

# Mas de la Serra

WILDERNESS RETREAT, SPAIN



Exclusive Corporate Hire &  
Weddings / Parties

Mas de la Serra is the perfect venue for corporate team building activities as well as smaller exclusive weddings and private parties. Situated near Barcelona this newly renovated fortified farmhouse sleeps up to 20 and comes fully staffed.



The Property is set in 60 acres of almond groves and pine and oak forest and has all the facilities of a boutique hotel but feels like home away from home. Restored Over seven years by Alasdair Grant it has an exclusive collection of his family whiskies in the honesty bar and combines elements of his Scottish heritage with Spanish antiques in a contemporary mix.



The audiovisual room has all the facilities for presentations and meeting for up to 16. For team building activities groups can also be split into groups and use the other large sitting rooms. There is broadband wifi throughout the property.

*'The location is idyllic.*

*Matarranya, in eastern Spain, is often called the The Spanish Tuscany, though its hushed, vertiginous ancient hill towns reminded me even more of Tuscany's near neighbour, Umbria, which is no bad thing.'*

*The Scotsman*



## Activities at the property

You don't even have to leave the masia to enjoy many of the local activities

It's possible to watch the rare wild ibex most evenings in the grounds as well as red squirrels and vultures.

Walk in the surrounding hills, or just relax at the pool. Kids love collecting beautiful insects and in the evenings there is always the home cinema.

Or why not help out on the farm with the almond harvest or looking for truffles.



# Corporate Activities

There are a whole host of activities for the corporate clients to enjoy during their stay. We can organise many of these very near the masia such as riding, canoeing on the lake, mountain biking and hiking as well as paintball and archery.



There are few places in Spain that offer such a range of activities for all ages and aside from winery visits, the Picasso and civil war museum and great walks there are surprisingly plenty of bars and nightlife in the area. The vulture experience has been



## The Masia is a Stunning Venue for Weddings & Private Parties.

Its accessible from 4 International airports and is within 2.5 hours of Barcelona, Valencia & Zaragoza. This is the ultimate hideaway retreat. We can also recommend some local hotels for extra guests and arrange all your transport needs.



We have a number of dining possibilities where the guests can all sit together whether on the terrace on warm evenings or in our dining room and enjoy almond and truffle soup, suckling pig and a pisco sour

The wedding itself can be held in the masia's grounds - The local mayor enjoys conducting civil ceremonies. After the al fresco reception with no noise constraints the party can go on well into the night!



We have had great reviews on trip advisor and many journalists from around the world have written features on the masia.

For further information please goto [www.masdelaserra.com](http://www.masdelaserra.com)



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**Europe**

# 20 best summer mountain retreats



**20 For wildlife lovers**  
**Mas de la Serra, Fuentespalda, Spain**

Mas de la Serra is an elegant estate, surrounded by wild mountain countryside that is alive with deer, griffon vultures, red squirrels and wild boar.  
**Details:** Doubles from €100 DAB.



## 20 Spanish rural retreats

Stay on a finca, cortijo or traditional inn to see Spain at its best, says [Annabelle Thorpe](#)

### Best for walkers

#### 1 Casa Olea, Priega de Córdoba Andalusia

Tucked away among the silver-tinged olive groves of the Sierra Subbética and just over 90 minutes from Granada Airport, this newly-opened former cortijo (country property) has six simply-furnished rooms, which overlook the hills. Hearty breakfasts and suppers are served up by the English owners, Tim and Claire, who have an encyclopaedic knowledge of local walking/cycling routes.  
**Details:** Doubles from £214 (0034-696 748 209, casaolea.com)

fireplace. The five bedrooms are light and airy with a cosy dining room.  
**Details:** B&B doubles from €63 (0034-96258 6337, casasibarita.es)

### Best for isolation

#### 4 Mas de la Serra, Fuentespalda Aragon

Widescreen views of olive groves and vineyards, unbroken by buildings, make this a relaxing spot to escape to. The house is an old masia (farmhouse) that has been restored so that it mixes tradition with luxury. Rooms are sleek with vast beds, while the surrounding countryside offers hiking, cycling, kayaking and horse riding. Mas de la Serra sits inland about halfway between Barcelona and Valencia.  
**Details:** B&B doubles from €108 (f-escape.com)

They all have private terraces overlooking the orange groves. It is located towards the north of the island, a scenic half-hour drive from Ibiza airport. Being Ibiza, the feel is a mix of Asian and Spanish, with a sushi bar next to the pool, Balinese furniture and a spa that offers oriental-themed treatments and therapies. It is an egalitarian kind of place, perfect whether you want mojitos or meditation.  
**Details:** B&B doubles from €150 (08450 340700, mrandmrsmith.com)



### Best for cooks

#### 2 Finca Buen Vino, Sierra de Aracena Andalusia

Surrounded by lush countryside, 90 minutes from Seville, this perfect gastro-escape was created by Scottish couple Sam and Jeannie. It has just five rooms that feel delightfully homely. Four and five-night cookery courses run in spring and autumn, focusing on traditional Catalan dishes, while Gordon Bleu-trained Jeannie serves up wonderful suppers in the cosy dining room.  
**Details:** B&B doubles from €118 (0034-959124 034, fincabuenvino.com)

### Best home from home

#### 5 Trasierra, Cazalla de la Sierra, Seville

The Scott family have been running Trasierra for more than 30 years, and in some ways it's more like staying in a private home than a hotel — although the spacious bedrooms, all different and each with their own terrace — have a sleek hotel feel. Tucked away in the hills behind Seville, this is a great

choice for walkers and those who long for a real feeling of escape.  
**Details:** Doubles from €85 B&B (00 34 609 550 600, trasierra.eu)

### Best for grown-up clubbers

#### 6 Atzaró Ibiza

Away from Ibiza's sprawling coastal resorts, Atzaró is a gorgeous, family-run finca with 24 stylish rooms.

**EN MATARRAÑA**  
**LEJOS DE TODO,**  
**CERCA DEL CIELO**

SI QUERES UN ESTILO DE VIDA MÁS SENCILLO Y CONECTADO CON LA NATURALEZA, EN LA SIERRA DE MATARRAÑA EN LA ZONA DE BARRIO DE SAN PEDRO, EN LOS BARRIOS DE CALERA, VALENTIA Y ARRAGON, EN SUS MONTEÑAS, UN APARTAMENTO ESPECIAL, DECIDIDO PARA TI. EN UNA MASIA, SE CONVIERTE EN UN ESPACIO PARA LOS QUE QUERES.

