



## APPEARANCE OR REALITY

# What's a real Guachinche?



↑ In a genuine Guachinche, typical Canarian dishes like Puchero are served

To date the term Guachinche has often been misused.

The terminology was regulated by the legal decree 83/2013 of the first of August, which specified exactly what a Guachinche is and which establishments

are allowed to use that term. So far this decree has not worked very well. Numerous restaurants call themselves Guachinches in order to circumvent the stricter rules for gastronomy or to give them-

selves a more rustic appearance and thus appear more attractive. Guachinches can even be found in town centres. This is why the then Canarian President Fernando Clavijo published a Canarian law in

the official bulletin on April 22 2019, which is now finally to be acted upon. The Agro-Food Quality Law stipulates that all non-Guachinche establishments must be renamed within one year.

## What is a real Guachinche?

It's a rustic place, often in a simple garage or an annex, where the winegrower can sell his own wine and serve it with a meal. Only wine, water and soft drinks are offered as libation and a maximum of three different dishes can be offered, which are also mostly prepared from self-cultivated or at least local ingredients. For nibbling, pickled vegetables, dried fruits or fruits from the establishment's own cultivation may be served. The maximum opening time of a Guachinche may not exceed



↑ A Guachinche is officially marked with a 'V'

four months. A recognised Guachinche is marked by a 'V' in contrast to 'R' for restaurant or 'B' for bar and is easy to recognise. This type of gastronomy provides winegrowers with a significant extra income and a sales opportunity for their own wine. Thus they differ from normal restaurants which unjustifiably use the term Guachinche. ■

## MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT Fundraiser at Bad Bob's Bar

Bad Bob's Bar in The Patch, Parque Santiago 2, Playa de Las Américas, will be hosting a coffee, tea and cakes morning with a difference, on Friday September 27 from 12pm to 7pm, so really it's a coffee afternoon!



Please go along and support this event, as all money raised will go to Macmillan Cancer Support which provides physical, financial and emotional support to help sufferers to live as fully as possible, and if more temptation to attend were needed, we understand that the cakes are wonderful! For more information about Macmillan Cancer Support, see macmillan.org.uk. ■

## INTERNATIONAL TOURISM DAY Festival of world beers

The borough of Arucas, in the north of Gran Canaria, celebrates World Tourism Day on September 21 in a special way.

The Festival Cervezas del Mundo, a world beer festival, will be held in the Calle León y Castillo from 12pm. A total of 15 different types of beer from all over the world will be represented, and of course there will be a gastronomic area where you can try some Canarian specialities. Musical entertainment will be provided by the bands Ginsonics and Sonotone as well as the Banda Sinfónica Arucas. Don't miss this day full of entertainment, a great atmosphere and the best beers. ■



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