

SPAIN

STARTER

GARDEN VEGETABLE GAZPACHO

THE SPANISH ENJOY MEALS AS A SOCIAL ACTIVITY AND DO NOT NECESSARILY EXPECT TO DISCUSS BUSINESS AT THE TABLE. IF YOUR INTENTION IS TO USE A MEAL OR DRINKS INVITATION AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT BUSINESS MATTERS, IT IS BEST TO INCLUDE THAT INFORMATION IN THE INVITATION AND AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING.

ENTREE

PAELLA

CHORIZO, SHRIMP, MUSSELS

EATING OUT IN SPAIN IS EXCEPTIONALLY POPULAR AND GENERALLY CONSIDERED TO BE PART OF THE NATIONAL CULTURE. THE TRADITIONAL MEAL OF TAPAS CONSISTS OF SMALL DISHES OF A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT FOODS, FROM SEAFOOD TO POTATOES, AND IS VERY POPULAR WITH LOCALS AND TOURISTS ALIKE.

SIDE

PISTO MANCHEGO

DINNER IS OFTEN A LIGHTER MEAL AND IS USUALLY NOT BEGUN UNTIL AROUND 10:00 PM WHICH PEOPLE FROM MANY OTHER CULTURES FIND EXTREMELY LATE. IT IS CUSTOMARY FOR THE PERSON WHO EXTENDS THE INVITATION TO PAY THE BILL.

DESSERT

CARAMEL FLAN

FRESH BERRIES, CARAMEL DRIZZLE

ALMOST ALL EATING ESTABLISHMENTS INCLUDE A SERVICE CHARGE IN THE BILL. HOWEVER, IT IS STILL CUSTOMARY TO ROUND UP OR LEAVE A TIP OF ABOUT FIVE TO TEN PERCENT TIP IN RESTAURANTS.