



INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL "ALEGRÍA" Calella - Spain

From 23 June till 30 June 2011

Organizers:

MUNICIPALITY OF CALELLA
"TALIJA" Art Co.
MAKFOLK Association
FORTUNI VIATGES

FESTIVAL CONDITIONS



The 3rd International Folk Dance Festival "ALEGRÍA" will be held in Calella from 23 June - 30 June, 2012.

The Festival's aim is to present the cultural tradition, to give an insight into the folklore treasure from different countries and regions, and to provide the opportunity for the members of groups preserving traditions from different countries to get together and create long lasting friendships. Calella is located in the Spanish region of Catalonia on the Costa Maresme, just 50 kilometers north of Barcelona. Calella with its location makes it a first-class coastal destination awarded with the European quality Blue Flag - Calella beach (length: 2180m, width: 65; fine white sand) - a spacious and popular beach, with clear waters and moderate waves.

Barcelona is the capital, the most popular city of Catalonia and the second largest city in Spain, with a population of 1,615,908 in 2008. It is the tenth-most popular municipality in the European Union and sixth-most populous urban area in the European Union after Paris, London, Rhine-Ruhr Area, Madrid and Milan with the population 4,185,000.

Barcelona Cathedral is the spectacular Church of the Holy Family (Templo Expiatorio de la Sagrada Familia), designed by the Spanish architect Antoni Gaudi. The building of the neo-Gothic cathedral was started in 1883 and Gaudi became the official architect. Unfortunately, Gaudi died in an accident in 1926 and the cathedral remained unfinished. Construction work did start again in 1979, much based on Gaudi's original plans.

Aquarium Barcelona is placed in the Port Vell and has 35 different aquariums, 11.000 animals of 450 different species and an underwater tunnel of 80 meters.

The Camp Nou is a football stadium in Barcelona, Spain. It is a UEFA 5-star rated stadium, and has hosted numerous international matches at senior level, and UEFA Champions League finals, the most recent being in 1999.

There will be excursions organized by bus, visiting Barcelona with English speaking guide for 4 hours, Barcelona Cathedral, Gaudi Park, Aquarium and visiting of Nou Camp for the price of 30 euro per person.



Calella is rightfully proud of its rich and varied history. The city has scores of beautifully-preserved buildings that can lend your event a touch of class. During your free time the Organizer, on your request, can organize several excursions, as the one mentioned above, or separate one to visit the top attractions of the wonderful area of Barcelona. We will additionally inform you about the cost of the guided tours such as for the magnificent Dali Museum, Port Aventura Fun Park in Barcelona, Spain village, Flamenco night and others.

- * Dali Museum (8-10 €)
- * Port Aventura fun park in Barcelona (36 €)
- * Spain village (8 €)
- * Flamenco night (20-25 €)

General rules

The International Folk Festival of "Calella" is a non-competitive sample of traditional and music performed by folkloric groups. On the festival may participate only folklore dance groups. Groups should perform approximately 8-15 minutes either with live music or CDs. This is a folklore dance festival and **popular music will not be allowed.**

During the Festival each Group will have at least two or three performances in Calella and its area according to the program of the Festival. The performances will be either in the evening or in the afternoon, so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the attractions of Calella and doing your shopping or enjoying the beautiful sandy beach.

The festival fee is 220 euro per person and it covers organizational expenses, accommodation for 7 nights with three meals per day (Buffet basis). On every 25 participants one is free of charge.

Participation fee can be paid in several instalments. Each participant group should pay 25% in advance after receiving the official invitation BUT no later than 15 February 2012. The second instalment of 75% may be paid monthly not later than the first day of arrival in Calella.

Each group will have only 2 double rooms, guaranteed by Festival, and for every next 1/2 room group should pay extra 4 euro/person/day. For 1/1 room groups should pay 17 eur/per day.

Please send us rooming list not later than 1st May that we can arrange rooming like you wish.

Transport and travel conditions

The groups should pay the travel expenses by themselves to Calella (or Barcelona area Airports - Barcelona and Girona airports) and back. The groups may contact us for possible help about special prices for air tickets. The festival will organize the transport for the groups coming by plane by picking them up from Barcelona or Girona airports, and back to the same airport. The cost of the bus transportation will be paid by the groups and will cost 700 euro for both directions.

The groups coming by bus can use their own transport all the time during the festival and the small journeys around the city. Any expense caused by the usage of the bus (accident, robbing, breakdown, etc...) should be covered by the vehicle's insurance.

The participant groups have to arrive to Calella on 23rd of June 2012 and start their boarding with lunch and leave on 30th of June 2012 after having breakfast.

Accommodation

The accommodation is organized in 3*** Hotels, and the rooms are with 2, 3 and 4 beds and only 50-100 meters from the beach and 200 meters to center of Calella.

We will appreciate if you can let us know about the number of interested parties in your group by 3rd February 2012 (so we can plan ahead) and send us your application form. After receiving your application form, we will send you the official invitation for participating in the Festival. We will start with visa procedure and will assist you in obtaining visa for Spain. Each member must have travel insurance policy.

We can organize for Your group one night stay, hotel in Italy (BB) 25 €

The organizer reserves the right to any changes in the program, and the participants will be informed on time. The copyright of all video materials and pictures are ownership of the Organization of the Festival.

By applying you confirm that you accept all festival conditions.

All the Group participants will be rewarded with a Certificate for taking part in the Festival.

In 2011 we had 750 participants:

Folk Ensemble JISKRA – **Czech Rep.**

Nesibe Aydın Okulları - **Turkey**

"Modraki"- **Poland**

Folk Ensemble Malvochka - **Ukraine**

Senior high school 82- **Indonesia**

Muguri Romanesti- **Romania**

Dance Group Ornament- **Latvia**

Dance group "Solnyshko" - **Russia**

Eylul Ilkogretim Okulul - **Turkey**

Dejame Ser - **Columbia**

"TYSIACLATKI"- **Poland**

Folk Ensemble Diana- **Ukraine**

KUD Desanka Maksimovic – **Lugano, CH**

Rami Ataturk Anadolu Lisesi - **Turkey**

Folk Dance Ensemble "Lielupe"- **Latvia**

Ankara Tevfik Fikret– **Turkey**

"PERINITA" – **Romania**

"JAFFRA" -**Israel**

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