



# gran canaria

Gran Canaria has become the home of the international windsurfing elite over the last few years. Stars like Björn Dunkerbeck, Marcos Perez, Vidar Jensen and the Moreno sisters have lived here since they were very young, or they were even born on the island. Other professionals like to come here for training. No wonder, as the conditions are perfect. The trade wind blows constantly almost all year. Picturesque, fishing villages coexist alongside historic port towns such as Las Palmas. The mountain landscape gives way to desert landscapes and tropical vegetation. The variety here is amazing – and all this with pleasant temperatures throughout the year.

## Sailing Spot & Conditions

With some of the finest windsurfing conditions of all the islands, Gran Canaria can offer high quality sailing at two very different venues, Bahia Feliz and Pozo Izquierdo. In Bahia Feliz the mainly sideshore wind creates perfect flat water conditions within the bay. In the winter strong thermal winds sweep across this south eastern edge of the island, creating an acceleration zone intermediates and advanced will enjoy, with planing conditions 60-70% of the days. Further out, wave novices will find a swell with waves that are just right for jumping. Swell height can reach about 1m with waves up to 3m at times. During summer, the winds are lighter at Bahia Feliz, but very powerful in local areas to the north. High wind excursions to Pozo, renowned World Cup destination Castillo del Romeral (Ketchup), Salinas de Arinaga and Vargas are only suitable high wind and wave experts.

### Fact File

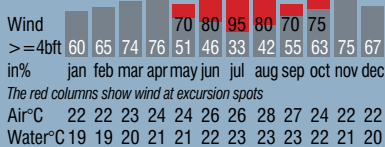
**Best Time:** Nov-Apr at Bahia Feliz. May-Oct at Pozo, Vargas & Arinaga. (Light conditions at Bahia Feliz)

**Launch:** Sandy beach with small stones, shallow water for 50m.

**Wind Direction:** Sideshore from the left (NE).  
Wind Type: Thermal & Tradewind.

**Shorebreak:** Normally slight shore break, strong if Sirocco blows.

**Water Conditions:** Windchop with whitecaps in strong conditions.



### CLUB MISTRAL

On the beach within Bahia Feliz Resort. Slight wind shadow in bay with North winds, clean wind out to sea. High-wind excursions from June-Sept. Pozo, Vargas, Ketchup, Arinaga around 30 minutes away. Convertible wetsuit recommended in winter, shortie in summer.

**Kit Range:** 2009/10 Mistral/Fanatic approx 45 Boards, approx 65 rigs. North sails. Sizes 3.0-7.5m<sup>2</sup> (kiddie rigs 2.0-3.0m<sup>2</sup>). Storage available.

**Board Hire** 1 wk £179 2 wks £299

**Instruction:** Starter, Progress, Advanced, Kids, Unlimited, Private.

**Other Sports:** Diving, Cycling, Surfing, Tennis, Horse riding, Golf.

**Excursions:** Shopping & sightseeing in Las Palmas. Good nightlife in Playa del Ingles 6km away



## Tres Vidas



**Location:** Location: 25 minutes from the airport and close to the town of San Augustin. Bahia Feliz is a self contained resort set out in attractive sub-tropical gardens overlooking the beach.

**Accommodation:** Studio style apartments. Each are with pull-out sofa bed, kitchenette, and some with TV. The sleeping area is partitioned from the living area. The Family apartment has 2 separate bedrooms, spacious living area, kitchenette, bath, TV, phone and safe and are ideal for up to 6 persons.

**Facilities:** Apartments are self catering but you can opt for breakfast or half board at the Hotel next door with use of facilities. Shopping centre nearby.

**Windsurfing:** Club Mistral windsurf centre is approximately 300-400m along the beach.



## Las Pitás



**Location:** The apartment buildings Las Pitás are a short stroll to the sandy, shingle beach.

**Accommodation:** The apartments are individually furnished and have private owners. With small kitchen/ living room, bathroom, bedroom and balcony, TV and pull-out sofa for 4 persons. Access to hotel facilities in resort\*. Shops nearby.



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*\*Use of Hotel resort facilities include: restaurant, bars, internet café, swimming pools, Spa (subject to fee) and Kid's club.. Activities & entertainment programme.*

Prices (7 nights) from:	Low	High
Tres Vidas	£489	£729
Las Pitás	£399	£659

Price includes return flights, accommodation & transfers.