

Alternative programme for BEACON 2020

<p>Monday, 20 April: Teneguia Walk (EUR 10,-, meals not included)</p> <p>We will go by bus to the Teneguia Visitors' centre and see the exhibition there (entrance fee included!). After that we walk down over the lava field to the lighthouse "Faro de Fuencaliente and have a walk around the salt gardens "Salinas" (extremophiles live there!). We continue with a lunch at the "Jardin de Sal" restaurant. Later, we go back to the hotel and you can enjoy a relaxing afternoon there.</p> <p>Distance 6km, climb 20m, descent 450m Walking time: 3 hours Grade: moderate</p>		
		
Teneguia crater	Salt gardens	San Antonio crater
<p>Tuesday, 21 April 2020: Lava caves and lava fields (EUR 35,- excl. lunch)</p> <p>In the morning we make our way to the Las Palomas lava cave. After a stroll through the visitors' centre and a visit to a small lava cave we get our cave gear on and visit the "Cueva de las Palomas" lava cave. After a short visit to the wine museum and a lunch in the "Bodegon Tamanca" we drive up to the Llano de Jable viewpoint. After a panoramic walk we reach the Llano de Blanco crevice from the 1949. Passing by the Hoyo de la Sima vent we walk down to the lava lake and field from the 1949 eruption and end up in San Nicolas, from where we go back to the hotel.</p> <p>Distance 10km, climb 50m, descent 650m Walking time: 3.5 hours Grade: moderate</p>		
		
Cueva de las Palomas	Lava field "Coladas de San Juan"	Hoyo de la Sima vent
<p>Wednesday, 22 April: Ruta de los Volcanes (EUR 25,- packed lunch included)</p> <p>In the morning, we make our way to the Refugio de Pilár and runs over the ridge "Cumbre Nueva" at altitudes up to over 1900m. The walk is moderate-strenuous but offers interesting volcano craters, geological locations including historic lava fields and, clear weather provided, stunning views. We will see the Hoyo Negro and Duraznero craters and the Pico Nambroque and Pico Martín volcanoes. Please note that there are no restrooms, cafes or water supplies along the walk. The walk might be cancelled or moved to another day due to adverse weather conditions. In the latter case you will get your money back.</p> <p>Distance 20 km, climb: 600 m, descent: 1400 m Walking time 8 hours Grade: Moderate-Strenuous</p>		

		
Hoyo Negro	View along the walk	Volcano Martín
Thursday, 23 April: Jungle, waterfalls and volcanic landscapes (EUR 20,-, meals and museum entrances not included)		
<p>In the morning we make our way to Casa de Monte. We walk along an old canal through 12 tunnels passing cascades (prepare to get wet!) and end up at the Cordeiro source. Further we walk down through volcanologically interesting landscapes to the Los Tilos Jungle. After lunch at the nice Casa Demetrio in the forest we go to Santa Cruz and have time to explore the capital of the Island. We then return to the hotel.</p>		
Distance: 11.5 km, climb: 50m, descent 800m		
Walking time 4.5 hours		
Grade: Moderate		
		
Los Tilos	Santa Cruz	Canal walk
Friday 24 April: Inside the Caldeira de Taburiente (EUR 20, packed lunch included)		
<p>In the morning we make our way to the Mirador “Los Brecitos”, where we are greeted by a stunning view over the Caldeira de Taburiente. After a panoramic walk we end up in the centre of the crater, where we will see a lot of interesting volcanic features. Then we head down into the valley to the iron-rich waterfall “Cascade de Colores”. We continue to Los Llanos de Aridane, where we can visit the city including the very informative Archeological Museum. From there we return to the hotel.</p>		
		
Los Brecitos	Cascade de Colores	Archeological Museum

<p>Saturday, 22 April 2020: History and landscapes in the North-West (EUR 25,-, meals not included)</p>		
<p>In the morning we make our way to visit the La Zarca museum and petroglyphs. We then continue to Las Tricias. We walk down to the Cueva de las Baracas and have a short stop in the beautifully situated “Café Aloe”. Then we walk back up to Las Tricias seeing several impressive dragon trees and have possibilities for lunch there. From there we will cross a typical “Barranco” to the Puntagorda market. Started by some ecological farmers it has become an interesting spot to buy high-quality stuff, increasingly used by the local people. If possible, we have a farewell dinner at the “Restaurante Azul”.</p> <p>Walk: Moderate: Climb 550m, downhill 100m</p>		
		
<p>La Zarcita carvings</p>	<p>Cueva de Baracas</p>	<p>Draco trees</p>

Evening programme for all days: Science talks

Equipment:

- Walking boots covering your ankles. Trainers with good profile are OK, but not the best choice .
- Walking gloves are a must if you want to join the volcano walk. Gardening gloves are OK (but are a bit clumsy in the long run), whereas rubber washing-up gloves or lab gloves are NOT an option.
- Sturdy trousers and shirt with sleeves.
- Sunhat and sunglasses.
- Strong sun screen.
- Umbrella and/or light rain coat (Usually the weather is fine in April, but there might be the odd short, but intense, afternoon shower). Also you'll get wet in Los Tilos.
- Jacket
- Gloves
- Swimwear
- Torch (for jungle walk)
- Tablets against motion sickness (if you get it easily). Roads at La Palma are very curvy