

TENERIFE FEBRUARY 27TH – MARCH 13TH 2022

We started our trips in 2022 with a 4 week trip to Albir in January. This time it was a trip to Tenerife.

We booked flights with [Ving](#). They have their own planes and the company is called [Sunclass Airlines](#). We booked the apartment via [Booking.com](#). We filled out the entry form for Spain online and we had the vaccine passport in order. The QR code was checked before we picked up the suitcases at the airport in Tenerife.

We drove to Gardermoen on February 26th and dropped the car off at [Dalen Parkering](#). Dalen Parkering has a bus that runs to and from the airport. We were not to leave until the next day, but the plane was to leave so early that we thought it was most comfortable to spend the night at Gardermoen.



We booked at the [Radisson Blu Airport Hotel](#).



We did not eat breakfast at the hotel, because we had ordered food on the plane. After check-in and security check, I granted myself a 'travel beer'.



The plane left [Oslo Airport Gardermoen](#) according to plan at 09.45. It was good hot breakfast on board - chicken with rice, vegetables and sauce + dessert.



We landed at the southernmost airport, [Aeropuerto de Tenerife Sur](#), at 2.30pm. The airport opened in 1978 and is the second largest airport in the Canary Islands after the airport in Gran Canaria.

There is also a smaller airport north of the island.



We had booked a rental car via [Rentalcars](#), the rental company is called [TopCar](#). This is the office. They have the cars out in the parking lot outside the terminal.



We had ordered a Toyota Corolla or similar and had to settle for a Renault Clio.



The Canary Islands belong to Spain and are located off the coast of Morocco. The islands were mainly populated by different groups of Berbers from North Africa. The oldest settlement on the islands is dated with the C-14 method to approx. 500 BC

Tenerife is the largest of the 7 inhabited Canary Islands. The largest industries in Tenerife are tourism and agriculture. The main resorts are Puerto de la Cruz in the north and Los Cristianos and Playa de las Américas in the south.

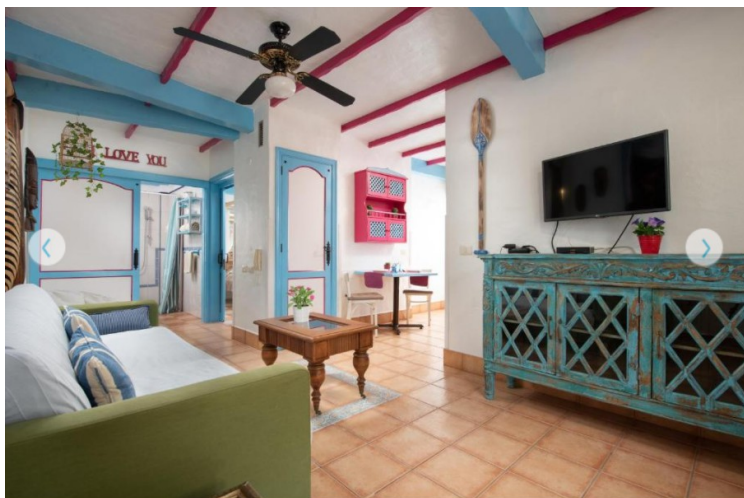


We had rented an apartment via Booking.com. It is called Los Moxaixos and is located just north of Las Galletas. The area in which the apartment is located is called Las Rosas. Link to advertisement on Booking.com

We were greeted by Bella. She had been given our flight times in advance, and we sent a message when we left the airport, so she was waiting for us when we arrived.



The entrance to Los Moxaixos.



The apartment was all right, but it was an old apartment complex. The brochure states that the apartments have comfortable beds, but that is not true. The bed was not good to lie in.

Incidentally, the wifi speed was very good.

The area around the apartment was nice with shrubs and trees and a large pool.

In addition, there was a large common area with barbecue, table and chairs.

When we were there, there were some insistant flies that should definitely sit on us.



The bed.



The patio.



We arrived in Tenerife on a Sunday, but the supermarkets are often open, so we figured we could stock up a bit when we arrived. I had found out that a supermarket called Supermercado Guay Las Galletas should be open. We drove there, but it was closed and the others were also closed.



Then we found out that to get something to eat for the next day, this gas station was the last resort. They did not have a large selection of food, but they did have salads, sandwiches, water and beer. It was OK for dinner in the evening and breakfast the next day.



The next day we had to stock up properly, but we found out that all the shops were closed. I checked on-line and found that it was a public holiday. They celebrate Andalusia days. We thought the day was just celebrated in Andalusia. Then we drove to this gas station which had a slightly better selection of foods, such as canned sausages, salads, sandwiches, noodles and rolls.



On Tuesday we drove to Los Cristianos. There we shopped in a supermarket called Cash & Carry. They did not have such a large selection, either, so the dinner this day was sausages from the day before with tomato sauce and macaroni. We bought a pizza that was supposed to be breakfast on Wednesday morning. But on Wednesday we found out we did not have an oven! Luckily the pizza was so small that we got it into the microwave. There it was fried, but it got a little hard on the edges.



A few photos from the trip to Los Cristianos.



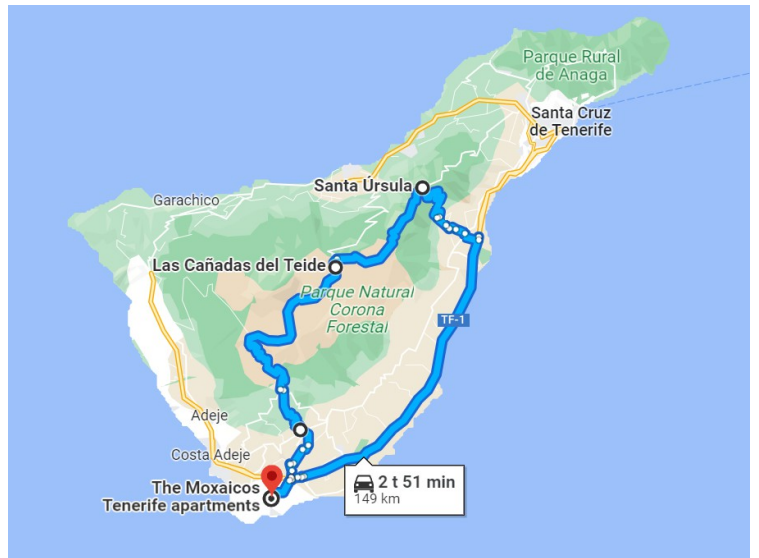
Now we were tired of shopping in stores with poor selection, so we asked Bella where it was best to shop for food. She recommended Mercadona. The nearest Mercadona store was in a small town called Las Chafiras. We drove there, and then it was a big purchase.



In the evening there were lamb chops for dinner.



Here the dinner was consumed.



Sunday the 6th of March we drove through Teide National Park.



As we drove past Aldea Blanca we noticed this castle, Castillo de San Miguel. Knight tournaments are arranged here with banquets, performances and music.

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Here we come higher up.



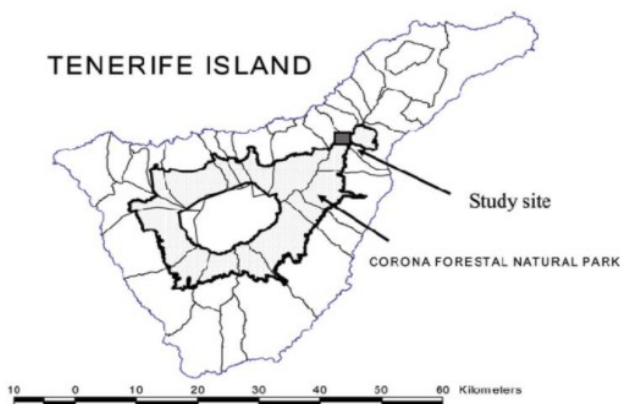
This is in Vilaflor. It is the highest village on the south side of Teide. It is located 1400 m.o.h. We see a statue of Peter de Betancur who was born here in 1626. He was a missionary in Guatemala and was ordained a saint in 2002.

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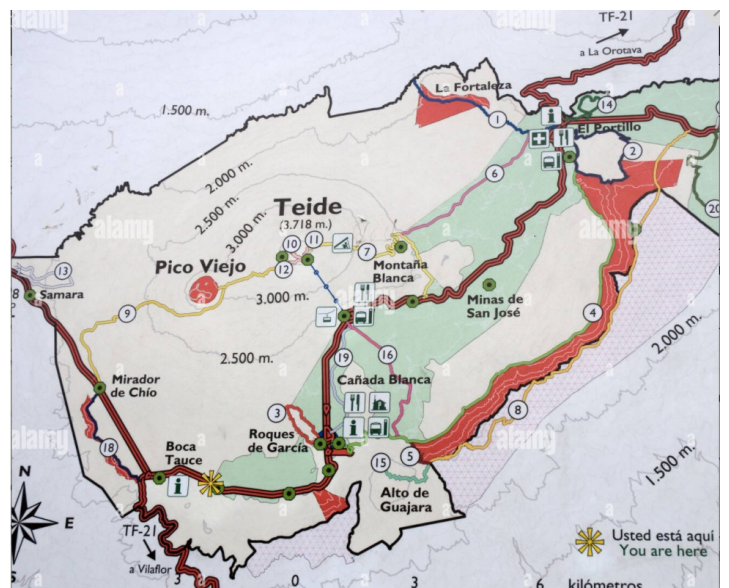
Vilaflor is located in Corona natural forest park which we see a bit of here.

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Map of the area covered by the park.

Corona Forestal Natural Park is a protected environmental zone. With a total of 46,612.9 hectares, it is the largest protected natural area in the Canary Islands, stretching from around 300 meters above sea level to 2,718 meters in the Alto de Guajara. The protected area is located on the Pedro Gil, Abeque and Adeje ridges.



Map of Teide National Park located in the middle of the Corona Forestal Natural Park.



There were many cyclists on the road.



This is El Sombrero.



Here we drive on the outside of the crater rim.



The clouds are out in the sea.



Here we come within the crater rim.



This is Teide which with its 3,715 meters above sea level and estimated 7,000 meters above sea level is the highest mountain in Spain, the highest mountain on any island in the Atlantic Ocean and the third largest volcano in the world. Nowadays, the volcano is dormant, not active. The last eruption occurred in 1909, other eruptions have been in 1704, 1706 and 1798.

In 1954, the Parque Nacional de las Cañadas del Teide was declared a national park. The park includes the volcanic crater that is approximately 48 kilometers in circumference, and on June 29, 2007, the national park was added to

[the UNESCO World Heritage List.](#)

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This is [Parador de Cañadas del Teide](#) with [Ermita de las Nieves](#) in front to the right.
[Booking](#)



A group of cyclists. One of them needs help up the hill.



This is the lower station for the cable car that goes up to the top of Teide. It is located 2356 m.o.h. The track goes up to the upper station which is located 3555 m.o.h. To be able to go all the way to the top of 3715m, you must apply for a permit a long time in advance.

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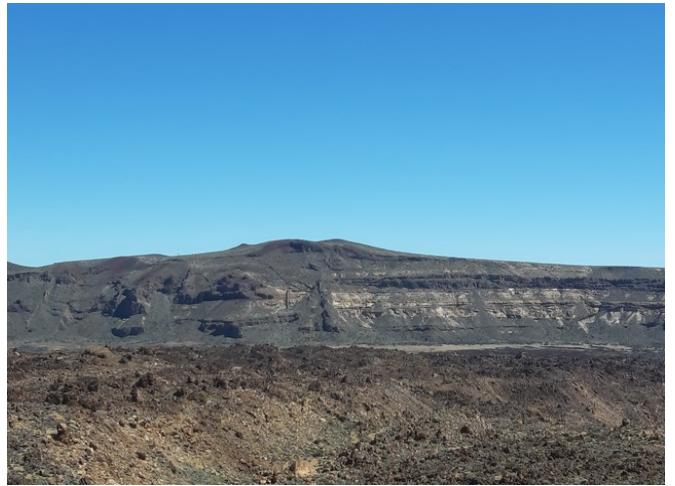


There are several parking spaces below the cable car station and there is also room for 200 cars just outside the station.





This is at Minas de San Jose.





This is at Las Cañadas del Teide. Here there is a hotel and restaurants.



Here the road divides. The one on the left goes down to La Orotava on the north coast. We took the right that goes towards the east coast.



This is [Teide Observatory](#). It was finished in 1964.
[Wikipedia](#)



Clouds out in the ocean.



Looking back towards Teide.



Then it goes down again.



Here we are down in the Corona Forestal Natural Park again.



Then we were through the forest belt.



Down by the highway.



Special road bridge over the highway.



Wind turbines just before we arrive at the airport.