



# El Castell de Guadalest

in collaboration with El Castell de Guadalest and Costa Blanca

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El Castell de Guadalest is a village located in Alicante province.

In 1974, it was declared a place of historical and artistic interest. Years after, it was named a historical heritage site.

In 2015, it became part of “La asociación Los Pueblos más bonitos de España”.



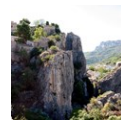
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## EL CASTELL DE GUADALEST



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It is located on a hilltop which offers a natural defence and protection.

It is one of the most visited villages in Spain with beautiful scenery, history and culture.

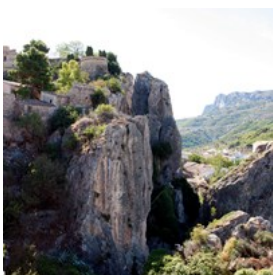
## CULTURAL HERITAGE SITE



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In 1974, El Castell de Guadalest was declared a Historical Artistic Site and after, it was named a historical heritage site.

### The Castle of San José



Fortress of the XI century, it was built by muslims. It is located on top of a rock in the higher part of the area of the town. During the Middle and Modern ages, the castle was very important due to its strategic situation. The 1644 and 1748 earthquakes and the bomb attack in 1708 in the

Succession War were responsible for its destruction.

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Opening hours: From 10 till 19

Phone: 34965885393

Tickets: 4 euros adults

Internet: [www.guadalest.es](http://www.guadalest.es)

### Alcozaiba fortress

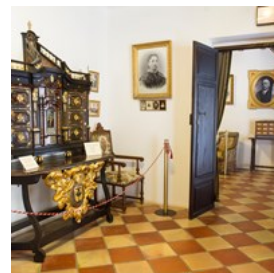


XI century fortress built by muslims. It is located in the property of the old Orduña house. Today all that is left is a restored tower.

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### Municipal Museum Orduña House



The “Grand House” of El Castell de Guadalest or “Casa Orduña” was built after the great earthquake of 1644, which devastated the

region and demolished the buttress of the castle. It was built by the Orduñas, a family of Basque lineage. They came to the kingdom of Valencia with the Infante Fortuna de Navarra; they later went into the service of the Cardonas, admirals of Aragón. D. Sancho de Cardona received the title of Marques of Guadalest in 1543. As the family enjoyed the complete confidence of the marquesses, they were sent to Guadalest and served as guardians of the fortress and governors of the estate for almost three hundred years.

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Address: Calle Iglesia, 2 El Castell de Guadalest

Opening hours: 10- 20 h.



Phone: 0034965885393

Tickets: Adults: 4 Euros. Children under 12: 2 euros

Internet: [www.guadalest.es](http://www.guadalest.es)

Email: [museomunicipal@guadalest.es](mailto:museomunicipal@guadalest.es)

### Our Lady of the Assumption Church



XVIII century construction from the Baroque period, ascribed to José Sierra The church is situated in the old part of the town, just beside

the Nobel house of the Orduña's. This construction was built between 1740 and 1753 over the plot of land where the primitive temple used to be and dates from the Christian Conquest (XIII century). The church was burnt and plundered during the Civil War and was again changed in 1962, shortening its length and changing the ground floor, this led to the loss of the cupola and the transept.

Between 1995 and 1996 we undertook the task of renovation and interior decoration in order to save the present day building.

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Address: Calle de la Iglesia

Opening hours: 10-20 h.

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### XII century prison and water tank

Building of the XII century, located on the bottom part of the Town Hall.

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Internet: [www.guadalest.es](http://www.guadalest.es)

## MUSEUMS



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There are eight different museums to visit

### Antonio Marco Museum (nativity scenes and dolls houses)



A museum attached to a natural rock that houses the artwork of Antonio Marco, consisting of dollhouses, an ecological nativity and antique toys.

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Address: C/ La Virgen, 2

Opening hours: 10- 20 h.

Phone: 0034965323

Tickets: Adults: 5 euros

### Museum Collection of vehicles from the past



The collection consists of about 140 motorcycles and several micro - cars, in perfect condition and original from the 20's to the 70's that will

transport the visitor through time and see vehicles from the past.

The museum is located in a large area of 500 m2 which surprises visitors.

Apart from motorcycles and cars, the museum has a collection of ancient artefacts such as sewing machines, typewriters, coffee makers,

telephones and radios, all of which are well worth seeing.

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Address: Ctra. Callosa- Guadalest, km 7

Opening hours: Summer: 10:30 - 19:00 h. Winter: 10:30 - 18:00 h.

Phone: 0034965882197

Tickets: Adults: 3 euros

Internet: [www.museovehiculosguadalest.com](http://www.museovehiculosguadalest.com)

### Salt and pepper shakers museum



There are two museums like this in the world, one in Tennessee, United States and the other in El Castell de Guadalest. The museum has more than 20.000 original pieces worldwide, many of them very old, there are pieces from 1800 to the present.

It's all thematically selected. There is everything that you can imagine.

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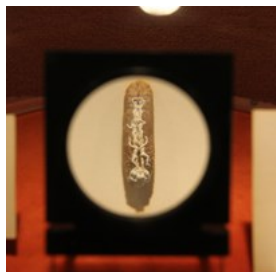
Opening hours: From 11:00 h.

Phone: 0034965885006

Tickets: Adults: 3 euros

Internet: [www.museodesalerosypimenteros.es](http://www.museodesalerosypimenteros.es)

### Museum of Miniatures "Manuel Ussà"



In this museum you can see, among other amazing objects, the Statue of Liberty in the eye of a needle, a flea dressed as a bullfighter, Goya's The Shootings of the 2nd of May painted on a grain of rice, the Nude Maja painted on the wing of a fly and an extensive collection created by the prodigious hands of Manuel Ussà, one of the world's best microminiaturists.

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Address: C/ La Iglesia, 5

Opening hours: 10:00 - 14:00 and 15:00 -19:00 h.

Phone: 0034965885062

Tickets: Adults:4 euros

### Ethnological Museum or typical house from the XVIII century



The museum was created to raise awareness of the lifestyle and work of our ancestors in the Vall de Guadalest. The museum is set in a typical

eighteenth century house of El Castell de Guadalest, built on the rock. The town was a stronghold of Arab origin, and you get to it through a tunnel dug into the rock, the door of which is still preserved.

The museum has information panels (in the main European languages) and brochures which are given to visitors.

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Address: C/ Iglesia, 1

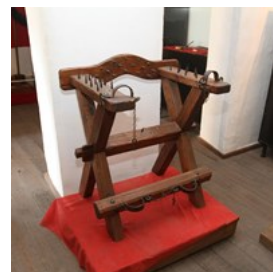
Opening hours: 10:00 - 18:00 h.

Phone: 0034617569280

Tickets: Free entrance

Email: [museoetnologicoguadalest@hotmail.com](mailto:museoetnologicoguadalest@hotmail.com)

### Torture museum



A building with a cellar and three floors. There are more than seventy pieces of instruments of torture and capital punishment.

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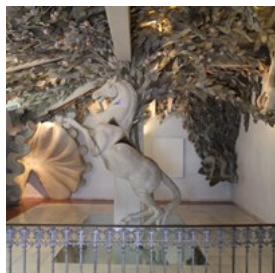
Address: C/ Honda, 6

Opening hours: 10:30 - 14:30 and 15:30 - 20:00 h.

Phone: 646174198

Tickets: Adults:4 euros

### Microgigantic Museum



In this museum you can see, among other amazing objects, a bullring built in the head of a pin, the book of the Bible made of hair, a dressed flea riding a bike, self portrait carved in a grain of sand and an extensive collection of miniatures which seem almost impossible. The artist Manuel Ussá needs to control his breathing to be able to do such delicate work.

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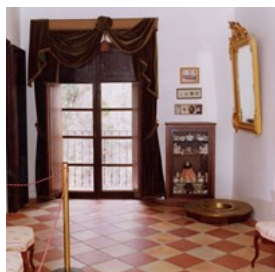
Address: C/ Del Sol, 2

Opening hours: 10:00 - 14:00 and 15:00 - 19:00 h.

Phone: 0034600790072. 0034620900271

Tickets: Adults:4 euros

### Orduña house



The Casa Orduña was built after the great earthquake of 1644 that devastated the area and ruined many of the castle's rooms. It was built by Orduña family, strain of Basque origin who had come to El Castell de Guadalest as confidants of Cardona, Admirals of Aragon. D. Sancho de Cardona received the title of Marquis of Guadalest in 1542. The Orduña family were in the service of the Marquis wardens of the fortress and governors of their states. The house was burned and looted during the Spanish War of Succession (1708). In 1756, D. Pedro Antonio Garcia Buenaventura de Orduña entered the Military Order of Santiago thereby achieving access the noble estate.

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Address: C/ Iglesia, 2

Opening hours: 10:00-20:00 h.

Phone: 0034965885393

Tickets: Adults:4 euros. Children under 12: 2 euros

Email: museomunicipal@guadalest.es

### WHERE TO EAT



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El Castell de Guadalest offers its visitors a great variety of gastronomy. Our chefs will delight you with our traditional and national food which is very typical of this part of Alicante. "All i oli" rabbit, filled in peppers, baked vegetables, "L'olleta de blat" and other typical rice dishes prepared with natural products that will delight visitors.

We must mention our desserts, given that in all of the restaurants you can sample all types of home made sweets and desserts.

### Bar Restaurante La Plaça



The restaurant la Plaça is located in the upper part of the village with fantastic views to the reservoir, the Xortà and Serrella mountains.

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Address: C/ La Iglesia, 2

Opening hours: 10:00 - 19:00

Phone: 0034965885116

Email: restaurante.laplaza@gmail.com



### Restaurante El Riu



Family restaurant specialised in grilled meats and traditional cuisine. Speciality, desserts Over thirty years of experience.

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Address: Ctra. Callosa - Guadalest, km.7

Opening hours: 13:00-16:30

Phone: 0034965880507

Email: museo@museovehiculosguadalest.com

### Restaurante El Tossal



The restaurant "El Tossal" is on the edge of the town, about 100 meters from the car park and it is accessible by the terrace or by the front door.

It's a cosy restaurant, serving food in the region. Also two different types of set meals.

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Address: Calle Aitana, 5

Opening hours: 13:00 - 16:00

Phone: 0034965885253

Internet: [www.casaruraleltossal.com](http://www.casaruraleltossal.com)

Email: [info@casaruraleltossal.com](mailto:info@casaruraleltossal.com)

### Restaurante L'Hort



Family restaurant and traditional food of the area such as meat stew, meat dumplings, mintxos(vegetable pastries) and baked lamb.

We have a beautiful terrace overlooking the Valley of Guadalest and beautiful views from our dining room.

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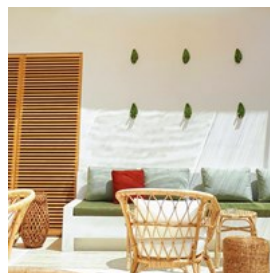
Address: C/ La Virgen, 1

Opening hours: 10:00 - 18:00

Phone: 0034965885269

Email: [lhort.guadalest@gmail.com](mailto:lhort.guadalest@gmail.com)

### Restaurante Mora



Restaurant with charm and personality. It has two dining rooms, internal balcony and terrace. Intimate and Mediterranean cuisine

which also serves traditional dishes such as meat stew and rice.

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Address: C/ Sol, 1

Opening hours: 13:00 - 16:00

Phone: 0034965885087

Internet: [www.restaurantemora.com](http://www.restaurantemora.com)

Email: [info@restaurantemora.com](mailto:info@restaurantemora.com)

### Restaurante Nou Salat



Located a few meters from Guadalest, the restaurant gives guests a privileged view of the city, the mountains Xortà, Bernia and Aitana and

crops in the area.

José Sales and Amelia Gomis began a new stage with Nou Salat, having had the restaurant El Salat for 16 years before. Now their children share this adventure with them. Two generations involved and passionate about the world of cooking and catering.

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Address: Ctra. Callosa - Guadalest, km. 2

Opening hours: 12:00 -16:30 and 19:30 - 22:30

Phone: 0034965885019

Email: [nou.salat@gmail.com](mailto:nou.salat@gmail.com)

### Restaurante Xortà



The restaurant has a lovely room with a large window overlooking the valley and the sea. A central fireplace in winter warms the entire room.

The atmosphere is relaxed and friendly with family service.

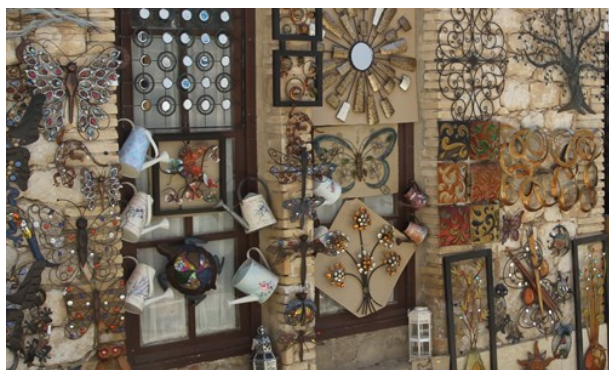
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Address: Ctra. Callosa, km. 12

Opening hours: 12:00 to 16:00

Phone: 0034965885187

### SHOPPING



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Trade and commerce has a lot of importance for El Castell de Guadalest. A walk through our streets will offer visitors a great variety of shops to visit, they have all kinds of home made products, pottery, glass, embroidery, leather articles, etc.

You can also find typical local products such as wine, honey, dried fruits, etc.

All types of gifts can be found in the different shops and you can take a break in the bars and cafes, where you can sit and admire the beautiful views.

### ACCOMMODATIONS



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### Alojamientos Aitana Sánchez



Visitors will find cosy rural apartments with wonderful views of the castle and the Costa Blanca area. It is located in the car park with easy access to the village.

Individual and groups can stay in the apartments.

In El Castell de Guadalest visitors can buy souvenirs, taste food, walk through the streets and enjoy the views.

Comfortable atmosphere.

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Address: Avda. de Alicante, 4

Phone: 0034965885117. 0034648650906

Internet: [www.aitanaguadalest.com](http://www.aitanaguadalest.com)

Email: [info@aitanaguadalest.com](mailto:info@aitanaguadalest.com)

### Casa Mika El Molinet



of the province of Alicante.

It is an old flour mill that takes its name from its former owner, belonging to the family Orduña, ancient feudal lords of the town, and Governors

Its thick stone walls and its location, give it a unique and noble character.

It is located on the banks of the river Guadalest, a stream from Algar river which is nearly dry.

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Address: Partida El Molinet, 16

Phone: 0034625929110

Internet: [www.casamikaelmolinet.com](http://www.casamikaelmolinet.com)

Email: [mikawering3@hotmail.com](mailto:mikawering3@hotmail.com)

### Cases Noves



The personal touch. Toni and Sofia run this rural accommodation in the Vall de Guadalest, located inland from the busiest beaches. The couple bend

over backwards to make their house a modest but charming place. A place where people can find adventure activities. Some people will go to the ravines, others will find the most inaccessible rocks with their climbing equipment, others will prefer mountain biking, horseback riding, or simply take to the mountains on foot.

You can sit by the fireplace in the living room, have tea in the reading room and dinner in the dining room.

You can also enjoy the terrace from where you have views of Aitana mountain, the bay of Altea, Bernia mountain, Guadalest Valley and the castle.

On Saturday night, there is a special dinner (up to 10 picaetes). All kind of snacks from the Valencian Community.

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Address: C/ Achova, 1

Phone: 0034965885309 / 0034676010171

Internet: [www.hotelruralenalicante.es](http://www.hotelruralenalicante.es)

Email: [info@casesnoves.es](mailto:info@casesnoves.es)

### Casa Rural El Tossal



It is the perfect rural home for your rural tourism getaway, it offers six cozy rooms overlooking the picturesque castle of

Guadalest, the Xortà, Serrella and Aitana mountains.

This house has both a single room and several double rooms with possibilities for three and four beds; families are welcome.

Our house is located in a perfect area for rural tourism, hiking, trekking and many other outdoor activities.

We offer the ideal rural accommodation with our own restaurant and barbecue.

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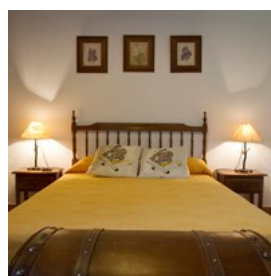
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Phone: 0034965885352

Internet: [www.casaruraleltossal.com](http://www.casaruraleltossal.com)

Email: [info@casaruraleltossal.com](mailto:info@casaruraleltossal.com)

### Venta El Salat



It is located in the centre of the village, in the Vall of Guadalest. The establishment is divided into four apartments. You can enjoy the charm of

the streets, the shops, the museums, the local gastronomy and the picturesque swimming pool. You can also do activities such as: descending ravines, climbing mountains, hiking, horse riding and cycling.

Altea, Benidorm and the beaches are only twenty minutes from El Castell de Guadalest.

Relax, enjoy the magnificent countryside and feel at home in these apartments.

Don't miss a visit to El Castell de Guadalest.



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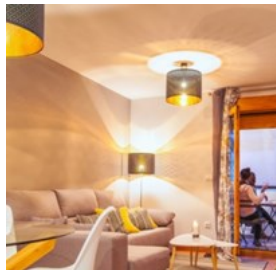
Address: Avda. de Alicante, 5

Phone: 0034677439200

Internet: [www.elsalat.es](http://www.elsalat.es)

Email: [info@elsalat.es](mailto:info@elsalat.es)

### Destino Guadalest Boutique Apartment



Destination Guadalest - Boutique Apartment by Cases Noves, has a 2 - 4 people capacity. It is located at the entrance of this village, in the

residential area. The apartment that we offer you has magnificent facilities. A living room with terrace and barbecue, kitchen with all the necessary facilities and gallery, 2 bedrooms with double beds and 2 bathrooms (1 with whirlpool bath (hydromassage) and another more functional one with shower), but let's see in parts

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Address: C/ Serrella,10

Phone: 0034620846462

Internet: [www.destinogvadalest.com](http://www.destinogvadalest.com)

Email: [info@destinogvadalest.com](mailto:info@destinogvadalest.com)

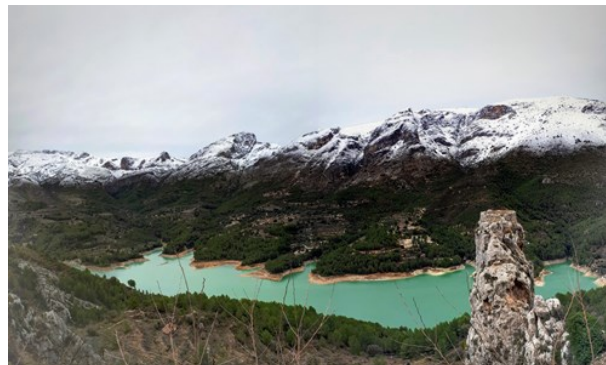
### WALKING IN THE MOUNTAINS



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There are three beautiful walks in the area: around the reservoir, walking up the summit of Xortà mountain and walking up to another village called Castell de Castells.

### TOURIST INFORMATION



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El Castell de Guadalest is one of the most beautiful villages in Spain

**Population**  
221 people

**Currency**  
euros

**Opening hours**  
From 10 till 20 h

**Internet**  
[www.gvadalest.es](http://www.gvadalest.es)

**Emergency numbers**  
112

**Tourist information**  
Tourist Info El Castell de Guadalest  
Avda. de Alicante, s/n  
03517 El Castell de Guadalest  
Alicante

Tfno.: 96 5885298  
[guadalest@touristinfo.net](mailto:guadalest@touristinfo.net)

**Timetable**  
10-14 h. and 15-19 h.