

Choosing your mobile home

A brief insight as to what is important to consider in a residential mobile home.



Willerby Winchester - 'Single Unit'



Cambrian Millbrook - 'Single Unit'

The choice is huge and with so many floorplans, features and manufacturers choose from, it's sometimes difficult to know where to start.

We are not 'tied' to any one manufacturer and we pride ourselves on being able to offer informed and impartial advice. Nothing can beat talking to an expert to discuss your needs, but we hope the information here will help as a start. Please by all means contact us if you need more detailed help at this initial stage.

1. Choose your park first!

Choosing a good quality park with all the facilities already in place ensuring you'll be happy is THE most important thing. It may also influence your choice of home to some extent.

2. Size of home

Size of home can be important but we always tell clients that the decking is often just as important as the home itself. Living in the sunshine enables you to spend a lot of time relaxing on your decking. The decking actually becomes your main living room, expect it can be surrounded by flowers, plants and of course you can also use comfortable garden furniture.

The mobile homes come in various lengths and various widths however, it is recommended for all year residential use that you consider a 38ft x 12ft as a minimum and a 46ft x 13ft as a maximum because with these sized homes along with a 40sqm2 decking area, you will have the perfect luxury mobile home in Spain.

3. Floorplans

Unless you need three bedrooms, choose a 2-bedroom version. Three bed variations of the same home have the same floor area as the two-bed, so you'll lose useful space to the third bedroom.

Some homes have a centre lounge area with bedrooms at each end and some also have an end lounge.

Two bathroom homes are few and far between but there are some very good models on offer if that is important to you. Most however prefer to make sure that the mobile home has two toilets and for this requirement there are lots of models on offer.

Another important aspect when choosing a mobile home are the doors. Do you want French or Patio doors leading out to your decking?

We always recommend that you choose your plot first so that we can assist you to make the perfect choice of mobile home for your plot location.

4. Facilities

All mobile homes come equipped with a cooker, fridge and freezer. Some also have washing machines. Every model home that we offer will come fully furnished to a standard you would expect from UK manufacturers. The only things you will need to produce are everyday items such as pots and pans, towels and sheets.

Air conditioning is sometimes included in a mobile home. Again if it is not, it is much cheaper to have the unit installed locally which we are happy to arrange before you arrive.

5. Insulation

Insulation helps keep things cool as well as warm. A good layer of insulation will help keep your home cooler in the heat (and make an air-conditioning unit more economical to run) as well as warmer in the cooler months.

We suggest a fibre-type insulation in the roof and in the walls - The more the better. Floors are insulated with a dense foam.

6. Heating

All homes are supplied with heating. What you will get depends on your personal preferences. It might surprise you that, even in southern Spain, in the winter, the nights can be a little chilly. Most air-conditioning units are switchable to provide warm air as well if needed. Even though many residents have full gas central heating, they find that using their air conditioning units not only economical but more than adequate in heating the home to a comfortable temperature.

Whatever you decide, we are always here to help you with any question you may have about the mobile home.



Terms you'll hear

Mobile Home

Any park home, lodge or caravan holiday home that has wheels is legally classified as a 'mobile home'. Often 'single units' are referred to as mobile homes, although technically the term applies to all models.

Lodge

A vague term usually applied to larger mobile homes with a timber lodge appearance.

Park Home

A mobile home usually with a more traditional 'bungalow style' appearance, often for residential use.

Single Unit

The term the trade uses for any home that can be transported in one complete piece. These range from the smallest caravan up to around 14' x 40'.

Twin Unit

The term the trade uses for any home that has to be transported in two halves and assembled on-site. These generally range from homes sized 16' x 32' up to 22' x 55' or larger.

Galvanized steel

A metal alloy made from steel and zinc which does not rust.

Gas combi boiler

A common type of boiler which supplies instant hot water as well as central heating water (if central heating is fitted).

Twin axle

A home with two sets of wheels to spread the load when transporting. Whether a home needs this is decided by the manufacturer and makes no difference to the home once sited.

Lagged pipes

Water pipes with foam insulation around them to keep water warm and help guard against freezing.

Siting

The transportation of the finished home from the factory to your chosen park, unloading and, if necessary, joining up the two halves on site. Connecting up to services (water, drainage, electric and gas).



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