

The Fiesta de Sanfermin and the "Running of the Bulls"

Select Packages starting from 3 Days - 2 Nights in Pamplona, Spain

Choose from our Basic, Standard or Deluxe Packages, 2 to 9 nights,
between the 6th through the 14th of July

Call The Scarlet Macaw at 206.364.6723, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Pacific Time, Monday through Friday.
Or email use at: info@thescarletmacaw.com

Festival Packages:

Basic Package Includes:

Accommodations at our specially selected hotels in Pamplona.

One morning on a reserved balcony overlooking the route of the encierro.
(Includes private transfer service in the morning if you are staying at the Hotels AC or Albret.)

Special San Fermin breakfast after "the running of the bulls".

Souvenir "pañuelico" (bandana) and tour shirt.

All hotel taxes and service charges.

2-night packages start at:

674.98 € pp – standard double room

599.98 € pp – standard triple room

Standard Package Includes:

Accommodations at our specially selected hotels in Pamplona.

Balcony reservations each morning for the encierro beginning the morning after your arrival. (7 to 14 July)
(Includes private transfer service in the morning if you are staying at the Hotels AC or Albret.)

Special San Fermin breakfast after "the running of the bulls".

Souvenir "pañuelico" (bandana) and tour shirt.

All hotel taxes and service charges.

2-night packages start at:

799.98 € pp – standard double room

716.98 € pp – standard triple room

Deluxe Package:

Both the Basic and Standard Packages can be upgraded to the new Hotel AC Cizur Mayor Pamplona****

Itinerary:

Arrive in Pamplona-Irunea. Check in time at the hotel is 12-noon. Be sure to contact us regarding early or late arrivals.

Opening ceremony for the Fiesta de San Fermin begins with the firing of the rockets, the "chupinazo", at noon on the 6th of July in the Town Hall Plaza, the Plaza Consistorial de Pamplona. Join thousands of others as the fiesta begins amid a sea of bright red pañuelicos and a rain of champagne to mark the start of this 9-day event.

The opening ceremony is also broadcast live on giant video screens in the Paseo de Sarasate and the Plaza del Castillo where 10's of thousands of celebrants await the countdown to the beginning of the fiesta.

It's "Bulls before Breakfast", another tradition unique to Pamplona, as breakfast follows the encierro.

The encierros, the "Running of the Bulls", commence the morning of 7 July at 08:00 and continue each morning through 14 July.

On 7 July the procession of the statue of Pamplona's patron saint, San Fermin, starts at the Capilla de San Fermin after mass at 10h00.

The procession of the Gigantes y Cabezudos (the giants and big heads) begins at 09h30 daily.

Enjoy the music, everything from traditional folk to rock and jazz. Concerts begin at noon daily during the fiesta in the Plazas de Castillo, Consistorial, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, San Jose, Los Fueros and in the Paseo de Sarasate, continuing until the early morning hours.

Special concerts are held in the Parque Media Luna, Park de Antoniutti (Basque and Latin) and the Plaza de Compañía (Jazz). Performers in the past have included Kepa Junkera and Celia Cruz (2002), Rosario and Carlinhos Brown (2004)

There is dancing nightly in the Plaza del Castillo and special scheduled performances by traditional Basque dance groups and singers during the fiesta.

Traditional Basque Rural Sports competitions are held daily at noon in the Plaza de los Fueros

Bullfights begin promptly at 18h30 (6:30 PM). You will need to be at the Plaza de Toros by 18h00 (6 PM). You will not be allowed into the seating area after a fight has begun. So don't be late and don't forget to bring your wine and some food to share with your friends and those around you.

The "Toro del Fuego" (bull of fire) appears at the Plaza de Santiago, adjacent to the Plaza Consistorial, every evening at 22h00 (10 PM)

There is a fireworks display nightly at 23h00 (11 PM) in the Parque de la Ciudadela.

Restaurants serve lunch from 13h00 to 16h00 and dinner from 21h00 to 23h00. Meals are also available at the food tents operated by local clubs and communities, which can be found at both the Park Ciudadela and Park Taconera. Ask us about restaurant recommendations. Reservations are required in advance during the fiesta.

The closing ceremony of the Fiesta, the "pobre de mi" takes place in the Plaza Consistorial at midnight, on the 14th. Check with us regarding reserving a balcony space for this event.

Please note that we will be offering special excursions and lunches throughout the fiesta beginning with a special lunch on the 6th following the opening ceremony. Please check our "Festival Specials" guide for further information.

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Selected Hotels:

Basic and Standard Packages

Avenida***

Albret***

AC Ciudad de Pamplona***

Deluxe Package upgrade

AC Cizur Mayor Pamplona***

Family Packages:

Special Family Packages are available at Casas Rural (country homes) located in villages in the countryside surrounding the city of Pamplona.

Accommodations range from full house rentals to private apartments in some of the finest country homes available in the region.

Please contact us regarding pricing and availability.

Package Extras:

You can add the night of 5 July for 300 euros for a single room, €325.00 for a double room, or €410.00 for a triple room. (Festival rates apply).

Join us for drinks and hors d'oeuvres and the best view of the "chupinazo", the opening ceremony at noon on the 6th (See Festival Specials Price Guide).

Tickets to the Apartado, at noon in the Plaza de Toros, are available each day of the fiesta. Here you can join the "aficionados" in a chilled glass of fino (sherry) and a plate of chorizo as the bulls are presented and separated for that day's corrida. This is one of the premier social events of Sanfermines.

Booking Information:

Packages do not include airfare to, from, or within Europe.

You can contact **Travel House Inc**, or your local travel agent, for flight information and other reservations.

Packages require a non-refundable deposit of **30%** at the time of the reservation.

Payment in full is due within **60 days** of your booking confirmation.

Reservations after **April 1st** require payment-in-full at the time of the booking confirmation.

Reservations are required by **June 1, 2006**.

Cancellations less than **60 days** prior to the start of the fiesta, 6 July, are subject to a cancellation fee of **50%** of the package price.

Cancellations less than **21 days** prior to the start of the fiesta, 6 July, are subject to a cancellation fee of **100%** of the total package price.

A no show is subject to a cancellation fee of **100%** of the total package price.

Early checkouts will not be considered for a refund except under special conditions and are subject to a €150.00 processing fee.

Adding additional day(s) to your festival package is subject to room availability. All additional charges are to be **paid-in-full** to The Scarlet Macaw at that time.

The cost of balcony reservations, bullfight tickets, Festival Specials and other events, are non-refundable.

e-mail The Scarlet Macaw "Adventures in Travel" for additional package information and tour reservations.

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