

Restaurant Review by Peter Wells

Al Giardino – Benitachell/Javea

Located next to a roundabout halfway between Benitachell and Javea and painted a rather lurid green colour, you have probably driven past Al Giardino many times without giving it a second thought. But think again! Once inside there is a lovely courtyard for summer dining and a rustic inside dining room for colder times of the year.

The “menu del dia” offers 4 courses including soup, a nice selection of starters and main courses, sweet, bread and ali oli, half a bottle of wine. Starters included salmon & pasta, spaghetti (great sauce!), tomato and mozzarella etc. Mains included Ossi Bucco, Panga, Chicken and Merluza . There was also an interesting selection of desserts. Prices ranged from €13 to €16.50 plus IVA (although Walter, the owner, is happy to discuss group discounts).

All our group of 20 diners enjoyed their meals and the unobtrusive friendly and efficient service. Portion sizes of the main courses were perfectly adequate.

I must mention that the cost of drinks from the bar was very high – you have been warned! Smoking is allowed and there was no vegetarian option apart from the fish options. Reservations on 966 461 658.

Conclusion – A really lovely meal in a great location.

Food quality	8/10
Ambiance	8/10
Value for money	8/10
Service	8/10
Location	9/10