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El Hierro

WILD AND BEAUTIFUL: THE CANARY ISLANDS

Once called the 'end of the world' in old nautical charts, El Hierro, as the westernmost and smallest island of the Canary Islands, is now a true paradise for hikers. It's easy to explain why it had been called the 'end of the world' for years. The prime meridian runs through the westernmost point of the island on the nautical charts. It also happens that the 278 square kilometre landscape in the middle of the sea was largely spared from mass tourism. All the better for those looking for relaxation. Unspoilt nature, many old hiking trails and the traditional life is still intact. So it is not uncommon that you will be greeted with a warm smile by the friendly residents on the trails.

Details about hiking holidays in the Canary Islands

In a week you get to know a traditional and pure idyll – the island of El Hierro in all its diversity. The silence in Valverde, Mocanal, Frontera or El Pinar, plus breathtaking views of the mountains and the valley, and also the endless Atlantic Ocean: all of these are part of the hikes every day.

You start on an ancient processional path that leads you in the direction of a bizarre tufa landscape via Betenama to Mocanal. At the same time, the path winds past fantastic buildings to Cèsar Manrique. From here you go on to the plateau around San Andrès and, from a landscape point of view, in between almost Scottish regions.

Your constant companion during the hiking trip in El Hierro: nature, views and lots of hiking trails that lead to the east coast and the deep blue Atlantic.

The highlights of the hiking trip on El Hierro

- The sanctuary of the island: A simple chapel in which the miraculous figure of Mary 'Virgen de los Reyes' is kept.

Mountain Hiking



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour

To the online version



Itinerary

DAY
1

Arrival in Valverde

DAY
2

Valverde – Mocanal

Along an ancient pilgrims' path and past the little village of Tiñor, the tour leads along with views onto the sea to the replanting of the historic 'Rain Tree Garoe', which the legend says, saved the indigenous people from dying of thirst. After that the walk continues through bizarre trass landscape via Betenama to Mocanal.

 ca. 3,5 hours  13 km  530 m  620 m

DAY
3

Mocanal – Frontera

On your way from Mocanal to Guarazoca this walk leads you to the fascinating stone structure of 'César Manrique'. Swiftly followed by an area resembling the Scottish highlands around San Andrés and then an ever green descent down to the 'orchard' of the small village 'Frontera'. Amongst other fruit, pineapples are grown here and are exported to the other islands.

 ca. 6 hours  17 km  690 m  850 m

DAY
4

Circular walk into the Southwest

After a short transfer the deserted south western part of the island. Visit an exposed lookout, the 'leaning' juniper trees of Hierro and the treasured shrine of the island, a modest chapel, home of the miraculous statue of Mary 'Virgen de los Reyes'. You reach full circle and the old shepherds' path leads you back downhill.

 ca. 5,5 hours  15 km  750 m  750 m

DAY
5

Frontera – El Pinar

A fascinating change in vegetation: Initially caught up in the Baumerika- and Gagelbaum forest, and heading through a pine forest to the highest point of the island, before reentering the fragrant pine forest via pitch black ashfields along the Golf valley ridge. Visibility permitting you can make out La Palma on the distant horizon.

 ca. 6 hours  17 km  750 m  850 m

DAY
6

Circuit walk Tacorón or day off

Across young lavafields the trail leads to the most significant diving haven and fishing harbour of the island, La Restinga. It was here in 2011 where only five kilometres off shore the latest lava eruptions of the Canaries were documented. From here you can either return to Pinar or proceed to one of the most amazing beach spot of ‚Cala de Tacorón‘ and then finally across ancient cultural areas walk back to El Pinar.

 ca. 5 hours  17 km  880 m  890 m

DAY
7

El Pinar – Las Playas

This walk offers spectacular views of the ragged cliffs of the East coast and the deep blue Atlantic Ocean. After leaving Taibique, then via Las Casas which will blow you away with its two impressive outposts with great views into the oldest part of the island complete with ancient shepherd’s trail. At the end of your walking holiday you will spend a night in the outstanding Parador-hotel, situated directly at the beach of Las Playas.

 ca. 5 hours  14 km  430 m  1.220 m

DAY
8

Departure or extension

Tour character

For the daily hikes between 3.5 and 6 hours you need a good basic fitness condition. You will walk on marked paths and forest trails through 4 different zones in vegetation on the island of El Hierro. Surefootedness for walking tour on day 7 required. This week offers a perfect combination of nature and typical Canarian way of life.



Prices and events

Place of arrival: Valverde

Season 1

01.01.2022 - 31.07.2022 | 01.09.2022 - 31.12.2022 |

Arrival daily

El Hierro, 8 days, ES-EHWVP-08X

Base price	549.00
Surcharge half board 7x (mostly multi-course, sometimes outside the property, payable with voucher)	119.00
Surcharge single room	279.00

Category: 5x simple but nice B&B's or country hotels, 1x nice 2**-country hotel and 1x 3***-Parador hotel

You can book extra nights for any day of your tour. Prices upon request!

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- Welcome briefing (German, English)
- Transfers according to program
- Transfer from airport or harbor of El Hierro
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- GPS data available
- Service hotline

Optional extras:

- If half board dinner (mostly multi-course)
- Transfer from Tenerife South Airport or the harbour, followed by a ferry trip to el Hierro (and/or back again), cost per person and trip EUR 99. Reservation required, payable in advance.

Infos

Arrival / Departure:

- Airport Teneriffa or Gran Canaria airport. Short flight (www.bintercanarias.es or www.canaryfly.es) to El Hierro (just under 1 hour), depending on airport from EUR 40 to 140 per person and flight. Flight from Teneriffa change to airport North ,Los Rodeos' (www.titsa.com), public transport bus connection nr. 343). Calculate approx. 1,5 hours transfer time from one airport to the other.
- Alternatively, by boat from Los Cristianos/Teneriffa-South (www.navieraarmas.com), duration approx. 2.5 hours to El Hierro, approx. EUR 50 per person (no boat ride on Saturdays).
- Organized transfer from harbour or airport El Hierro to initial hotel as well as return transfer to airport or harbour at the end of tour is organized and included in price.

Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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