



# Northern Mallorca

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## Why Go?

Mallorca's north has arguably the broadest appeal of any region on the island. The mountain chain of the Serra de Tramuntana is at its most spectacular where the range culminates on the Cap de Formentor, extending out into the Mediterranean with extraordinary and unrestrained drama. Northern Mallorca's geography also impresses on the pine-forested peninsula of Cap des Pinar, and in the pretty bays Badia de Pollença and Badia d'Alcúdia.

Significantly, humankind's impact upon the region has been more muted than is the case along the island's eastern and southern shorelines. Cala Sant Vicenç is one of Mallorca's loveliest coastal towns, while even the resorts along the two main bays have more charm than most. Inland, both Pollença and Alcúdia retain a medieval air and rank among Mallorca's most beguiling settlements.

## When to Go

Some of the beach resorts barely have a pulse until May or after October (charming Cala Sant Vicenç is a case in point), and the best beach weather is from June to August. Yet, our favourite time to visit is spring and autumn – migrating birds flock to the Parc Natural de S'Albufera, the roads are quieter (especially out along the Cap de Formentor), Pollença's Good Friday celebration is not to be missed, and Alcúdia hosts one of Mallorca's best traditional markets in early October.



## Northern Mallorca Highlights

- 1** Enjoy Mallorca's finest coastal scenery by driving or cycling the length of **Cap de Formentor** (p112)
- 2** Climb 365 steps and look down on pretty **Pollença** (p106)

- 3** Laze alongside turquoise waters, moving only to eat seafood in **Cala Sant Vicenç** (p109)
- 4** Seek out the rich birdlife amid the peace of **Parc**

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- 5** Descend on foot to the remote **Platja des Coll Baix** (p117)