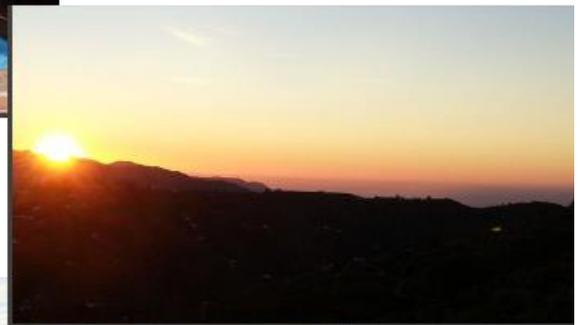




Guest Information



El Escalador



Welcome

Hello, we introduce ourselves ...

We are family Steiger and we live in a small town in northern Rhineland-Palatinate / Germany.

In 2008 we paid attention to the region of Competa - the beautiful white village.



At first, by a cycling holiday, and in 2010 followed that up with the first holiday with the whole family in a country house.

We fell immediately in love with the landscape of the Axarquía and we still enjoying the peace, the beautiful nature and the stability of the weather.

In the following years we spent our holiday again and again in different houses and began to stretch out our "feelers" towards house purchase. A connection to a local real estate agent was made and our ever patient realtor Yvonne showed us what felt like a hundred properties

2013, we were able to find our perfect home. As had already happened to us with the landscape, three years earlier, we fell immediately in love with this house, although it was apparent that there was a lot of work waiting to be done. Because unlike other houses that viewed that were ready to inhabit. With beautiful landscaped gardens - here was a new, empty house with pool. No trace of a garden. But with this unique view of the mountains and the coast.



In the end - these picturesque panoramic views, privacy of the location and the potential of the house, were our main motivations for deciding on this house, in which to put our personal touch.



However, a whole year passed before we could call **El Escalador** our own, because of one or the other hurdle and challenge that such a purchase brings.

In August 2014, the time arrived. The house changed its owner officially. Since then, we have invested many hours of work and a lot has changed.



August 2014

The terrace has extended with tons of earth by backfilling to the front and thus created a unique panoramic view.



August 2014

Around the pool new quarry slabs were laid.



August 2014

The barbeque was built.



August 2014

All the furniture and the kitchen were purchased and installed.



Oktober 2014

Trees are replanted and new plants had found their place.

The fences were erected.

Hedges were created for better visibility protection.



Juni 2015



Oktober 2014



August 2015

In the following year we built the pool shelter, so we still have a little bit more of shade on the hot days.

Also project in the year was the place above the house. Our palms grove was built there.

Here should - In the near future - hammocks and comfortable seating furniture will provide for relaxation.

In 2016 our pavilion was built by ourselves. Before, the path had to be poured and laid with stone slabs.

We also installed a pool heating.

This spring, after all - the terrace was extended in front of the house...

... but all efforts were worth ultimately.



August 2015



Oktober 2015



Februar 2016



März 2016



März 2016



Februar 2017

*The results speak for themselves - we are very proud of our "baby" and look forward to welcoming you in **E** Escalador. We hope you feel as comfortable in our enchanting home as we do.*

*We wish you a nice stay!
Your family Steiger*



Questions, Problems and Emergencies

We do not want to leave you alone. If you have any questions, be satisfied with something, you are missing something or you discover a defect, please contact immediately:

Pina Colada

6 cl white rum

100 ml pineapple juice

6 cl Cream of Coconut

4 tbsp crushed ice

Florian Schmid

Avenida de Constitución 1

Tel.: (0034) 665 32 18 30

For more information about the area around Competa, please use the WiFi, because the Internet provides more information than we can ever give you here. Another possibility is to go to the tourist office in Competa.

Oficina Turisma

Avenida de Constitución

Tel.: 952 553 685

business hours

Mo. - Fr.: 10:00 - 14:00

17:00 - 19:00



In Competa you can find almost everything you need for your stay in our villa. From a hairdresser, a scissors grinder up to the tobacco shop with its striking blue front door.

Take some time and stroll through the streets of the beautiful white village of Competa.

The post office Correos, refer to the Camino de Archez, if you turn towards the swimming pool. If you want to fill your wallet so you have three banks to choose from.

La Caixa

Avenida de la Constitución, 10

Cajamar

Avenida de la Constitución

Unicaja

Plaza Almirante, 17





Doctors

The pediatrician and also the general doctor is right next to the dentist. Who wants it a little less "spanish", must go to the coast at Torrox Costa. However, there is also no guarantee that the receptionists and the doctors can really speak English.

Dr. Fernando Blind Huber speaks English. Other Dentists refer to Torrox Pueblo.

Pediatrician and Doctor Consultorio



*Calle San Antonio 60
Tel.: 952 51 60 89
Tel.: 902 50 50 61 (Notdienst)*

Dentist / Dentista Dr. Fernando Gabriel Bajos Blindhuber



*Calle San Antonio 62
Tel.: 952 51 62 08*

German Dentist / Clínica Dental Innodenta Christian Irrgang



*Plaza de la Ermita 9
29780 Nerja
Tel.: 952 52 40 03*

Pharmacies / Farmacia



*1. Romero de la Cruz Varo
Calle San Antonio 19
Tel.: 952 51 60 31*



*Francisco J. Lechuga López
Plaza Pantaleón Romero 3b
Tel.: 952 55 340*

The hospital "Hospital Comarcal Axarquía" (Tel.: 951 06 70 00) is located in Vélez Málaga respectively Torre del Mar. There they really well looked after you. There are interpreters too. (Spanish: traductor, interpreter)

*Although there is a public bus to Competa and Competa to Malaga, but this takes correspondingly a long time. An alternative is to take a taxi. Most of the time there are **Maximo** (Tel.: 952 51 61 99) and his brother **Cecario** (Tel.: 952 51 62 05) in the Plaza Almijara and wait for their guests.*



Dates and Events

20. January
Feria del Barrio

The festival is held in honor of San Sebastián. After a picnic in the great outdoors, the statue of the patron saint of Competa attracts in a procession through the streets. Two Weeks later San Blas follows with its traditional blessing of buns rings in the parish church.

Good Friday
Semana Santa

One of the most notable elements of Holy Week. This Stations of the Cross begins early in the morning with a procession where only men participate. In the evening the procession "Soledad" attracts through the streets, a statue of Mary, accompanied by women.

3. May
Día de la Cruz

On both days, a picnic in the great outdoors with the family is typical. Another deep-rooted tradition in Competa.

24. June
Sanjuaneo

23. July
Feria de Verano

The three-day summer festival is on the weekend, which is closest to the 23rd of July - the most important venues are the Plaza de la Axarquía and Plaza de Almiñana. A major role plays the concerts and various events.

15. August
Noche del Vino

Coinciding with the day in honor of the local patron saint Nuestra Señora de la Asunción they celebrate the wine festival. This event goes back to the fact that in the past, before the start of the grape harvest and the farmers bring the grape to the winepresses and farms, a "farewell party" took place. Today the festival is one of the most important events of the summer and it is a major attraction for visitors. Thousands of people come to this festival, which has been classified by the state authorities as touristy worth seeing event of Andalusia. The free tastings of Muscatel will be accompanied with live music. During the day, you can find the events in the Plaza de la Vendimia and in the evening at the Plaza Almiñana. A stage in the form of an Andalusian farmhouse is the scene of music and dance performances.

7. September
Día de las Lumbres

For this, they kindled a bonfire in honor of the Candelaria. Completion of the program is a merry dance festival.





Leisure Time Planning

Natural sites around Competa

Competa is located in the Natural Park of Sierra Tejeda, Almirajara and Sierra Alhama. Its main attractions are the flora, fauna and landscape of this protected area, which is surrounded by several **hiking trails (map)**. Nine of these routes run through the municipality of Competa. An observation platform at the entrance of Competa towards Torrox offers spectacular panoramic views of the Nature Park and **Pico de la Maroma**.

Attractions in Competa

Competa is one of the white village in the Natural Park of Sierra Tejeda, Almirajara and Sierra Alhama and is a must on the wine route of the district of Axarquía. A stroll through the streets of Competa offers a view on the traditional architecture of the community and the sight of picturesque corners. The church of **Nuestra Señora de la Asunción** and the chapels **San Antón Abad Extramuros** and **San Sebastián** are the most important stages of a sightseeing tour.

The **Paseo de las Tradiciones** is located next to the church of Nuestra Señora de la Asunción. Its mission is to convey the culture and traditions of the community in the form of ceramic mosaics and information about the history.

To learn the traditional architecture of this municipality on the wine route of the Axarquía, a stroll is necessarily recommended by their streets and squares. You can explore the mill museum **Museo Molino de Hadriano**, the hanging houses and cellars. In an old police station of the Guardia Civil in the 19th century, the **Museum of Popular Arts and Folk Customs** is housed.

The **wine press** in the Plaza de la Vendimia is the main venue for the event or the wine festival **Noche del Vino** in Competa. Every year on August 15, visitors can witness the pounding of grapes

The tour ends at the Plaza Almirajara where you will see a **fountain** in Andalusian style from the 19th century. For more information, please refer to the **map of Competa**.

Soave Cream

700g Cream Fraiche (possibly half quark)
3 tbsp vinegar (balsamic)
½ tsp pepper
1 tsp salt
2 cloves of garlic
½ onion (very finely chopped)
herb mix
1 tbsp sugar
squeeze of lemon



Adventure

We can suggest an organization specializes in adventure tours in the area of Cómpeta.



Salamandra

Avenida de Sagalonga 13

Tel.: 952 55 34 93

Kajak, Canyoning, Caving,
Mountainbike-, Jeep-, Walkingtours



Activities outside of Cómpeta

In the region directly located around Cómpeta, there are caves, gorges, waterfalls, ruins and of course easier ascents on peaks. Ideally you will discover it yourself by bike.



Trips by car

From Cómpeta, you can make various excursions by car. Featured cities nearby:

Granada: 1,5 H.

Málaga: 1 H.

Ronda: 2,5 H.

Cordoba: 2,5 H.

Sierra Nevada: 2 H.

Nerja & Frigiliana: 30 min.

Mini Hollywood 2 H.

Fort Bravo 2 H

(Western towns)

Other Activities

Watersports like canoeing, jet skiing, sailing, water skiing, surfing or snorkeling is offered on the coast. Likewise, fishing and horseback riding. But also Los Caballos del Mosquin in Canillas de Albaida offers everything for the horse lover.



Not far from there located is a golf course.

Urb. Bariera Golf. Casa Club

29751 - La Caleta de Vélez-Málaga



Beaches Torrox Costa

With the beaches we have limited ourselves to Torrox Costa, because these are the next. There are other beautiful beaches towards Nerja and Torre del Mar. There you will find also a nudist beach Playa Cantarrizjan and Camping Almanat



1 Playa Vilchez
length: 300 m; width: 20 m



2 Playa Calaceite
length: 700 m; width: 20 m



4 Playa Peñocillo
length: 1.700 m; width: 35 m



6 Playa Chica
length: 30 m; width: 8 m

3 Playa Mazagrarrobo
length: 50 m; width: 20 m



5 Playa Sillon
length: 100 m; width: 30 m



7 Playa Ferrara
length: 1.500 m; width: 30 m





Dining and Shopping



Gastronomy

Competa belongs to the wine route of the Axarquía as well as Algarrobo, Sayalonga, Canillas de Albaida, Torrox, Nerja and Frigiliana. The Muscat grapes, semi-dry and dry, which are growing in the municipality, enjoy an excellent reputation. The most typical dishes of the local cuisine are "migas" (fried bread crumbs), fennel stew and pork loin with garlic.

It's not possible to list all the restaurants and bars. Make a walk through Competa, you will definitely find your restaurant. Often you will not see this at the first sight, because they look very inconspicuous, but behind some doors you will find a cozy ambience.

Here are a few suggestions...

La Taberna de Oscar

Plaza Pantaleon Romero 2

Tel.: 952 55 37 22

Cuisines: Mediterranean, Moroccan,
Spanish, Fusion

El Reereo

Calle Parras, 27,

Tel.: 952 51 60 43

Cuisines: Barbecue, British,
Pizza, Spanish, Tapas

Bar Despacho de Fernan

Calle Rampa

Tel.: 952 55 35 18

Cuisines: Café, Bistro,
Family restaurant

Restaurante Maria en el Hotel Balcon

Calle San Antonio, 75

Tel.: 952 55 35 35

Cuisines: Barbecue, European,
Vegetarian, International

El Pilon

Calle Laberinto 1

Tel.: 952 55 35 12

Cuisines: Seafood, Spanish,
Vegetarian, International

Taberna Teteria Hierbabuena

Avenida de Constitución 35 B

Tel.: 951 70 76 38

Cuisines: Indian, Mediterranean,
Tapas, Moroccan, Spanish

Cortijo Pao

Avenida de Canillas, 6

Tel.: 952 55 36 47

Cuisines: Spanish

Restaurante Alberdini

Pago la Lomilla, 85

Tel.: 952 51 62 94

Cuisines: Mediterranean

Restaurante Perico

Plaza Almjara 4

Tel.: 952 55 37 39

Cuisines: Mediterranean

The fastest way to the restaurant - just 400m down the mountain and you stand in front of the Pavo Real. This is more like a pub, but here you can eat very well. It has a hint of very British.



Shopping

*Bakery Panadería Horno de Luxa
Calle Eusebio García*



*Fishmonger Pescadería Pastor
Calle Jose Antonio*



*Tobacco shop Tabacos
Calle San Antonio*



*Supermarket Dia
Avenida de Constitución*



*Supermarket Eroski
Calle Rampa*



*Supermarket Komo
Avenida de Constitución*



*Department store La Boutique 5 floors
Avenida de la Constitución*



*Drugstore El Bazar
Avenida de la Constitución*



*Produce store
Calle Toledo*



In addition, there are two stationery stores (Todo Papel and Papelería La Fuente) next to each other in the Avenida de la Constitución, where you can get English newspapers. As in the tobacco shop, you get here post and greeting cards. The weekly market takes place every Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Avenida de la Constitución.

Otherwise, we recommend to make your bulk purchases down by the coast (Nerja, Torrox Costa). There, the selection is much larger and the prices are partially better. In Torrox Costa, you will find since 2014 a LIDL.

In Velez Malaga, directly to the motorway, there exist the large shopping center Centro Comercial EL INGENIO.



Future Planning El Escalador

We have designed everything new, but of course we're not finished yet. We want to make **El Escalador** to a vacation paradise, which leaves nothing to be desired.

Planting

It is not in our hands, but we hope that the greening will progress rapidly. A look from the outside, so that you can move around freely and unobserved, should be prevented.

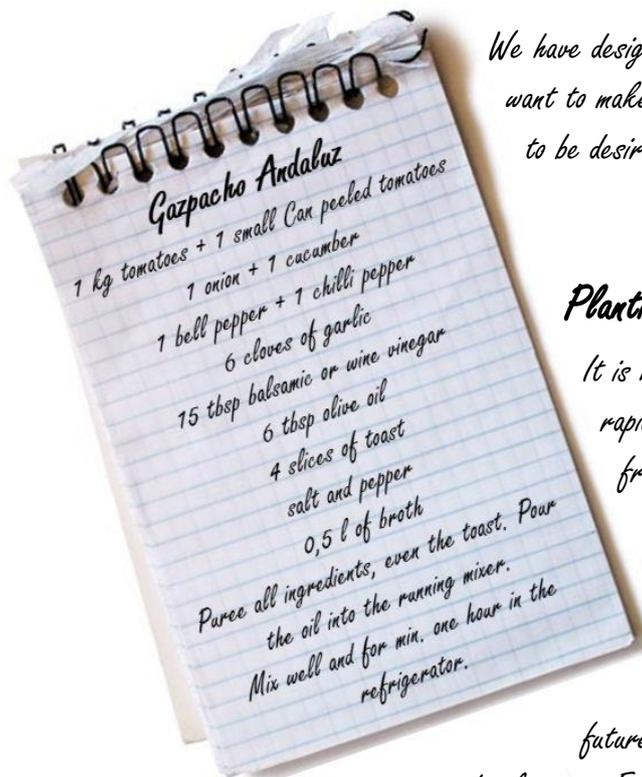
Shady spot

Our palm grove above the house is laid out. In the near future we would like to invite you to relax in the hammock and on the wooden lounge. For that our palm trees have to take a little more "foot".

There are also plans towards outdoor whirlpool, a table tennis plate and possibly a few mountain bikes.

We will definitely think for other changes, enhancements and innovations.

Of course, we are also depend from your suggestions. We would be very happy if you contact us after your holiday, what you have liked and what not. Above all, what has been missing you.





Operation TV

There are two remote controls.

The larger one is for the TV and the smaller one for the satellite receiver.

After you have turned on the power strip, please press on both remotes the red On/Off button.



The lamp of the TV and the receiver switches from red to green.

Should not appear directly an image you take the large remote control of the TV and press the input button.



In the subsequent menu on the screen please choose with the arrow keys



HDMI and press the OK button. (The view may vary depending on the TV.)

Watching DVD

If you want to watch a DVD in the living room, please do as described before, instead choose AV2.



House Rule

We're no friends of strict rules, but in terms of the next tenant, we ask you to observe and comply with the following:

General

If you see a malfunction or a defect, please report it immediately. Please do not hesitate to contact us, because otherwise later this will be added to you..

El Escalador is a *Non Smoking Home*. Please be considerate of other and enjoy your cigarette outside overlooking the landscape.

In the direct neighborhood of **El Escalador** people have their permanent resident, we ask to avoid excessive *noise*. This is especially true for the period from 22 o'clock in the evening to 8 o'clock in the morning.

Actually, of course - when you leave the house, please close all *doors* thorough, even the *pool house*. Burglaries are rare here, but not impossible. In addition, please close all *sunshades*.

The *central heating* is too weak for heating. Take the *stove* for heating. Behind the glass there is a switch (0 / 1 / II). So you can switch on the fan of the fireplace thus the heat can be distributed in the room. You get firewood up at the water deposit. Please only from October to April.

We have gone to great lengths to create seating outdoors and indoors in sufficient numbers. Therefore, we would be grateful if any *furniture* would not brought from inside to outside and vice versa.

Before you are searching for the refreshing in the *pool*, please use the *outdoor shower*, so that the oil of the sunscreen doesn't set down at the pool edge. 1-2 times a week you will visit by a person who looks after the pool. We also ask you, not to enter the house *pool-wet* and not to sit with wet bathing suits on the chairs or sofa in the home.

You might be amazed that the *outside light* is burning at the maingate, but all other lights around on the fence doesn't work. For this there is a switch on the wooden fence at the height of the lemon tree.

You find the switch for the *pool lights* if you enter the pool house, at the right there is the pool control with the switch labeled "Foco". Please do not press any other button!

Make sure that you turn off the lights after use.

Sargria

- 1 large lemon
- 1 large orange
- 1 large apple (sour, red)
- 0.7 l of dry Spanish red wine (like Rioja)
- 0.1 liter orange juice
- 0.3 l lemonade (for example, Sprite)

Pour everything into a large container and leave for 24 hours in the refrigerator.
Serve with ice cubes.



Toad

Our house- and court-Toad **Pablo** can indeed not score with beauty, but he usually comes out only when it is dark. So do not be frightened and do not step on him. He does nothing. But he was here long before us.



Waste

Competa has no garbage collection, so it is imperative that you bring your own garbage away. You find **Waste places** at the entrance of Competa at the other side of the building material trade and in Torrox right after the first roundabout, if you come from the mountains and drive to Torrox Costa.

Be careful with **leftovers** or food which is lying open. Experience has shown that ants, rats and Co. are quick to help when such tidbits improperly discarded.

Security

Please take good care of your **children**. Do not leave them unsupervised play by the pool or climb over the wooden fence. The use of the **tricycle** is also at your own risk. We have a great view, but the slopes are partially steep.

Do not use the **sunblind/canopy** by the pool to climb or shimmy to it into the water. It is tempting, but could tear away from the wall.

Please pay attention to safety, when you are grilling. The surroundings in the warm months are just extremely dry and we have already experienced one or the other **forest fire** near Competa.

Devices

Wi-Fi (Escalador) exists and is available without a limit.

Sorry, the **Wi-Fi** can also fail ever. First, you should resort to self-help and unplug the power cord for about 1 minute and after the automatic reboot it should work again. Annoying it could be on the weekend, because then you will not get an external service. We hope for your understanding, because that is not in our hands.

A particular concern is our request to you to make no technical changes on the following systems:

- **TV and Receiver**
- **Heating**
- **Pool pump**
- **Wi-Fi-Router**
- **Irrigation system**
- **Alarm system**



Fridge (outside)

The on / off switch for the fridge in the area of the bar / grill place is located in the pool house on the left. Please turn it off before departure and leave it clean.

Also make sure that the fridge is not open for too long, as the fan can quickly freeze and cause a damage.

Sandbox

For the dear little one a sandbox is ready for play. Please ensure that there is no sand in the pool or in the house. In case of non-observance we make use of a part of the deposit for the extra cleaning.

Close the cover every evening, because uninvited guests could do make their „transaction“ there.

Septic tank

In Spain in the country it is not necessarily usual to be connected to the sewage system. So also with us. The sewage from our house runs into a semi-underground septic tank. If it is during your stay that the toilet is not running properly, it could be that this tank is full. Please contact Florian Schmid immediately. He ensures that the tank is emptied. We also ask you to throw only toilet paper (no hygiene items!) into the toilets.

Disclaimer of liability

In the case of disregard with the supervisory duty or for self-inflicted accidents, we assume no liability.

Departure

Upon your departure we would be grateful, if you leave the house swept clean. This includes that coarse dirt is removed, the dishes has been washed and has found his place in the cupboards, the oven is cleaned after use and of course, that the waste is taken away. Remove the ash from the grill, and the stove after use.

In this sense, we wish you a pleasant stay again and hope through the not so nice but necessary rules, that you and the people who come after you can enjoy their well-deserved vacation.

*And we would be delighted if we can repay the **deposit**...*