

# A Children's Guide to Tenerife



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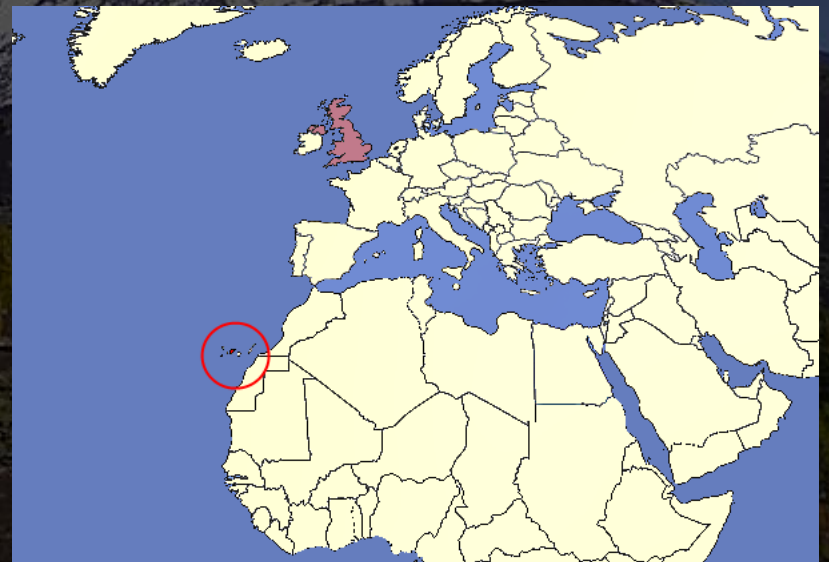
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There are lots of interesting and funny facts to know about Tenerife.

Do you enjoy water parks? Well, the Thai-themed water park called Siam Park has the highest water slide in the world.

Tenerife's first inhabitants were left alone right up to the Spanish Conquest as ancient people believed the world was flat and they would plummet off the edge if they sailed too far towards the horizon.

Keep your eyes on the sky, Tenerife is well-known for UFO sightings!



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If you visit Gran Canaria then take a look behind the altar of the Las Palmas cathedral. It is rumoured that Admiral Nelson's amputated right arm is hidden there. The Military Museum of the Canary Islands on Tenerife has the actual gun on display that hit Nelson.

If you visit Tenerife on May 3rd there is a fireworks competition between two rival streets in the village of Los Realejos and 6,000 kilos of explosives are used!

Strange but true - In Tenerife if you want to attract a cat use the sound 'pss-pss-pss', a sound that is used in the UK to scare a cat off.



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Did you know that the native Canarians never completely finish a drink? They always leave a little in the bottom of their glass but no one knows why.

Watch out for bad luck on Tuesday the 13th, which in Spain is unlucky, just like our Friday the 13th.

Did you know that on Tenerife you may see the cockroach beetle? This hardy little fellow can even survive for 2 weeks even after its head is cut off!

Mount Teide is the world's third largest island volcano and is surrounded by a moon like landscape.



# Tenerifian Food

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## Paella

The paella is a traditional rice dish and you can easily make your own with the help of an adult.

Fry the chicken in a little oil and then transfer into a pan with 4 glasses of water. Bring to the boil and simmer for 30 minutes.

Fry the chopped artichokes, red pepper, tomato and garlic in a little oil for a minute or two.

Next add the rice, chicken and water to the pan of fried artichokes. Simmer until the water has evaporated and season with salt & pepper.

- 2 diced chicken breasts
- 300 grams of rice
- 1 artichoke
- 1 red pepper
- 1 tomato
- 1 clove of garlic
- ½ tsp parsley
- ½ tsp rosemary
- ½ tsp thyme
- 1 tbsp lemon juice



# Things to Say

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Yes	See
No	Noh
Hello	Oh-lah
Goodbye	Ah-dyohs
Please	Pohr fah-bohr
Thank you	Grah-syahs
My name is	Mee yah-moh
What's your name?	Koh-moh tay yah-mahs?

Hotel



Oh-tehl

Restaurant



Rehs-tow-rahn-tehs

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## Numbers

One

Oo-noh

Two

Dohs

Three

Trehs

Four

Kwah-troh

Five

Seen-koh

## Colours

**Roh-hoh**

**Bher-deh**

**Ah-sool**

**Neh-groh**

**Ah-mah-ree-yoh**

**Blahn-koh**

# Printable Questionnaire

**Q1. What might you see in the sky at night in Tenerife?**

- Balloon    UFO    Flying pigs

**Q2. What is rumoured to be hidden in the Las Palmas cathedral?**

- Treasure    Fireworks    Nelson's right arm

**Q3. What sound should you make to attract a cat in Tenerife?**

- pss-pss-pss    hello-hello-hello    tut-tut-tut

**Q4. Which day is unlucky in Tenerife?**

- Friday 13th    Tuesday 13th    New Years Day

**Q5. What do native Canarians never finish?**

- Their drink    Their dinner    Housework