

Trait-d'Union

South of Spain & North of Morocco

A nomadic trip exploring Belly dance and Barefoot Flamenco

TRIP'S DESCRIPTION

Dates: 9 days / 8 nights – from Saturday, the 8th to Sunday, the 16th of November 2008

Itinerary: South of Spain and North of Morocco, staying at Seville, Jerez de la Frontera, Tangier, Assilah and Zahara de los Atunes.

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ITINERARY

Trait-d'Union, a dancing trip across Andalusia, South of Spain and the North of Morocco, following a specially made itinerary:

- **Day 1 – Nov 8th 2008 - Seville**

Arrival to Seville. Free afternoon for a city sightseeing.

Night at Catalonia Trajano Sevilla 3*** Hotel - www.hoteles-catalonia.com

- **Day 2 – Nov 9th 2008 - Jerez de la Frontera**

Stay in Jerez de la Frontera + 2 hour dance workshop.

Night at Tierras de Jerez 3*** Hotel - www.hoteltierrasdejerez.com

- **Day 3 – Nov 10th 2008 - Jerez de la Frontera**

Stay in Jerez de la Frontera + 3 hour dance workshop.

Night at Tierras de Jerez 3*** Hotel - www.hoteltierrasdejerez.com

- **Day 4 – Nov 11th 2008 - Jerez de la Frontera**

Stay in Jerez de la Frontera + 3 hour dance workshop.

Night at Tierras de Jerez 3*** Hotel - www.hoteltierrasdejerez.com

- **Day 5 – Nov 12th 2008 - Jerez de la Frontera / Tanger**

Full-day excursion in Andalusia, crossing of the Strait of Gibraltar by ferry between Algeciras in Andalusia and Tangier, in Morocco.

Night at Tangier Intercontinental 4**** Hotel - www.intercontinental-tanger.com

- **Day 6 – Nov 13th 2008 – Tanger / Asilah**

Stay in Assilah + 3 hour dance workshop.

Nuit at Al Khaima 3*** Hotel - Route de Tanger – Phone : (+212) 039 41 74 28

- **Day 7 – Nov 14th 2008 - Asilah**

Stay in Assilah + 3 hour dance workshop.

Nuit at Al Khaima 3*** Hotel - Route de Tanger – Phone : (+212) 039 41 74 28

- **Day 8 – Nov 15th 2008 – Asilah / Zahara de los Atunes**

2 hour dance workshop. Road to tangier + crossing of the Strait of Gibraltar back to Spain.

Night at a 3*** hotel in the small town of Zahara de los Atunes

- **Day 9 – Nov 16th 2008 - Zahara de los Atunes / Séville**

Journey to Seville during the morning and transfer to airport.

DANCES' WORKSHOP

Trait-d'Union is conceived as a nomadic trip exploring Belly dance and Barefoot Flamenco.

This trip aims to explore two countries, Spain and Morocco in an original way, through the practice of two dance forms: **Barefoot Flamenco**, with an introduction to tango flamenco and sevillanas taught by Valérie Romanin and **Egyptian belly dance**, focusing on the Ghawazee dance, in charge of Julie de Saint Blanquat.

The dances' workshop includes daily classes, except on arrival and departure day, with a deserved break on day 5. A total of 16 hour dance classes taught over 6 days following the calendar below:

- Day 2: 2 hour introductory workshop presenting both styles;
- Days 3, 4, 6, 7: 3 hour workshop alternating between Barefoot Flamenco and Egyptian Belly Dance;
- Day 8: 2 hour choreography workshop collectively taught by both teachers.

The price for the dance workshop taught by two teachers is **195 euros**. Moreover, it includes a dinner-dance show in Andalusia. Designed as a single unit, the dances' workshop cannot be divided per module. Please, note that opting out is not allowed.

The dances' workshop is suitable for all dancers willing to discover the cultures where both dances come from.

It will not be possible to record the dances' workshop. Taking photographs will be permitted.

What to wear? Please, bring along with you:

- comfortable clothes including large skirt,
- stretchy trousers,
- tee-shirt or top,
- a scarf to put around the hips,
- wearing dance soft shoes may be a judicious option.

PRICE AND SERVICES

The price for the trip **Trait-d'union** is **795 euros** (without flight tickets) structured as follows:

600 euros for the 9 day 8 night tour (without flight tickets).

195 euros for the 16 hour dance workshop taught by 2 teachers.

This price -795 euros- includes :

- Accommodation in 3 star hotels, in double room, with breakfast (8 nights).
- Transfer airport/city of Seville day 1 and day 9, following flight timetable recommendations.
- Private bus for every planned journey.
- Crossing the Strait of Gibraltar in ferry between Algeciras and Tangier, round trip.
- A distinctive 16 hour dances workshop.
- A dinner-dance show in Andalusia.

This price -795 euros- doesn't include :

- Lunch and dinner (exception of the planned dinner-dance show in Andalusia).
- Flight tickets.
- Airport's taxes.
- Fees to museums or any other monuments when a fee entrance is applying.
- visa fee when visa formality is required.
- Drinks and personal expenses.
- Tips.

Each participant is welcome to arrive sooner or stay longer, taking into account that the trip *Trait-d'Union* starts in Seville on Saturday, the 8th and finishes on Sunday, the 16th of November 2008.

Please, note that the hotels' selection was made with anticipation, which means prior to firm reservation. Minor modifications are likely to happen. If so, it will occur within the 3 star category. Any upgrade would be welcome.

The itinerary will be respected unless an irresistible problem appears.

Probably, last minute schedule changes may be required due to differing circumstances.

Following the planned itinerary, the group will travel in a private bus equipped with video and reclining seats.

In order to enjoy these tailor-made dance holidays, the group is limited to 16 participants.

PRE-BOOKING AND BOOKING

The method chosen is a two step payment as follows:

Pre-booking until September, the 7th, 2008

A first payment of 195 euros is required to pre-book your place. It should be made by cheque payable to Association Flamenco Descalzo or transfer (*non-refundable in case of cancellation at least sixty days before departure*). Please, send completed booking form and first payment to the following address:

Valérie Romanin
Association Flamenco Descalzo
24a Lloyd Baker Street
London WC1X 9AZ
United Kingdom

As soon as pre-booking is received, a confirmation will be send.

Banking reference to make the 195€ transfer:

Association **Flamenco Descalzo**
Credit Lyonnais
Bank : 30002
Branch : 00568
Account number : 0000431162D
Clé : 35
IBAN FR98 3000 2005 6800 0043 1162 D35
Code BIC : CRLYFRPP

Booking between September, the 7th and the 30th 2008

The second payment of 600 euros should be made before September 30th, 2008 by transfer to the travel agency **Viajes Nueva Jerez**.

Banking reference to make the 600€ transfer:

BANCO LA CAIXA
IBAN : ES50 2100 2922 6302 0008 5068
Code SWIFT/BIC : CAIXESBB
(if 11 digits required: CAIXESBBXXX)

Feel free to ask for an invoice. It will be posted to you.

In case of severe problem (attestation should be required), it is possible to cancel participation at least sixty days before departure, but, please note that the deposit of 195 euros previously paid to Association Flamenco Descalzo is not refundable.

Be aware !

For any cancellation made 15 days or less before departure day, which means from October, the 25th to November, the 8th, 2008, a penalty equal to 50% of the payment previously made will apply.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel the trip if the number of participants is not sufficient. In this case, each participant will receive a reimbursement up to the payment

previously made (up to 795 euros). Claiming for extra money will be inadmissible and no compensation will be given for expenses even if they are linked to the trip, such as flight tickets, transfer fee...

Feel free to contact us for any further information.

- Julie **contact@etoiledessables.com**
- Valérie **info@flamencodescalzo.com**

FORMALITIES

A valid **passport**, covering at least the period of stay in Morocco is required. European Union citizens are exempted from the visa formality. Their stay in Morocco for tourism shall not exceed three months.

Each participant should attest he/she has a legal liability cover as well as health and repatriation insurance.

HEALTH'S CONCERN

No certificate of vaccination is required for travelers coming from Europe. However, it is recommended to be immunized against:

- Diphtheria and Tetanus
- Hépatitis A and B

Food infections are common when traveling. So please, be cautious when selecting your meals and drinks.

Traveling with some first aid essentials is strongly recommended:

- Aspirin
- Large spectrum Antibiotic
- Intestinal pain relief such as *Immodium*, *Intetrix* or *Spasfon*
- Disinfectant, antiseptic
- Plasters.

In November, the weather is usually mild in Andalusia as well as in Morocco, especially near the coasts. The average temperature varies between 12°C and 18°C. Nevertheless, it might rain sometimes!

As a preventive measure, please visit your GP before traveling to ensure that you haven't got any serious health problem. If you do have some health concerns, be sure that you travel with the needed drugs and mention any medical condition that might be relevant. In case of health problem, illness, disease or death, the trip's organizers are not responsible. However, if by any change a problem occurs, the travel agency Viajes Nueva Jerez declares having professional liability insurance. His cover against legal liability is providing by TAEDS. Moreover, the travel assistance policy's insurer is ARAG (Compañía Internacional de Seguros y Reaseguros, S.A.), insurance company established in Spain, Barcelona, calle Roger de Flor, 16. A specimen policy is available on request.

BOOKING FORM

Please, send completed booking form with first payment to Association **Flamenco Descalzo** in order to reserve your place to the unique trip Trait-d'Union.

Surname :	First name :
Email :	Phone No. :
Address :	
Postcode :	City :
Date of birth : / /	Country :
Passport No. :	
Date of issue : / /	Date of expiry : / /
Arriving flight :	
Departing flight :	
Rapatration Assurance Company :	
In case of emergency, please notify :	

Please, send the booking form fully filled and payment (cheque payable to Association Flamenco Descalzo or transfer order receipt) to the following address:

Valérie Romanin
Association Flamenco Desclazo
24a Lloyd Baker Street
London WC1X 9AZ
United Kingdom

Signature:

Date: / /

Print Name:

Please, sign the registration form adding the mention "read and approved".