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# TORRE MOLINOS

the origin  
of paradise

## A PARADISE TO DISCOVER





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'AN ENDLESS  
SUMMER'  
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It was built more than 700 years ago, between the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries.

# Torre Pimentel



## Discover the tower that gives its name to paradise, the Pimentel Tower

This is the origin of the town's name: Torremolinos is named for this tower, Torre de los Molinos (Tower of the Mills), later called Torre Pimentel after **Rodrigo de Pimentel**, a knight who helped the Catholic Kings, Ferdinand II and Isabella I, conquer Malaga at the end of the 15th century. It was built more than 700 years ago, around the year 1300.

The walls of Torre Pimentel are made of clay soil. It is 12 metres high and has a solid base, two floors, windows and a large terrace from which Nasrid guards watched out for possible intrusions from the sea. Just close your eyes and imagine the guards looking out on the Mediterranean Sea, day and night.

A small and humble neighbourhood of mills grew up around Torre Pimentel and over time, became the modern Torremolinos. Indeed, this monument is now a historical reference in the heart of the town, which has been declared **Monument of Cultural Interest (BIC)**, due to its historical value.

In the area you will find **La Cuesta del Tajo** and Calle del Peligro, a unique stretch of pedestrian streets typically Andalusian, full of **shops and restaurants**, many of them with sea view, and the **Visitor's Centre** (Centro de Interpretación Turística), which holds exhibitions on the history of tourism in Torremolinos.



Cuesta del Tajo



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In the heart of Torremolinos, restaurants, shops and street art come together in this square.

# Plaza Costa del Sol



## Discover Plaza Costa del Sol, a square full of life in the heart of the town

Plaza Costa del Sol (Costa del Sol Square) was reopened in 2019, with a new **pedestrianised area**. It holds a new **pergola** made up of 28 modules 6 metres high and 6 metres wide, which is an exclusive design for Torremolinos by architect Salvador Moreno Peralta. This pergola suggests the undulating movement of **sea waves**, and its unique design and structure have been renamed as “Torremolinos style”.

The pergola shares space in Plaza Costa del Sol with five magnificent **sculptures**: ‘Los Oficios’ (the Professions), ‘El caminante’ (the Wanderer), ‘El origen de Eva’ (the Origin of Eve) and ‘El banco’ (the Bench), from the artist Elena Laverón, and ‘Mujer con niño’

(Woman with a Child), by the artist Jits Bakker, and a variety of **26 different species of flowers and aromatic plants**. You will also find two **free USB charging stations** for your electronic devices. Very close to Plaza Costa del Sol you can visit **Pasaje Begoña**, a place of LGBTQ historical memory, known as the Spanish Stonewall. The iconic **María Barrabino House** stands out in the town centre, a beautiful 19<sup>th</sup> century house of great architectural, historical and cultural interest in Torremolinos. This traffic-free area is now connecting the space of the different squares in the town centre, making it a bustling urban area throughout the year with **open-air events, street markets and lively terraces**.



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This Botanical Garden was rehabilitated in 2003 and holds almost a thousand plant species.

**Molino  
de Inca**



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## Discover a botanical garden watered by a spring: the Inca Mill

This garden lies just outside the town centre on **Camino de los Pinares**, next to the old mill Molino de Batán and the pinewood forest El Pinar de los Manantiales. The history of the town is undoubtedly linked to that of the mills. There is evidence of their use for several centuries due to the fact that the various **water resources** of the mountains around allowed their construction. Some were used for flour milling, others for making brown paper or grinding cereals. The latter was **Molino de Inca** or Inca Mill, which is the oldest one in town, a paradise for nature lovers and a peaceful environment to enjoy the

silence, home of many **bird species**.

There is also a replica of the old Inca Mill that works thanks to a **complex system** that uses the power of water. The liquid element remains the main feature of the **Botanical Garden**, not only because of its decorative role, but also because it comes from the water springs in the mountains of Torremolinos: the **Inca and Albercón del Rey springs**, visited in 1926 by King Alfonso XIII.

In addition, this botanical garden has a fantastic 500 m<sup>2</sup> **Japanese Garden**, with hills and ponds typical of the land of the rising sun.





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A Neomudejar style palace with views to the sea, in the heart of El Bajondillo.

# Casa de los Navajas



## Discover a palace with sea views, Casa de los Navajas

In the 1920s and 1930s, along with the **first hotel establishments** such as Parador de Montemar or Castillo del Inglés (this latter also called Santa Clara residence hotel), some **wealthy families** chose Torremolinos as their second home. Thus, they built their houses and buildings, some of which have a **unique architectural interest**, such as the Navajas family residence in El Bajondillo, or Huerta del Rincón, a private property in La Carihuela

Casa de los Navajas was built in 1925 and it belonged to the Luque-Navajas family, linked to the **sugar cane business**, successful at that

time at the mouth of the Guadalhorce River.

That industry was favoured by major and necessary **engineering works** carried out to bring water from the water mills in Torremolinos to Malaga city, thus contributing to the **modernization** of the area.

Weddings and other ceremonies take place in this Neomudejar style **palace also with Mozarabic decoration**. It also hosts exhibitions, concerts and theatre plays, becoming an essential historical building in Torremolinos.



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Gala Dalí, wife and muse of the great Spanish painter Salvador Dalí, starred the first graphically documented “topless” in Spain in 1930, at El Morro beach in Torremolinos.

# El Morro



## El Morro: discover a unique spot on your walk along Senda Litoral

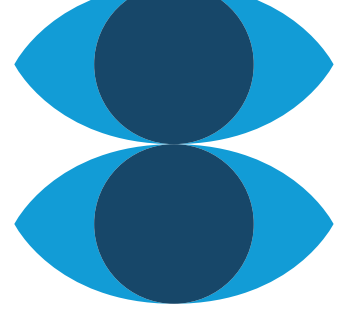
El Morro is a **magnificent natural monument** visible practically along the entire coastline of Torremolinos.

The enormous extension of El Morro, also called La Punta, constitutes the geographical **centre of the town**, divides it into two halves and is a natural boundary between two of our beaches: **La Carihuela and El Bajondillo**.

In the past, it was the physical boundary between these two areas, but an extension of the **promenade** allows a stroll along the seafront and to enjoy a unique route by the Mediterranean Sea: **Senda Litoral**, a route along the coast of Malaga province or Costa del Sol.

This travertine ledge called El Morro was base for the installation here of a **gun battery** in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Later, the British soldier **George Langworthy** acquired and converted it into accommodation at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> and beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, becoming one of the first hotels on the Costa del Sol, under the name of Hotel Santa Clara.

From the **Mirador de San-sueña**, a place for cultural interpretation of the poets of the Generation of 1927, you can enjoy spectacular views of El Morro and the coast of Torremolinos



The Senda Litoral passes through Torremolinos



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Breathe fresh air, enjoy  
the sea views and relax in  
this beautiful public park

# Parque de La Batería



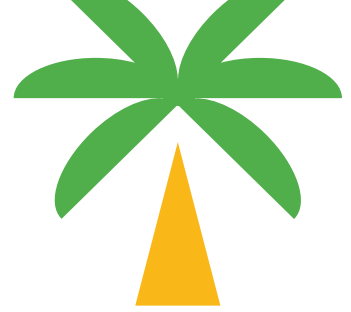
## Discover a green lung to enjoy and practice sports with your family, Parque de la Batería

With its privileged position **overlooking the sea**, Parque de la Batería is one of the green lungs of Torremolinos. It's the perfect place to **disconnect**, relax and enjoy nature without leaving the town. Located to the north of La Carihuela and next to Montemar Alto train station, the park offers more than **74,000 square metres** for **leisure, sport and family fun**. It contains more than a thousand trees of **25 different species**.

Acting as the Central Park of Torremolinos, Parque de la Batería is enjoyed by lots of people who make the most of their visit to Torremolinos. The main attraction is the **artificial**

**lake** measuring more than 9,000 square metres, and there is also a 15-metre-high **observation tower**, a network of **footpaths**, an **exercise area**, a **bike lane**, a **running track**, a large **children's play area** and a **stage** where **concerts and shows** are held throughout the year.

Its name originates from the **old defensive artillery battery** that was sited here. In fact, some of the old artillery **cannons**, Schneider brand, and two **underground bunkers** can still be seen. Parque de la Batería offers more than 150 parking spaces inside the park area. Pets are allowed in the park.



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Torremolinos hosts a magnificent natural environment just minutes from the town centre. La Cañada del Lobo on top of the Torremolinos mountains offers stunning views and is the perfect place to become familiar with the environmental richness that surrounds the municipality.

# Sierra de Torremolinos





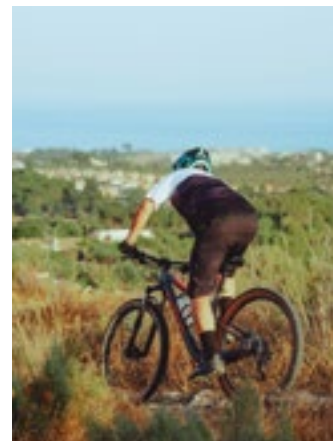
## Discover hiking routes and new paths on the local mountains, Sierra de Torremolinos

A good network of trails criss-crosses a dense **pine forest** together with **holm oaks, cork trees, wild olive trees** and **palmettos**, all native plants of the Mediterranean.

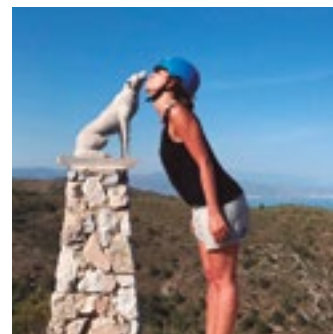
A gorgeous natural environment to climb through until reaching viewpoints which offer some of the best panoramic views of the Costa del Sol.

The **Gran Senda de Málaga** (Great Malaga Path) is a pioneering hiking route in Andalusia. It connects with the Camino Mozárabe de Santiago (Mozarabic Way of St James) and forms part of the national and European network of paths. Its stage 34 (GR 249, Benalmáde-

na-Alhaurín de la Torre) passes by Torremolinos, in an interesting lineal route of **4.2 kilometres** which crosses the highest points of the municipality's mountains and connects with the Benalmádena cable car, the starting point of several **hiking trails**. It is a route where a wealth of **flora and fauna** can be observed and appreciated throughout the year, and where we can practise mountain sports such as **mountain biking, calisthenics and walking** surrounded by wonderful natural landscapes.



Gran Senda de Málaga



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A multidisciplinary  
centre for exhibitions,  
theatre, cinema and live  
concerts all year round

# Centro Cultural Pablo Ruiz Picasso



## Discover a unique building in the heart of the town: Pablo Ruiz Picasso Cultural Centre

The Pablo Ruiz Picasso Cultural Centre in Torremolinos is a building with nearly a century of history, declared **Monument of Cultural Interest** by the Andalusian Government in 1990. Also known as ‘Antiguo Colegio de Huérfanos Ferroviarios’, (former School for orphans of railway workers), it is a building constructed in **1935** by the architect Francisco Alonso Martos, following the **progressive ideals** prevailing during the Second Spanish Republic. The layout of the building reproduces the **shape of an aeroplane**, one of its many architectural peculiarities.

Nowadays, Centro Cultural Pablo Ruiz Picasso is the main **art centre in town** for all art disciplines, and it is used for all kind of cultural activities and events. It holds one conference hall, two cinemas for a variety of films and audiovisual projections, one yoga room, and one room designed for children’s activities.

The premises of Centro Cultural Pablo Picasso are used for **events and exhibitions** of photography, painting, sculpture and other art disciplines. The building also holds the **‘Elena Laverón’ Exhibition Hall**.



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Put on your swimsuit, take your beach towel and put it on the sand, open up the beach umbrella and get ready to enjoy one of the best parts of Costa del Sol.

# El Bajondillo Beach

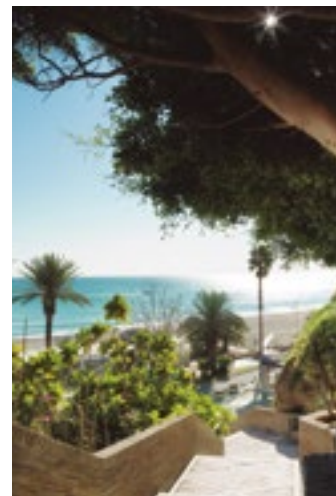


## Discover the infinite blue and the hypnotic horizon and relax in the beaches in Torremolinos

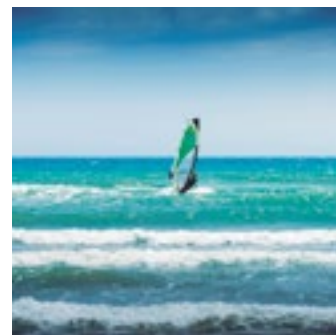
El Bajondillo is a fantastic 40 metre wide beach, 1,3 km long, not far from the **centre of the town** and is therefore one of the busiest. Classified as an urban beach, it is highly valued by locals and tourists, thanks to its variety of services and its offer of **gastronomy, leisure and water sports**. It is between the beaches of **La Carihuela and Playamar**. It can be reached on foot from the centre along several routes. For example, at the end of San Miguel Street, continue by the famous **Cuesta del Tajo**, a pedestrian street full of **craftwork and gift shops** where you will find the perfect souvenir of your holidays in Torremolinos. Also, through **Camino de la Playa**, a staircase connecting El Ba-

jondillo and the town centre. Additionally, there is a **lift to go to the beach**, taking you from Plaza del Panorama (at Calle de las Mercedes in the town centre) to Plaza de los Tajillos near the promenade. This lift works all the year round, and the fees is only 50cents of euro per journey.

El Bajondillo has a **beautiful promenade** to enjoy the sea breeze at any time, as well as **chiringuitos, restaurants and bars** to try delicious fresh fish and all type of food of our fantastic gastronomy. Genuineness and tradition are the essence of this **seafaring town** that breaths in this **old fishermen district**, with its typical narrow streets and flower pots.



Camino de la Playa





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It isn't difficult to see why Grace Kelly, Ava Gardner, Orson Welles and Frank Sinatra chose this beach to enjoy the Mediterranean in the 1950s and 1960s.

# La Carihuela Beach



## The maritime tradition continues on one of the most famous beaches in Costa del Sol

When the town was awakening to tourism and the first big hotels opened their doors, like **Tropicana** and **Pez Espada** hotels, many Hollywood Stars and celebrities visited La Carihuela. The sun, its more than 2 km long promenade and its excellent **gastronomy offer** made it one of the most attractive areas in Torremolinos, and still keeps the charm of a **typical Andalusian village**.

Together with the beach, you can enjoy its **great promenade** and its many **shops, bars, restaurants and beach clubs**, at one the most peculiar and typical parts of the town, a must-see. If you walk west you will reach the small beach of Saltillo and

then Puerto Marina, already in Benalmádena. In the east you will reach **La Punta or El Morro** de Torremolinos, the natural monument that once divided the promenade in two.

Today, La Carihuela is still a world famous beach. A place of **modern tourist facilities**, but also respecting its **seafaring origins**. Following its solid **fishing tradition**, La Carihuela keeps the essence of its humble origins and has the conviction that the spirit of Torremolinos is harboured here.



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Modern beach restaurants with chill out music, a great selection of options for leisure and relaxation, activities for all ages, and buzzing nightlife make Los Álamos Beach one of the most interesting on the Costa del Sol.

# Los Álamos Beach





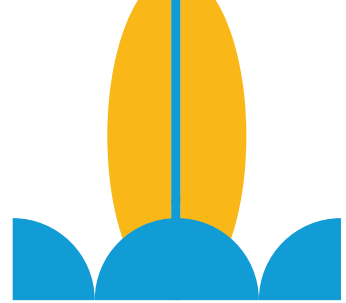
## Large and wide, this is one of the liveliest beaches on the Costa del Sol

Located near the local border with Malaga city, its wide range of leisure and dining options make it a must-visit if you want to explore a **young, cosmopolitan area** full of **entertainment**. You can get there on foot, by bus or train, with stops at La Colina and Los Álamos train stations.

The fine sand is one of its most attractive features. Its **large extension**, with a length of more than a kilometer and 60 meters wide, makes it one of the favorite beach spots for locals and tourists alike. In Los Álamos you can **relax** in the summer sun, enjoy a stroll along the beautiful **promenade in winter** or discover new activities and experiences at any time

of the year: **parasailing, jet skis, pedal boats and jet-boats**.

Los Álamos is also one of the **liveliest** areas of the city, with something for all ages. It has a wide variety of beach clubs where you can enjoy the **best music** during the day and a good part of the **night**. It is also equipped with traditional **picnic areas** and **restaurants with outdoor seating** where you can find the best **local gastronomy**, with healthy and tasty seafood.



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