

4.1.1.4 Accessible beaches; Gdynia; Palma; Ravenna; San Sebastian; València

Facilitated access to the beach for people with disabilities; Gdynia: Entrances to the city center beach are equipped with posts for the blind with pictograms Braille directions and wooden ramps. A playground with equipment for children with disabilities is also provided along with umbrellas for sun protection. The city centre beach also offers toilets and showers for people with disabilities and people with mobility impairments can take advantage of bathing chairs at the bathing site (so-called amphibian). The city's lifeguards have been trained to communicate with people with sight, hearing or multiple disabilities and have acquired methods and techniques for transferring, supporting and assisting people enjoying the bathing sites.

Find out more at: https://www.inyourpocket.com/gdansk/travelling-with-a-disability-in-gdansk-sopot_77157f and https://civitas.eu/sites/default/files/webinar_22.02.2016_gdynia_apawlowska.pdf

Beach Guide is redefining accessible beaches; Palma: The Guide for Accessible Beaches in Palma is available in 4 languages and provides detailed information about the beaches, infrastructure, and services available at the city's beaches. Five of the city's beaches are certified as being inclusive (Universal Accessibility Management System Certificate) and the guide to these beaches underlines the city's commitment to helping as many people as possible reach and enjoy the beach.

Find out more at: https://www.palma.cat/portal/PALMA/contenedor4.jsp?seccion=s_lloc_d10_v5.jsp&codbusqueda=638&codResi=1&codMenuPN=1811&codMenu=826&layout=contenedor4.jsp&layout=contenedor4.jsp&language=en

Surf and Sea for all; Ravenna: Ravenna has launched the BEST Project or the Beaches accessible to all which grants everyone the access they need and deserve to Ravenna's beaches with special seats, amphibious armchairs and wheelchairs allowing all people to enjoy the beach and the sea.

Find out more at: <https://www.turismo.ra.it/en/nature-seaside/beach-resorts-ravenna-en/accessible-beaches/>

Assisting beachgoers to get to their destination; San Sebastian: La Concha beach offers an assisted bathing service for the elder or for people with a disability who want to experience the joys of going into the sea. In addition, the beach comes with an audio guide that helps visitors get to know the beach through an aural medium.

Find out more at: <https://www.sansebastianturismoa.eus/en/to-do/beach-parks/let-s-go-to-the-beach>

Bringing accessibility up to a standard; València: As a participant in the MITOMED beach project, València is constantly striving to excel in delivering a sustainable and accessible experience on its beaches. As a result, the beaches have been equipped with walkways and accessibility features which are measured and constantly updated in line with the best practices to accommodate everyone wishing to enjoy a day at the beach.

Find out more at: <https://fundacion.visitvalencia.com/en/sustainability/projects/mitomed>

4.1.1.5 Diversity & Accessibility; Aarhus

LGBTQ+ friendly, Aarhus: Accessibility is also about inclusion and Aarhus' city council has a strong focus on making Aarhus a better and more attractive city and a better and more attractive workplace for LGBTQ+ persons. As part of its commitment to LGBTQ+ community, Aarhus is member Rainbow Cities Network, actively working to improve conditions for LGBTQ+ citizen. Aarhus also hosts 'KØN – Gender Museum Denmark' presenting the cultural history between genders, equality, body, and sexuality.



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Find out more at: <https://www.rainbowcities.com/cities/aarhus/>