

# International Soccer Tour 2022 Itinerary Barca Charlotte Spain – Donosti Cup

#### **Travel dates:**

June 25-July 16, 2022.

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- June 25 Departure from Charlotte airport.
- June 26 Arrival Barcelona airport. Transfer to your accommodation.
- June 27 Bus or boat tour Tossa de Mar: visit the beautiful old fishing town made famous in the 1950's by Ava Gardner and James Mason in the film Pandora and the Flying Dutchman. Evening game vs. a local team.
- June 28 Morning training session with your own coaching staff. Visit Barcelona by bus, covering the Bullring, the Gaudi buildings, Casa Battlló and the Pedrera, Plaza Francesc Masia, the Nou Camp home of FC Barcelona, followed by Gaudi's unfinished Sagrada Familia Cathedral and lastly Parque Guell.
- June 29 Visit the city of Girona. Sightseeing possibilities include St. Mary's Cathedral, built between the 11th and 17th centuries, Passeig de la Muralla, Monastery of Saint Pere de Galligants and Chapel of Sant Nicolau, the Arab Baths, Cases de l'Onyar, etc. Evening game vs. a local team.
- June 30 Morning training session with your own coaching staff. Visit the sacred mountain-top monastery of Montserrat with its breathtaking views.
- July 1 Free day in Barcelona visiting the places the bus cannot reach. Drop off and pick up point in the central Plaza Catalunya. Recommended are the: Ramblas with its human statues and street artists, Palau de la Musica, Barrio Gotico with its maze of narrow streets, Plaza Real, Cathedral. Evening game vs. a local team.
- July 2 More sightseeing in Barcelona. Visit Montjuic, a prominent hill overlooking Barcelona with amazing views of the city and visit the Olympic facilities.
- July 3 Transfer to San Sebastian for the Donosti Cup.
- July 4 Start of the tournament. Evening opening ceremony at Anoeta Stadium, home of Spanish pro club Real Sociedad.
- July 5 Continuation tournament.

Leisure time option: Walk around Parte Vieja, also known as the Old Town, in the center of San Sebastian.



July 6







Donosti Cup Opening Ceremony

Continuation tournament.

Leisure time option: Head to the top of Monte Igueldo and enjoy the spectaculr views of La Concha Bay and then head to La Concha beach after.

July 7 Play-off's, evening coaches' game and Paella party for all participants.

Leisure time option: Enjoy free time exploring the city of San Sebastian more.



July 8	Play-off's, evening players' party, closing dinner and coaches' party.
	Leisure time option: Spend free time at the beach and an optional surfing lesson.
July 9	Tournament Finals and farewell.
	Leisure time option: Visit Biarritz, France, an elegant seaside town on southwestern
	France's Basque coast, which has been a popular resort since European royalty began
	visiting in the 1800s.
July 10	Transfer to the Barcelona area for the IberCup Barcelona.
July 11	Start of the IberCup with group games.
July 12	IberCup continued.
July 13	IberCup continued and evening coaches game.
July 14	IberCup semi finals continued.
July 15	IberCup finals, prize awards ceremony.
July 16	Transfer to Barcelona airport and return flight.









# Price per person\*:

Number of people travelers	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
Participant prices	\$5,909	\$5,516	\$5,255	\$5,063	\$4,916	\$4,825

<sup>\*</sup> Prices are based on contracted airline fares for 2021. We will know more about fares for 2022 approx. 11 months prior to departure date, when airlines publish flights and fares, and can confirm pricing then.

#### **Price inclusions:**

- Round trip airfare, including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. Prices are always subject to availability of flights and fares at time of booking.
- Accommodations and meals as specified in this proposal see below. Hotel options are subject to availability at time of tour booking.
- Ground transportation see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant see below.
- 1 free trip for every 19 paying participants.

#### **Sport program included:**

Barcelona first week: We will arrange 3 games per team.

**San Sebastian:** Participation in the Donosti Cup. **IberCup Barcelona:** Participation at the IberCup.



#### Accommodation and meals included:

#### Barcelona area/First week:

4-star Hotel accommodation in the Costa Brava region in a seaside town like Santa Susanna, Calella, etc.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- The accommodation is situated near the town center and/or beach.
- Distance to Barcelona is approx. 30-35 miles.
- The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, reception and sometimes an outdoor swimming pool.
- Rooms for 3 and 4 people include TV, telephone, bathroom with shower and toilet and airconditioning.
- Double rooms are available at a supplement of \$15.00 per person per night. Single rooms available at a supplement of \$35.00 per person per night.

**Donosti Cup/San Sebastian:** Schools/Full board - daily breakfast, lunch and dinner is included. First meal is dinner July 3 and last meal is breakfast July 9.

- Accommodation in schools in San Sebastian.
- Each team will receive one classroom for its own use. The Donosti Cup will arrange bedding for all participants.
- Lunches and dinners will be served at the Donosti Cup tournament center.

**Barcelona area/Third week:** 4-star Hotel accommodation in the Costa Brava region of Spain in a seaside resort town like Santa Susanna or Lloret de Mar.

- Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner included (at hotel).
- Hotel is usually situated within walking distance of the beach and offers a reception, safety deposit, lounge with bar, restaurants, elevators, an outdoor swimming pool, terrace and games room (some games at a surcharge).
- Santa Susana and Lloret de Mar are located 40 miles from Barcelona offering plenty of shopping and entertainment for visitors including sandy beaches and an abundance of water sports.
- Rooms for 3 and 4 people include TV, telephone, bathroom with shower and toilet and airconditioning.
- Double rooms are available at a supplement of \$37.00 per person per night. Single rooms available at a supplement of \$115.00 per person per night.

#### **Ground transportation included:**

During your entire stay a private bus will be available exclusively for your group -10 hours a day.

#### Local guide services included:

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during each of your stays to provide you with any assistance when necessary, and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.

### Options available (not included in prices)

#### **Sport program options:**

• We can arrange tickets to pro games, subject to availability. Ticket costs will depend on the game, but usually ticket costs range from approx. \$75-\$150 per person depending on the game.



- A 2-hour training session with your own coaching staff costs approx. \$300.00 per 2 hours.
- Training sessions with coaches from a Barcelona area pro club like RCD Espanyol costs approx.
   \$1,050.00 total per 2 hours, including field hire. Consult us for more information.
- Visit and tour of a pro team stadium approx. \$ 35.00 per person for Camp Nou Stadium Tour.

#### **Accommodation options Donosti Cup:**

If you decide to accommodate your team in schools, we can offer, as an option, hotel accommodation in a 4-star hotel in San Sebastian for parents and chaperones (subject to availability at time of tour booking). The hotel is usually within walking distance from the schools. All rooms have private bathroom, Wi-Fi, TV, mini bar and telephone and hotel has lounge/bar, restaurant and sometimes and outdoor swimming pool. Supplement per person for a 7-night stay is \$637.00 sharing a room for 3 people, \$743.00 sharing a room for 2 people and \$1,435.00 for a single room. Breakfast will be served at the hotel, lunches and dinners with your team at the tournament cafeteria. First meal included is dinner July 3 and last meal is breakfast July 9.

Instead of schools we can also offer accommodation in a three or four-star hotel:

- Three-star hotel/Full board daily breakfast, lunch and dinner. Hotel accommodation located in or maximum 10 miles from, the city center of San Sebastian. Rooms for 1-4 people all with private bathroom. The hotel has a reception area, lobby and breakfast room. Lunches and dinners will be served at the Donosti Cup tournament center. First meal included is dinner July 3 and last meal is breakfast July 9. Supplement per person for a 7-night stay is \$285.00 sharing a room for 3-4 people, \$463.00 sharing a room for 2 people and \$676.00 for a single room.
- Four-star hotel/Full board daily breakfast, lunch and dinner. Hotel accommodation located in or maximum 10-15 miles from, the city center of San Sebastian. Rooms for 1-3 people all with private bathroom. The hotel has a reception area, lobby, restaurant and bar and sometimes and outdoor swimming pool. Lunches and dinners will be served at the Donosti Cup tournament center. First meal included is dinner July 3 and last meal is breakfast July 9. Supplement per person for a 7-night stay is \$480.00 sharing a room for 3 people, \$587.00 sharing a room for 2 people and \$853.00 for a single room.

Please notice all hotel accommodation options are subject to availability upon tour booking.

#### **Travel insurance option:**

Your participants have the option to purchase accident, illness and trip cancellation/interruption insurance, including a Cancel for Any Reason Coverage (CFAR) – more information about this insurance is included on your team website page.

#### Not included in prices:

- Beverages (soda) with meals.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers.
- Admission fees to attractions.
- Single rooms in hotels. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night
  on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.



# Tournament Information DONOSTI CUP - SAN SEBASTIAN/SPAIN

In 2022, approximately 700 teams will participate. That makes this tournament one of the biggest tournaments in Southern Europe. The Donosti Cup tournament headquarters are located in and around the Estadio Anoeta, the stadium of Real Sociedad. Many of the games are



played at the official training complex for Real Sociedad with 4 grass fields, a small stadium and 1 artificial grass field. San Sebastian is a beautiful city in the Northern part of Spain located at the Bay of Biscay.

### **Donosti Cup facts:**

- 600+ international youth soccer teams
- Guaranteed minimum 4 matches per team
- The Opening Ceremony of the tournament takes place in Estadio Anoeta, the home stadium of La Liga team Real Sociedad.

#### **Touristic information:**

- San Sebastian: On the banks of the Bay of Biscay and surrounded by green mountains, San Sebastian is a delightful city that provides a feast for the senses. The best-known image of San Sebastián is its almost perfectly shell-shaped bay, widely considered to be one of the most beautiful in the world. The city is home to 180,000 people and is the cultural and tourist capital of the Basque Country. The city has beautiful constructions, such as the Grand Casino (present Town Hall), the Miramar Palace, summer residence of the Court, or the bridges over the Urumea River. The houses of the Old Quarter, full of bars and restaurants, date from previous times. In the Old Quarter, the local passion for gastronomy is palpable. From the miniature cuisine of the 'pintxos' to the restaurants of the creative cuisine masters, good eating is one of Donostia's commandments.
- Biarritz France: Make a trip to this popular and lively beach resort town on the Atlantic coast in southwest France which is about a 45-minute drive from San Sebastian.

For more information about the tournament including age groups, rules and regulations and more touristic information please visit the tournament website:

http://www.donosticup.com/en





# Tournament Information IBER CUP BARCELONA – BARCELONA/SPAIN



The IberCup is currently one of the most important World Youth Soccer Tournaments in the Planet. Around 25 countries, more than 3500 players, coaches and family come to Lloret de Mar, for a week of competition, fantastic experiences and extraordinary opportunities to compete with teams from all over the world. The proximity to the sea area allows everyone to enjoy the beautiful beaches all along the Costa Brava. Barcelona is only a 45 minute drive away from Lloret de Mar, where the tournament takes place, allowing teams the opportunity to do some great sightseeing in Barcelona and, of course, visit the Nou Camp stadium, home of FC Barcelona.

### **IberCup facts:**

- Approx. 100 international youth soccer teams
- All the playing fields are natural grass or artificial turf. The fields will be in the region along the Costa Brava.
- Famous international soccer clubs like Benfica (Portugal), Porto (Portugal), Sporting (Portugal),
   Sevilla (Spain), Valencia (Spain), Ferencvaros (Hungary), Liverpool (England), Paris St. Germain
   (France) and Vasco de Gama (Brazil) Zenit (Russia) have competed

#### **Touristic information:**

- Close to Barcelona see La Sagrada Familia, Las Ramblas, Parque Güel, the Olympic facilities and Montjuic.
- Visit the mountaintop monastery of Montserrat
- Enjoy the beaches of the Costa Brava region of Spain
- Tour the Nou Camp, home stadium of FC Barcelona









For more information about the tournament including age groups, rules and regulations and touristic/sightseeing information please visit the tournament website: <a href="https://barcelona.ibercup.com/en/home">https://barcelona.ibercup.com/en/home</a>.



## **Touristic information Barcelona**

Barcelona is the capital city of the autonomous community of Catalonia in Spain, as well as the country's second most populous municipality, with a population of 1.6 million within city limits. It is the largest metropolis on the Mediterranean Sea. Barcelona has a rich cultural heritage and is today an important cultural center and a major tourist destination. Particularly renowned are the architectural works of Antoni Gaudí and Lluís Domènech i Montaner, which have been designated UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Barcelona is also home to two top pro clubs in Spain, FC Barcelona and RCD Espanyol.

CAMP NOU: Visit the Home of Barcelona FC, the away team changing room and the players' tunnel, the dugouts, the press room, commentators box and of course the Museum. The Museum is the most modern football museum thanks to its interactive wall spaces, large scale audiovisual displays and an extensive display of objects to explain the history of FC Barcelona and understand the values that make Barça "més que un club" -- "more than a club".

SAGRADA FAMILIA: The unfinished Cathedral by Gaudi, The expiatory church of La Sagrada Família is a work on a grand scale which was begun on 19 March 1882 from a project by the diocesan architect, Francisco de Paula del Villar (1828-1901). At the end of 1883 Gaudí was commissioned to carry on the works, a task which he did not abandon until his death in 1926. Since then different architects have continued the work after his original idea.

MONTSERRAT: Montserrat is a multi-peaked mountain located near the city of Barcelona. It is well known as the site of the Benedictine abbey, Santa Maria de Montserrat, which hosts the Virgin of Montserrat sanctuary and which is identified by some with the location of the Holy Grail in Arthurian myth. The mountain is composed of strikingly pink conglomerate, a form of sedimentary rock. Montserrat is Spain's first National Park.

CASTELL DE MONTJUIC: Barcelona's Montjuïc is a broad shallow hill to the southwest of the city center. The eastern side of the hill is almost a sheer cliff, giving it a commanding view over the city's harbor immediately below. The top of the hill (a height of 184,8 m) was the site of several fortifications, the latest of which the Castle of Montjuïc remains today. The fortress largely dates from the 17th century, with 18th-century additions. It served as a prison, often holding political prisoners, until the time of General Franco. The castle was also the site of numerous executions. On different occasions during the Spanish Civil War, both Nationalists and Republicans were executed there, each at the time when the site was held by their opponents. The Catalan nationalist leader Lluís Companys i Jover was also executed there in 1940, having been extradited to the Franco government by the Nazis.

LA RAMBLA & BOQUERIA MARKET: This busy street is just for pedestrians and is lined with outdoor markets, shops, restaurants and cafes. La Boqueria is a large public market in the Ciutat Vella district of Barcelona, and one of the city's foremost tourist landmarks, with an entrance from La Rambla, not far from the Liceu, Barcelona's opera house. The market has a very diverse selection of goods.