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Running of the Bulls
Pamplona-Spain

Packages for July 6-14, 2008



Basic Run

Dates for PAMPLONA PORTION of packages as follows:

Package A – July 04-10 2008

Package B – July 07-13 2008

Package C – July 10-16 2008

- 2 Nights accommodation at 4* hotel Madrid
- Cat. B rental car – Compact, unlimited mileage, CDW & VAT tax (5 days)
- 3 Nights accommodation at 3* or 4* hotel in Pamplona
- 1 Night accommodation in 4* hotel in Segovia
- Breakfast daily
- All hotel taxes and service fees

From \$ 1,499.00 per person in double B & C

From \$ 1,699.00 per person in double A

Balconies include:

- English speaking guide to walk you from hotel to balcony
 - Coffee and cookies while you wait for the run to begin
- *Check hotel's breakfast hours, if you wish to return for breakfast

*Airfare is NOT included in our package prices.
However, we can provide airfare. Please let us know
from which airport you wish to depart from.

We highly recommend you reserve your trip as early as possible to guarantee availability.

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CRUISE—SIGHTSEEING TOURS



Lisbon



Fatima



Barcelona



London

F/D LISBON & FATIMA TOUR Drive through one of the main avenues of the city, to the Rossio Square, heart of the city. Continue on foot through the Alfama District, the oldest and most picturesque quarter of the city, and magnificent views of Lisbon city below. Stop for some wine tasting in a "handicraft" store. Then proceed along the riverside to the Praca do Comercio, ex libris of Lisbon and one of the Tagus Bridges, to the Belem Tower, dedicated to the discoveries. Then a unique opportunity to visit the Church of St. Jerome Monastery, a masterpiece of the Manuelin style. Also visit the Coach Museum, with the largest collection of coaches in the world. Finally, a panoramic view of the Belem Tower and the Monument To The Discovery, built to commemorate D. Henrique "The Navigator". Continue on to Fatima. Your first visit will be the Fatima Sanctuary, where the tombstones of Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco are, as well as the Apparitions Chapel, heart of the shrine. Everyone will have time to attend the mass. The better understand the life of the 3 little shepherds, you will visit the house where they were born. Then it's on to Valinhos to visit the place where Our Lady of Fatima appeared for the 4th time on the 19th of August, 1917. Finally we will go to Loca do Anjo and see the place where the children, Francisco, Jacinta and Lucia went for the 1st and 3rd visit of the Angel in 1916.

CITY TOUR OF BARCELONA Placa Catalunya, Via Laietana, the Cathedral and its cloister, the Gothic Quarter, Plaza Sant Jaume (Generalitat and Town Hall). Continue on to the Vila Olimpica (athlete's residential complex during the Olympics) and the Port Olimpica (harbor), which you will tour on foot. After this you will go up the Montjich Mountain, which offers a panoramic view of the city and the Port. Tour the Stadium, Plau Sant Jordi and Calatrava Tower. Then enjoy a visit to the Poble Espanyol (Spanish Village) which reproduces the most typical regional architectural styles of Spain. At the same time you will be able to taste the famous Catalan Cava (sparkling wine). Continue to see Gaudi's famous buildings like Casa Batlló, and Casa Milá, and a visit to the world renown Güell Park declared an artistic monument and mankind's heritage by the UNESCO. Then on to admire the famous "Sagrada Família" (Holy Family) Cathedral – an unfinished masterpiece of the world famous architect Gaudi. Also you will visit Barcelona's Monumental Bull Ring and the Picasso Museum – which exhibits works from this world-famous painter's "blue" and "pink" periods. On Sundays and Mondays the Picasso Museum is closed to the public, so you will visit the "La Ciutadella" or Santa Maria del Mar instead.

F/D TOUR "THE TOTAL LONDON EXPERIENCE"

Visit Westminster Abby, see the changing of the Guard, photo stops at St. Paul's Cathedral, Buckingham Palace. Lunch in the vibrant Covent Garden (optional). Visit to the Tower of London to see the incredible Crown Jewels, walk the famous Convent Garden, River Cruise along the Thames, British London eye. All entrance fees included.

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CRUISE—LONDON TO LISBON

Date	Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
10 Sep 2008	Wed	London (Tower Bridge), U.K.		9:30 PM
11 Sep 2008	Thu	Day at Sea		
12 Sep 2008	Fri	Honfleur, France	6:45 AM	7:00 PM
13 Sep 2008	Sat	St. Malo, France	8:00 AM	7:00 PM
14 Sep 2008	Sun	Day at Sea		
15 Sep 2008	Mon	Nantes, France	7:00 AM	8:00 PM
16 Sep 2008	Tue	Belle Ile, France	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
17 Sep 2008	Wed	Bordeaux, France	8:30 AM	
18 Sep 2008	Thu	Bordeaux, France		8:00 PM
19 Sep 2008	Fri	Day at Sea		
20 Sep 2008	Sat	La Coruna, Spain	8:00 AM	7:00 PM
21 Sep 2008	Sun	Oporto, Portugal	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
22 Sep 2008	Mon	Lisbon, Portugal	7:00 AM	

PACKAGE:

Items included:

- Arrival transfer in London: airport/hotel
- Three nights at the Hotel Hilton London Kensington
- Full day London experience with lunch (description on following page)
- Departure transfer in London: hotel/pier
- Twelve night cruise aboard the Silver Wind with a Vista cabin (Itinerary above)
- Arrival transfer in Lisbon: pier/hotel
- Three nights at the Hotel Parque Lisboa
- Full day Lisbon & Fatima tour (description on following page)
- Departure transfer in Lisbon: hotel/airport
- Breakfast daily
- All hotel taxes and service charges

Price per person in Double from:
\$8,225.00

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Running of the Bulls Pamplona-Spain

Packages for July 6-14, 2008



Dodge and Dance

Dates for PAMPLONA PORTION of packages as follows:

Package A – July 06-09 2008

Package B – July 09-12 2008

Package C – July 12-15 2008

- 3 Nights accommodation at 3* or 4* hotel in Pamplona
- 3 Nights accommodation at 4* hotel in Ibiza
- 2 Nights accommodation at 4* hotel in Barcelona
- Breakfast daily
- All hotel taxes and service fees

From \$1,899.00 per person in double A,B & C

Balconies include:

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- Coffee and cookies while you wait for the run to begin

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Running of the Bulls Pamplona-Spain Bilbao / Guernica

Although the main reason for going to Pamplona is for the Running of the Bulls, there are many other places of interest in the area. Here are just a few.

Bilbao



The sea and the Nervion Ria (estuary) have always been of importance to Bilbao and the reason for a lot of the city's development and changes. Once, Bilbao was just a small village with a small port. Things changed in 1315, when King Alfonso XI had the route of Santiago redirected, so that Bilbao would be part of that route.

In the middle of the 19th century the city began to change. Industry, mainly the forging of iron into steel, began to transform the city into a busy metropolis. However, despite everything, Bilbao has always had an appeal, it's Mueums, Theater and good food. Now thanks to the Guggenheim Museum , designed by Frank O. Gehry, and classified as one of the most fantastic pieces of avant-garde architecture of the 20th century and other projects Bilbao has gone from an industrial town to a place where one goes to visit.

The Bilbainos love to get together and indulge in typical dishes of the area, such as squid, sea break, hake, cod al pil-pil, porrusalda (a delicious leek soup) and cheese from Idiazabal. All this washed down with cider or Pacharan, a red after dinner liqueur.

Guernica



Guernica , a small town in the Basque region of Spain . In April of 1937, the German Air Force, bombed this defenseless town to the ground. The world was outraged but little more would have been known today, if not for the painter Pablo Picasso (born in Malaga-Spain). He painted the famous Guernica depicting the horrors of war, which now hangs in the Queen Sofia Museum in Madrid . La Casa de Juntas, a small neo-classical building used as a kind of assembly hall, is the most interesting building in the town, which had to be rebuilt after the Spanish Civil War.

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CRUISE—LISBON TO BARCELONA

Date	Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
22 Sep 2008	Mon	Lisbon, Portugal		10:00 PM
23 Sep 2008	Tue	Portimao, Portugal	8:00 AM	7:00 PM
24 Sep 2008	Wed	Cadiz, Spain	7:00 AM	10:00 PM
25 Sep 2008	Thu	Malaga, Spain	8:00 AM	11:00 PM
26 Sep 2008	Fri	Day at Sea		
27 Sep 2008	Sat	Ibiza, Spain	8:00 AM	11:00 PM
28 Sep 2008	Sun	Valencia, Spain	8:00 AM	7:00 PM
29 Sep 2008	Mon	Barcelona, Spain	8:00 AM	

PACKAGE:

Items included:

- Arrival transfer in Lisbon: airport / hotel
- Three nights at the Hotel Parque Lisboa prior to the cruise
- Full day tour to Lisbon & Fatima (description on following page)
- Departure transfer in Lisbon hotel/pier (for your cruise departure)
- Seven night cruise aboard the Silver Wind in a Vista cabin (Itinerary above)
- Arrival transfer in Barcelona: pier / hotel
- Three nights at the Hotel Condes de Barcelona after the cruise
- Full day tour of Barcelona (description on following page)
- Departure transfer in Barcelona: hotel / airport
- Breakfast daily
- All hotel taxes and service charges

Price per person in Double from:
\$5,829.00

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EXPO ZARAGOZA

2008



Expo June 14-September 14 2008

From:

\$1,335.00

Per person in double occupancy

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- * Private arrival transfer in Barcelona: airport to hotel in Barcelona
- * 2 Nights accommodation at Hotel Medinaceli in Barcelona or similar
- * Car Rental – category E:
pick up at Barcelona city location/drop off Barcelona airport
- * 3 Nights accommodation at Hotel Silken Reino de Aragon or similar in Zaragoza
- * 3 Day Expo entrance tickets
- * 1 Night accommodation at Hotel Tryp Aeropuerto Barcelona (airport hotel in Barcelona)
- * Breakfast daily at hotels
- * All hotel taxes and services charges

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Running of the Bulls Pamplona-Spain
San Sebastian / La Rioja

San Sebastian



San Sebastián is a small but beautiful city, facing the sea and surrounded by mountains. Divided by the river it has three beautiful beaches, the most known is La Concha Beach, so named for its shell shape, which skirts a bay. In the past Kings and other dignitaries came to spend their vacations here. Places of interest are the Alderdi Eder Gardens, the Boulevard, where the old city of San Sebastian starts, the Museum of San Telmo and the Plaza de la Constitucion.

There are many restaurants, bars etc, where one can enjoy a chiquito (small glass of wine) or zurito (small glass of beer) with some wonderful tapas. There are many tapas like anchovies with crab, or Russian salad with tuna,

La Rioja



Although Logroño has grown over the last number of years, it has managed to preserve a small, beautiful old area looking out over the Ebro river. It was founded in the times in which Santiago attracted crowds of pilgrims and developed as a commercial as well as a religious center, still visible in Portales Street and its surroundings. The Churches of Santiago and Santa Maria are, together with the Cathedral, the most valuable parts of its interesting sites, to which Espartero Palace belongs, which is a museum today. The traveler will get to know the traditional atmosphere in the wine bars of the old area, where it is obligatory for him to pay homage to the wine of La Rioja. The food is worth a mention too. Try the Tudela Stew, brown beans, mixed fresh veggies, asparagus, stuffed peppers, roast baby goat and the delicious Soto marzipan

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OTHER FESTIVALS

[La Tomatina](#)

Buñol (Valencia)



This decades-old tradition of using more than 50 tons of ripe tomatoes as projectiles for people to throw at one another while drinking, singing and dancing has become an institution

[Tenerife Carnival](#)

Canary Islands



Typical "Rio de Janeiro" type Carnival, with lots of colored costumes, food, wine and people ready to have a fantastic time

[Semana Santa Holy Week](#)

Spain



"Semana Santa" - Holy Week, although celebrated all over Spain, is perhaps better known in Malaga and Seville, where the Passion of Christ and its various stages are shown in beautifully realistic sculptures that are carried on ceremonial thrones called "Tronos", accompanied by the 'nazarenos', members of the different brotherhoods. In Malaga these heavy tronos are carried by dozens of men, and pass through the streets all evening long, till the Virgins and their respective thrones, are put away again till the following year.

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OTHER FESTIVALS

[Wine Stomping in Portugal](#)



Festa das Vindimas - September - invoking the ancient grape harvesting techniques. Members of Folk groups dressed with traditional costumes enact the old traditions, dance and sing popular folk songs. Brass Bands play traditional music themes. A colorful parade travels through the streets of Curia.

[Las Fallas de Valencia](#)



The Fallas festival in Valencia, on Spain's Mediterranean coast is probably the noisiest of Spanish festivals with a week of fireworks and bonfires. This usually tranquil city sees its population increase to over 2 million as people arrive to enjoy the festivities. The "Fallas" or "Ninots" are huge papier mache caricatures of famous national and international characters that are built throughout the year before being displayed in the many city squares of Valencia for five days and then on the night of March 19th (the night of Saint Joseph, the patron saint of carpenters!), they are burnt as the city turns into an inferno of noise and fire.

Dates: Festival March 15-19 every year

For All the festivals listed, we can arrange:

- Transfers or rental car*
 - 3 Nights minimum hotel stay
 - Breakfast daily
 - All hotel taxes and service charges.
- *rental car will be used where no transfers are available.

You may add extra nights and/or stays in other areas.
Each package will be customized and priced to your request.