

Ecoholidays in the Yurts? Go to Spain

Camp out in style at the delightful **Hoopoe Yurt Hotel** in southern Spain. Pitched among cork and olive trees with spectacular views of the Grazalema Mountains, each yurt (a circular tent, still common among the nomadic tribes of central Asia), is individually decorated and has a large double bed and an outdoor bamboo bathroom with a solar-powered hot shower.



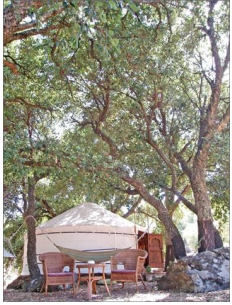
Staying in one of the yurts is the perfect way to enjoy the stunning scenery, allowing you to get back to nature without forgoing the usual luxuries you would wish for on your holiday. The yurts have an acre of private meadow with hammocks and comfortable shaded seating areas. There's a swimming pool on site, yoga, massage and aromatherapy in the local village, and a large mountain rock pool nearby at Cuevo del Gato.

Choose between five very different styles of yurt. The Mongolian yurt is hand painted in burnt orange with traditional motifs in green, blue and gold. It has a clear crown which lets in lots of light and is great for stargazing at night.



The Afghani yurt is more romantic with bent willow poles and a deep red ceiling, making it cosy and intimate. The lupins in the meadow in front of it create a sea of blue in the spring. The Jaipur yurt is made of coppiced chestnut and is light and airy, with dappled light filtering down through the cork trees. It is named after its appliqué Indian bedcover.

The Safari yurt is up at the top of the land with fantastic views over to Gaucin and Jimera, and is decorated in rich earthy colors. The Maimani yurt is also made of coppiced chestnut but with a closer lattice and more roofpoles. It is named after the large Afghan kelim from the village of Maimani which is the centerpiece of the yurt. The yurts are all set up as double rooms with comfy beds, and pieces of traditional Mongolian furniture and exotic textiles.



The camp runs on solar power and the yurts have overhead and bedside lights as well as sockets for charging mobile phones and laptops. They all have private bathrooms with hot showers and ecological loos.

Hoopoe Yurt Hotel is the perfect place to unwind and relax, and soak up the sights and sounds of nature right on your doorstep.

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