



KCSM PRESENTS... The San Sebastian Jazz Festival

July 20-27, 2020

July 20, 2020:

PM | Group Flight from SFO to San Sebastian, or make your own flight!

July 21, 2020

2:00PM | For those of you arriving on your own: You can check in to our hotel at 2pm. If you arrive early they can store your bags for you!

PM | Arrival in San Sebastian. You will be met by your AltruVistas staff for your transfer to our Hotel in San Sebastian, the **Sercotel Hotel Europa**, a renovated 3 star historic property. We are choosing this property because it is very close to the old town, the beautiful beach called La Concha, and the gastronomic center of the city. Plus we can walk to the Festival venues! <https://www.sercotelhoteles.com/hoteles/espana/San-sebastian/europa-san-sebastian/>

5:30PM | Welcome Cocktail Reception Meet and Greet with your KCSM and AltruVistas Basque and representatives at the Hotel.

7:30 PM | Welcome Dinner is at Anastasio, for a traditional Basque meal. <http://www.restauranteanastasio.com/es/>



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July 22, 2020:

The 55th San Sebastian Festival Starts

8:00AM	*Daily: Breakfast on your own at the hotel. They are open from 8 am until 11:30 am daily.
9:30AM-	Overview of Basque Jazz with local musician and educator, to share with us and bring the culture and music of San Sebastian to life. We are honored to meet with Mikel Andueza , https://www.mikelandueza.com He will play a bit of his Sax, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xtLufTnQYiM and share about music education Musikene or the Higher School of Music of the Basque Country.
11:30 AM	Our guided walking tour includes a brief history of the city's important sites with a focus on the diverse architecture of the city. Our walk takes us through its oldest neighborhood to learn about the historic, architectural, and cultural significance of this area. We will point out buildings and areas of historical significance dating back centuries. Sites of interest include the old quarter, fishing port, San Sebastian Cathedral.
1:30PM	Pinxto Tour! Today we will enjoy visiting a street where we enjoy one pinxto after another and learn about the history behind this culinary tradition.
3:00 PM	Enjoy a brief docent-led visit at the San Telmo Museoa , a Basque society museum addressing Basque culture, arts and history in a European, global context. Since 1932, it is located at the Zuloaga plaza in the old town, at the foot of the hill Urgull.
5:00PM	Free time to rest
6:00 PM	Enjoy San Sebastian Jazz Festival: Enjoy Miho Hazmana and the Summer Big Band Musikene. 12 E each included at the Skoda Space. After enjoy wandering old town for dinner.
EVE	Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch



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- 9:00 AM Departure to enjoy an excursion to Bilbao, an industrial port city surrounded by green mountains with a skyscraper-filled modern downtown that was founded over 700 years ago. It is about 1 hour and 15 min to Bilbao
- 10:15 AM We enjoy a welcome lecture by a local learn about the special history of Bilbao. Then we are off on our private guided tour of the Casco Viejo or Old Part of Bilbao, which dates back to the 1300s, and our highlights include views of the Santiago Cathedral, San Anton Church, the Ribera Market, and more.
- 12:30 PM Lunch to enjoy a sampling of local pintxos! The Basque people demonstrate their love of gastronomy with these tasty little bar snacks (tapas).
- 2:30 PM Enjoy a docent led visit and tour of the Guggenheim Museum!
<https://www.guggenheim-bilbao.eus/en>
- 4:30 PM Depart for San Sebastian.
- 5:45PM Free time to rest and to enjoy dinner.
- 9:00PM Enjoy San Sebastian Jazz Festival: Tonight at the Trinity Square we will experience ENRICO RAVA SPECIAL EDITION: "80 YEARS OF MUSIC" and then CÉCILE MCLORIN-SALVANT .

Meals Included: Breakfast , Lunch

July 24, 2020

- 10:30AM Meet in lobby to depart for our exchange with a representative of a local Roma organization-Fundacion Secretariana Gitano. We will learn about the Roma struggle for equality and justice in Europe, Spain and the Basque Country.
- 1:00 PM Lunch at Boulevard 9
- 3:00 PM Duende De Soles: Enjoy a Private Flamenco Exchange a rehearsal performance.
- 5:00 PM Walk back to the hotel and enjoy free time to rest.

- 7:00PM Dinner is free.
- EVE Enjoy the San Sebastian Jazz: Tonight at Trinity Square is the John Zorn New Masada Quartet.
- Meals Included:** Breakfast, Lunch

July 25, 2020 :

- 11:00AM Enjoy some traditional Basque music and dance, to learn about this unique nation and its culture. We will also have a discussion of Basque nationalism.
- 1:00 PM Lunch at La Cueva.
- 3:00 PM This afternoon, enjoy free time for personal exploration and shopping.
Or join our local guide as we will arrange a visit to a local community arts institution to explore their local exhibits and community events. Or perhaps enjoy your time to explore afternoon Jazz!
- 6:00PM Dinner is free.
- 9:00PM Enjoy the San Sebastian Jazz: Tonight we will walk or meet up at the Trinity Square for the Marc Ribot Songs of Resistance/ Fire! Orchestra.
- Meals Included:** Breakfast, Lunch

July 26, 2020:

- 11:00 AM Enjoy a visit to Mt. Igeldo for its beautiful views and to capture a group photo.
- 12:30 PM Wine tasting excursion at the foot of the Jaizkibel Mountain, a passionate family of winemakers. Their claim to fame is the resurrection of Txakoli wine production in Hondarribia. This area is the origin place of the Hondarrabi Zuri grape.
The tour include a visit of the grounds followed by a wine tasting and a locally-made snack. You can also enjoy lunch on your own on the terrace overlooking the vineyard. We will have some free time here.

3:30 PM Return to San Sebastian

6:00 PM Farewell Dinner Celebration "La braserie Mari Galant"


8:00PM PAOLO FRESU DEVIL CUARTETO SCOTT BRADLEE'S POSTMODERN JUKEBOX

Meals Included: Breakfast, Wine Tasting with Snack, and Dinner

July 27, 2020

AM Check out and depart for the airport

12:00PM Check out of Hotel for those that are leaving on their own.

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