

0th version of Sven's restaurants guide of Santander

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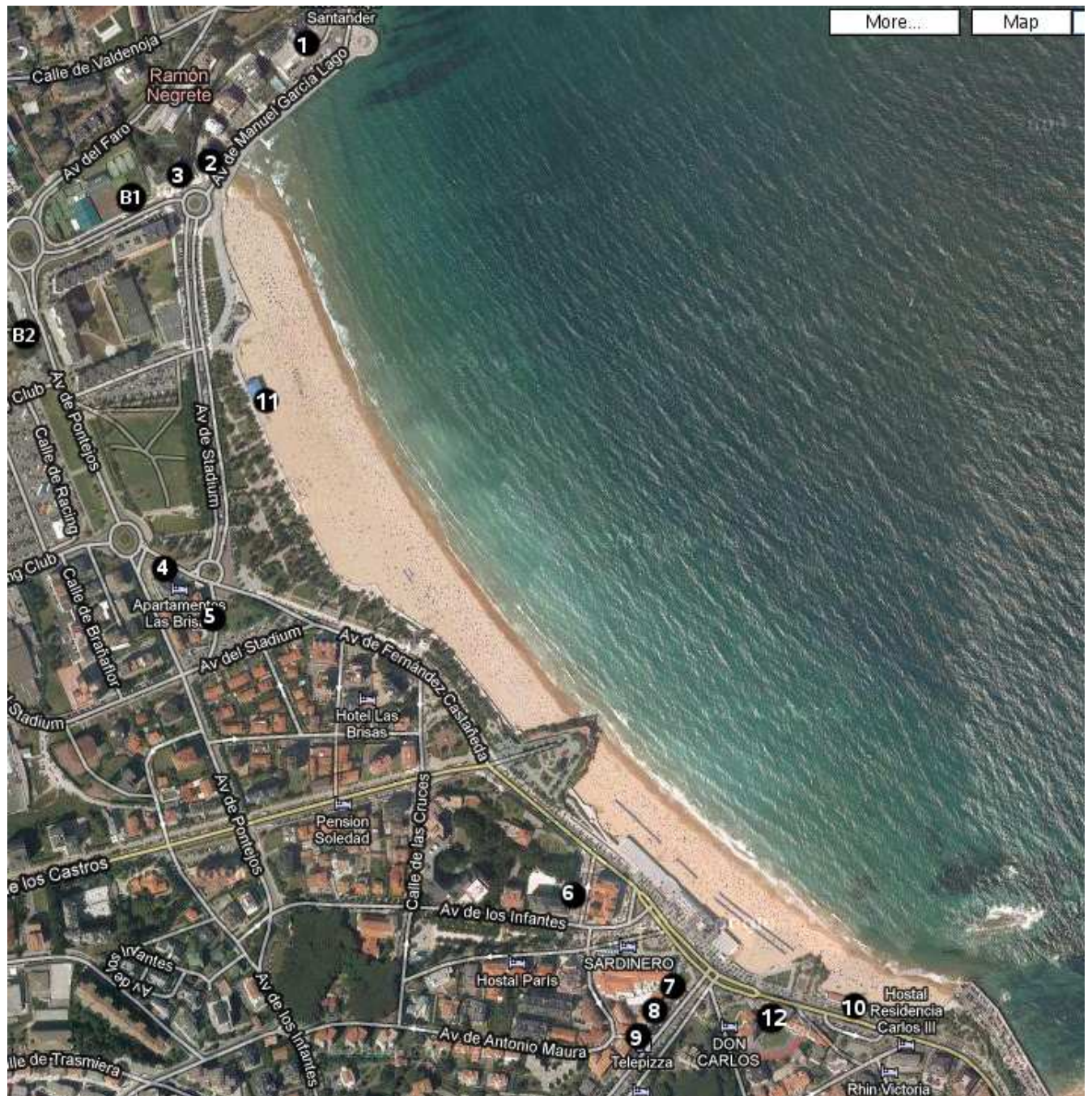
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Lunch options around IFCA



1. **IFCA**
2. **Canteen of the university**
food: lunch menu, medium/lower quality
ambiance: fast in, fast out
price: 6.25 Euro, coffee extra
3. **Restaurant “Bedoya 2”**
food: lunch menu medium quality
ambiance: typical for spanish lunch places
price: ~ 8 Euro, coffee extra
4. **Restaurant “Escudero”**
food: lunch menu medium quality
ambiance: typical for spanish lunch places
price: ~ 8 Euro, coffee extra
5. **Cafeteria of physics**
food: mostly sandwiches and drinks
ambiance: simple, few light, but it’s ours
price: relatively cheap

Dinner/tapas close to the Hotel Chiqui



1. **Hotel Chiqui**
food: I was told it is good, (very) slow service
ambiance: on the terrace: nice; inside: so so
price: I was told: expensive
2. **Cafeteria “La Corona”** (closed?)
food: some simple tapas, medium quality
ambiance: typical, simple
price: medium to higher
3. **Seafood “Acuario”**
food: mostly seafood, very good quality; try the “rabas”!
ambiance: very typical, very simple
price: medium
4. **Restaurant “Parillo”**
food: mostly meat, seafood; normal quality
ambiance: normal
price: medium to higher
5. **various restaurants**
here your input is needed!
6. **new Tapas bar**
food: good quality tapas
ambiance: small, but nice; restaurant part downstairs, no windows
price: medium to higher
7. **Bar**
food: mostly drinks, some simple food
ambiance: nice for a drink, food only with good weather outside
price: medium
8. **Restaurant “La Cañia”**
food: typical spanish food, tapas, full meals
ambiance: ok; outside nice; inside: first comes simple part with smoking and TV,
more inside comes the nicer restaurant part
price: medium
9. **Restaurant “??”**
food: typical spanish food, tapas, full meals
ambiance: ok, relatively simple
price: medium
10. **Restaurant “Balenario de la Concha”**
food: quality worse with new chef, certainly not as good as before; good for a drink
ambiance: very nice seeview, nice atmosphere
price: medium

11. **Pub “Cormoran”**

food: drinks in all varieties; free wireless

ambiance: Irish Pub; nice, good see/beach view

price: 4.50 Euro/pint

12. **Restaurant “La Cupula”** (in the Hotel Rio Silken)

food: excellent food

ambiance: higher level, slightly cold, but good view to the street

price: upper end, ≥ 50 Euro/person

B1 bus stop with one line to the center

B2 bus stop with four lines to the center

Dinner/tapas in the center



1. **Restaurant “La Sal”**
food: excellent food; no tapas
ambiance: nice; elegant
price: ≥ 50 Euro/person
2. **Tapas bar “Dehesa Santa Maria”**
food: simple tapas, mostly with ham; the “extremenñas” are excellent
ambiance: very nice, even cosy
price: medium to low for food; medium for drinks
3. **Small “simple” tapas bar**
food: simple, but very good; try the “rabas”!
ambiance: simple, original?, many locals; very low ceiling
price: low
4. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Centro Gallego”**
food: mostly seafood; very good quality
ambiance: you feel like having another one ...
price: medium to higher

5. **Tapas bar/restaurant “La Taverna”**
food: tapas are good, wine is good
ambiance: nice
price: medium
6. **Tapas bar/restaurant “??”**
food: high-end pinchos
ambiance: ok, slightly too stylish
price: medium to high
7. **Tapas bar “Hijas de Florencia”**
food: good pinchos
ambiance: more original, more rustic, no seats
price: medium
8. **Tapas bar “Deluvio”**
food: many delicious pinchos, try the “tortilla de patatas relleno”!
ambiance: mostly full, buisy, original
price: medium to lower
9. **Coffee bar “La Columna”**
food: coffee and drinks
ambiance: outside: nice to sit; inside: so so
price: medium
10. **Bar “Ventilador”**
food: drinks of all kind
ambiance: outside: right in the plaza; inside: ok
price: medium
11. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Cañadio”**
food: high-end tapas (tapas on “bread”); don’t know the restaurant part
ambiance: nice, often very full
price: medium to higher
12. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Conveñiente”** (closed till 29.10.)
food: tapas ok; don’t remeber full dishes
ambiance: very nice wine barrel decoration; dark; sometimes with life piano musik
price: medium
13. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Rampalay”**
food: many good pinchos
ambiance: not special, but ok
price: medium
14. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Bodega Riojano”**
food: many good tapas, very good restaurant; try the “solomillo” (al punto)
ambiance: very nice and cosy; tapas part and restaurant part
price: medium

15. **Tapas bar(/restaurant?) “Bar Cantabria”**
food: I only tried the ham: very good
ambiance: very simple, neon light?
price: medium to lower
16. **Tapas bar(/restaurant?)**
food: good pinchos
ambiance: small; often very full, nice
price: medium
17. **Tapas bar/restaurant**
food: variety of tapas; don't let them choose for you!
ambiance: normal
price: medium
18. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Pata negra”**
food: variety of tapas; not fully recovered from owner change, but good
ambiance: normal; red
price: medium
19. **Restaurant “La Bombi”** (I have not been there)
food: very good for meat
ambiance: ??
price: apparently very expensive
20. **Restaurant “El Puerto”**
food: very good tapas and food
ambiance: nice, elegant
price: \geq 60 Euro/person
21. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Bodegas Mazon”**
food: good tapas and food
ambiance: nice decor with huge barrels, original
price: medium
22. **Bar “Cruz Blanca”**
food: good for beer, never tried the tapas
ambiance: you can draft your beer on your table; a screen shows the consumption of all the tables ...
price: medium
23. **Tapas bar(/restaurant?) “Cigaleña”**
food: I don't remember much ..., tapas ok
ambiance: small, often crowded, elegant, a bit up-scale
price: medium to high, 50 year old wine bottles are available for “a corresponding price”

24. **Tapas bar “???”**
food: Simple, but filling dishes
ambiance: (too?) simple, neon light?
price: low to medium
25. **Bar “Canela”** (I have not been there)
food: drinks
ambiance: outside: nice; inside: ???
price: ??
26. **Tapas bar “a11”**
food: good tapas, some free cheese with your wine
ambiance: nice outside, ok inside
price: medium to lower
27. **Tapas bar/restaurant “Sixtina”** (I only know the restaurant)
food: very good food, a bit “special”
ambiance: nice decoration, nice to sit
price: medium to higher
28. **Irish Pub “Molly Doolan”** (I have not been there)
food: beer ...?
ambiance: ??
price: ??

B1 Bus stop “Castellar 1”

T1 Taxi stand; best option to go back to the hotel Chiqui.

Glossary

Beer (cerveza)

Normally beer is ordered by size. If you order “cerveza” you get a (small) bottle. For draft beer ask for

“caña”: 0.1-0.2 l

“tubo”: ~0.2 l

“jarra”: 0.3-0.4 l (0.5 l if you are lucky)

Wine (vino)

How to order a glass of wine:

“un tinto” (red house wine)

“un blanco” (white house wine)

“otro” (one more :-)

Normally the house wine is ok, very good quality/price ratio.

Food

“pincho”: small item to eat, often on a slice of bread, often with a toothpick, very typical

“racion”: one plate of something, good to share

Most typical dishes/tapas:

“pinchos” (see above)

“rabas”: fried calamar

“croquetas”: croquette with ham or fish or seafood or ...

“jamón”: ham, from best to normal: “bellota”, “iberico”, “serano”

“queso”: cheese, normally a plate with slices of typical spanish cheese

“albondigas”: meat balls in tomato sauce

“morzilla”: fried sausage made out of blood (pig), rice, onions, spices

“mejillones”: mussels

Counting:

uno, dos, tres, cuatro, cinco, seis, siete, ocho, nueve, diez