

Fallas 2026: Complete Guide

Terreta Hub

Practical Guide · Routes, schedules, tips, and everything we recommend.

1. Introduction

In this guide, you will find:

- A clear summary of what Fallas is and why it is so important.
 - The 2026 calendar with must-see moments.
 - Locations to watch *mascletàs*, fireworks, and the *Cremà*.
 - Mobility and public transport guide.
 - Tips on security, noise, and animal welfare.
 - Alternative Fallas festivals outside the capital.
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2. What is Fallas?

If you are new to Valencia, Fallas (*Les Falles*) is the city's grand festival. It is ephemeral art, gunpowder, music, and life in the streets. There is a common saying that "Fallas are for the falleros," but this guide will show you that the reality can be very different if you dedicate energy to enjoying and experiencing them for what they are: a unique experience.

Key Concepts:

- **Monuments:** Hundreds of neighborhoods build giant “fallas” with political satire and humor. They are burned on the night of March 19th in the ritual of the *Cremà*.
- **Commissions:** Neighborhood associations that work all year round to fund the monument and events. They are the social heart of the festival.

What Nobody Tells You:

- **Closed Windows:** Essential from March 1st due to the noise and the smell of gunpowder.
 - **Sleep is Negotiable:** Between the *despertàs* (early morning wake-up calls) and the *verbenas* (street parties), sleeping through the night is difficult.
 - **Long Journeys:** The city center is closed to traffic; walking is your best option.
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3. Dates and Official Program 2026

FEBRUARY

- **Saturday 28th:**
 - 10:00–13:30 Fallas Collectibles Fair (JCF Gardens).
 - 17:30 *Cabalgata del Ninot* (Parade) (Glorieta → Town Hall Square).
 - 23:59 Night pyrotechnics (Town Hall Square).

MARCH (Warm-up Week)

- **Sunday 1st:** 10:00 *Cant de l'Estoreta*. 14:00 *Mascletà*. 20:00 Night pyrotechnics.
- **Monday 2nd to Wednesday 4th:** 14:00 Daily *Mascletà*. Institutional visits.
- **Thursday 5th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 18:30 Armed Forces Tribute.
- **Friday 6th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 23:59 Night pyrotechnics (Pibierzo).
- **Saturday 7th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 23:59 Night pyrotechnics (Tomás).
- **Sunday 8th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 20:00 Night pyrotechnics (Nadal Martí).

- **Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th:** 14:00 Daily *Mascletà*.

THE FINAL STRETCH

- **Thursday 12th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 20:30 Night pyrotechnics (Alpujarreña).
- **Friday 13th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 23:59 Night pyrotechnics (Turís).
- **Saturday 14th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 17:00 Children's *Ninot* Exhibition Closing. 23:59 Night pyrotechnics (Tamarit). 00:00 Neighborhood fireworks.

THE BIG DAYS

- **Sunday 15th: La Plantà**
 - 08:00 Setting up of monuments (*Plantà*). 14:00 *Mascletà*. 16:00 Start of Flower Offering (Day 1). 23:59 *L'Alba de las Fallas*.
 - **Monday 16th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 16:00 Flower Offering (Day 2). 23:59 Fireworks (Monteolivete Bridge).
 - **Tuesday 17th:** 14:00 *Mascletà*. 15:30 Flower Offering (Day 3). 23:59 Fireworks (Monteolivete Bridge).
 - **Wednesday 18th: Nit del Foc**
 - 14:00 *Mascletà*. 15:30 Flower Offering (Day 4). 01:30 *Nit del Foc* (Alameda).
 - **Thursday 19th: La Cremà**
 - 14:00 Last *Mascletà*. 19:00 Fire Parade (*Cabalgata del Fuego*).
 - 22:00 Burning of Children's Fallas / 00:00 Burning of Main Fallas.
 - 01:00 Burning of Town Hall Falla.
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4. How to Get Around

- **Valencia Tourist Card:** Recommended for unlimited travel if you are coming from the airport.
- **Metro and Tram:** The best option. During Fallas, there is 24-hour service on the main days.

- **On Foot:** The historic center is practically pedestrian-only from the 15th to the 19th.
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5. Security and Pets

- **Earplugs:** Use them during the *masclerà* (120 dB).
 - **Pets:** Keep windows closed. It is recommended not to set off firecrackers between 15:00-17:00 and 09:00-10:00 to respect animal rest.
 - **Prohibited Zones:** Firecrackers are not allowed in the Turia Garden or children's playgrounds.
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6. Fallas Beyond Valencia City

City	Commissions	How to Get There (Public Transport)	Useful Comment
Alzira	34	Cercanías C2 (València Nord → Alzira), 35–40 min.	Medium-sized city very dedicated to Fallas; “mini-Valencia” style but more manageable.
Sagunto	30	Cercanías C6 (València Nord → Sagunt) or C5 to Port de Sagunt + local bus.	Mix of historic center and Port; powerful atmosphere without the saturation of Valencia center.
Torrent	28	Metro lines 1, 2, and 7 (Torrent, Torrent Avinguda), 15–25 min from center.	Large Fallas city in the metropolitan area; very accessible by metro for quick visits.
Gandia	23	Cercanías C1 (València Nord → Gandia), 55–65 min.	More touristy and youthful profile; good mix of beach + gunpowder + nightlife.
Xàtiva	19	Cercanías C2 (València Nord → Xàtiva), 50–60 min.	Historic center and castle as a backdrop; very photogenic for walking around fallas.
Paterna	18	Metro lines 1, 2, and 4 depending on neighborhood, 15–25 min; also Cercanías C3.	Known for the <i>Cordà</i> in August; very consolidated Fallas network.
Sueca	16	Media Distancia train towards Gandia (Sueca stop) or intercity bus from Valencia.	Rice-growing town with a lot of Fallas tradition and a very local atmosphere.
Cullera	16	Cercanías C1 (València Nord → Cullera), 35–45 min.	Ideal for combining sea, castle, and fallas in a single day.
Burriana	15	Cercanías C6 (València Nord → Burriana-Alquerías) + bus/taxi to the center.	Well known in the province of Castellón for the quality of its monuments.

City	Commissions	How to Get There (Public Transport)	Useful Comment
Dénia	10	FGV Trainet (line 9 from Benidorm) or direct buses; no direct Cercanías.	Fallas by the sea and the castle; quieter atmosphere if you avoid peak days.

7. Quick Glossary

- **Falla:** Name of the festival and each of the monuments planted in the street and burned on the night of March 19th.
- **Ninot:** Individual figure that is part of a falla. They are usually satirical, political, or pop culture characters.
- **Ninot Indultat:** The “pardoned” *ninot* voted by the public to be saved from the fire and become part of the Fallas Museum.
- **Mascletà:** Daytime pyrotechnic show focused on sound and vibration, held every day at 14:00 in the Town Hall Square.
- **Nit del Foc:** The “Night of Fire,” the most powerful fireworks display of Fallas, on the night of March 18th.
- **Cremà:** Burning of all the fallas on the night of March 19th. Children’s ones burn earlier; the municipal falla is usually the last.
- **Ofrenda:** Flower offering to the Virgin of the Forsaken, where thousands of *falleras* and *falleros* parade to the Plaza de la Virgen.
- **Despertà:** Early morning parade where firecrackers are thrown and music is played to “wake up” the city.
- **Verbenas:** Street parties organized by the Fallas commissions, with music, bars, and dancing until dawn.

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