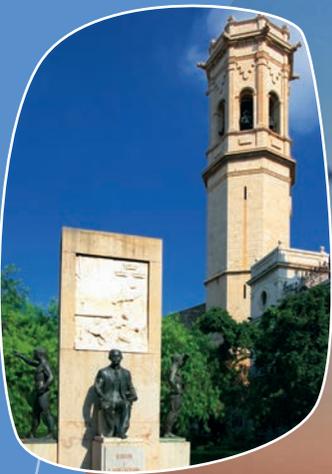


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Burriana is a city where the sea breeze turns into a fresh caress and the wind is perfumed with the sweet fragrance of the orange blossom from the **orange trees** orchards.

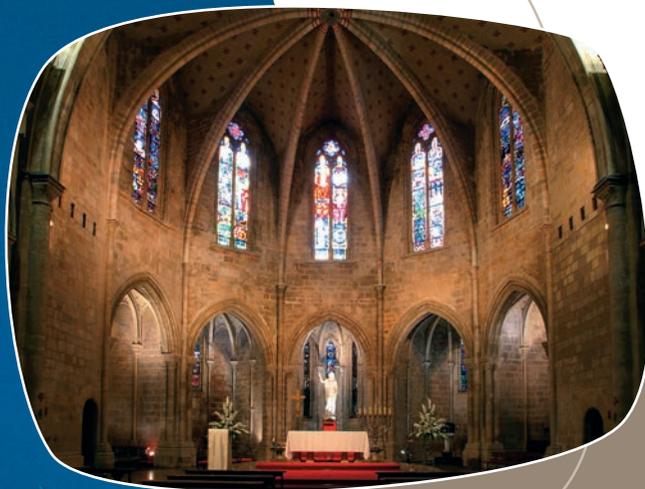
In Burriana, tourists can tan under the intense and pleasant **Mediterranean** sun as well as enjoy the beach while the paused train of waves softly swings the boats in the **harbour**.

History makes Burriana a living legend through its monuments and museums, but also in the streets of the old city centre...

Burriana so smiling and young, so mysterious and mature, with its nights filled with passion and **party** or its pleasant afternoons.

Burriana, the one you want.





monuments, pure art

Art, pure art. That is the legacy which History has given to the modern city of Burriana.

Conservation and restoration of Burriana heritage allows us to admire today splendid religious monuments such as the belfry tower **El Templat** (51 meters high), the Gothic-Romanesque Church of **El Salvador**, built by order of James I, the Conqueror, and which symbolizes the strength of the *Reconquista* (the Christian recovery of Spain from the Muslims) and the consolidation of the Valencian Kingdom.

The Neo-Gothic Church of **San José** (1897), which belongs to the Discalced Carmelites, dazzles with its mystic illumination and its harmonious and balanced structure.

Modern architecture has brought back to life ancient buildings making them beautiful and useful for the city. It is the case of the former **Convent of La Merced**, which maintains Tuscan style details in its cloister and, on its facade, neoclassical decorations due to a continuous adaptation to the times. However the sober and humble spirit of its first dwellers still remains.

Another religious building of special interest is the Church of **San Blas** (1882). Following the eclectic Classicist style, it supposes an artistic rebellion against the rigidity of Neo-Classical forms.







monuments, pure art

The golden age of the trade of oranges during the XIX and XX centuries brought several Modernist buildings to the city which still surprise for their audacity.

Walking along the **Calle Mayor** (Main Street) is being immersed in the suggestive vegetal forms in the balconies and on the decorations of the facades. Wandering through **La Vila** means to lose oneself in the culture and in the old magnificence of the orange bourgeoisie. Clear examples of Modernism are **Casa Conill**, **Casa Reig** and the **Mercado Municipal** (Local Marketplace). We can also find other vanguard styles such as Neo-Gothic, Neo-Arabism and some reminiscences of the architecture of the Chicago of the Thirties.

Different Lords of the town built rural towers like **Carabona**, **La Regenta** and **Calatrava**, located in some pieces of land which James I donated to the religious order of Calatrava. The towers were renovated, some of them as part of farmhouses, others as watchtowers on rural paths. One of them, **Torre del Mar**, is still standing alone on the coast, protecting and watching the horizon that was once threatened by the Corsairs.





natureinthesea

In *El clot de la Mare de Déu*, an unforgettable corner in Burriana, nature still has that wild character of those lands that have not been colonized.

This ancient lake linked once the river Anna freshwater to the salty water of the Mediterranean Sea. According to the legend, an image of the *Virgen de la Misericordia* (Virgin of Mercy) was found inside a bell at the bottom of the lake. Riverside and marsh vegetation (of lakes and ponds) grows in this natural space. Plants like reeds and rush and other **typical Mediterranean plants** as kermes oak, black poplar, elm tree and weeping willow can also be found.

This natural site is used as a resting area by the fauna which lives in the zone consists of aquatic birds such as the little grebe, dunlins and cattle egrets.







seatapestries

Mediterranean Sea warm water meets a kilometric horizon of fine sand on Burriana coast

Feel the **Mediterranean happiness** by challenging the waves, diving into the clean waters or building sand fortresses.

Crystalline and excellent waters in **El Arenal** beach have won, year after year, the **Bandera Azul** (Blue Flag) award and the **Q certificate** from the **Instituto de Calidad Turística Española** (Spanish Touristic Quality Institute).

The coast of Burriana offers wonderful views when the sunlight reflects on the waves, pushed by the breeze to the golden sand on the shore.

Apart from the El Arenal beach, the coast of Burriana has two more amazing beaches, **La Malvarosa** and **El Grao**, visited frequently by locals and tourist from Spain and from other European countries.





espectacles, culture and art

Burriana is a city which promotes **culture** due to its historical tradition and the character of its inhabitants. This is confirmed by **Museo Arqueológico** (Archaeological Museum), the **Teatre Payà**, and other buildings used for cultural purposes. All year round these facilities hold **dance performances, plays and musicals**. Moreover, **photographs, literature and paintings** are also exhibited. All this creates an interesting and dynamic cultural scenario.

Literature and paintings are daily protagonists in several exhibitions in the **Centro Municipal de Cultura la Merced** (Local Cultural Centre).

In August it is held the music festival **Arenal Sound**, where international music groups play.





capital of history

Burriana is considered capital of History of the *Plana Baixa* region thanks to its **Museo Arqueológico Comarca** (Regional Archaeological Museum).

As from 1967, when it was created, this museum has gathered the pieces found in different archaeological sites in the region. **Neolithic, Iberian, Roman, Arabic and Medieval remains** are accommodated in its three exhibition rooms. These cultures, appealed by the Mediterranean richness, once settled and developed in the country and, over the millennia, disappeared. Iberian and Roman are shown as reminders of a History which comes back to be admired by visitors.

This is an essential visit to get to know the past of Mediterranean cultures.





seaandsport

Beaches and Mediterranean Sea become sport fields. In the case of the first ones, it is due to their beach-football goals and their beach-volleyball nets.

The second one, because of the great offer of water activities and sports it has. The most adventurous visitors can plough through the sea on jet skis or surfboards.

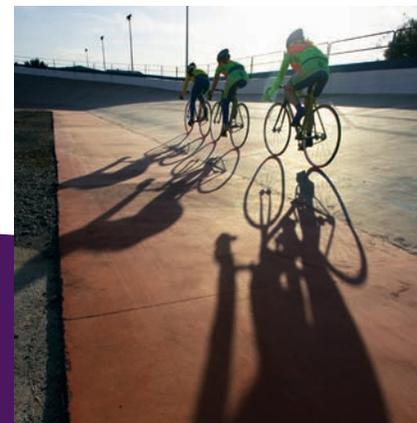
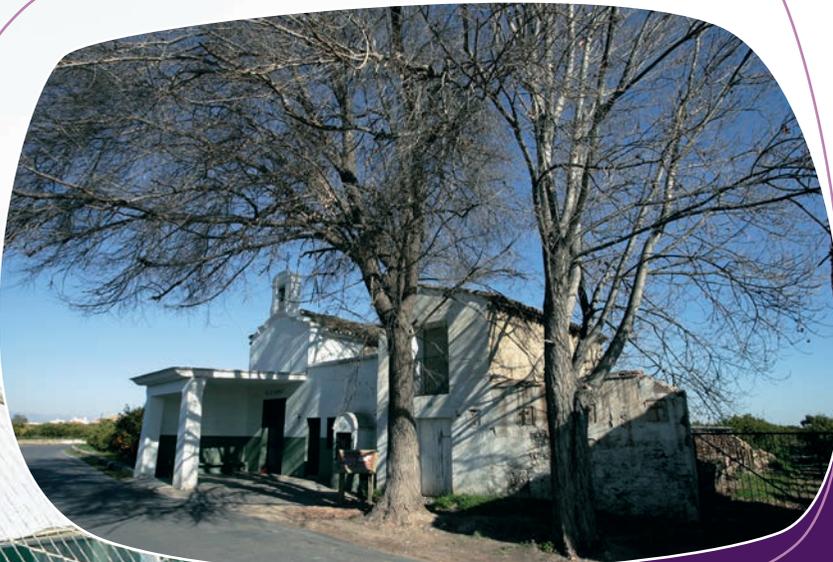
Those who prefer sailing can leave from the marina which has 300 moorings.

Burriana also has an **Escuela del Mar** (School of Sea) which can host 94 boarders and where sailing, rowing, canoeing, diving (among other sports) are taught.

Competitions like **Spanish Windsurf Cup** or Spain's **National Jet Ski Open** benefit from these excellent conditions. Another important regatta competition is the **Jubilat's Cup**, which gathers more people each year.







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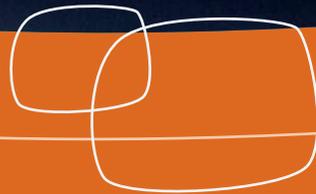
The healthiest side of leisure can be discovered in the excellent **sport facilities** in Burriana. Sports like basketball, indoor soccer, badminton, handball or baseball can be played inside two indoor multi-sport pavilions.

Swimming and other water sports are practiced all year round in the indoor pool. The **quality** of the facilities gives sport an elite category with the athletic tracks in the velodrome, known as one of the best in the Valencian Community.

Faithful to its traditions, Burriana preserves and promotes the **pilota valenciana** (Valencian handball), a sport of Roman origin very rooted in the city which is practised in the *trinquet*.

Practising sport in the nature is also possible thanks to the nature reserve of *el clot de la Mare de Déu* and the *Millars* river mouth. In addition, sport and culture are brought together in the **Ruta de las Ermitas** (Hermitage Route).







intense flavours

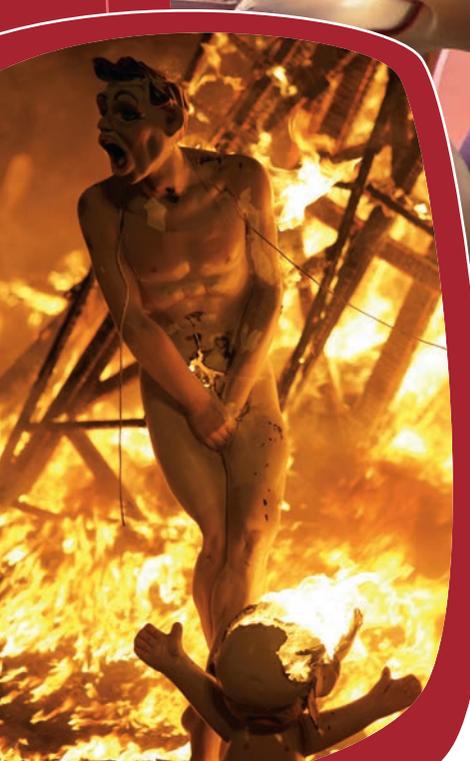
In Burriana you can discover all the flavours of the **Mediterranean cuisine** and the tasty aromas of the **Valencian orchards**.

Restaurants in the city provide the opportunity of enjoying the gastronomy through an endless menu of exquisite dishes cooked with **rice, vegetables from the local orchards and fish from our sea**.

You can taste the famous and traditional **Valencian paella**, other rice dishes such as *arrós negre*, *arrós caldós*, *el arrosegat*, rice with lobster and other shellfish; vegetable dishes like *empedrao* as well as shellfish dishes, *suquet de peix* and *Fideuà*.

Traditional gastronomy also offers **delicious desserts** like *rotllos de Sant Blai* y *virutes de Sant Josep*.







faith, fire and sea

Tradition and faith are the pillars on which **Burriana festivities** are founded, always accompanied by the fire and the sea.

Feasts in honour of **San Blas**, the Patron Saint, are held on the 3rd of February and start with the traditional **Font del vi**. From this fountain, as generous as Burriana, flows wine for everybody. During the night of the 19th of March, the fire consumes all the fantasy and art of the *fallas* in the **cremà** (burning of the Fallas), a spectacle that fascinates those who are watching it.

The **Cruces de mayo**, held on the first weekend in May, fill with perfume the city and bring to it the spring colours with the flowers used to build these crosses.

At midnight on the 23rd of June comes the **Noche de San Juan** (Saint John's Night). The magic of the night takes the festivity to the beaches where bonfires welcome the summer solstice.

In July it is the time of the people from the *Grao* and the *Port* zones to celebrate the feasts of **Virgen del Carmen** (Virgin of Carmen) with different events and music shows.

In September, the **Virgen de la Misericordia** (Virgin of Mercy) is honoured as Patron of the city and the *peñas* (local associations) organise **bullfighting and musical spectacles** and other events.



By car

- Motorway: Autopista AP-7 exit 48 (Vila-Real - Burriana)
- Road: Carretera N-340

Buses

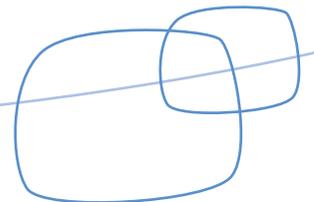
- Hicid 964 20 01 22

trains

- Renfe 902 240 202

Airports

- Valencia 961 598 515
- Reus 977 779 832
- Barcelona 932 983 838





Burriana close to you

Burriana has an excellent communication network. Its proximity to Valencia allows the access through the Manises **airport** in just 40 minutes using the motorway **autopista AP-7** (exit 48). Dual carriageway **N-340** is the backbone road among the different cities in Castellón, including Burriana. Trains covering the distance between Valencia and Castellón have regular stops throughout the day.

Other ways of entering into Burriana are Reus (Tarragona) and Barcelona airports as well as the Port of Valencia and Castellón.

Recreational vessels can reach Burriana by sea and moor them in one of the two facilities inside the **port**.

Important phone numbers

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Tourist Information Office	964 57 07 53
Police	964 51 33 11
Guardia Civil	964 59 20 20
Health Center	964 39 07 50
Health Center "Novenes"	964 55 87 00
Doctor's Office (Port).....	964 39 92 80
European Emergency Number.....	112
Radio Taxi	964 51 01 01



