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The Balearic Islands are famous all over the world thanks to tourism. Yet the image one has so often is a little superficial. Beyond the Balearics of the postcards, there is a reality that is often over looked by the visitors.

In the X111 century, King James 1 incorporated the Balearics in the Catalan-Aragonese crown and repopulated them with Catalan people. From then on, Catalan has been the language of the Balearics and the instrument the Islanders have made their best contributions to universal culture with. Among the writers stands out the immense figure of Ramon Llull, son of the 1st generation of Catalans established in Mallorca. Llull was the first European author to write on philosophy and theology in a romantic language.

From the XV111 century onwards, with the loss of Balearic sovereignty, Catalan was forbidden in official uses and excluded from public life. Only in Minorca, in English hands during the XV111 century was the official use of Catalan maintained.

Despite the prohibitions, Catalan continued being handed down from generation to generation, and has been kept really alive until today, above all in popular use. There is an extremely rich tradition of oral literature compiled in several volumes of 'rondalles' and song books. During the X1X century and the first third of the XX century the revival of the language began. Yet the persecution of Catalan during Francos dictatorship regime (1939 to 1975) led to a large setback in the revival process.

This path full of obstacles has meant the language nowadays has an uncertain future, although since 1983 it has had the legal recognition of being the official language. Today Catalan is present at all levels of teaching. It is used in the Islands institutions (Parliament, Government, council, town halls, University) and, despite the difficulties, it is also being incorporated in the means of communication and the world of labour and business.

Practically all the people born in the Balearics understand Catalan, and 86% can speak it. Annually more than 7000 books are published and Catalan is studied in over 100 Universities in 27 Countries all over the world, in total nearly 8 million people speak the language.

What's happening this month on Mallorca:

Saint Sebastian Fiesta:
12th-27th January: Palma

Procession & Dance Of Els Cavallets:
20th January: Pollensa

5th Miguel Tortell Music Festival:
18th-20th January: Muro

ONE OF THE EASTERN RESORTS

TOP BAR



This is one of those rare opportunities that does need to be seen, as this type of bar does not arise that often.

Ref: BCD2390

What an outstanding opportunity to purchase one of the top bars in Cala D'or.

Having been with the same couple for the last 9 years, has built up an enviable reputation and repeat clientele.

Although themed as a Scottish Pub, it attracts all nationalities from this Cosmopolitan resort. Internally of 180sqm there is seating for 100 people on padded benches, chairs and stools. There are brand new toilets and a storeroom to the rear

of the bar, along with a small area which is not being utilised at the moment.

Six TV's provide entertainment via Sky along with a full music system. The owners organise various events throughout the week, which also attracts the Ex-Pat community which is very large here. Everybody is kept cool by a fully integrated air conditioning system.

With low overheads and a very good reported profitability, this is a real "walk in opportunity".

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Books are available for inspection from serious purchasers and the premises has a new 5 year lease available.

Area:

Cala D'or

Leasehold:

€110,000

£81,000

VERY POPULAR BISTRO - EXCELLENT LOCATION



The owners are prepared to do a 1 Year Rental Only contract for: €13,000 payable in advance.

Ref: RPC2391

The property has been extensively renovated by the present owners over the last 3 years, which is a bonus for any new owners as this property is a real "turnkey" operation; this is a super business both to visit and work from.

Set amongst other bars and restaurants in this ever popular entertainment square, arguably Mallorca's most beautiful resort. The King of Spain has a home here as does the Formula one motor racing driver Fernando Alonso.

Once visited, this resort will leave a lasting impression on you.

There are live music shows three times a week in the summer, with people eating and drinking long after the shows have finished. The current owners are only selling due to the popularity of this business. They already have another business in the resort and don't have enough hours in the day to do both!

The terrace seats 60 during the day and an additional 40 at night, the wicker and cane furniture bond ideally with the atmosphere within the Bistro. Although operating as a Bistro the local has a full Restaurant licence.

Area:

Porto Collom

Freehold: €217,500

Leasehold:

€49,500

£36,600

LARGE CAFETERIA IN GOOD LOCATION IN NORTHERN RESORT



This is a very popular business and would make a good investment for someone looking to live in this part of the Island.

Ref: CPP2401

This Cafeteria of 80sqm has an enviable reputation for its food and hospitality, located opposite the main school and close to the main car park ensures trade throughout the day.

Inside there is a raised level with Bistro style tables and chairs, which can also be used as a vantage point to watch the 2 TV's and pull down screen.

The menu Del dia (menu of the day) is very popular here

and a great way of getting people into the café. Once inside there are soft chairs and a settee for those wishing to really relax and chill out.

There are a selection of gaming machines and a cigarette machine, all helping the turnover. To the rear of the bar is a dining area, containing 8 tables and chairs. This area is very light and open due to the full length glass windows.

Outside is a terrace of 40sqm, which has a sliding cloth canopy for those hot summer days. There are a range of tables and chairs, this area could do with a bit of 'sprucing up' to bring it up to the same level as inside.

Area: Puerto Pollensa

Leasehold:

€33,000

£25,000

EXCELLENT SHOP IN GOOD LOCATION LONG

It is extremely rare for such an immaculate shop unit to come onto the market. Set on one of this ever popular resorts main streets that leads down to the water front, ensures plenty of passing trade.

Due to the nature of items on sale this shop is also popular with the local expats and locals alike. Market day is always to with people travelling from all over the Island to attend.

Currently trading as a Chinese Arts and Crafts shop, the current owners are prepared to lower the asking price if the new owners do not require all the stock.

The other plus for this shop is the length of lease, 20 years is possible.

A full 12 months trading is possible in this very busy Port resort. Although the current owners only trade for 10 months, they prefer to re-charge their batteries, in

readiness for the next summer season.

Area:
Puerto Pollensa

Leasehold:
€55,000
£40,000



This really is a wonderful opportunity and one not to be missed.

Ref: SPP2405

INTERNET BASED INFORMATION DIRECTORY

This is one of the best known names in the advertising world, with the potential to go global as they own the domain name.

The current owners already have a very successful business and do not have the time needed to develop and expand this web based information site.

Everything is in place to develop and expand the existing data base; only a phone call or email is required to increase revenue,

people and companies on their site.

One important thing to note is that the new owners will find a clean company, with no credits or other debts to pay.

Location is not a problem as this can be located anywhere the new owners require.

The overheads on this business are very small and the potential for profits very high, as more Industrial estates are being built, more companies

will wish to be listed and advertise through the web site.

Area:
Island Wide

Freehold:
€28,000
£20,750



An outstanding opportunity to buy a 'turn key' operation, with the only limits being set by you. This really is an amazing chance and one not to be missed.

Ref: AIW2408

FULLY RE-FURBISHED FRONT LINE CAFÉ/BAR

Being located only 20 metres from this International resorts Main Beach proves to be a hit with the tourists. Set amongst other Cafés and Restaurants, will also help to attract tourists and locals alike.

This Café/Bar of 85sqm has just undergone a complete re-furbishment, and is now ready to move straight into and trade from day one. It will be a joy to come to work here as the sea is such

a short distance away and in full view.

The terrace of 30sqm has folding awnings both above and to the sides, this completely shades the customers during the day and in the summer or keeps them warm in the winter.

This is probably the busiest resort on the Island, so it is possible to trade all year round.

The owners are seeking permission from the local council to extend the terrace by another 30sqm, which will double the existing area.

Area:
Peguera

Leasehold:
€35,000
£26,000



At this price there cannot be a better valued Café/Bar with such potential and stunning sea views.

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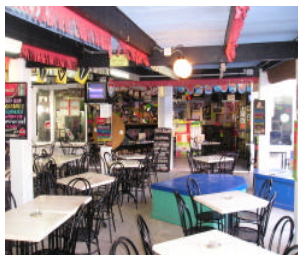
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Business of the Month

RESTAURANT & ENTERTAINMENT VENUE



The current owner of this very busy bar in Alcudia has been on the Island since 1994 and this property has never before been on the market, which shows just how busy and profitable it is.

Situated slap bang in the middle of surround hotels it is one of, if not the busiest Restaurant with a Music Licence in this resort, frequented by holidaymakers year on year, it caters for the early morning breakfasts

and daylong food in the rear eating area from 11am - 3pm, from the fully equipped and operational kitchen.

There are no meals served during the evening opening hours which are normally 9pm - 2am as the bar area is specifically built for entertainment, with seating room for 250 with overall space for 400 hundred people (sitting and standing). The bar has a resident DJ with a full music system that complies with the local legislation, with full double glazing sound proofed area and there are also facilities for family and sports entertainment in the vast sitting and bar areas of these premises.

The premises has recently been fully re-wired to latest

specification encased wiring etc which feeds all the equipment, lighting etc, including the 8 TV's 1 large screen, DJ Station and Music System.

Area:

Alcudia

Leasehold:

€123,500

€83,000

Ref: RAL1402

