

Monaco Joseph Son Son Green

The principality of Monaco may have its fair share of glitz and glamour, but it's also one of the greenest places in Europe. Read on for ways to explore Monaco – in sustainable style.

ABOVE: Newly renovated and luxurious, Hôtel de Paris Monte-Carlo comes surrounded by parkland in the heart of the city.

RIGHT: Fine organic dining at Elsa restaurant. Images @ Monte-Carlo Société des Bains de Mer.

## JUMP ON YOUR E-BIKE

Feel the wind in your hair, without too much effort, on an e-bike – the city has an extensive sharing network, with 10 stations to pick up and drop off your two-wheeled chariot.

### GO ON A GREEN DRIVE

In a bid to reduce pollution, Monaco's car-sharing system includes tiny tandem-seat electric <u>Renault Mobees</u>. There are 25 across town, with availability and location shown on a nifty app.

### GET BACK TO NATURE

Did you know that more than 20 per cent of the principality is parkland, including the Princess Grace Rose Gardens and the Exotic Garden of Monaco? It's easy to feel the grass between your feet.

#### TAKE A HIKE

Protected by a 'tree code' – classifying fauna according to age, height and species rarity – plants on the <u>Heritage Trees Trail</u> offer fascinating insights into the principality's green history. The trail currently covers more than 1,000 trees.

# DIVE INTO A MARINE RESERVE

Come flipper-to-fin with gorgonia, grouper, diadema and sea urchins, among others, when you snorkel or scuba in the city-state's protected marine reserves, Larvotto and Spelugues.

## ENJOY FLOWER POWER

The city's booming organic rooftop garden scene comes courtesy of Terre de Monaco, one of the largest private city farms in the world. Visitors can book experiences to learn about sustainable agriculture.



There are plenty of stars floating around dining rooms in Monaco, but none quite as impressive as that awarded to <u>Elsa</u>: the world's only 100 per cent organic Michelin restaurant. Everything on your plate is sourced within a 150-kilometre radius of where you sit.

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