

Maggie in Calpe 2012

Calpe is one of the most popular destinations on the Costa Blanca, with its eleven kilometres of beaches and coves, an attractive marina and an astounding gastronomy. An exceptional dance venue with pool parties and non-stop dance action on a coastline of beaches and rocky coves that offers nights out dancing and days sipping cocktails watching the sun reflected off the rolling mediterranean. Join us a Maggie Gallagher for a fantastic Line Dance extravaganza in the sun.

**** SELF CATERING OPTION AVAILABLE FROM JUST £385. CALL US ON 0207 099 4816 FOR DETAILS ****

Dates and Prices 23 September to 30 September - £599.00

Unique Features A twist of Salsa! In addition to the entertainment that your line dance host Maggie will be cooking up for you, our Salsa star Anja will be leading some Salsa line dance animation with you at night. Anja has been teaching Salsa for five years and has performed at the top world Salsa Congresses.

Your Holiday A wonderful Line Dance week at the stunning 4* AR Diamante Beach, with a jam-packed Line Dance schedule including daily classes and nightly entertainment hosted by Maggie herself.

NEW - SPECIAL OFFER Book between 29th July and 31st August and receive FREE theatre tickets to the brand new touring show "Rhinestone Mondays"! Call us on 0207 099 4816 for details.

What's Included

- | Return flights
- | Meet & Greet upon arrival at the airport
- | 7 nights half board accommodation in the four star hotel Diamante Beach Spa
- | Nightly line dance entertainment and fun from Maggie and her team
- | 10 hours line dance tuition from Maggie Gallagher
- | Club Dance Holidays Host
- | Welcome Drink and Orientation Pack on arrival
- | Return airport transfer for all arrivals and departures coinciding with the standard Dance Holidays flight for only £15

What previous Customers Have 'Absolutely brilliant'

Said about this Holiday 'Madness - so much fun, can't wait for the next one!'

'Excellent. It was great to dance by the pool on sunny days'

'Maggie is always a superb hostess. Everything she does is first class'.

'Very enjoyable - good value for money.Maggie and Anja were fantastic, we could not have been in best hands'.

'I'd just like to say that Maggie worked extremely hard trying to ensure that everyone enjoyed themselves. There were a good mix of dances taught and a good mix of dances during the evening socials.'

Your Destination, includes sightseeing

Located on the central Eastern coastline, Spain's Costa Blanca is a popular destination for tourists who arrive every summer to take advantage of the warm climate, sun-drenched beaches, laid-back lifestyle and lively evening culture. Calpe is situated approximately 60km from Alicante airport. With around 13.000 inhabitants, this unassuming former fishing village has become a popular resort. A distinguishing feature of the town is the "Penon de Ifach", an imposing rock which rises from the sea and creates a unique landscape for this coastal resort.

Calpe's two main beaches, the Cantal Roig and the Playa Arenal, are renowned for their long stretches of fine sand and clear waters, perfect for swimming and also popular with surfers. Protection from the wind by surrounding mountains means that the town's beaches generally remain warm and the sea calm.

The port comes alive in the afternoon as the daily catch makes its way inland and diners are invited to sample the fresh local seafood for dinner in one of the many restaurants surrounding the harbour. As well as a good choice of restaurants serving local specialities (the Valencian Paella is a must-try!), there is a good selection of international dining choices including Argentinian, Italian and other European cuisine. Calpe boasts some fantastic bars and clubs playing a wide range of live music including Flamenco bars and karaoke pubs which remain open until the early hours of the morning. For a wilder evening, Benidorm is just 20 minutes by bus.

Shopping in Calpe offers the usual traditional local handicrafts such as wickerwork, ceramics and leather goods, as well as a wide assortment of souvenirs jewellery and trinkets.

Climate and weather In April temperatures average a nice 20 degrees, and as it is the beginning of the sunny season, you should be able to get an early start on that tan!

Your Accommodation AR Diamante Beach Spa (old) - Hotel**** (Half Board) (Included)

The AR Diamante Beach Spa is located on the Levante beach in the town of Calpe, a stunning location on the Costa Blanca in Spain's Alicante province. The hotel's unique style is characterised by its spectacular glass facade that lends an impressive source of natural illumination to the carefully designed interior.

There are no less than three outdoor pools, surrounded by attractive terraces dotted with palm trees and just a few steps from the seashore. The locally-renowned, modern Spa is one of the best on the Costa Blanca and has an additional indoor pool with water features as well as Turkish baths, sauna and an array of treatments. It has been totally renovated and opened to the public again in May 2013. There is also a gym and access to a nearby golf course.

Dining options include two a la carte restaurants serving local and international cuisine, a buffet restaurant, cafeteria and piano bar.

All 283 double rooms are attractively decorated and have large balconies, air conditioning, safe, wi-fi internet connection and private facilities and hairdryer. Note that there are no tea and coffee making facilities in the hotel.

In addition to the hotel rooms, we also have an exclusive arrangement with the AR Diamante Beach to use their attractive and spacious apartments (the Ambar Beach Apartments). Apartments are furnished to a high standard and offer one or two bedrooms, a large living area, balcony, kitchen facilities and bathroom (the two bedroom apartments have two bathrooms), as well as daily room service. Adjacent to the hotel and with their own pool, guests at the apartments can also use all of the hotel facilities. An ideal choice for families or groups of friends.

Classes and Workshops There will be ten hours of line dance workshops over the week, two hours a day over five days. The workshops will be directed at intermediate level but of course anyone of a higher line dance level can take part! All the line dancing conveniently takes place in a fabulous dance room within your hotel.

Daily Itinerary Sample Itinerary
This is a provisional itinerary aiming to give you an idea of what your holiday will look like. There will be some elements which will change:

DAY 1

Arrival and transfer to hotel

Afternoon - Activity suggestion: We suggest that you spend your first afternoon settling into the hotel or discovering the town.

Evening - Overview of the week; Dinner included; Welcome Drink and Warm up night Line dance Social with Maggie G

DAY 2

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 3

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 4

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G! DAY 5

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 6

Morning and afternoon - Free day for shopping, beach etc. Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G!

DAY 7

Morning - Line Dance Workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings.!

Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G! Fancy dress Party!

DAY 8
Transfer to Alicante Airport

Nightlife	The Line Dance Socials will be filled endless fun, laughter and line dancing with best country and modern line dance music, animation, fancy dress and Salsa animation!! Leading the fun in these Line Dance Socials will be our guest line dance teacher Maggie G. She loves to mix with the crowd and will cater their party games and music for everyone there. The evening linedancing taks place in a private room in your fabulous 4 star hotel.													
Your Teachers	<p>We are pleased to offer a truly first class teaching and entertainment team comprised of choreographers, djs and live music led by Maggie Gallagher.</p> <p>Spectacular entertainer Maggie Gallagher is one of the top line dancing instructors in England. She travels the world extensively hosting workshops and she was honoured to teach in Texas at the 1999 World Line Dancing Championships and at the Tarheel Festival in USA in September 2000. Subsequent trips across Europe, Japan, Singapore and Australia have confirmed Maggie's firm foothold in Linedance across the Globe. Maggie has appeared in the video 'Lionel Dancing' with Lionel Blair along with other dance instructors and can be seen instructing dances that she has written, including the very popular dance "Magatina Cha Cha" which was choreographed by Maggie and Tina Neale and danced to music by the Dean Brothers. Maggie has seen a large number of her own choreographed line dances hit the "Line Dance Charts", with dances "Just a Memory", "Hot Love" and Na Mara" all huge smash hits, still filling the floor at most socials in the UK and abroad. Her mammoth, award winning 2001 dance "Mony Mony" was the first ever line dance to enter the charts at No 1. Maggie was honoured with being voted by Linedancer Magazine readers "Female Linedance Personality of the Year" 1999, 2000 and 2001 and was totally thrilled to also collect "Crystal Boots" for "Beginner Dance Of The Year " (Just A Memory), "Choreographer Of The Year", "Overall Dance Of The Year" (Mony Mony), and also "Instructor Of The Year". Maggie has been involved in many forms of dance throughout her spectacular career including tap, ballet, modern and Irish dancing (where she toured alongside Colin Dunne and Jean Butler, who later went on to star in River Dance). She began her love affair with Line Dancing over seven years ago in Coventry and true to form Maggie has been very successful in this field.</p>													
Food and Meals	Tapas and raciones: A good way of keeping your costs down it to eat 'tapas' by way of a meal. Tapas bars are an intrinsic part of Spanish culture. 'Tapa' translates as 'lid'. The idea is that you keep you hunger in check by ordering small plates of food. In most tapas bars you don't sit down. Rather, you stand or sit on stools at the bar. In tapas bars and in many restaurants you can also order 'raciones'. A ración is a plate of one type of dish (either meat or fish or salad etcetera). The idea is for a group of people to order a 'ración' each and for the group to then share the dishes between themselves. It's a great way to be able to try different dishes! If you would prefer to eat a sit down three course meal, we suggest that you eat at a restaurant with a set menu.													
Optional Extras	What are optional extras? In addition to your holiday we also offer you a variety of optional extras to make your holiday even richer and add some local colour. You can buy your optional extras at the welcome meeting at the beginning of your holiday. We will ask you to pay in cash and fill out a form. Details and prices will be given on arrival.													
Single Room Supplements, Upgrades and Budget Options	<p>Option 1 - Included</p> <p>AR Diamante Beach Spa (old) - Hotel**** Half Board - (23/09/2012 to 30/09/2012 - 7 nights)</p> <table><tr><td>1 Twin room (Single occupation) Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>126.00 GBP</td></tr><tr><td>2 room apartment for 3 pax Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>77.00 GBP</td></tr><tr><td>2 room apartment for 4 pax Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>Included</td></tr><tr><td>Dbl Room Apartment for 1 pax Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>126.00 GBP</td></tr><tr><td>Dbl Room Apartment for 2 pax Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>Included</td></tr><tr><td>Twin Room Half Board (Per Room)</td><td>Included</td></tr></table>		1 Twin room (Single occupation) Half Board (Per Room)	126.00 GBP	2 room apartment for 3 pax Half Board (Per Room)	77.00 GBP	2 room apartment for 4 pax Half Board (Per Room)	Included	Dbl Room Apartment for 1 pax Half Board (Per Room)	126.00 GBP	Dbl Room Apartment for 2 pax Half Board (Per Room)	Included	Twin Room Half Board (Per Room)	Included
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Flights and Transfers	<p>Flights: Published prices are based on flights from a number of airports and there is usually a choice. Our customer care team are happy to price you a flight from any airport. If you live outside of the UK you can travel directly to the resort. There could be substantial "Early Bird" prices available so please see our special offers page on our website or ring us to find out what these are.</p> <p>Transfers: We can organize your transfer from and to the airport for 15GBP per person.</p>													
Making you own way to the hotel for ground only package	For those whose flights don't coincide with our Airport coach transfer, we suggest using public transport from Malaga airport to Almuñecar. You can take a taxi to the coach station and then take a coach to Almuñecar for about 7 euros. alternatively you can take a taxi form the airport to the hotel, the price will be around 90 euros.													

<p>What to Expect in terms of Organisation</p>	<p>On Arrival: You will receive a detailed itinerary and details of any optional extras. We also include information on the local sights, recommended restaurants and other helpful tips.</p> <p>Club Dance Holidays Host: Your holiday tour host is there to make your holiday as enjoyable as possible. Club Dance Holidays Tour Hosts are a cut above your typical Holiday Rep with a lightness of touch that enables you to get the best out of your holiday without being in the least bit interfering. We make sure you get the best out of the destination even though you are there for a relatively short time and we do this through our local knowledge and our knowledge of dance. Club Dance Holidays Tour Hosts normally offer much more of themselves than you would expect including making sure your nights are sociable and fun often well into the small hours if that is your whim. During the daytime the level of participation and presence of Club Dance Holidays tour hosts varies according to the nature of each holiday and its destination.</p> <p>Overview of the Week and Welcome Drink: At the beginning of the week there is an Overview of the Week where your tour host will tell you about all details of your holiday. At the Overview of the Week you can buy your optional extras (see below). Also at the start of the week, Dance Holidays will invite you to be our guest to a drink.</p> <p>Free time: We encourage you to explore the local area and make use of the excellent hotel facilities. This can be done when you please around the activities and dance classes that we have organized for you. Your tour host will be on hand for any queries you may have about the local area.</p>
<p>Before Your Go</p>	<p>Books on Spain: It may be worth your while reading up on your destination before you go. Penelope Casas writes beautifully on Spain, such as "The Blue Guide" or "The Foods and Wines of Spain." Ian Gibson's "The Fire in the Blood" is one of the most fascinating insights into Spanish Culture.</p> <p>Budgeting for your holiday: Your holiday is half board. For budgeting you will need to consider your third daily meal in the hotel, what optional extras you fancy, drinking socially and souvenirs. Here are some guidelines on prices, to help you do your own calculations. Please refer to the optional extra section of the fact sheet for the prices of the optional extras.</p> <p>Three course meal including drinks in a restaurant: 25-40 euros Rum and coke: 6 euros Beer: 3 euros Coffee: 1.50 euros</p> <p>Health and Fitness: There are no particular health requirements for a dance holiday. However you should be able to dance for at least two hours a day in order to be able to enjoy the workshop/socials.</p> <p>Insurance, Visa and Passport Requirements: Refer to the brochure for full details. In brief, Insurance is a condition of booking. Visas may be required for non EU citizens. British nationals need a full passport to travel to Spain.</p> <p>Travel Documents: You receive these when you have paid for your holiday in full and we have received your airline tickets. In some cases the airlines do not release the tickets until five days before the departure date. We also confirm the address and phone number of the hotel and the emergency contact numbers.</p>
<p>Essential equipment and clothing to bring</p>	<p>Useful Things to Bring Camera Shoes suitable for walking around the streets Spring/Summer clothing for day Jacket for evenings Swimming costume and suntan lotion This fact sheet and Joining Instructions Passport, money, plane ticket.</p> <p>What to wear for dancing: We recommend that you bring comfortable leather sole shoes, dance trainers or cowboy boots for the classes and Socials. Your shoes should be comfortable and supportive. Wear lightweight cotton socks to avoid sweaty and blistered feet! It is probable that you may get through quite a few clothes in the workshops and dancing at night (you can get quite hot!) so bring a variety of outfits. Wear comfortable loose clothing for the classes and the evenings. The dress code at night is pretty informal. Some of you may wish to dress country and western style.</p>
<p>At Your Destination</p>	<p>Banks and Money: The easiest way to buy obtain euros is by using a credit card at the cashpoints which are located at five minutes walking distance from the hotel. You can buy small amounts, as often as you like, at any time, without queuing. You will need to know your P.I.N. Cash points are very easy to use. Bank opening hours are normally 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. Banks will change cash, travellers cheques and will sell you currency on your credit card providing the lines to Britain are open. You will always need to show your passport at a bank.</p> <p>Tipping is generally less common in Spain than in Britain. There is no need to tip taxis but it is usual to leave a 5 - 10% tip at a restaurant if you are particularly pleased with your dinner/lunch.</p> <p>We feel our tour hosts work hard to give you an exceptional holiday and sometimes you may find that they add some special touches which are beyond the call of duty. If you agree with us, you might wish to show your appreciation by</p>

way of a tip. You can do this by putting money in an envelope on your own or by getting together with other guests. This evidently is entirely at your discretion.

Making friends with the Locals and people not on the holiday: The dance classes and dance evening events in the hotel at night are exclusive to Dance Holidays clients. Generally, we discourage British people who are not on the holiday from joining our activities and we ask for your discretion in this respect. By all means, outside of the itinerary, do mix with other holidaymakers staying in the hotel.
