Line Dance with Maggie G in Calpe, Spain

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Unique Features

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Once again, Maggie and her team travel to Spain's Costa Blanca and the Hotel AR Diamante Beach and Spa, an exceptional dance venue in a great location. 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.

We include twelve hours of classes, nightly entertainment and time to enjoy the nearby beach, shop, swim or just relax with a cocktail to the backdrop of the rolling Mediterranean sea.

Call Club Dance Holidays to book on 0207 099 4816.

Dates and Prices

22 April to 29 April - £569.00

Your Holiday

What's Included

- Meet & Greet upon arrival at the airport and return airport transfers
- 1 7 nights half board accommodation in the four star Hotel Diamante Beach & Spa
- Nightly line dance entertainment and fun from Maggie and her team
- Twelve hours' line dance tuition with Maggie Gallagher and her team
- Club Dance Holidays tour host
- Welcome Drink on arrival

NB: Price is based on twin share accommodation. The single room supplement is £133. Alternatively we can arrange a room share partner for you.

What previous Customers Have Said about this Holiday

'Absolutely brilliant'

'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.'

Is this holiday for me?

Yes! Anyone who has some experience of Line Dance will enjoy this holiday; Maggie G's professonalism and fun method of teaching mean that everyone gets something out of the classes and benefits from the very sociable atmosphere.

Maggie's classes will stretch you; as one of the UK's best teachers she regularly updates her choreographies and always brings something fresh and new to our holidays. Outside of the classes, there is plenty of time to relax, soak up the sun and enjoy a few Costa Blanca cocktails; what's not to love?

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 23 degrees.

Your Accommodation

Diamante Beach - 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 opned 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.

Classes and Workshops

There will be twelve hours of line dance workshops over the week, two hours a day over six days. The workshops will be directed at intermediate level but of course anyone of a higher line dance level can take part!

The teachers for the workshops are Maggie G., and team (guest teacher tba)

Maggie's expert choreography extends to all levels and she regularly introduces new dances to ensure her classes stay fresh and challenging. Her most recent choreographed dances include Superheroes, Locklins Bar and Second Hand heart..

All the line dance classes take place in the open air of the hotel grounds.

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 the Hotel AR Diamante Beach & Spa

Afternoon - 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 Line Dance Night with Maggie G

DAY 2

Morning - Line Dance workshops

Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the hotel facilities and surroundings. Or why not go on a fun climb to Calpe's famous rock!

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, go shopping or take a boat to Benidorm

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 or indulge in a spa treatment

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 with a cool cocktail Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G DAY 6 Morning - Line Dance workshops Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and enjoy the Hotel facilities and surroundings and take a dip in the sea Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G DAY 7 Morning - Line Dance workshops Afternoon - Lunch and free time to sunbathe and do some last-day souvenir shopping Evening - Dinner included; Line dance Social with Maggie G and fancy dress party - theme TBA 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 and fancy dress! Leading the fun in these Line Dance Socials will be our quest line dance teacher Maggie G. She loves to mix with the crowd and will cater the party games and music to your individual tastes. All the evening line dancing takes place in a private room in your fabulous four star hotel. Your Teachers We are pleased to offer a truly first class teaching and entertainment team comprised of choreographers, Maggie G. and Team (tba). 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. 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 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. What are optional extras? In addition to your holiday we also offer optional extras to make your holiday even richer Optional Extras and add some local colour. Single Room Option 1 - Included Supplements, Diamante Beach - Hotel**** Half Board - (22/04/2017 to 29/04/2017 - 7 nights) Upgrades and **Budget Options** Double Room (1 Person) 140.00 GBP Double Room (Based on 2 sharing) Included Twin Room (Per Room) Included Twin/Double Room (Single occupation) (Per Room) 140.00 GBP

Extra Nights

Double Room (Based on 1 sharing)

99 GBP per night

Double Room (Based on 2 sharing)

120 GBP per night

Junior Suite (Per Room)

250 GBP per night

Twin Room (Per Room)

120 GBP per night

Twin/Double Room (Single occupation) (Per Room)

99 GBP per night

Flights and Transfers

There are no flights included.

Transfers: Return airport transfers are included. Please let us know your flight details.

Making you own way to the hotel for ground only package

We provide shuttle transfers from Alicante Airport, providing you arrive between 9am and 6pm on the start day of the holiday and depart on the end day of the holiday.

If you are arriving on a different day you can easily reach your hotel by taking one of the following routes:

- 1) Taxi from Alicante Airport: Take a taxi for approximately €110
- 3) Public Transport from Alicante Airport: You can take a direct bus from Alicante airport to Benidorm bus station. You will then need to change for a bus to Calpe. The entire journey takes around 3 hours, including waiting time.

What to Exp terms of Organisation

What to Expect in On Arrival: You will receive a detailed itinerary and details of any optional extras.

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.

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. Also at the start of the week, Dance Holidays will invite you to be our guest to a drink.

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.

Before Your Go

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.

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.

Three course meal including drinks in a restaurant: 25-40 euros

Rum and coke: 6 euros

Beer: 3 euros Coffee: 2 euros

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.

Insurance, Visa and Passport Requirements: 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.

Travel Documents: You receive these about 10 days before your holiday.

Essential equipment and clothing to bring

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.

What to wear for dancing: We recommend that you bring comfortable leather sole shoes, dance trainers 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.

At Your Destination

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.

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.

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 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.