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Full Itinerary and Tour details for

Spain's Canary island Tenerife 8-day Self-guided Walking Tour Level 3







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Tour Details and Description

Starting from the roaring Atlantic Ocean in the north-west, this multifarious week of hiking takes you across the unique mountain scenery of black volcanic rock into the sunny south-west. In the enchanting little coastal town of Garachico you enjoy breathtaking views onto the vast Atlantic Ocean and the green northern coast of the island. You cross several vegetation areas - each emanating its unique charm - and delve into the alpine world of the Teno-mountain range. The hike through the Masca-gorge is an extraordinary highlight to look forward to, with its steep towering rock faces and unique flora. In the south-west you walk along ancient bridle paths and visit the highest point of the Canaries, and the grand finale of your hiking holiday is an impressive walk through the biggest National Park of the island.

Tour character: Level 3

Daily hiking tours lead you along relatively rocky paths and trails, a good basic fitness level is required for tours with walking times of up to 5.5 hours. Surefootedness is especially required for the hike through the Masca-gorge. Whenever possible, you can choose between a challenging itinerary (pointed out in the text) and a more relaxed one each day. Discover Tenerife's diversity along magnificent mountain and coastal paths.

Included in the Canary Island Walking Tour:

- 7 overnight stays in 3* and 4* hotels
- Breakfast
- Transfers according to program
- 1 dinner (Los Gigantes)
- Luggage transfer
- Welcome meeting

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- Carefully elaborated route instructions
- Detailed travel and tour documents
- GPS data available and app navigation
- Service hotline

Not included in the tour:

- Journeys by public buses, approx. EUR 15 per person
- Any visitor's taxes are not included in the tour price and payable on site
- Anything not mentioned in 'included'

Arrival/Departure/Parking:

- Departure from Vilaflor: By public bus in approx.
 1.5 hours. Taxi ride approx. EUR 50, duration approx. 30 minutes.
- Airport Tenerife South: Arrival in Garachico: By public bus (<u>www.titsa.com</u>) in approx. 2.5 hours.
- Airport Tenerife North: Arrival in Garachico: By public bus in approx. 2 hours
- Departure from Vilaflor: By public bus in approx.
 2.5 hours

Notes:

- Departures Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays
- Extra nights
 - Garachico: From 79 EUR p.p (+59 EUR single person)
 - Vilaflor: From 89 EUR p.p (+85 EUR single person)

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Itinerary

Day 1

Individual arrival at Garachico Garachico is located on the roaring Atlantic coast in the north-west of Tenerife. The old part of town boasts beautiful mansions, churches and the ,Castillo San Miguel'. The volcanic rock pools invite to a refreshing plunge

Day 2

Circular Hike Garachico, Coastal Views (14 km +990 m -990 m) You hike through the very recent volcanic area of Garachico along historic paths. The strenuous ascent to the Ermita de San Francisco is rewarded with a stunning view onto the town situated below, but first and foremost onto the Atlantic Ocean and the

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entire northern coastline. After a short break in San Juan del Reparo you descend across the fertile landscape past colourful flowers, cacti and agaves back to the sea again.

Day 3

Garachico – Santiago del Teide, Laurel Forests (11 km +990 m -250 m) An amazing hike from the sea into the uplands. Hlking through remote gorges, characteristic cultivated land and laurel forests you reach the tranquil mountain village of Erjos. You continue along alpine paths through the Teno-mountain range until you arrive at Santiago del Teide. On today's hike you walk across several vegetation areas – a true paradise for flora and fauna enthusiasts.

Day 4

Circular Walk Teno-Mountain Range, Green Uplands (13 km +900 m -500 m) Short transfer into the Teno-mountain range, surrounded by grassland, terraced cultivated areas and grazing herds of goats. Initially the route takes you up to a mountain ridge from where you can enjoy a marvellous panoramic view. Then you proceed along the ridge over to the Tabaiba pass and onwards on a stunning high altitude path. From here you have an extraordinary view onto the we stern coastline and the mighty Masca-gorge with its black rocks. Passing the two Gala-Peaks, you return to Santiago del Teide.

Day 5

Santiago del Teide – Los Gigantes, Masca-Gorge (5 km +0 m -600 m) From Santiago your journey leads to the remote mountain village of Masca, with its impressive unique location amidst green volcanic scenery and jagged rocks. After a short ,cortado'-coffee break you start your hike through the Masca-gorge, which enthralls every hiking enthusiast with its rugged beauty. From Playa de Masca by boat to the holiday resort of Los Gigantes, where you stay overnight by the sea.

Day 6

Los Gigantes - La Esclona/Surroundings,

,Säumerpfade' (bridle paths) (14 km +750 m -300 m) Transfer to the neat village of Adeje, from there you proceed along ancient bridle paths, which were used formerly to transport goods across the mountains, across remote mountainous areas. The route offers ample panoramic views alongside terraced fields and forests, leading you high above the infernal gorge towards Ifonche. You continue along varied trails to the idyllic mountain region of Arona, situated below the mighty Teide-massif.

Day 7

Round Trip Vilaflor, White Lunarscape (13 km +600 m -600 m) Bus journey to Vilaflor, the highest point on the Canaries. On today's tour you experience yet another one of Tenerife's unique landscapes. You walk up to a viewpoint located at over 1800m in altitude just below Mount Teides, from where you can spot the 'white lunarscape'. Let your imagination go wild whilst watching these bizarre sandstone formations on the slopes created by wind, water and the weather. An amazing contrast compared to the black volcanic rock of the past few days. Bus journey back to La Esclona.

Day 8

Individual departure or book for extra days at your hotel

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