

## International Soccer Tour 2022 Itinerary

### White Plains Soccer Academy

### Spain – Barcelona and the Mediterranean International Cup (MIC)

#### Travel dates:

April 9-18, 2022

#### Itinerary:

- April 9 Departure from New York JFK airport.
- April 10 Arrival Barcelona airport. After arrival sight-seeing Barcelona.
- April 11 Morning and afternoon soccer clinic with coaching staff of RCD Espanyol. Evening game vs. a local team.
- April 12 Morning soccer clinic with coaching staff of RCD Espanyol. Afternoon transfer to Palamos.
- April 13 Start of the Mediterranean International Cup (MIC).
- April 14 Tournament group games.
- April 15 Tournament group games.
- April 16 Tournament Quarter finals and semi-finals.
- April 17 Tournament Finals followed by prize ceremony.
- April 18 Transfer to Barcelona airport. Return flight.



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Camp Nou



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La Sagrada Familia

#### Price per person:

Number of people traveling	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
Participant prices	\$2,916	\$2,745	\$2,672	\$2,611	\$2,585	\$2,612

#### Included:

- 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 offer.
- Ground transportation – see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program – see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant – see below.
- One free package per 19 paying travelers.

### **Sport program:**

Your team will start off with an RCD Espanyol soccer clinic and a friendly game. After this participation in the MIC international tournament. The MIC features high level and well known international soccer clubs like FC Barcelona, Real Madrid, RCD Espanyol (Spain), Liverpool FC, Manchester United (England), Inter Milan (Italy) Brazilian National Team, etc.

### Important Note:

The MIC requires that all teams must have and pay for a minimum of 14 players registered in eleven-a-side categories and a minimum of 9 players in the seven-a-side categories.

### **Accommodation and meals:**

**Barcelona:** 4-star Hotel accommodation in Barcelona.

- Daily breakfast and dinner.
- The hotel is located near the town center of Barcelona.
- All rooms (3 people per room) have a shower and toilet. Double rooms are available as well at a supplement of \$ 15.00 per night per person.
- The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge and reception.

**Palamos or direct area:** 3-star Hotel accommodation in the seaside holiday region of the Costa Brava.

- Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner - first meal is dinner on April 7 and last meal is lunch April 12
- The accommodation is located near the town center and/or beach in seaside holiday towns like Tossa de Mar, Palamos and Sant Antoni de Calonge.
- Distance to Barcelona is approx. 50-70 miles. All rooms (2-3 people per room) have a shower and toilet as well as air-conditioning.
- The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, reception and sometimes an outdoor swimming pool.

### **Transportation:**

During your stay in Barcelona a private bus is available for 10-12 hours per day. During the MIC tournament we have included airport transfers and tournament shuttle transportation (transfers to and from games). On request, a private bus can be arranged for excursions during the tournament (for an additional charge).

### **Local guide services:**

During your stay in Barcelona a private tour manager/guide is available. During your stay at the MIC you can collect information or address any questions, issues or concerns with the local tournament staff, who are available on a 24/7 basis during the tournament. On request, and at a supplement, we can include a bi-lingual tournament guide to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay to provide you with any assistance when necessary, and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed. Approx. costs for this are \$1,000.00 total.

### **Sport program options:**

A visit to a pro soccer game – ticket costs TBD depending on game(s) – approx. \$50-\$100+ per ticket.

### **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:**

- 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 US\$40.00 per person per night on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.

## Tournament Information

### MEDITERRANEAN INTERNATIONAL CUP (MIC) – PALAMOS/SPAIN

The Mediterranean International Cup will take place for the 21st time in 2022. Heart of the MIC tournament is the stadium of Palamós. Palamós is located at the northern end of a large bay, which is popular for swimming, sailing and windsurfing. Distance to Barcelona is 70 miles. This tournament counts as one of the most competitive Spring tournaments in Europe.



#### MIC Facts:

Since the beginning, the MIC tournament has been supported by famous soccer people like Pep Guardiola, Luis Felipe Scolari, Ronaldo, Ronaldinho. Some past participants of the MIC have already made their debut with first division clubs like Leo Messi, (FC Barcelona), Cesc Fàbregas (Arsenal FC), Anderson (Manchester United), Lucas (Liverpool FC), and Marcelo (Real Madrid CF). All the finals of the MIC will be broadcasted by different National TV Channels.

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) will participate.

#### 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



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

<http://www.micfootball.com/en/tournament/mic18.html>

## 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 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.



**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.