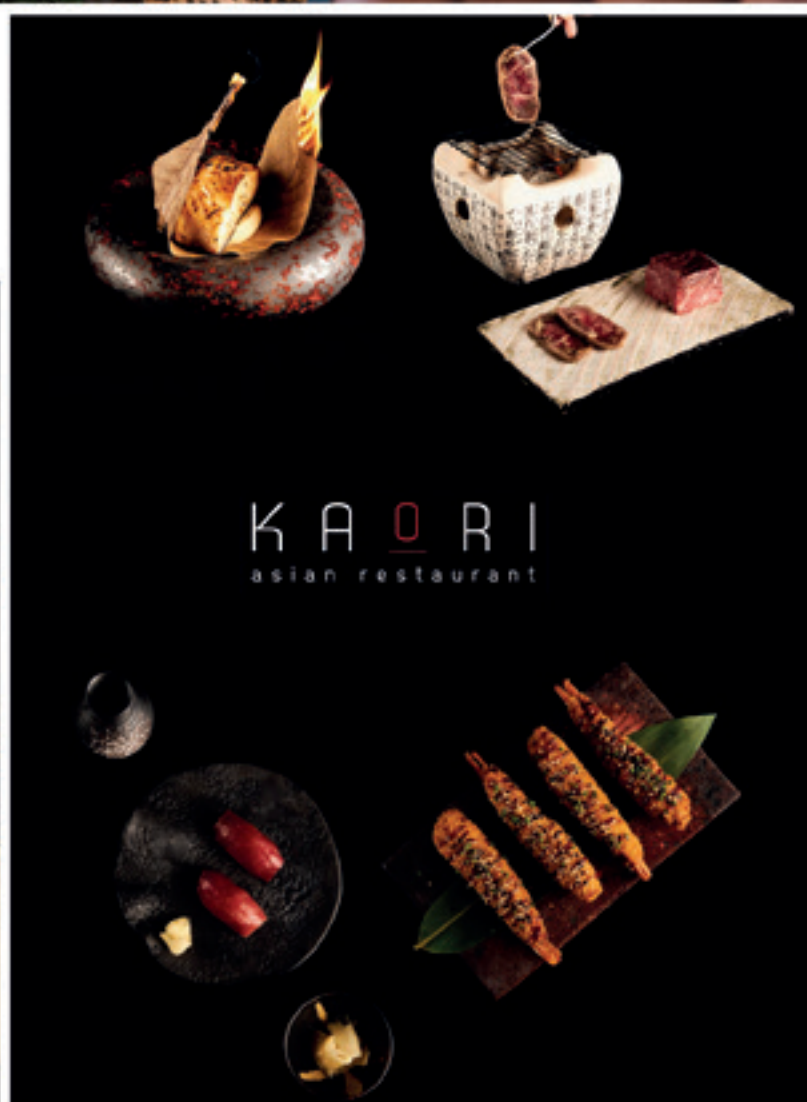


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Arriving on Lanzarote Almost 300 Years after Our Ancestors Emigrated **A Family from Houston, Texas, on their Very First Visit to the Island**



The family visited all the Cabildo Tourist Centres

Larry Valle, 12th generation Canarian Descendent from Lanzarote who lives in Houston, came to Lanzarote for three days in July with his wife Bertha and their two children Daniela and Ivan, during a holiday in Spain. All his life, Larry had been trying to learn more about his Canarian ancestry and told their tour guide, Ana Sanchez of Uniguides, “What I want to achieve on this trip is to research the conditions my ancestors lived under that made them want to leave, what the climate and landscape were like. I wanted to try and build a picture of the harsh environment they lived in almost 300 years ago.”

By a great stroke of luck, Ana told me that she knew that Larry and Liz Yaskiel of Lancelot magazine had been reporting on this subject for over two decades and she called Liz who made arrangements for them meet Teguisse Historian Francisco ‘Paco’ Hernández. He looked up Larry’s family tree in the Town Archi-



Jameos del Agua

ves and established that his earliest ancestor Juan Pedro Cabrera was born in San Bartolomé on Lanzarote in 1680 and immigrated to San Antonio in 1720. The whole experience of reading 300 year old documents pertaining to our family was unforgettable and priceless. We then went to San Bartolomé and learned more about the hometown of the Cabrera family and even met a waiter at the Monumento de Campesino restaurant called Cabrera.

Larry reminisces: ‘driving round the island I realized how challenging life must have been, living on an island with scant rainfall and without a single stream or river. What a struggle to survive with minimal crops and no fertile farm on which to raise animals. In the 19th and 20th centuries when people left their home country they knew there was something out there for them, jobs, opportunities etc. but our family got on a boat in 1730 with another 56 Canary Islanders

and said let's see if we can make it, let's see what happens!

The Spanish Government provided incentives and transport for settlers, guaranteeing them a home and an opportunity to earn a livelihood, on farmland protected by soldiers in the Spanish colony of New Spain. But at that time nobody had ever been there or knew what America was, so why would a family just pick up and go on a journey into the unknown leaving behind friends and family they had known all their lives? Being a geologist and reliving their lives with these thoughts in mind helped me cast my mind back three centuries to comprehend what life must have like for MY family.'

Bertha added, 'this trip for my geologist husband was truly magical because he managed to see so many geologic wonders he had previously only ever read about in textbooks. It only made it much sweeter to know that these geologic beauties can only be found in the homeland of his ancestors. Thank you so much Liz for all your attention and the in depth conversation between our two "Larrys" explaining the whole background story for the decision of the families to leave Lanzarote. This pilgrimage back to our roots is something we will never forget. You made us feel a sense of belonging to a place so far away from our current home. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting you as you immediately embraced us and made us feel like family. Thank you for helping it all fall into place for us.'

On returning to their home in Houston, Texas, Larry and Bertha sent Lancelot the above rundown of the highlights of their first visit to Lanzarote. (see page 69)



In Teguiase archives, town Historian Francisco. 'Paco' Hernández took the Valle-Cabrera family on a truly nostalgic documentary journey



Larry Valle, his wife Bertha, their two children Daniela and Ivan with Liz and tourist guide Ana Sanchez in Arrecife





Canary Islanders of San Antonio Texas CIDA Celebratory Luncheon 291st Anniversary of the First Civil Government on 1 August 1731

Of the party of 56 emigrants who arrived, Juan Leal Goraz, from Lanzarote was elected Mayor

Photography Paul Garcia

Among guests of the President of the Canary Islands Descendants Association Freddie Bustillo were San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg, Country Judge Nelson Woolf and Spanish Honorary Consul Steve Chiscano and Manuel Rodriguez of the Canarian Government.

*Freddie Bustillo with
Mayor of San Antonio
Ron Nirenberg who was
keynote speaker*



*Steve Chiscano, Honorary
Consul of Spain*



Ambassador Consul General Julia Olmo was declared a "Friend of San Antonio" L-R Juan Romero (her spouse) Gloria M Bustillo, Freddie T Bustillo, Julia Olmo and Manuel Rodriguez Santana

*County
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Javier
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wife Sarah*



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Reports from the Canarian Government

Digital Innovation Ecosystem of the Canary Islands Awarded the European Seal of Excellence



The President of the Government of the Canary Islands, Ángel Víctor Torres

With a score of 14 points out of a possible 15, obtaining the Seal implies the inclusion of the Islands in the European Network of Digital Innovation Centers, with which the European Commission is promoting cutting-edge policies

The European Commission has granted this recognition to the proposal put forward by the Digital Innovation Center of the Canary Islands, CIDIHUB a consortium of organizations and competence centers

specialized in business digitization, which provide infrastructure and key resources for the digital transformation of private companies and public entities and operates mainly in the Canary Islands region whilst also collaborating with entities from other regions and other countries inside and outside the European continent.

Canarian Minister of Economy, Knowledge and Employment, Elena Máñez, accompanied by the director of the Canarian Agency for Research, Innovation and Information Society, Carlos Navarro, and the president of Innovalia, Jesús de la Maza, jointly announced the obtaining of the Seal European Excellence in digital innovation.

"The inclusion of the Canary Islands in the main Digital Innovation Network of the European Union allows us to obtain state and European funding, in addition to opting for restricted tenders for projects of excellence," explained Minister Elena Máñez. "As a result of this inclusion we will obtain financing of 4.5 million euros, donated in equal parts by the European Union and the State - to which the Government of the Canary Islands will also contribute 600,000 euros – mainly orien-

ted to reinforce cyber-security solutions from the innovative ecosystem of the Islands."

To strengthen Research and Development in Business CIDIHUB Canarias receives the support of the Canarian Agency for Research, Innovation and the Information Society and joins the roadmap drawn up by the Government of the Canary Islands emphasizing the importance of the alignment of all public, private, professional agents, companies and universities to take advantage of our strengths, promote digital transformation and turn the Islands "into an innovation laboratory".

In this sense, Carlos Navarro, specified that CIDIHUB will function as a single window allowing companies to be more competitive in relation to their business and production processes, using cutting-edge technologies. Through a catalog of services, CIDIHUB Canarias will offer access to the latest knowledge, experience and advice to create a great ecosystem of innovation and new opportunities. The Canary Islands enter the future of the digital economy through the front door and in 10 years this will prove to be another key piece to advance in the Canary Islands.



Yaiza Castilla Predicts 14.2 Million Tourists by Year End Exceeding Turnover of Pre-Pandemic Year of 2019



Canarian Government Tourism Councilor Yaiza Castilla

The Canarian Government Minister of Tourism acknowledges to Parliament that despite the good summer, it is difficult to anticipate what the winter season will be like due to the risks that are already prevalent observable our European issuing markets. "She said in the face of adversity, windows of opportunity always open and it is a good time to position ourselves powerfully as a long-stay destination," says Castilla.

The high demand for travelers registered since April, intensified by the good reservation forecasts for the central months of summer, will allow the Canary Islands to close the year with the arrival of some 14.2 million tourists, some 900,000 fewer than in 2019, but with a higher turnover than in that pre-pandemic year.

As explained today in the regional Parliament by the Minister of Tourism, Industry and Commerce of the Government of the Canary Islands, Yaiza Castilla, visitors spend more money than before on their vacations, so that in 2022 their disbursement could exceed 17,100 million euros, compared to 16,968 million in the pre-pandemic period, although this amount will have to be deflated due to the inflation generated.

"After two years of pandemic and confinement, Europeans are thinking of nothing other than traveling and spending the savings generated during confinement, despite the fact that there are more and more signs that anticipate bad times," assured the counselor.

The strong commitment made by airlines in the summer season favours more travel to the archipelago, it has in its favor "The programming of regular places to the Canary Islands for this period is almost close to 11 million, which represents 10.1% more than in the same months of 2019," explained the counselor, who highlighted that the air capacity data is positive for all the islands. The increase is especially striking in La Palma, with 35.4%

more seats, followed by Lanzarote and Fuerteventura, with growth of 16% and 15%, respectively.

In addition to this greater air capacity in all the islands, Castilla highlighted that progress is continuing in the diversification of markets, thanks to the incorporation of 17 new routes. "We are growing more in what we call other markets, with 24% more and an offer of 2.5 million seats with countries such as France, Italy or Portugal, among others", explained the minister.

This positive data over the summer could be followed, however, by the threats awaiting us in the winter, in the form of rising energy prices and rising inflation. Castilla recalled that the war in Ukraine is causing major energy supply problems due to Europe's great dependence on Russian gas supplies. A dependency whose reduction will not be easy or fast and to which is added that the "exchange rate is also playing against Europe, since oil is paid for in dollars and these have appreciated against the euro, so the prospects they point to high energy prices for a long time", said Castilla. The minister highlighted the case of Germany, the second largest issuing market for the islands, which assumes that it will run out of Russian gas this summer and that has already started the countdown to a recession that is considered likely.

Canarian Tourism Welcomes Increase in Teleworkers “A sector which spend three times more than the average visitor”

Following an energetic campaign by Canarian Tourism under Minister Yaiza Castilla

In the first half of the year and according to data from Nomad List, a world reference portal for this segment, the islands have received 35,400 ‘remote workers’ who have made a disbursement of 3,171 euros per trip. The Ministry and Airbnb are collaborating on an international campaign to consolidate the archipelago as one of the 20 best destinations in the world for working remotely.

The Canary Islands Tourism strategy to position the islands as one of the best world destinations for teleworking continues to advance and leave positive results, such as the increase in the arrival of ‘remote workers’, visitors who spend three times more than the average. About the relevant economic impact that this segment has for the destination, the Minister of Tourism, Industry and Commerce of the Government of the Canary Islands, Yaiza Castilla, spoke this morning with Nacho Rodríguez, CEO and founder of Repeople and president of the Canarian Association of Collaborative Spaces, during the visit they made to a ‘coliving’ space located in Agaete, in which they also presented the recently closed collaboration agreement between Turismo de Canarias and Airbnb.

Wifi Tribe, again in the Canary Islands

Castilla y Rodríguez, together with the managing director of Tourism for the Canary Islands, José Juan Lorenzo, held a meeting with the professionals who currently telecommute in the ‘coliving’ that Repeople manages in Agaete. This is a group of 22 professionals of five different nationalities, most of them from the United States and Canada, belonging to Wifi Tribe, the leading global travel community for digital nomads, who already visited



Yaiza Castilla visits a ‘coliving’ in Gran Canaria, where 22 professionals of five nationalities belonging to Wifi Tribe, the world’s leading community of travelers for digital nomads, telecommute.



Managing director of Tourism for the Canary Islands, José Juan Lorenzo

Gran Canaria at the end of 2020. In the first half of the year, according to data from Nomad List, the world reference portal for teleworking, the Canary Islands received 35,400 ‘remote workers’ who, according to data available to the public company Turismo de Islas Canarias, carried out an average expenditure of 3,171 euros per person and trip, almost three times higher than the disbursement made by vacation tourists, which is 1,206 euros. “We are talking about a segment that represented 0.8% of total tourism in 2021 and that, however, generated 2.12% of the total tourist turnover of the

islands, with 150 million euros last year,” explains the Minister of Tourism, Yaiza Castilla, who announces that the results will be better in 2022, since the volume of tourist income generated by these visitors has already exceeded 112 million euros in just six months.

Among the 22 ‘remote workers’ that there are right now in the coliving are entrepreneurs, software engineers, sales professionals, personal ‘coaches’, audiovisual professionals, among others, who will stay in the Canary Islands for half a stay teleworking and enjoying leisure activities in Agaete and the rest of the island.

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First Operation in Bone Lengthening at Molina Orosa Hospital

Specialists from the Sagrat Cor University Hospital in Barcelona and the Insular-Mother-Child Hospital Complex in Gran Canaria traveled to Lanzarote to perform the operation for the surgery which consists of an intramedullary limb lengthening system to correct the difference in size between both legs.

The Doctor José Molina Orosa University Hospital, a center attached to the Health Department of the Government of the Canary Islands, has implanted an electric nail for the first time in a bone lengthening operation. The surgical technique has been carried out in a young patient and consists of an intramedullary lengthening system of the extremities, in this case of the femur, to correct the difference in size between both legs. It consists of a metal rod forced into the medullary cavity of a bone.

To carry out this first bone lengthening with an intramedullary nail, the head of Children's Orthopedic Surgery and the child traumatologist from the Insular-Maternal-Child Hospital Complex of Gran Canaria, Mario Luis Román and Héctor Almeida, respectively, and the surgeon orthopedist and traumatologist at the Alejandro Monegal Sagrat Cor University Hospital in Barcelona who, together with the head of the Traumatology Unit at the Doctor José Molina Orosa Hospital, Irene Jiménez, performed this complex surgery for almost three hours.

This surgical technique has been used to correct a dysmetria of the patient's lower extremities and equalize the length between both. To do this, the lengthening nail is inserted into the bone, while also implanting a subcutaneous electrode device that is activated by an external unit to stimulate growth. This technology allows the femur to progressively lengthen at a rate of one millimeter a day until it reaches the



prescribed length, which in this case is three centimeters.

According to specialists, bone lengthening with electric nails is an advantageous alternative to other lengthenings that require external fixation. The intramedullary system reduces hospitalization times, lowers the risk of infection and allows faster recovery and rehabilitation that make the patient more mobile.

The head of the Molina Orosa Traumatology Unit, Irene Jiménez, expressed her satisfaction at having these means, the most technologically advanced, and above all for the presence of renowned specialists to carry out the first intervention of these characteristics in the hospital Lanzarote, which opens the door to continue doing it in the future.

The patient, who is recovering favorably, will now have a clinical and radiological follow-up until the consolidation of the implant that allows full support of the limb.



Gobierno de Canarias Ministry of Health announced the highly positive results of a survey among 5,100 patients treated in the public hospitals of the Canary Islands who rated their treatment as 8.68 out of 10.

Celebrity - Humanitarian Chef José Andres Visits Lanzarote

Photos Sergio Betancor, Jesús Betancort, Centros Turísticos, Liz



Cabildo President, María Dolores Corujo



Chef José Andres told Cabildo President Dolores Corujo and Chief Executive Officer of the Centros Turísticos Benjamin Perdomo that he had selected Lanzarote as the most representative of the Canary Islands for his CBO Box Office TV production to be transmitted later this year.

Celebrity Chef José Andres was on Lanzarote in preparation for his Canarian Cuisine and Culture programme scheduled for HBO Box Office to be shown later this year. Whilst on the Island he visited the Cabildo Tourist Centres, La Santa, Los Valles, Playa Blanca, dined in various restaurants and attended a Lucha Canaria championship in Haria, among other places of interest.

José Andres was born in Spain, where he learned the craft of cooking from his parents and whilst working in a prestigious gourmet establishment and moved to the United States in 1991, where he established a group of restaurants that attracted countless fans and numerous awards over the years, two Michelin stars and four Bib Gourmands among them.

He is a culinary visionary and a humanitarian, establishing the World Central Kitchen in 2010 as a means for feeding the many – using training programs to empower communities and strengthen economies as well as food disaster relief in the wake of emergencies around the globe. Earlier this year a humanitarian kitchen José Andres established in Kharkiv, Ukraine fed thousands of refugees before it was destroyed by a Russian missile.

José Andres has been widely recognized for his culinary and humanitarian work: Among them, Best Chef Mid-Atlantic, 2003; Humanitarian of the Year, 2018; twice on TIME Magazine list of 100 Most Influential People and the National Humanities Medal from President Obama in 2015.



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Spain's Prime Minister and his Family Holiday on Lanzarote



Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez chose Lanzarote for his family summer holiday in August as he did last year. He is greeted at the Lanzarote Cabildo by Canarian President Ángel Torres, Cabildo President Dolores Corujo as well as with the

entire Cabinet of the Insular Authority. The Prime Minister's visit has attracted the attention of both the national and international media which is great publicity for the Island and for the quality tourist market.



The sculpture was designed by César Manrique

*Lanzarote Cabildo World Tourism Day Awards - 27 September 2022
The César Manrique Foundation Receives the Isla de Lanzarote Sculpture*

Individual Categories

"Personality of the year" posthumously awarded to the late Timothy C. Evan Jones who introduced surfing water sports on Lanzarote. Tegui receiving international fame as a venue for world championship surfboarding trials.

"Business" Boutique Kamezi Villas.
"Events" CrossFit Lanzarote Summer Challenge.
"Special Mentions" Casa de los Naranjos Hotel, Playa Blanca - Tienda de Lourdes, Tegui - Queseria Montaña Blanca.



Leading Japanese travel agents were invited to visit Lanzarote by Tourespaña as part of a "Get to know the Canary Islands" trip in which the Tourist Promotion boards of Tenerife, Lanzarote and La Palma participated. They are soon with Cabildo President Dolores Corujo and Spel CEO Tourist Promotion Héctor Fernández following a luncheon at Jameos del Agua

MIAC- Castillo de San José

‘Tours, volcanoes and lentils’, an aesthetic reflection by Rubén Acosta on the “complex” balance from which Lanzarote evolved



CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo

Ruben Acosta takes us on a journey through time in which he discovers the changes on an island that navigates a delicate balance between nature, tradition and the tourist phenomenon. It is a current look from the inside, a reflection on the present with traces of the past; a new vision of contemporary landscape, the evolution of traditions and the revolution of identity. The works on exhibition will comprise four chapters of a bi-lingual book. Malpéis deals with natural landscape as created: Magua encompasses tradition, culture, gastronomy, Taro focuses on construction, architecture, César Manrique and transformation of the landscape, La Tiñosa reflects tourism, globalization and identity conflicts. To be published by Ediciones Remotas this September.

Career Highpoints

Rubén Acosta (Lanzarote, 1976) has a degree in Audiovisual Communication from the Complutense University of Madrid, with a Master's degree in photography and he received the Future Award as most outstanding student from EFTI International School of Photography.



CEO of the Tourist Centers, Benjamín Perdomo, director of the MIAC-Castillo de San José, Cabildo Culture Councillor Alberto Aguiar, María José Alcántara, and photographer Rubén Acosta at the opening of the exhibitio



He also holds a Masters in Cultural Engineering from the European University of Madrid (2001).

Has exhibited regularly in Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia and Bilbao and has won prestigious awards including “Discoveries” by Photoespaña in 2002, and has participated

in international events such as the Bamako and Dakar Biennials. His photography can be found in prestigious collections such as the Coca Cola Foundation, the Enaire Foundation, the AENA Foundation, the 2 de Mayo Art Center, CAAM, TEA, MIAC, the Government of the Ca-

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nary Islands, as well as private collections in Spain and the United States.

Rubén currently runs a photography studio on Lanzarote and is an editor at the independent publisher Ediciones Remotas, which has released over 40 titles on culture, photography, heritage, history and the environment to date.

'Tours, volcanoes and lentils' is my first individual exhibition at the Tourist Centres MIAC Art Gallery It is a dream come true and fills me with pride."



"A magnificent collection of images of the island landscape created by a local artist inviting us to discover what we were and understand what we are"

Benjamin Perdomo
CEO Tourist Centres



The CEO of the Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo was delighted that the World and European Brass Association selected the unique Cueva de Los Verdes as the perfect setting to hold their annual concert. Their major aims include the protection of cultural heritage and to connect individuals and cultures across borders and language barriers and they certainly connected with the enthusiastic audience who gave them rapturous applause.



The CACT Tourist Centres purchase 5,000 euros worth of wine from the vineyards which are members of the Board of the Denomination of Origin of Lanzarote wines to serve as a financial stimulus for their commitment to purchase grapes at a price of 3 euros per kilo. Tourist Centres CEO Benjamin Perdomo said his intention was to provide a boost for the agricultural sector which cares for and protects the environmental conservation of the wine region, among the most important areas of Lanzarote's traditional countryside.





Highly Positive Tourism Results for the Summer to Date

Jet2 Play a Leading Role in the Increase of UK Flights to the Island

The CEO of 'SPEL Tourism Lanzarote, Héctor Fernández, confirmed the noted increase in the frequency of international flights to Lanzarote and highlighted the positive role of tourism from the UK. "British companies such as Jet2 play a major part in increasing tourism to the island this summer and despite the problems English airports are experiencing, we believe they will be continue returning in greater numbers in the autumn and winter. The amount of flights since the beginning of summer is almost 10% higher than the last pre-Covid statistics from 2019."

Other general data that has positively affected the summer period through increasing activity at César Manrique Lanzarote Airport includes the establishment of a Vueling base on the island which has generated



Héctor Fernández, CEO SPEL Lanzarote Tourism

a noted increase in the flight schedule to Barcelona which facilitates inter-connection with a very important number of international routes. An additional positive factor is the addition of a second plane stationed

at the airport by Binter, a clear indication of the commitment that this major Canarian airline is making to increase routes to the Spanish mainland, to North Africa and even some European cities."

The CEO of SPEL Tourism Lanzarote, Héctor Fernández continued his prognosis by stating that despite the uncertainties due to the current geopolitical situation and inflation Lanzarote will be closing the tourist summer season on a positive note based on the final data from July and August although we are not certain if they will reach the levels of 2019. His final remark was also on a positive note, "the first indications for the winter season also show an upward trend." (SPEL is the acronym in Spanish for Society for the Promotion of Lanzarote Overseas).

The Cabildo of Lanzarote and SEGITTUR Join Forces Promoting the Island as a Smart Tourist Destination

Segittur, a Spanish government company under the auspices of the Secretary of State for Tourism, is dedicated to the management of innovation and tourism technologies and has signed an agreement with the Cabildo with the main objective of introducing new technologies for the promotion of the tourist sector which will establish coordinated strategies that promote the implementation of Lanzarote as a Smart Tourist Destination

Premium Lanzarote

The Insular Cabildo under the auspices of SPEL Turismo launched the concept of the Lanzarote Premium category with a message of the Island being exclusive and different through sustainability and conservation of the environment, directed at the highest echelon of tourist worldwide as well as to capture new overseas markets. This Public-Private partnership consists of 120 proprietors of the island's most exclusive hotels, apartments, ancillary businesses and services. It is important for the road map of this marketing exercise of Lanzarote Premium to emphasize the superb natural and unique attractions of our Tourist Centres and heritage sites which come under the heading of cultural, educational and recreational. Each of these features is of major appeal to the Intelligent Tourist and cannot be found anywhere else in the world. This category of tourism requires the integration of many factors and components such as high-level physical and information technology infrastructure services, well-trained human resources, and effective management.



President of the Cabildo Maria Dolores Corujo and President of the Board of SPEL Tourism, CEO SPEL Tourism, Héctor Fernández, President of Segittur Enrique Martínez and CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo at the signing ceremony on the Islet of Fermina



"It is an honour for us to be the first Cabildo to sign this collaboration which aims to position us as an innovative destination with advanced technological infrastructures accessible that guarantees the sustainability of the island."

Maria Dolores Corujo,
President of the Cabildo and
President of the Board of
SPEL Turismo.



The signing ceremony

Tías Municipality Commits to 17 Sustainable Development Goals ODS Prescribed by the United Nations 2030 Universal Agenda

Photos Dory Hernández



Mayor José Juan Cruz announced the Town Hall sustainability objective



The 17 SDGs are integrated, recognizing that action in one area will affect outcomes in others, and that development must balance social, economic and environmental sustainability. Countries have committed to prioritize progress for those who are furthest behind. The SDGs are designed to end poverty, hunger, AIDS, and discrimination against women and girls. The creativity, knowhow, technology and financial resources from all of society is necessary to achieve the SDGs in every context. A priority objective of the 2030 Agenda is ensuring quality education and promoting lifelong learning as one of the most powerful and proven methods for ensuring sustainable development.

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by the United Nations in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that by 2030 all people enjoy peace and prosperity.



Ico Arrocha Declared “Hijo Predilecto” Municipality of Tías

One of the Leading Folklore Vocalists in the Canary Islands

Federico Arrocha Hernández (1953-2016) was an outstanding vocalist with a natural talent for interpretation of the traditional music of Lanzarote demonstrated in the numerous concerts he performed in Lanzarote and the other Canary Islands. In addition to his work as a soloist Ico Arrocha participated in folklore festivals and made records. He also was a member of some of the island's most prestigious folk groups, Ajei, Los Campesinos and Guadarfia.



Mayor José Juan Cruz and the Municipal Council: *“Ico Arrocha is deserving of this posthumous title as a famous folklore musician and for his friendly and humane personality.”*



Tias Promotes Environmental Care in Local Schools

Raising Students' Awareness of Conservational Practices

Mayor José Juan Cruz, and Education Councillor Tomás Silvera, presented the director of IES Puerto del Carmen, Luz Divina Baena, with a diploma thanking her for her contribution well as to deputy director, Alberto Pascua and the entire management team and pupils. A certificate of recognition was also presented to CEIP director Concepción Rodríguez Artilles deputy director, Patricia Formeiro, secretary, Juan Suárez presented by Councillors for Education and Culture Tomás Silvera and Pepa González, respectively.

365 Tias pupils 365 students attending Compulsory Secondary Education (ESO), Baccalaureate and Basic Professional Training (FP) received lessons in Cooking and Restoration. The talks were

given by environmental communicator Cristina Camacho and the Institute, which works with the Canarian Innovas Network of the Government of the Canary Islands, providing organic orchards and gardens, compost bins and recycling points, among other initiatives. The project stresses the need to reduce and reuse, consume local Canarian products and to use the fifth container for organic and biodegradable waste (brown).

Tias Council, has introduced Cuidame and ZEConsciente environmental awareness projects in local schools IES Puerto del Carmen and CEIP Concepción Rodríguez Artilles



Fiestas del Carmen

Fiestas del Carmen which took place 1 -14 August, is an annual event celebrating the renaming the former fishing village La Tiñosa which was the original name of the resort of Puerto del Carmen, the island's first, and still most popular, tourist resort. Over a two week period a series of cultural and sporting events took place during the day followed by concerts at night.



Tourism Councillor Mame Fernández



Legendary rock star Loquillo gave an exciting concert in the harbour on the final Saturday night with his repertoire of Rockabilly and Rock and Roll. This Barcelona icon is known as the Man in Black because his gravelly deep voice is reminiscent of Johnny Cash

Promoting the Recycling of Glass Containers in Catering Establishments

Mayor José Juan Cruz, and Environment Councillor, Carmen Gloria Rodríguez, have underlined their commitment to meeting Sustainable Development 2030 Agenda targets, in tandem with two specialist consultants.

Tías Ayuntamiento has launched a campaign to promote the recycling of glass bottles in hotels and restaurants talking to personnel responsible for restoration. Also under discussion is the installation by Eco-vidrio of special containers with a wider mouth and a system hydraulic lifting, which allow the recycling of large quantities of glass to the hospitality sector, and supply adapted buckets with wheels to facilitate the transport of glass waste.

The hospitality sector generates approximately 52% of single-use glass containers, so their collaboration is key to increasing the figures for local selective collection and achieving recycling targets as well as advancing a significant improvement in the fight against climate change and for the health of the local population.



Recycling glass is one of the many ways we can help reduce pollution and waste. Glass can be melted down and made into many different forms from drinking glasses to glass fiber. When the glass is taken to a manufacturing or recycling plant, it is broken up into smaller pieces called cullet.

The cost savings of recycling is in the use of energy. Compared to making glass from raw materials for the first time, cullet melts at a lower temperature. So we can save on energy needed to melt the glass. Glass produced from recycled glass reduces related air pollution by 20% and related water pollution by 50%.



Fiesta of San Pedro

Tías Journalist Ruth Nereida Corujo delivered the Introductory Speech (pregón) at the celebration of the Fiesta of San Pedro, Patron Saint of Macher. Following a history of the Saint's Day, Ruth evoked happy memories of her childhood singing and dancing together with her family during the festivities

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Apartamentos Fariones Biosphere Certified for Commitment to Sustainability

Fariones Plus group executive responsible for Quality, Zelenia Pérez commented we have achieved the objectives set out by the United Nations in their 2030 Agenda. Fariones Group Director of operations Rens Malesys pointed out that this is a significant endorsement indication for our compromise towards sustainability for present and future generations on Lanzarote.

The Lanzarote Tourist Federation and Asolan together with Turismo Lanzarote and the ITR Institute for Responsible Tourism have been supporting such efforts among their members for the Biosphere Sustainable platform.



Displaying the Biosphere Certificate for conservation and sustainability Executive Manager of Plus Fariones Hotel Group, Rens Malesys with his staff who enjoy a reputation for friendliness and professional excellence among hotel guests



Finca de Uga Cheese Factory

Finca de Uga Cheese Factory has once again won awards at the prestigious Agrocanarias 2022, celebrated on the island of La Palma. The annual event is organised by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries of the Canarian Government in conjunction with the Canarian Institute of Quality Agriculture ICCA. 190 cheeses from 65

cheese factories were in competition display to be judged by carefully assembled teams of technical experts, buyers, retailers and food writers.

On this occasion Finca de Uga which belongs to the Rosa Group was awarded three major awards. Among Rojillo won the Grand Gold Medal in Semi-Cured Pasteurised category and two other Gold Medals.





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Reports from Yaiza

Celebrating VI Centuries Canarian Rubicon Diocese at Femés
San Marcial - Patron Saint of the Canary Islands

Femés - A Singular Symbol of Canarian Identity

Photos Alex Salebe



Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda



In the opening address Government Vice President Roman Rodriguez referred to Femés as a Singular Symbol of the Canary Islands

The Papal Bull of 7 July 1404 established the Canarian-Rubicon Diocese at Femés in Yaiza municipality where it remained for eighty years until being transferred to Las Palmas. This was only two years after the arrival of Norman noblemen Juan de Bethencourt and Gadifer de la Salle who built San Marcial de Rubicón on the south-east coast of Lanzarote whose ruins are a protected Heritage Site. The two knights headed an expedition financed by Henry III of Castile to colonise the Canary Islands in the name of Spain.

Being French they first sought the backing of their own monarch, Charles VI, who turned them down and they then turned to his Spanish counterpart who agreed to support them in return for annexing the archipelago to Spain. Reproduction of a woodcut of the arrival of the Normans clearly shows Bethencourt and de la Salle standing prominently on deck holding baronial emblems. They were accompanied by chaplains Fray Pedro Bontier and Juan le Verrier who wrote a chronicle of the arrival of the colonisers and of the first years of their rule in a manuscript entitled *Le Canarien* and the original version was acquired by the British Library from the heirs of the Bethencourt family in 1880. A dispute between Spain and Portugal which lasted over 100 years over ownership of the Canary Islands was decided by a Papal Bull in 1436 in favour of Spain.



Mayor of Yaiza Óscar Noda congratulates the Canarian Vice President for his Pregón opening address. Pope Benedict was represented by the Apostolic Nuncio for Spain Monseñor Bernadita Cleopas



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Mayor Óscar Noda Honours the Traditions of the Fishing Fleet



The sculpture by artist Cintia Machin standing on the roundabout at the entrance to the resort is a tribute to the historical traditions of the Playa Blanca fishing fleet, the staple of the local economy before the advent of tourism. Mayor Óscar Noda with the local fishermen and their families including the oldest member Blas Francisco Martin

Traditional Grape Cultivation Celebration of La Caridad Holidaymakers Participate in Grape-Treading Ritual



Hundreds of British holidaymakers participate in the grape-treading ritual on Dia de la Caridad at Bodega La Geria





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Reports from Yaiza



Playa Blanca Honours the Virgen del Carmen on Land and Sea Holidaymakers Join the Local Population in the Festivities

A large amount of the population of Playa Blanca as well as many holidaymakers paid tribute to the Virgin of Carmen in honour of the Patron Saint and the sailors of the fishing fleet who created its traditional sailing history. They attended the Eucharist Mass in the church conducted by Priest Jonathan Almeida as well as participating in the maritime procession through the streets to place the Holy Effigy on board the Simaraca, accompanied by fifty boats along its route of blessing along the southern shore.

Neighbors and visitors joined with respect to the sailor sentiment that accompanies the Virgen del Carmen. Old and new generations of sailors along with their families were in the land and sea processions and in the different festive acts that distinguish the 2022 celebrations as the most participatory of the last decade. All present joined in with the beautiful songs of nautical tradition of Parranda Janubio, the Yaiza Choir and the Municipal Band both in the church and during the procession.



Escorting the effigy of the Virgen de Carmen to the sea shore. The Simaraca sailed along the southern shore of the tourist resort



Tourism Councillor Ángel Dominguez was very happy that so many holidaymakers participated in the fiestas along with the local community

Mayor Óscar Noda and Festivities Councillor Javier Camacho thanked the population for the largest participation over the last decade



Carpets of coloured salt mark the route of the congregation following Mass on Corpus Christi in the Iglesia de los Remedios. Local children who received their First Communion led the way accompanied the Vicar Jonathan Almeida. Many tourists admired the intricate design of the salt carpets



The work on the fishing wharf at Playa Blanca is almost completed.

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According to President Nieves Rosa Hernández Mararia Social and Cultural Association in Support of Women's Rights was able to offer assistance and advice to a total of 4,3000 women on Lanzarote over the past year. Two of the founders received a tribute as Honorary Members, Encarna Sanchez and Carmen Suárez and are seen in the photograph with the president



The Lancelot editorial team headed by Jorge Coll celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 2 June by enjoying the special marmalade of Seville oranges made by British Ambassador Hugh Elliott for Buckingham Palace



Roper grocery has always been popular, especially among British and other foreign residents because they go out of their way to import sustainable food products not normally available in Spain. Newly open and under new management are the freshest and highest quality fish and shellfish caught around our coast. The charcuterie and cold meats delicatessen is well stocked, including ham, all the best local and international hand-made cheeses and fresh fruit. Exciting new product launches. Seasonal hampers to treat a loved one with something special. A comprehensive selection of wines, liqueurs, beers and soft drinks. Open all through the day six days a week.



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Reports from Teguise

Teguise Annual Noche Blanca All Night Party attracted 15,000 Revellers



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort

15,000 people attended the annual Noche Blanca Party in the historic town centre of Teguise, the ancient capital of the Canary Islands. Hundreds enjoyed the concert in the central Plaza Los Leones by Peruvian star Thony Romero who paid tribute to Dominican artist Juan Luis Guerra whose fusion of meringue and Latin has sold 30 million records worldwide.



People of all ages were present, some carrying children on their shoulders



Hundreds fully enjoyed the concert by Thony Romero singing and dancing along to the music



Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and all his Councillors fully enjoyed the annual event in the historic centre of Teguise a night packed with surprises



Teguisse Tourism Councillor joins Mayor Oswaldo Betancort in raising the Blue Flag over Las Cucharas Beach on the resort's waterfront

The Blue Flag is a certification by the European Union that a beach, marina, or sustainable boating tourism operator meets demands on issues such as hygiene, sanitary conditions, safety, accessibility and the provision of lifeguards as well as the quality of the seawater. The trademark is a not-for-profit non-governmental organisation in 60 member countries.



Tony Callero Teguisse Tourism Councillor He said I am delighted to see so many holidaymakers enjoying themselves at our fiestas and joining in the celebrations among the local population

28th Festival Acatife with Los Sabadeños - A Night of Canarian Music



Acatife Folklore Group

The popular music group Acatife was founded in the Villa de Teguisse, in 1983 and their first public performance was on the TV Tenderete programme of the late Nanino Díaz Cutillas. Over five hundred concerts have since followed including the XXI Los Sabadeños Festival as well as appearances all over the Canaries and in France and Germany. Among major topics in their lyrics is the emigration of Teguisse citizens to the American continent from the 17th to the 20th centuries and they strive to keep their memory alive. Acatife have recorded eight major albums including "600 Years of Teguisse History and Legends." The annual Acatife Festival attracts artists from Latin America and the rest of the Archipelago and has established a yearly Volcán de Plata Award for other artists and institutions for their contribution to the popular heritage of the island which they presented to Elfidio Alonso historic founder of Los Sabadeños.



Founder of Los Sabadeños Elfidio Alonso received the "Volcán de Plata" from Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and Acatife



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Reports from Teguisse



Fiestas del Carmen

Feast Day of the Virgin of Carmen celebrations in Teguisse and on La Graciosa. Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and Councillors with the church authorities in Teguisse Town and at Caleta de Sebo harbour



Traditional Corpus Christi Salt Carpets in Teguisse Municipality

Teguisse paid homage to Xacobeo 2022 by creating the number 2,475 on an arrow indicating the amount of kilometers in distance between La Villa main thoroughfare and the end of the pilgrims route

Camino de Santiago, known in English as the Way of St James, is a network of pilgrims' ways or pilgrimages leading to the shrine of the apostle Saint James the Great in the cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia in northwestern Spain, where tradition holds that the remains of the apostle are buried.

At the beginning of June, the traditional Corpus Christi festive procession over skillfully-designed carpets of salt from the church around the main squares. Everywhere in Spain carpets are made from flowers but due to the lack of rain on Lanzarote they are made from salt which also historically played a significant role in providing employment at the salt ponds.



Local youngsters attended a ten day course in creative handwriting and reading at the municipal library given by Fine Arts graduate Elena Morales as early practice in handwriting skills seeks to establish secure foundations from the beginning. She is seen with her pupils and Library Councillor Sara Bermúdez who was able to appreciate how children are helped to develop their skills from an early age



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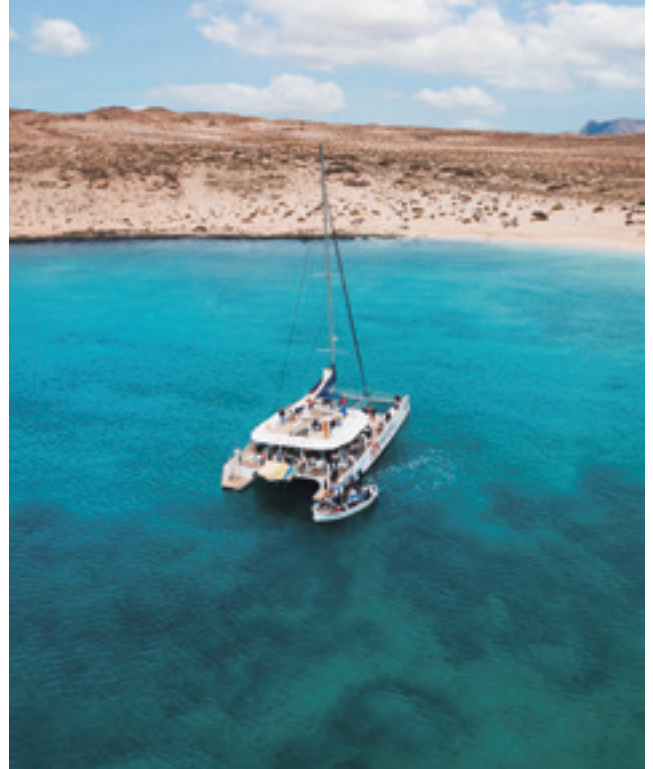


Lineas Romero Ferries Establish Social Foundation

Líneas Romero is a family owned company founded in 1930 by Jorge M. Toledo as the first maritime postal company connecting La Graciosa with Lanzarote. Líneas Romero has flourished and is today a recognized company with 100% local capital offering a regular service of ferries between Lanzarote, Fuerteventura and La Graciosa. They also offer excursions and tourist experiences with specialized guides around the Canary Islands, such as cruise in boats with marine vision, sailing catamarans and various water activities.

President Federico Romero announced the founding of Lineas Romero Social Foundation in order to continue practicing the social aspects it has always adhered to support and promote talent and human capital as well as promoting equal opportunities and the efficient and sustainable use of resources. In addition, he recognized the work of his team and company because “all this work would not be possible without the efforts of all our staff through the love and commitment they show every day.”

Areas to be covered include education, sport, healthy leisure and conservation of the fragile environment of their native isle, La Graciosa, as well as preventing marine pollution. He concluded, “We want to give back to our people what we have received throughout our lives personally and professionally.”



“We want to give back to our people what we have received throughout our lives personally and professionally.”

President Federico Romero



Authorities present included the Canary Islands Sports Minister and the mayors of Teguise and Haría





Fiesta of San Ginés - 10 Days of Celebration for the Whole Island Iglesia de San Ginés Parish Church (1798) - Mass Follows Procession *Holidaymakers Heartily Join in the Celebrations*



Arrecife Mayoress Astrid Pérez



Miguel Angel Corujo, Artistic Director of Los Campesinos, delivered the opening pré-gon speech of the Fiesta de San Ginés. Mayoress Astrid Pérez presented him with the town's symbol as a sign of the folklore group's annual participation in the event

Arrecife Marine History

In the 1970s, Arrecife fishermen operated the largest sardine fleet in Spain to supply the town's seven fish-canning factories, they operated off the coast of north Africa in the Canary-Sahara bank where they would spend up to half a year at a time. However they always made sure of returning to their home base in time for the Fiesta of San Ginés each August. The repertoire of one of Lanzarote's most popular folk group's, Amigos de Puerto Naos, consists of shanties based on the traditions of the Arrecife fishing fleet, the most important of which was to return in time to enjoy the ten day celebration with their families.



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Mayoress Astrid Pérez greeted the opening of Open Mall Arrecife by the end of the year saying that following an investment of 21 million euros the shopping centre is a great boost for the economy of the island capital and will create many new jobs. Occupying an area of 32,000 square metres retail space the two-storey shopping centre standing on two floors, will contain 92 shops cafés, takeaways and restaurants and an underground car park for 952 vehicles. Primark is among the better known commercial premises to open, as well as Zara, who closed their Arrecife outlet in 2020. Building work commenced with the demolition of Las Garavillas sardine factory in 2017, which had occupied the site since 1967.



Mayoress Astrid was escorted round the premises by Miguel Morales owner of Hormiconsa Construction/Parque Islas Canarias who are managing the new commercial center



Mayoress Astrid Pérez visits the children's playground being installed in various Arrecife schools as the Town Hall has approved of budget €1.4 million to renovate all schools. She said this includes adapting them to the level of safety and accessibility for even the youngest infant as required by law



Mayoress Astrid Pérez greets the new president of the Lanzarote and La Graciosa Chamber of Commerce José Valle whose offices are in the island capital and congratulated his board of directors whose business experience can benefit local firms as befits the third most important capital in the Canary Islands.

In tandem Astrid Pérez paid tribute to the hard work of his outgoing predecessor José Torres for having incorporated digital technologies for the benefit of Arrecife's business community and for his improvements to the commercial harbour and its facilities for cruise-liners.





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Reports from Arrecife



Mayoress Astrid Pérez with the newly elected President of the Sociedad Democracia de Lanzarote Lorenzo Lemauro. She thanked him for his offer to place at the disposal of the Town Hall the facilities of their magnificent premises for institutional, social and cultural activities as well as for concerts.



The Mayoress watches volunteers preparing the coloured salt carpets which the congregation walk on following Mass on Corpus Christi

Four members of Real Club Náutico of Arrecife Rayco Tabares, Alfredo González, Héctor González and Federico Morales were among the crew of a Swan 42 yacht which won four medals in the 40th anniversary King's-Mapfre Challenge Cup in Palma de Mallorca. They can be seen with King Felipe who also competed



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Virgin of the Volcanoes Celebration 7-15 September at Mancha Blanca Arts & Crafts Fair plus Nightly Folklore Music Concerts

Opening Pregón 7 Sep / Romería 10

Almost a century after the famous eruptions of the Fire Mountains 1730-1736 which in fact created what we now know as Timanfaya National Park, another group of volcanoes erupted on the outer periphery in September 1824. Although this was a far less spectacular eruption and over a much shorter duration they heralded an incident of such significance that it became the centrepiece of the annual celebration of Los Dolores, the Patron Saint of Lanzarote.

During the 1824 eruption, an incandescent stream of lava from the Tinguaton Volcano suddenly began flowing in the direction of the nearby village of Mancha Blanca threatening it with total destruction. When it had almost reached them terrified villagers joined the priest praying for their salvation. According to legend the congregation emerged from the church carrying an effigy of Los Dolores and marched towards the approaching torrent. When it was almost upon them the burning mass of lava suddenly changed direction flowing away harmlessly towards the sea.

Since that momentous day almost a century ago a fiesta of thanksgiving has been celebrated on the Saints Day of the island's Patron Saint over a five day period during the second week of September.

Arts and Crafts

Events commence with an Arts and Crafts Fair in marquees with over 100 stands showcasing traditio-

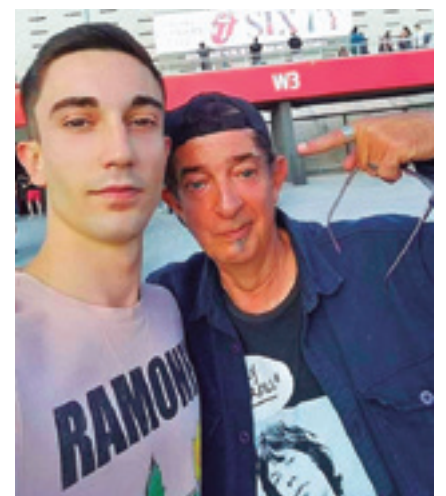


nal handwork skills of Lanzarote craftsmen as well of those from the other Canary Islands. Lanzarote's Arts and Crafts are in a healthy state because the island's craftsmen and women have gone with the times. The basic skills of the traditional artisans still guides their creations, but they have added touches of the present day to enhance the work of their ancestors. Pottery, is still made without the use of the potter's wheel and basket weaving from palm fronds, including straw hats, has remained unaffected. But items like costume jewelry crafted from local semi-precious olivine stones extracted from volcanic rock, as well as volcanic rock itself, are being hand made on the island using innovative ideas but with the use of modern day tools.



Spar Lanzarote Commits to Sustainability

The logistic centre which opened in 2021, is equipped with renewable energies such as photovoltaic and geothermic, allowing Spar Lanzarote to approach a more sustainable future. Their latest innovation is the installation of charging stations for electric vehicles at the branches of Eurospar in Altavista, La Vega, Costa Teguise, Playa Honda and Macher. Added to their policy promoting kilometer 0 products, has led to a reduction in plastics, sugar and salt in own-brand items offering customers a safe alternative. Spar Lanzarote is totally committed to health and the surrounding environment.



Vicente Martin, Canary Islands best known rock & roll author and broadcaster with his son in Madrid on the opening night of the Rolling Stones tour of Europe



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Reports from San Bartolomé

Merendero Municipal Picnic Area for the Whole Family Circuit of Sports Facilities on the Beaches of Playa Honda



Mayor Isidro Pérez was visibly delighted at the return of a descendent whose ancestors had emigrated from San Bartolomé to San Antonio, Texas over 300 years ago

San Bartolomé has opened a spacious family picnic area close to the historic Casa Mayor Guerra on the outskirts of town close to the road to Tias. Installations include facilities for BBQs with tables and chair, landscaped gardens provide visitors with ample shaded areas in an area of architectural beauty.

Mayor Isidro Pérez said that he was delighted that local citizens are now able to enjoy family events in such natural surroundings added to which is the architectural beauty of the adjoining Casa Mayor Guerra which originally was built as mansion for the governor of Lanzarote. The Merendero picnic area opens daily from 10:00 to 23:00 hrs.



Mayor Isidro Pérez has organised a circuit of beach sports areas on the beaches of Playa Honda for local youngsters to enjoy. Included are two pitches for beach football, others for handball, beach tennis and volleyball. Additionally, an enclosed triangular swimming circuit in the sea measuring 800 metres protected by three buoys. Other activities include, yoga, pilates, zumba and keep-fit beach maintenance exercises

San Bartolomé has embarked on a plan to erect sculptures within the municipality with themes adapted for their geological location. The first is entitled Sculpture for Wine serving as a tribute to the uniquely beautiful traditional La Geria wine region erected at the entrance to La Florida and El Islote. The sculptor is César Corujo Saavedra, whom Mayor Isidro describes as a self-taught local artist with his own personal sculptural and architectural vision. Many local agricultural, artistic members of the community and Councillors were present at the inauguration.

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Descendent of the Cabrera Family Returns to San Bartolomé 300 Years after his Ancestor Emigrated to San Antonio Texas Great Aunt Stella is the Family Historian

Larry Valle 12th generation Descendent from Houston, Texas, accompanied by his wife Bertha and their children Daniela and Ivan visited the Island in July with the desire of retracing his forbear's roots. His appetite had been stimulated by his great aunt Stella's meticulous research into the family genealogy although she lives in South Texas. The following is an assessment of her life written by Larry's wife Bertha.

Great Aunt Stella Family Historian

'If it wasn't through the many years of blood, sweat, and tears that Larry's Great Aunt Stella, full name, Estella Martinez Zermeño, put into discovering the family genealogy, we would have never have known anything about the Valle-Cabrera history. While we were in Lanzarote Larry would video call his mom and she would in turn relay all the photos and messages to Aunt Stella who was bursting with pride that we were able to make the pilgrimage that she had always wanted to undertake but for health reasons was unable to do so.

I would classify her as the counterpart here in Texas of Teguisse historian Francisco Paco Hernández who thoroughly researched our family history before our very eyes. (see page 38) What she did for many years was to pore over countless documents (birth certificates, marriage certificates, death certificates, poll tax certificates, etc) in many houses in Texas, many of the manuscripts were only found on microfiche; still other records were recovered despite the courthouse being burned down and documents had been shuffled around in temporary storage sites. She became so well known in genealogy circles that many courthouse clerks throughout the state alert her when a new document turns up.



Visiting El Monumento



The family visit the Town Hall and Theatre of San Bartolomé



Larry with some locals who tells him about gofio and why Lanzaroteans are known affectionately as conejeros



Family historian Stella with her husband Willie Zermeño



Photographs of past generations of the Cabrera family and documentation. The museum Stella had built behind her home El Alamolito



Stella currently lives in Goliad, TX and has a small museum that she had built behind her home which she refers to as El Alamolito as it is a miniature version of the famous Alamo shrine to Texan independen-

ce. Stella houses copies of all the certificates mentioned above as well as family memorabilia, books, etc. She has been interviewed by many researchers in South Texas on historical data (See page 38).



Eating out on Lanzarote

Kaori Asian Restaurant Puerto del Carmen

Located within the 5 Star Luxury Hotel Fariones, Kaori Asian restaurant offers an exclusive a la carte dinner service to taste a wide range of Asian cuisine. Enjoy delicious combinations of culinary specialties across the Asian continent. Experience an alternative dinner for all lovers of the Asian cuisine for hotel and external guests including vegetarians.

On the menu: pork gyoza with ground pork, chives, green onion, cabbage, ginger, garlic and oysters. Also prawn tempura, king crab and black pig.

A very exclusive culinary project based on high quality ingredients and exotic flavours and techniques which will take you on a journey through the Asian continent in an ambience of exclusive design. Open Tuesday – Saturday 19.30-22.00



Stratus Aljibe del Obispo Restaurant. La Geria

Overlooking the dream-like setting of La Geria wine region, described by the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art as “engineering without engineers,” the Canarian cuisine consists of the best local raw materials with avant-garde techniques.

Dishes include, Carpaccio, tartar of the day; Marinated tuna with to-

mato, braised goat filling, smoked Jersey potato parmentier and seed sprouts, Angus beef tenderloin, succulent pork cheeks, tender and fragrant goat meat, grilled Iberian pork ribs, specially prepared black pig, acorn-fed Iberian ham, baby cuttlefish, grilled octopus, pan-fried baked cod. Open 12.00 - 20.00. Tuesday Closed. Live music on Saturdays from 13.00 – 15.00 hrs.

Castillo de San José

**Wednesday - Saturday 12.30 - 16.00
19.30 - 23.00 Sunday 12.30 - 16.00**

Starters include Caramelised goat's cheese, Iberian roast pork carpaccio, foie shavings and vanilla salt. Main dishes include, Atlantic wreckfish with king prawn Canarian tuna steak Tataki style, honeyed squid rice with saffron and cured cheese slices, Carved grilled entrecote, Pork cheeks served and seasoned with local salt flower, duck magret with crispy skin served with Porto sauce and dates, Desserts include, goats milk yoghurt with local strawberry compote.

Museo de Campesino

Open daily 12.00 - 16.00

Tomato and fresh goats cheese served with garlic oil and oregano, Pork medallion specialty served with wild mushrooms and dates; classical rabbit with salmorejo sauce served with a creamy jable sweet potato purée; Classic rabbit recipe served; fried and crispy chicken breast filled with ham and served with a creamy Canarian almogrote cheese sauce. Also dishes for the “little ones.”

El Diablo Restaurant

**Open 10.00 -16.45 daily 15 July - 15
September 09.00 - 16.45.**

A once-in-a-lifetime eating experience awaits guests at the El Diablo Restaurant in the Fire Mountains. Food is cooked on a grill heated by geothermal heat emerging from a volcanic chasm below in the bowels of the earth. The temperature inside the mou-



tain at this point is 500° C and even a few inches below the surface it is 100° as can be seen in two displays by park rangers. Before or after your meal be sure to go on the guided tour of the Volcanic Route on coaches equipped with multi-lingual commentaries. The tour is included in the admission price paid at the park entrance.

Jameos del Agua Dining

Friday nights 3 menus

Vegan - Classic - Premium

The restaurant is considered among the most beautiful dining locations in the world. Rita Hayworth, who had been filming on Lanzarote when it first opened in 1978, told the international press “I have just experienced the “eighth wonder of the world.” Selection includes: Tofu tartar served with guacomale, tomato, soft lettuce and soya, sesame and palm honey vinaigrette. Wild asparagus and mushroom risotto with coconut milk, curry and toasted pine nuts; shi-take mushroom. Roasted maize meal roll, vegetable stir fry served with teriyaki sauce. Harvest-fish sirloin with maize meal and cilantro broth or duck thigh comfit of sweet potato and figs. Cheese mousse with passion fruit.

Denomination of Lanzarote volcanic wines served at all the Tourist Centres.

Information 901 200 300

online reservations:

www.cactlanzarote.com/es/events/

Christian Worship

Church of England

All services are Holy Eucharist with hymns. 10 am Nazaret: Iglesia Nuestra Señora, 1st and 3rd Sunday in the month. 12.30 pm Puerto del Carmen: Nuestra Señora del Carmen (Old Town Harbour). 5.00 pm Playa Blanca: Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Main Street. For more information call 928 514 241.

Catholic Church

Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Puerto del Carmen harbour. Sunday Mass 11.00, 18.00; Saturday night, 20.00. San Ginés Church central Arrecife, Sunday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00; Saturday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00.

International Evangelical Church

Meets at La Hoya, Puerto del Carmen Sundays 11 am, service in English, call 928 173618 for more details. Arrecife services in Spanish, Sunday 10.30 am and 18.30 pm, call 928 812027 for more details. For informal meeting at Costa Teguise, call 928 590342.

Inter-denominational Sunday Worship at Costa Teguise

Services are held in English at the Hotel Beatriz Costa & Spa every Sunday morning at 11:00am. Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

For more information please contact Stuart 630 175 810 or via our website www.sundayworshipplanzarote.com

Norsk Kirkesentre and Social-Cultural Centre

Norwegian Church abroad – Religious and Social Cultural Centre C/Rociego Puerto del Carmen close to Cinco Plazas. Open mid-September to mid-May: Tuesday-Friday 11.00-16.00, Saturday 11.00-15.00, Sunday Service 18.00. Office tel: 928 515 561 Pastor Knut Kaldestad: 616 407 693

There is no synagogue on Lanzarote. For information about Sabbath and Festival services on Las Palmas call 928 248 497.

CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES



British Honorary Consul Lanzarote

Sue Thain – (To contact call)
Tel: 928 26 25 08

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British Consulate

Jackie Stevenson is the British Vice Consul at Las Palmas. To seek advice, or make an appointment with a consular official in Las Palmas or Lanzarote, call the number above. Notarial bookings online service: www.ukinspain.fco.gov.uk



EMERGENCY CALLS

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Fire Brigade	928 816 312
Police	928 597 107
Water Board	928 814 400
Guardia Civil	928 811 886
Ayuntamiento Arrecife	928 81 04 52
Atuntamiento Haría	928 83 52 51
Ayuntamiento S. Bartolomé	928 52 01 28
Ayuntamiento Teguise	928 84 50 01
Ayuntamiento of Tias	928 83 36 19
Ayuntamiento de Tinajo	928 84 00 21
Ayuntamiento de Yaiza	928 83 62 20

Puerto del Carmen Church



Markets

Arrecife Markets

Charco de San Ginés
Wed and Thur 9-2

Recova Town Market
Mon to Sat 9-2

Historic Old Town
Saturday 9-2

Puerto Calero

Friday 9-2

Puerto del Carmen

Plaza del Varadero
Friday 10-3

Playa Blanca

Marina Rubicón
Wed & Sat to 10-2

Teguise Market

Sundays and
Public Holidays 9-2

Costa Teguise

Pueblo Marinero
Thursday mornings 9-2

Tinajo, Mancha Blanca

Sunday 9-2

Haría Artesanal Market

Saturday 10-14:30

Postage and Post Office

Letters and postcards within Europe 1.50 euro, USA 1,90 euro. Puerto del Carmen post office is open Monday-Friday 08.30 - 14.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Arrecife post office: Monday-Friday 08.30 - 20.30 hrs, Saturday closed. Opening times are for stamps and registered letters etc. but both offices close earlier for money transfer.

SIMPLE CROSSWORD No 145

By Imelda Coombes

Simple finesses aren't always that simple.
Dealer South Both Sides Vulnerable

♠	8 6 5		♠	Q 9 7 4
♥	9 7		♥	K 10 8 2
♦	Q 8 7 4		♦	K 9 5
♣	10 9 8 7		♣	J 5

	♠	A 10 2
	♥	6 5 3
	♦	J 6 3 2
	♣	6 4 3

	♠	K J 3
	♥	A Q J 4
	♦	A 10
	♣	A K Q 2

	♠	Q 9 7 4
	♥	K 10 8 2
	♦	K 9 5
	♣	J 5

	♠	A 10 2
	♥	6 5 3
	♦	J 6 3 2
	♣	6 4 3

	♠	Q 9 7 4
	♥	K 10 8 2
	♦	K 9 5
	♣	J 5

	♠	K J 3
	♥	A Q J 4
	♦	A 10
	♣	A K Q 2

	♠	A 10 2
	♥	6 5 3
	♦	J 6 3 2
	♣	6 4 3

	♠	Q 9 7 4
	♥	K 10 8 2
	♦	K 9 5
	♣	J 5

	♠	K J 3
	♥	A Q J 4
	♦	A 10
	♣	A K Q 2

Bidding			
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2 NT	pass	3 NT	pass
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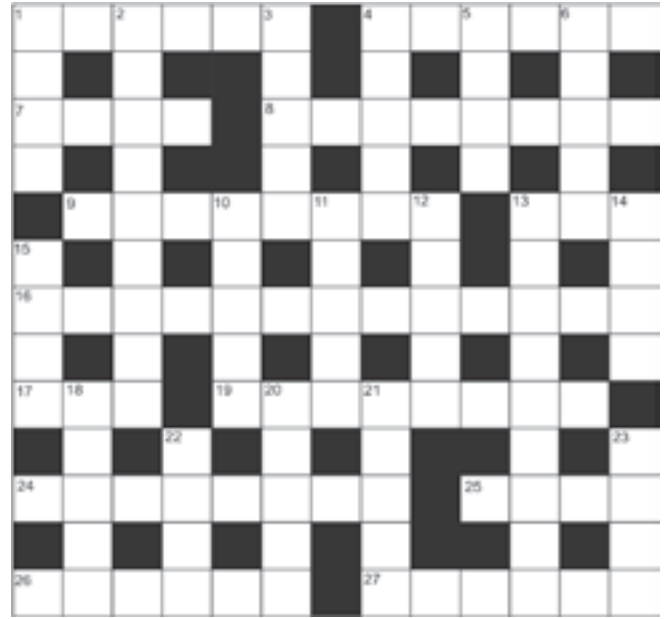


West leads the 10 of Clubs which you win with one of your honours.

In today's hand you can count 8 sure tricks and have to look for the ninth. Everybody knows how to look for three Spade tricks - you just have to take the right finesse and guess who has the Queen of Spades. But, if you guess wrongly you'll have to depend on two heart finesses and for that you need two entries in dummy.

Therefore, after winning the first Club trick, you should lead the Jack of Spades and let it ride. If this finesse wins you need nothing more. But, if your Spade finesse loses, you will later lead the King of Spades and overtake it with dummy's Ace for the first Heart finesse and next time the Spade 3 to dummy's 10 for the second Heart finesse.

SOLUTIONS TO GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD NO. 84. Across;- 1 Thresher, 5 Madrid 10 Easel, 11 Proptosis, 12 Streisand, 13 Nonce, 14 Erepsin, 16 Retuse, 19 Stolid, 21 Vulture, 23 Larva, 25 Vivacious, 27 Spiritual, 28 A-Bomb, 29 Duenna, 30 Licensee. Down; 1 The Ashes, 2 Resurgent, 3 Solti, 4 Explain, 6 Antenatal, 7 Risen, 8 Dispel, 9 Condor, 15 Salvation, 17 Stuporous, 18 Sensible, 20 Devour, 21 Vivaldi, 22 Closed, 24 Rhine, 26 Chase.



ACROSS

- 1 Pail. (6)
4 Utterly wretched. (6)
7 Ninth letter Greek alphabet. (4)
8 A province in Ireland. (8)
9 Suave. (8)
13 An enclosure. (3)
16 A former county of W England. (13)
17 Forty-five inches. (3)
19 Songbird. (8)
24 Aubergine. (8)
25 The largest of the continents. (4)
26 Companion. (6)
27 A feeling of disgust. (6)

DOWN

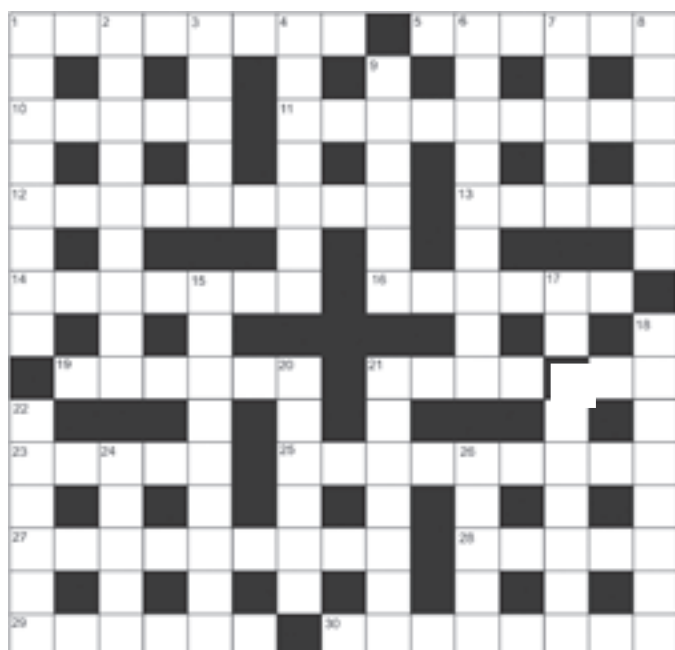
- 1 Lure. (4)
2 Large church. (9)
3 A claw. (5)
4 An excuse. (5)
5 Fair. (4)
6 A Greek island. (5)
10 Tender. (5)
11 Bitter. (5)
12 Retake your exam. (5)
13 Spring flowers. (9)
14 Another name for a turnip. (4)
15 Worn on the foot. (4)
18 A light beer. (5)
20 Antelope. (5)
21 The devil. (5)
22 Part of a church. (4)
23 Spanish house. (4)

SOLUTIONS TO SIMPLE CROSSWORD NO.144

Across:- 1 Fights, 4 Rotate, 7 Baby, 8 Exposing, 9 Occupant, 13 Pet, 16 Toad in the Hole, 17 Doh, 19 Ecclesia, 24 Ministry, 25 Fear, 26 Answer, 27 Rested. Down:- 1 Fibs, 2 Go by Coach, 3 Sleep, 4 Ripon, 5 Test, 6 Tense, 10 Untie, 11 Antic, 12 Theme, 13 Prominent, 14 Tree, 15 Stud, 18 Onion, 20 Cater, 21 Layer, 22 View, 23 Arid.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD No 85

By Imelda Coombes



ACROSS

- 1 The brightest star in the constellation Eridanus. (8)
- 5 Jean Auguste Dominique — , 1780-1867, French classical painter. (6)
- 10 To improvise and deliver without preparation. (2-3)
- 11 A small Alpine flowering plant. (9)
- 12 The national flag of Great Britain. (5,4)
- 13 To grind or wear down. (5)
- 14 Descended from a common maternal ancestor. (7)
- 16 — d'être, reason for existence. (6)
- 19 Johan — , Dutch footballer. Captained the Dutch team in the 1974 World Cup. (6)
- 21 The last king of Lydia, noted for his great wealth. (7)
- 23 Units of land in some English-speaking countries. (5)
- 25 A burial vault or tomb. (9)
- 27 A narrow strip of land projecting into the sea. (9)
- 28 Antonio — , 1852-1926, Spanish architect. His most noted work is the church of Sagrada Familia in Barcelona. (5)
- 29 The first day of the week. (6)
- 30 Having no equals. (8)

DOWN

- 1 A port and resort in SW Mexico. (8)
- 2 A port in NE Denmark, famous as the scene of Shakespeare's Hamlet. (9)
- 3 A small Old World songbird, related to the thrushes. (5)
- 4 A typical or normal amount. (7)
- 6 A state in America whose capital is Santa Fe. (3,6)
- 7 A wild animal with thick skin, massive body and three digits on each foot. (5)
- 8 Alfred — , 1839-99, French painter of landscapes. (6)
- 9 Boris — , German tennis player who won Wimbledon three times. (6)
- 15 The former name of Ethiopia. (9)
- 17 A building containing kilns for drying hops. (4,5)
- 18 People who practise great self-denial especially for religious reasons. (8)
- 20 A grass cultivated for pastures and lawns, having stiff narrow leaves. (6)
- 21 A small cake baked in a foil or paper case. (7)
- 22 The eight small bones of the human wrist. (6)
- 24 To arrest or take into custody. (3,2)
- 26 A light-bodied effervescent beer. (5)

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Ombudsman - *Diputado del Común*

For complaints about a utility or public authority: Rambla Medular, 99, Arrecife. Arrecife, 8-2 Mon to Fri, Tel: 928 812 407 The service is free and confidential.

Cabildo Consumer Protection Office

For complaints about private or state-run businesses or services: Cabildo Building, Arrecife, 9-13 Mon to Fri. Tel: 928 80 33 67.

E-mail: consumo@cabildodelanzarote.com

Cabildo Wildlife Protection Service

Tel: 696 733 177 (07.00-22.00)

Mararia - Official Women's Support Office

In case of maltreatment or abuse. All nationalities welcome. C/ Fajardo nº 24 - 1ºB. C.P: 35500 Arrecife (Lanzarote). Tlf. 928 804 834. E-mail: voluntarias.ascmararia@gmail.com. In case of emergency call 112

SARA Animal Protection Society

Next door to the Tahiche Garden Centre, Tahiche, open 10:30 - 13:00 Monday to Saturday, Tuesday 17:00 - 19:00. Tel/fax: 928 173 417. www.sara-protectora/eng

Alcoholics Anonymous

English-Speaking Meetings

Call 638 484 113 or visit www.aalanzarote.com
Costa Teguisse Barcelo Hotel Mon and Wed 18.00-19.00. Tel: 928 511 846 or 928 173 525

Visiting Rotarians Welcome - Lanzarote Rotary Club - Arrecife

Weekly meeting Friday 14.30 at Lancelot Hotel Arrecife Visiting Rotarians welcome. Information: Tel.: 928 80 50 99.

English-Working Lodge

(Emulation) in the Spanish Constitution (recognised by U.G.L.) will welcome visitors October-April. Information: Tel: 928 83 34 90

Local Bridge Club

From September to June, two Bridge Clubs on Lanzarote hold weekly meetings in Arrecife to which visitors are welcome: Tuesdays 18.30 at the Arrecife Gran Hotel and Wednesdays at 19.00 at the Casino Club Náutico, Arrecife. Both are located on the promenade. www.bridgelanzarote.com



“A rare world”

Exhibition of Painted Portraits by Fernando Larraz

Over twenty years have passed since Tenerife artist Fernando Larraz opened his first exhibition on Lanzarote but he returned to the Casa de Cultura “Agustín de la Hoz” once again from June until the end of August to showcase his latest creations entitled “From a rare world.” The artist told the media that he was “very happy to exhibit again at the same art gallery and I have included a painting from that first exhibition, to demonstrate the evolution of my work. I feel an important professional, emotional and sentimental bond with the island and people of Lan-

zarote and sense that the feeling is mutual.”

The exhibit consists of a selection of more than eighty portraits of artists, actresses, actors and singers of lost or recently acquired fame, who seem to stare at their viewing audience trapped within a strange temporary reality or suspended in a multiplied existence of a world where past and present mysteriously come together. The exhibition was very successful among the public as well receiving highly positive reviews in the press. Please come back again Fernando Larraz but don't let us wait for too long.



Fernando Larraz with the Mayoress of Arrecife and Cabildo Councillors.

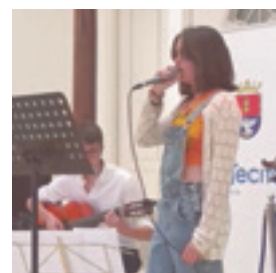


The artist is joined by members of his family including Lancelot creative designer Betty Romero



The artist and exhibition commissioner Pepe Betancort

At the presentation, Nora de Paiz sang Across the Universe and When My Guitar Gently Weeps, accompanied by her cousin Fernando Larraz Jnr on guitar, to generous applause



Fiesta de Los Remedios
2 – 8 September
Yaiza

Fiesta de Los Dolores
7 – 15 September
Romeria 10th
Arts & Crafts Show
and Folklore Concerts
Mancha Blanca



Students from CEIP School Costa Tegui came second in a competition among fifteen schools to design environmental themes for display in the Art Gallery of Museo San José. They are seen with CEO Tourist Centres Benjamin Perdomo who handed them an award. Their headmaster José Juan Romero also congratulated them

Search www.culturalanzarote.com for concert dates

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