

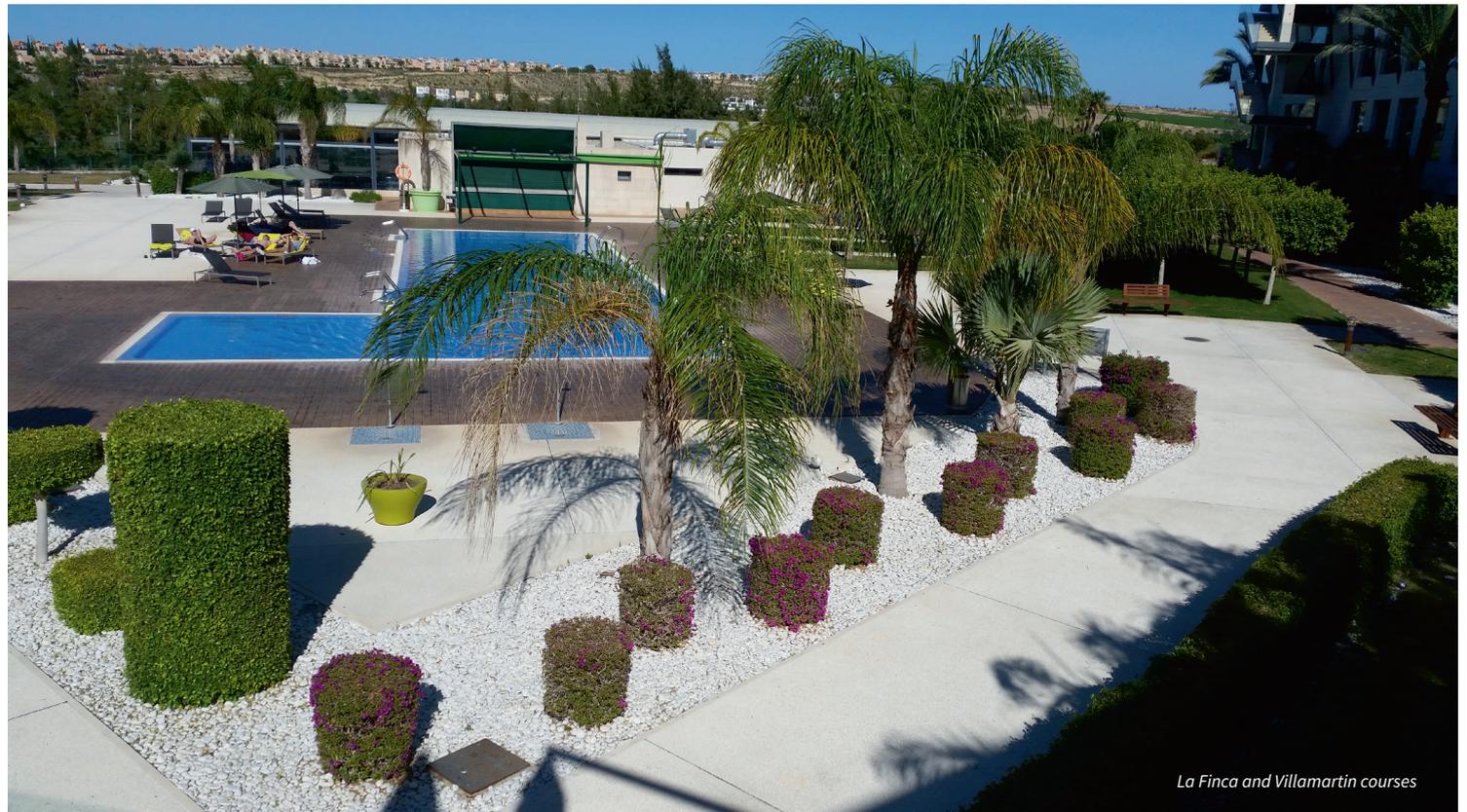
Red Tee Breaks explore the Costa Blanca

Alicante Calling

As a member of IAGTO, International Association of Golf Tour Operators, we are lucky to be invited to visit various countries on a regular basis.



Bonalba



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As Alicante has one of the most accessible airports from the UK it was a perfect destination to enjoy a quick fix of sun, sea and, of course, golf.

Two of the many destinations that we visited stood out from the rest.

The first, La Finca Golf and Spa Hotel is a modern spacious hotel that has a contemporary, airy feel. This is perfect after 18 holes of great golf on-site in soaring temperatures and beautiful sunshine.

La Finca has three golf courses in its portfolio. La Finca, the 18 holes on-site to the hotel is a beautifully maintained golf course of a high quality, easy to play bunkers, wide fairways (without being too silly) and readable putting greens. As a standalone golf course, it can certainly hold its own. Las Ramblas and Villamartin make up the trio package. Las Ramblas, with its pine trees that guard and protect the course, is hillier, with character and a menacing stream that plots its way around the course bringing itself in and out of play. It makes for a good test for strategic golf.

Campo de Golf Villamartin is one of the oldest courses in the region. Host to European championship competitions, it is

well regarded as no walk in the park but not totally unplayable for higher handicaps, so long as they don't get too greedy! A pretty course, it offers both a good round and an excellent post play wine list.

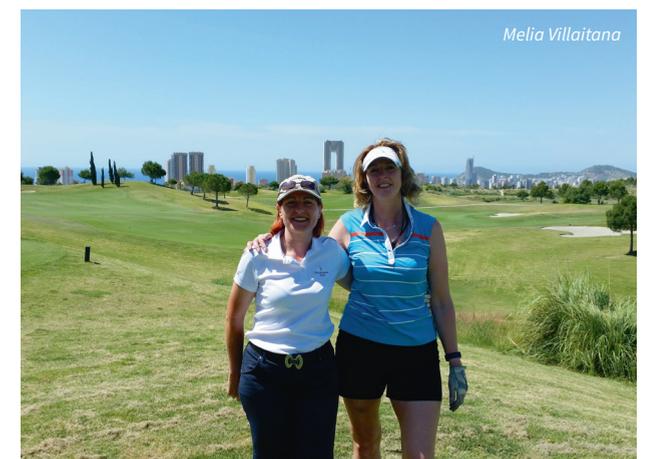
The Asia Garden Hotel and Thai Spa is a little oasis of calm amongst bustling holiday tourist filled towns. A deceptively large complex with areas of rest strategically placed around the site to contemplate that great shot of the day. As its name suggests, expect thick vegetation, tropical blooms and calming waters and spacious rooms with emphasis on quality fittings and comfort.

Courses to play in the area are Golf and Spa Bonalba; a rich terrain course beguiling its youth and good sized putting greens with subtle movement to catch the unexpected errant putt. A course of two nines (the back nine being the harder of the two) has large expanses of water and tricky bunker positions. Melia Villaitana Golf Course quite literally sets itself above all others with panoramic views of Benidorm, a quality golf course which gently winds itself around with ease, wide fairways and playable greens. Add Villaitana as a must-play in Alicante.

There are 21 golf courses in the Alicante area, all within striking distance of its airport and accommodation that suits all budgets, so if you are interested, contact sarah@redteebreaks.com



Puig Campana



Melia Villaitana