

# FUENGIROLA, AN ACCESSIBLE DESTINATION

## COMMITTED TO ACCESSIBILITY



Fuengirola was a pioneer in Andalusia in the creation of adapted beaches, and therefore, currently all the beaches on its coastline have an accessible area for people with reduced mobility. These spaces provide users with all the equipment and services necessary to enjoy the beaches of the town and bathing in Mediterranean waters.

## AN ADAPTED COASTLINE

Fuengirola does not cease in its efforts to become an accessible destination, and continues to work to facilitate the experience for users with special needs or reduced mobility. Its 7 kilometres of coastline are equipped with a wide variety of infrastructures and, for this reason, the beaches of the town have been awarded the Universal Accessibility Flag.

## ACCESSIBLE BEACHES



Located in pergola 7 (Castle beach), pergola 18 (Fuengirola beach), pergola 41 (Boliches-Gaviotas beach) and pergola 59 (Carvajal beach).

## BATHING SERVICE

During the summer season, the adapted beaches are staffed by qualified personnel who provide assistance to users who require it. The opening hours for bathing for people with special needs are daily and continuous from 11 am to 8 pm from 1st June to 15th September, and this assistance can be booked by telephone for greater convenience.



Telephone: 673 907 233

## ADAPTED SHOWERS

A total of 8 adapted showers are distributed along the coastline of Fuengirola for people with special needs.

## ADAPTED TOILETS



The beaches of the town are equipped with 14 adapted toilets, 8 of them are modules completely adapted for people with reduced mobility, which are automatically cleaned and disinfected after use.

## ACCESSIBLE ACCESS AND SURFACES



The open areas in each accessible plot, as well as the accesses to the beaches and the surface of the adapted showers are made of concrete. This material has been used to replace the old wooden planks to facilitate the mobility of wheelchairs or walkers.

## AREA FOR THE ELDERLY



At San Francisco Beach there is a specific area to facilitate bathing for the elderly. This area is made up of a space surrounded by beacons so that the elderly can swim safely, 2 handrails that make it easier to enter and exit the water and 22 semi-submerged seats.

## BEACHES

Fuengirola faces the Mediterranean and its beaches, integrated into the town centre, are characterised by the quality of their water and sand. These qualities have been recognised by the European Union, which has awarded all the town's beaches with its Blue Flag award, as well as the Q for Quality Tourism.

## CASTLE BEACH



- Pergola 7 is accessible, and it is in C/ Tartesios next to the Armada Bridge.
- It offers a bathing service for people with reduced mobility in a 54m<sup>2</sup> shaded area.
- Amphibious chair, lift for people with special needs and amphibious crutches are available.
- There is an adjoining area with 3 parasols on a wooden deck near the shore.

## FUENGIROLA BEACH



- Pergola 18 is accessible, and it is located at Paseo Marítimo nº10.
- It offers a bathing service for people with reduced mobility in a 54m<sup>2</sup> shaded area.
- Amphibious chair, lift for people with special needs and amphibious crutches are available.
- There is an adjoining area with 3 parasols on a wooden deck near the shore.

## LOS BOLICHES-LAS GAVIOTAS BEACH



- Pergola 41 is adapted for people with special needs. It is located at Paseo Marítimo nº94.
- It offers a bathing service for people with reduced mobility in an area equipped with 28 parasols and sunbeds.
- Amphibious chair, lift for people with special needs and amphibious crutches are available.
- Nearby, there are 10 parking spaces for people with reduced mobility

## CARVAJAL BEACH



- Pergola 59 is accessible, and it is located at Paseo Marítimo nº144.
- It offers a bathing service for people with reduced mobility in a 54m<sup>2</sup> shaded area.
- Amphibious chair, lift for people with special needs and amphibious crutches are available.
- There is an adjoining area with 3 parasols on a wooden deck near the shore.

## ACCESSIBLE SURROUNDINGS

In addition to the accessible beaches, other facilities have been taken into consideration nearby these pergolas, making the Fuengirola coastline stand out for its inclusivity and high standards of accessibility.

## ENTRANCES OF BEACHES AND SERVICES



All entrances to the plots are accessible by means of a level or very gently sloping ramp with tactile paving.

Furthermore, access to the sandy area is unobstructed and is provided by stable walkways with contrasting colours..

## BEACH CONNECTION WITH PUBLIC TRANSPORT

City buses are accessible, however, an excellent option to reach the beach more directly is to use the taxi service, which has 6 adapted vehicles.

## CAR PARK



If you choose to go to the beach in your own vehicle, there are spaces reserved for people with reduced mobility in the vicinity of the adapted pitches, which are signposted both vertically and horizontally.

## SIGNAGE AND INFORMATION



All the adapted beaches have an information panel that provides details of the services available in visual format and also includes a QR code to access this information in digital format.

## ACCESSIBLE FACILITIES



The beaches are not the only accessible facilities in the city. Since the beginning of 2020, the Peace Palace, the House of Culture and the Royal Hall of the Town Hall -which host many cultural and social events during the year- have new systems that allow for an improved reception of people with hearing problems and who need hearing aids to be able to hear clearly. It is a loop system based on a wiring that runs through part of the seating of a public space, so that those who feel close to this location receive the sounds more clearly, without reverberations or other disturbances.