

HOLA FROM finca el cerrillo

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Spring Newsletter 2015



Cocktail anyone?

Hello from the Finca

Hello from everyone at the Finca. Are you well wrapped up against the British winter? We thought so....well maybe it's time to start thinking ahead to the summer and planning some sunshine into your life?

Here at Finca el Cerrillo we've just finished work on restoring our swimming pool. It has been completely retiled and looks like new! We can pretty much guarantee sunshine in **July and August** so....look out that swimming cozzie, dig out that novel you've been meaning to read (or raid our well stocked library) and head on over to see us. The garden will provide shady spots to relax in and Christine will be delivering her usual delicious dinners. You might even get one of Gordon's famous cocktails if you're around at the right time. If too much relaxing is considered bad for the character why not venture out to spend a day as a 'culture vulture' in Old Malaga? Malaga is certainly buzzing these days and a seafood lunch in the marina in the new port area is a **MUST** after all that sightseeing: the restored Roman amphitheatre and the Moorish Alcazaba are amongst the attractions. The Guardian and the Telegraph both named Malaga in the Top Ten city break list for 2015. See below for the Guardian report on the new Cube gallery. With our **Summer Sizzler** deals to tempt you (and the strong pound) it makes a fantastic break at a great value price!



Fancy a dip in the sparkling new pool?

Gardens and Wine-tasting week

Interested in gardens and enjoy your wines? Then why not plan a stay at the Finca for the last week of July?

Between 25th July and 1st August we will enjoy a programme of visits to Gardens and Bodegas in the Malaga province. We will also have a talk at the Finca about Mediterranean gardening and visit the home of a local gardener.

There will be plenty of time to relax, snooze and swim in between or maybe to visit the new Cube gallery – see photo on the right.



Malaga's credentials as a cultural city-break destination will get a serious boost this spring, when the Pompidou Centre opens its first outpost outside Paris. [The Cube](#) – a striking €5m glass building on the revamped marina – will house a permanent modern art collection and run a programme of arts events from dance to video. The birthplace of Pablo Picasso is also set to be home to a branch of the St Petersburg State Russian Museum, showcasing art from the 15th to the 20th centuries. The Museum of Fine Arts and Archaeology, opening later in the year, will complete the triple whammy of new attractions.



What is a Summer Sizzler?

I was asked this question recently by someone phoning to check availability. Of course, to all you 'Finca Aficionados' the answer is easy. But spare a thought for those who haven't been before....so at the risk of boring you, here is a recap!

Summer Sizzler offers a reduced room rate as long as you stay a minimum 3 nights and eat dinner with us twice. This rate is offered in July and August and sometimes as a special offer at other times.

Double Rooms B&B are normally 100€ per night but the Sizzler rate is still only 80€. Even with tax @ 10% added it is a fantastic deal!! The exchange rate at the moment makes that around £60. So why not buy some euros now and come and see us this summer? July is quite busy until 25th but then we have rooms available through until the end of August. Bring your friends and family. At these rates, can you afford not to??!

Creative Writing with author Rosanna Ley

20th – 27th June 2015

If you or your partner is a budding writer or maybe you're an experienced writer trying to get more serious about your writing....or if you are just looking for a holiday that has an interesting activity alongside the usual holiday pursuits - why not book yourself a place on Rosanna Ley's writing holiday at the Finca?

Gordon & I join in every year and it's a great way to spend an engrossing week. Rosanna is highly professional but manages to make the course interesting and fun. Non writing partners are very welcome. Contact Sue or Alison for more details or visit Rosanna's website

www.rosannaley.co.uk



Noche Del Vino

Sat 15th August

Every year Competa celebrates the night of the wine with grape treading and paella by day and Flamenco song and dance by night. **The Telegraph** listed this as No.3 on the list of not-to-be-missed food and drink fiestas in Spain

(10 Jan 2015) and guess where they recommended you should stay?

Answers on a postcard please to.....only joking. The postcards I mean. Seriously though we were **the** recommended place to stay. And what's more it happens to be right in the middle of our Summer Sizzler rate. We have a few rooms left for that weekend so don't delay if you are thinking of an August visit. Contact Alison or Sue info@hotelfinca.com

Grapes by day....



and wine, women and song by night!

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Extra Walking Date 23rd May. If you were disappointed at not being able to come walking this spring we have squeezed an extra week into the calendar. Our Gentle Walks programme will have walks around 3 hours and nothing too strenuous. Leaving time to relax and enjoy the Finca or maybe a trip to the seaside one day.....

For more information on any of the above – please e-mail Alison or Sue info@hotelfinca.co or phone 0034 952 030 444

Hasta Pronto!

See you soon....

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What's on and when?

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There is information on our web site www.hotelfinca.com
for all of the courses below. Please ask Alison or Sue if you need any further information.

7 night prices usually include airport transfers and most meals.

Remember – we also offer B&B throughout the year if you just want to do your own thing.

Bed & Breakfast stays	call or e-mail Alison to check availability	We can arrange a taxi to collect you at Malaga airport or advise on car hire	See our web site for room rates www.hotelfinca.com/rates & booking
23rd May 2015	Gentle Walks week	7 nights including most meals (except 1 lunch) Guide fees & transport Airport transfers	£595 pp sharing £695 single
20th – 27th Jun 2015	Creative Writing with Rosanna Ley	7 nights including all meals (apart from 1 lunch) Tuition and airport transfers	£700 shared £820 single £570 non writing partner
Fri 26th June – 3rd July	Summer House Party	7 nights including all meals (apart from 1 lunch) activities and airport transfers	£600 sharing / £700 single
25th July – 1st August	Gardens and Wine Tasting	7 nights with 2 garden visits and 2 wine tastings Most meals Airport transfers	£595 sharing £695 single
July & August 2015 Filling up fast! Don't delay.....	Summer Sizzlers includes Noche del Vino Flamenco fiesta 15 th August	Minimum 3 night stay – eat dinner in twice. Limited space – book soon!	80 euros per room per night+10% tax Double or single
September 2015	Pilates with Jane wake Beginners and experienced classes	3 nights Sept 16 – 18 th 7 nights Sept 12 – 19 th	Please enquire for prices
7th – 14th Nov 2015	Autumn Break	7 nights with 3 guided walks an excursion and wine tasting	£600 sharing £720 single
Sunday 3rd – 10th Jan 2015	Three Kings Festival See the Spanish children get their presents from the 3 Kings!	Epiphany Walking Week Multi-level walking Choice of two walks	£595 per person no single supplement