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Weekend in the Canaries

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While everyone complains about unaffordable prices, we found places where home auctions ended without a single bid. Also: six plans for the weekend, what can cost you money and where to take an umbrella on Saturday.

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CANARY ISLANDS · PROPERTY

Canary Islands: buy homes here without competition

Santa Lucía de Tirajana, La Laguna, Granadilla: here home auctions ended without a single person bidding. In Santa Lucía nine flats were valued at 94,300 to 125,300 euros. In Santa Cruz de Tenerife, by contrast, only 1 of 13 lots in the auctions analysed went without a bid.

The figures come from the private portal Subastas de Viviendas, which collected results from the official BOE portal. They are not complete, and we have not checked the cases one by one.

What this means for you: These auctions are over, but they show where to look at the next one. Read the charges before every bid: prior debts pass to you.

See the places and the how-to →

YOUR WEEKEND: SIX PLANS

Fri 27 Nov, 8 pm · Lanzarote
Yaiza opens its giant nativity scene
350 square metres of nativity scene; before that, at 7 pm, three choirs sing in the church of Nuestra Señora de Los Remedios.

Fri 27 and Sat 28 Nov · La Gomera
A piece of Senegal in Valle Gran Rey
Dance and drum workshops on Friday from 6 pm, concert on Saturday from 7 pm on Plaza de San Pedro. Workshops and concert are free.

Fri 27 and Sat 28 Nov, from 9 pm · Gran Canaria
Dancing in Cruce de Arinaga
The Fiestas de la Milagrosa bring bands to Plaza Primero de Mayo; Sunday brings the procession and, at 1.30 pm, the paella.

Sat 28 Nov · Tenerife
Downhill on wooden boards in La Guancha
For the Tablas de San Andrés, people slide down steep streets on greased boards over the weekend; on Saturday there is wine and tapas from 1 pm. Watching is free, according to an events portal.

Sat 28 Nov, from 7 pm · Fuerteventura
Free big band in Morro Jable
At the jazz night on Plaza de los Mantequillas, the Gran Canaria Big Band plays with its full line-up, among others. Free entry.

Sat 28 Nov, from 8 pm · La Palma
500 drones over Santa Cruz de La Palma
First the Christmas speech on Plaza de España, then from 9.15 pm lights and drone show on Avenida Marítima. The town hall names no admission charge.

WHAT CAN COST YOU MONEY OR NERVES

Renting a motorbike? Since 1 October closed shoes on all roads and gloves outside built-up areas are compulsory, for visitors too. The fine is 200 euros. Your packing list ›

Weed in your pocket? Possession in public places costs from 601 euros in Spain, even for personal use. In Playa del Inglés police arrested two men from an alleged cannabis club; they are presumed innocent. Why a “club” does not protect you ›

WhatsApp from your hotel? On Fuerteventura, guests received messages with the correct name, hotel and travel dates, but sent by scammers. Do not click any link, ask the hotel directly. How to spot the trick ›

Delivery to Gran Canaria? Haulage firms plan to stop serving the container terminals at La Luz port from Monday, 30 November, unless a deal is reached. Talks resume today; nobody mentions effects on travellers. Who the stoppage affects ›

A house in El Salobre? Around 200 houses near Maspalomas are to get a legal basis. The first vote has passed, nothing is final; 45 working days for objections are announced once the notice appears in the official gazette. What owners should do now ›

BEFORE YOU SET OFF

- **Rain on La Palma:** A yellow rain warning applies on Saturday from 0:00 to 3 pm for the east of the island. Elsewhere, too, rain becomes more frequent inland from midday. Read more ›
- **Arona:** In Las Casas, Camino Iglesia de San Andrés is closed to driving and parking from Saturday, 4 pm. Move your car beforehand. Read more ›
- **Maspalomas:** Parque Sur stays closed all day until 5 December while the Christmas decorations go up. Read more ›
- **Election Sunday:** Spain votes on 29 November; polling stations are open from 9 am to 8 pm. Read more ›

• **Free bus 2027:** Madrid plans to fund the 100 percent discount on season tickets in 2027 too; Congress still has to approve it. On Lanzarote the resident card costs 2 euros, and you ride free from 15 trips per quarter. Read more ›

PENCIL IN FOR NEXT WEEK

3 to 8 Dec · Lanzarote
Christmas market in Teguise
35 stalls on the old town squares, daily from 11 am, on Sunday from 10 am.

Fri 4 Dec, 8 pm · Tenerife
Lights switch-on and market in Tegueste
The lights go on at Plaza de San Marcos, and the Christmas market runs until 6 December.

4 to 7 Dec, 8 pm · Tenerife
Gospel at Teatro Leal, La Laguna
Four evenings, tickets 12 to 28 euros according to the programme.

NEW GUIDES

What taxes do you pay when buying property?
For resale homes it is generally 6.5 percent ITP. The guide shows reductions, new builds and extra costs.

Why housing has become so expensive
Around 34,000 people are waiting for a public home. The guide explains the causes and what you need to know as a tenant.

Los Indianos 2027: plan early
The white carnival battle of Santa Cruz de La Palma is expected on 8 February. Date, programme and getting there.

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