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## Living in Spain.

Living in Spain is becoming increasingly popular for people from many European countries due to it's climate and still, relatively laid back way of life.



The cost of living here in Spain remains cheaper than many other countries and it is not difficult to make your money go even further if for example, you are happy to shop for your fresh vegetables

and fruit in the local weekly markets. There are every day supermarkets for you to shop in, with the likes of Lidl and Aldi being very popular here with not only those on a limited budget but by those who could in fact shop anywhere, with cost not being a problem. If you are comfortable having a glass of your favourite tippie in the local bars or dine in traditional family restaurants, then you can enjoy life well without breaking the bank.

Like everywhere, Marbella and it's general area cater for all budgets. If designer labels and chic boutique shopping is your thing then you will not be disappointed here. Should you prefer exclusive restaurants and bars frequented by the rich and famous then you will be spoilt for choice.

You may find yourself spending more quality time than money! Due to the fantastic climate the new resident finds that they are passing more time in the outdoors than they would back home. Sea front strolls, sitting at street side cafés watching the world go by, are very inexpensive pastimes. Wandering through parks and streets of the local towns is a pleasant way to idle away the hours. Or perhaps settling down on your own terrace or in the garden with your latest novel and a cool drink and see how the hours just drift on by.



Due to this technological world, there are many people who have relocated in order to enjoy a better way of life than they had back in their own country, perhaps wanting their children to enjoy a more out door existence than they had previously. There are many jobs and types of work that lend themselves well to people carrying on their normal activities via the internet and this has opened up many opportunities for the foreign businessman to relocate here.

Families with children have the option to integrate their youngsters in to the Spanish education system or to enrol them in one of the schools that are aimed at the foreign student. With either option you will find that your children will become fluent in Spanish very quickly.

Many adults feel unable to learn a new language, yet they need not worry as English is spoken widely and generally communication is not a problem. However it must be said that learning even

just a few basic phrases makes you feel more integrated in to your new life here, the local people always appreciate it when the foreign resident makes some effort to speak Spanish.

An important piece of advice would be this, do not when dealing with anything of an official nature expect things to be exactly as they are back home. You will find that is not the case! Many everyday matters can seem to take a long time in being addressed. Systems appear archaic at times, with much documentation and paperwork needing to be processed for the most mundane topic. But that is how it is and if one can adjust to that and accept that is how things are, then frustration can be avoided and things fall in to place all in time.

For information on areas of the Costa del Sol and Andalucia in general you will find the following link of great help:

<http://www.andalucia.com/marbella/home.htm>