

Property reference number: - A185-181- (Órgiva, Andalucía)  
Home to a retired couple who are looking to house swap for 2/4 weeks.

### KEY INFORMATION

Bedrooms available:-	Two twin bedrooms, both ensuite. There is space for a 5 <sup>th</sup> person if you bring your own air-bed. (max:- 4/5 people)
Children welcome?	'Yes but with good adult supervision in the pool area'
Pets that live here:-	'During the summer we normally travel with our 2 dogs. One is a Springer Spaniel & the other a miniature spaniel'. (If the house swap is 2 weeks or less they can put the dogs into kennels.)



This detached home, a Spanish *Cortijo* is mostly on one level, with a few steps outside to the garden area. It is situated about 1 km from the town of Órgiva which is the administrative centre for the Alpujarra area covering many small villages. The town sits in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains & is spectacularly beautiful. This is indeed a wonderful location to holiday! It is preferable to have a car here although there is a bus service which runs every 2 hours in each direction between Granada & Motril and also buses up to the mountain villages.

Andalucía is well known as having an eclectic mix of nationalities, though it is 80% Spanish with the other 72 nationalities making up the remaining 20% of the population. There is a *laid-back* feel to the town & wherever you are you have a view of the surrounding mountains. There is an alternative & diverse community, several restaurants & bars in the town as well as 4 supermarkets, 5 banks, an indoor market with organic produce, fishmongers & delicious fruit juice bar! Their home is about 40 minutes by car to the coast. Motril is the nearest large town with several bigger supermarkets such as Lidl, Alcampo. There are several smaller beaches along the coast as well as the larger resorts of Almunecar & Salobrena. Granada is approximately an hour away & has an interesting city centre, with the Alhambra a treasure to visit.

The house is comfortable but not luxurious. They have wifi & the TV has a few UK channels via a Firestick. As well as the ensuite, there is an additional toilet off the dining area of the main house. The enclosed garden is about ¼ acre, with a vegetable plot & various fruit trees. (house-swappers are asked to water the veg plot) There are gates at each end of the garden, the bottom gate gives access to parking area, which is big enough for 2 small or 1 large car. There is a stunning view of the Lugar mountain. House-swappers are welcome to use the small swimming pool (unheated) which is in the garden. There are garden table chairs and a BBQ.



The couple attend an evangelical Free Church which is called the *Fellowship of the King*. It is a small but friendly fellowship that meets in a park in Almumecar, a 50 minute drive from their home. It is an informal and contemporary service & they sing to a guitar and CD's with provided books. More information :-

<http://www.lesliethomas.org/almumecar.html>

The overseeing church is Fellowship of the King in nearby Nerja.

Sport's facilities	Local sports centre with tennis & football courts as well as outdoor swimming pool open only in summer school holidays. Kayaking, mountain biking, walks, horse riding, another sports centre near town with various fitness classes, football court, outdoor swimming pool (summer only)
Local places of interest	Lovely mountain & valley walks, local horse riding, craftwork in the mountain villages, activity sports near to the river. There is an outdoor shop called Sierra Nevada in Órgiva where you can rent bikes, also car hire. They stock clothing & equipment for walkers & sporting goods. The next town across is Lanjaron which has a therapeutic spa. The town is known for its excellent spring water. Órgiva Tea Garden (open Wednesdays & Saturdays) has variety of local plants, serves refreshments & cakes. Water park at Almunecar (only in summer). Frequent fiestas throughout the year in Órgiva & surrounding villages.

<http://www.andalucia.com/villages/alpujarras.htm>

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above:- View of Órgiva  
right:- Main Street in Órgiva during fiesta

