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Tenerife can provide you an extraordinary summer holiday destination.

The Canary Island is also famous for their family holidays aside from their appeal of beautiful sun, sand, and sea. However, these things don't limit the reason why tourists have been coming over the island for years. There is wealth of secrets embedded in the history of the exterior of [Tenerife](#) the largest island in the Canaries.

Here are five facts you almost certainly didn't know about Tenerife just to whet your appetite.

Titans Clashed Here

The movie Clash of the Titans was a remake of the 1980s mythology and was partly filmed in Tenerife. If you watched the movie, you can see the opening scene which showed a towering statue of Zeus topple into the sea at Agros. It was actually filmed in Tenerife's national park at volcanic Mount Teide.

Tenerife Used to Have Pyramids

The great pyramids can be found on Egypt, and admittedly, Tenerife never had pyramids that were visible and imposing as the ones in Egypt. There is evidence to suggest that civilization called the Guanche lived on Tenerife before Spain conquered the island and built pyramids..

Nelson Lost His Arm Battling the Spanish

In 1797, the great Battle of Santa Cruz saw Rear [Admiral Nelson](#) repelled three times by the Spanish on the island. A musket ball shot ruined his right arm that's why he lost half of the limb in amputation later in surgery.

Tenerife Secretly Has Scottish Heritage

Scotland's patron saint is Saint Andrew, but the apostle who travelled far and wide made it all the way to Tenerife to preach the word of God. Tenerife adopted Saint Andrew's symbol of the saltire cross for their flag, along with Scotland and the Russian navy.

Shakespeare Loved Tenerife's Local Wine

The Bard often made reference to the Malmsey wine of [Tenerife](#), describing it as an absolutely penetrating wine in *Henry IV*. It was believed that Shakespeare gave Malmsey wine on an annual basis in part payment for his services as a playwright in London.

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