

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO GRANADA AND THE ALHAMBRA, SPAIN

LOCATION: Granada is located in the region of Andalucia in south-central Spain. The city is situated in the broad valley of the Guadalquivir River, up against the northern flanks of the Sierra Nevada ("Snowy Mountains"). Elevations vary, but are around 2,500 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:56	10:49	11:57	13:08	14:08	14:40	14:27	13:35	12:28	11:17	10:15	9:41
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:01	5:53	5:49	7:12	9:00	10:18	11:27	10:49	7:56	6:27	5:31	4:29
AREA OF BLUE SKY	58%	54%	49%	51%	57%	71%	85%	84%	65%	56%	55%	53%
LOW FOR MONTH	27 °	29 °	32 °	37 °	41 °	49 °	55 °	56 °	50 °	40 °	34 °	32 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	36 °	37 °	41 °	45 °	51 °	58 °	63 °	63 °	58 °	51 °	43 °	37 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	53 °	57 °	60 °	66 °	73 °	83 °	92 °	91 °	83 °	72 °	61 °	54 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	66 °	68 °	74 °	79 °	86 °	94 °	101 °	99 °	94 °	84 °	72 °	65 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	44%	32%	13%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	32%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	32%	81%	76%	33%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	66%	56%	56%	52%	47%	37%	32%	36%	41%	52%	59%	68%
DRY DAYS	73%	71%	65%	68%	74%	89%	97%	96%	86%	76%	72%	70%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	88%	86%	81%	83%	87%	95%	99%	98%	93%	87%	85%	86%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.26	0.32	0.40	0.33	0.25	0.11	0.03	0.03	0.17	0.29	0.35	0.35
SNOWY DAYS	1%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	1%	2%	7%	3%	7%	5%	5%	8%	6%	2%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	13%	10%	5%	6%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	7%	10%	13%

COMMENTS: The area has a dry interior version of the typical Mediterranean-type three season year with its winter rains and summer drought. Bright sunshine occurs on 62% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of 46% in December to a high of 80% in August. The low temperature for the year will be near 24° some windless winter sunrise, while the high will be around 102° some sunny summer afternoon. A typical summer afternoon will be very sunny, fairly arid, and very hot. Sensible temperatures will be several degrees lower than actual ones. Summer nights cool down to mild by sunrise. A typical winter afternoon will be moderately sunny, fairly humid, and cool rather than cold. Afternoons are virtually always above freezing. Winter nights, however, drop below freezing about a third of the time. Snow flurries in town will occur some winters and not others. Snow on the ground in town is almost unknown. The mountains behind the city, of course, are snow-covered most of the winter. Expect daytime temperatures to drop an average of 1°F for each 300' of increase in elevation, if you plan to go up into the mountains.