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MALLORCA

Pearl of Spain's Mediterranean Balearic archipelago, the "island of everlasting spring"

11 days, Sunday, February 9, to Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Enjoy the spring's almond blossom season on this Mediterranean island, featuring outstanding natural beauty, including exuberant vegetation as well as superb coastal, and mountain landscapes, a rich history and culture, and excellent Spanish food and wine! We stay in a fine, centrally-located 4-star/first-class hotel in the capital city, Palma de Mallorca, but will explore the entire island! The tour is escorted by Jacques Pauwels, PhD, author of Beneath the Dust of Time (London, 2009), who will lecture on the history of the island and of Spain in general.

Tour cost, based on double occupancy, from Toronto: \$3,695 . Land only: (from Mallorca Airport on 10/02 to Madrid Airport on 19/02, and including the flight from Palma to Madrid): \$2,580. Single supplement: \$595 (limited availability)

PROPOSED ITINERARY:

<u>Day 1 – Sunday, February 9</u>: Late evening departure from Toronto International Airport to Frankfurt with Air Canada. Dinner and a light breakfast will be served on board.

<u>Day 2 – Monday, February 10</u>: Late morning arrival in Frankfurt and connecting Lufthansa flight to Mallorca, an island described by Wikitravel as "a mecca for friends of sunny beaches, amazing landscapes, wonderful mountains and mediterranean food." Transfer to the centrally located first-class/4-star Hotel Almudaina (<u>https://www.hotelalmudaina.com/en</u>). Free time to rest and settle in before <u>dinner</u> in the restaurant of our hotel. *Tripadvisor's description of Hotel Almudaina: "located in Jaime III, the city's most popular avenue, most prestigious shopping area and very close to the seafront promenade, the Cathedral, the port and the old quarter ... The views from the terrace to the Bay of Palma, the Cathedral and Old quarter are spectacular." A majority of guest comments on Tripadvisor rate this hotel as "excellent."*

<u>Day 3 - Tuesday</u>, February 11: After our buffet breakfast, leisurely walking tour of Palma de Mallorca, a beautiful and vibrant city of approximately 400,000 inhabitants, and capital of the island of Mallorca and of the Balearic Community, one of Spain's autonomous regions. We focus on the historical city centre, and among the highlights will be the magnificent Gothic Cathedral, Placa Major, San Francisco Church with its fine cloisters, the narrow streets of the Gothic Quarter, the wide Bom Boulevard, reminiscent of Barcelona's Rambla, the seafront park (Parc de la Mar), and the harbour, bustling with sailboats and other pleasure craft. The afternoon is free to explore the town on your own. This evening, <u>dinner in a typical restaurant!</u>



Palma's waterfront and magnificent Cathedral

<u>Day 4 – Wednesday, February 12</u>: Full-day excursion along Mallorca's rugged western "Rocky Coast," where the limestone heights of the Tramuntana mountain range drop down to the blue waters of the Mediterranean. We visit quaint fishing villages and resorts such as Port d'Andratx, stop for photo opportunities at the "miradors" of Ricardo Roca and Ses Animes, and cross hills and valleys covered with olive, almond, and apricot trees as well as vines. (Mallorca reportedly has 4 million almond trees, and February is almond blossom time, causing some of the valleys in the Tramuntana Mountains to be "white as snowfall"!) In the Medieval village of Valldemosa we visit the Carthusian Monastery where Chopin and George Sand spent the winter of 1838-1839, inspiring her to write *A Winter in Mallorca*. On the way back to Mallorca, we take a look at Bellver Castle, the 14th-century summer residence of Mallorcan kings, later turned into a prison, offering a fabulous panorama of the Bay of Palma.

<u>Day 5 – Thursday, February 13</u>: Today we continue our exploration of the rugged western coast of Mallorca, Here are some of the sights that will delight us; the Mirador of Ses Barques; the Sa Calobra road to the mouth of the Pareis River with its exquisite little beach (<u>https://www.seemallorca.com/beaches/sa-calobra-beach-661010</u>); the Monastery of Lluc, with its Black Madonna, patron of Mallorca; the town and port of Pollenta (<u>https://www.seemallorca.com/pollenca</u>); spectacular Cape Formentor, northernmost point of the island, a rocky spur rising abruptly to 200 m above sea level (<u>https://www.seemallorca.com/caves/cap-de-formentor-formentor-</u>

<u>660863</u>); and the picturesque Medieval town of Alcudia (<u>https://www.abc-mallorca.com/alcudia</u>). <u>Lunch</u> in a typical country restaurant. Return to Palma de Mallorca in late afternoon, and free evening.

<u>Day 6 - Friday, February 14</u>: After breakfast, we resume our sightseeing program in Palma de Mallorca, with visits to Almudaina Royal Palace, a former Moorish fortress; La Llotja, a 15th-c. commodities exchange building; the 17th-c, Former Maritime Consulate; the 18th-c. Solleric Palace with its "picture perfect" patio; Hort del Rei ("The King's Garden"), a small park featuring statues by local sculptors as well as some works by Miro; and the Arab Baths, the only building dating back to the early Medieval times when the city belonged to the Moorish Caliphate of Cordoba. Rest of the day at leisure.

<u>Day 7 – Saturday, February 15</u>: Morning visit to Es Baluard, Palma's museum of Modem and Contemporary Art, focusing on the works of Spanish and international artists with some connection with Mallorca and the Balearic Islands in general, including Picasso, Leger, Tapiès, Miro, Magritte, etc. (www.esbaluard.org/en). The museum is located in a renovated historical building, the 16th-century bastion of Sant Pere, within easy walking distance of our hotel, and the visit will be "open-ended," i.e., you can stay as long as you want. Rest of the day at leisure. This evening, an *optional* Flamenco show or a classical music concert may be available.

WEATHER:

Mallorca enjoys a mild and sunny Mediterranean climate, with lots of sunshine and very little rain. In February, the temperature (at sea level) oscillates between a cool 10-11° and balmy low twenties C, with a daily mean temperature of 18° C.



The road along Mallorca's rugged western coast



Coastal scenery near Cala Ratjada

<u>Day 8 - Sunday, February 16</u>: Full-day excursion to the eastern part of the island, with as highlights the town of Arta (<u>https://www.seemallorca.com/arta</u>); fishing villages and delightful resorts such as Cala Rajada, Cala d'Or, and Cala Figuera; and sacred sites such as the Monastery of San Salvador with its superb panorama of the east coast and the Santuario de Cura. <u>Lunch</u> in a typical restaurant. Return to Palma in late afternoon.

<u>Day 9 - Monday, February 17</u>: Your last day in Mallorca is entirely free to shop and/or explore Palma on your own. You may want to visit some of the following museums and other sights of interest:

* The Museum of Mallorca, featuring archaeology and Medieval paintings.

* The Juan March Foundation, another collection of Spanish Art of the 20th century, with works by Picasso,

Miro, Juan Gris, and Salvador Dali (<u>https://www.march.es/arte/palma/?l=2</u>)..

* The Palma de Mallorca Aquarium (<u>https://palmaaquarium.com/en</u>).

* The Pueblo Espanyol, a "village" featuring replicas of some of Spain's most famous sights, such as the Alhambra in Granada, Torre de Oro in Seville, and El Greco's House in Toledo (https://www.puebloespanolmallorca.com/copia-de-inicio-1).

* The Pilar and Juan Miro Foundation, dedicated to the work of that famous Catalan artist, who lived in Palma for many years, located in a large studio which his friend Josep Lluis Sert designed for him (<u>https://miromallorca.com/en</u>).

* Another attractive option is the train ride to the pretty town of Soller (<u>https://www.abc-mallorca.com/soller-train-mallorca</u> and <u>http://trendesoller.com/en/timetable</u>).

<u>Day 10 - Tuesday, February 18</u>: Morning at leisure. Early afternoon transfer to Mallorca Airport and short flight to Madrid. Arrival in Madrid and panoramic sightseeing tour of the city by private coach, followed by transfer to a 4- star hotel near the airport, final group <u>dinner</u> in the hotel or in a nearby restaurant, and overnight.

<u>Day 11 - Wednesday, February 19</u>: After breakfast, transfer (via hotel shuttle) to the airport and non-stop return flight to Toronto with Air Canada, departing at 12:35 PM and arriving at 3:15 PM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS TOUR MAY BE COMBINED WITH OUR 'MADRID IN DEPTH' TOUR FEBRUARY 18 - 28, 2020

Tour cost, based on double occupancy, from Toronto: \$3,695 – "land only" (i.e. from Mallorca Airport on 10/02 to Madrid Airport on 19/02, and including the flight from Palma to Madrid): \$2,580 – Single use of a double room supplement (limited availability!): only \$595

Included in the price are:

- Return airfare from Toronto to Palma de Mallorca, including all airport taxes, fuel surcharges, and security fees;

- Accommodation, based on double occupancy, in a first-class/4-star hotel
- The single room surcharge is \$595;
- Transfers and all visits and sightseeing as described in the itinerary;
- Breakfast daily a total of five dinners or full lunches;
- Airport lounge pass for air-inclusive booking made more than 90 days prior to departure.

Not included:

- All items of a personal nature;
- Meals other than those indicated above and wine/water/coffee/tea with dinners;
- Travel Insurance, available upon request.



MALLORCA AND THE CITY OF PALMA DE MALLORCA

Mallorca is the largest of Spain's Balearic Islands, an archipelago just to the east of the Iberian Peninsula. and one of the most beautiful and interesting islands in the entire Mediterranean. Its natural beauty, especially its spectacular rocky coast alternating with romantic inlets and wonderful beaches, mild Mediterranean climate, fascinating culture and history, and fine cuisine make it a year-round magnet for tourists from Europe and all over the world.

Palma is the capital of the Balearic Islands and the commercial and cultural center of Mallorca. With a population of approximately 400,000, it is a modern, bustling city, but with a very attractive historical centre, featuring narrow streets and pleasant plazas, impressive monuments such as the Cathedral, much medieval architecture, and excellent shops, restaurants, and bars.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$750.00 required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and registration form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed application form.

REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Refund of deposit is made if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 90 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non-refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 90 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply: 90 days to 61 days before departure: 25% of tour cost 60 to 31 days before departure: 50% of tour cost Within 30 days prior to departure: 100% of tour cost

RESPONSIBILITY:

The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. We also reserve the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour. We reserve the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, travel warnings by the Canadian Government etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable.

By commencing the tour, I agree to the release and agreement as included below.

RELEASE & AGREEMENT:

By placing my deposit and commencing the tour I understand and agree to the following:

- 1. That all tours are delivered in conjunction with other service providers, including but not limited to travel agent and booking services, airlines, hotel and accommodation providers, transportation providers including but not limited to coach, train and ferry services, restaurant providers, and local guides. We shall not be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotels, transportation and other travel services are provided subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally.
- 2. I know that tour programs include walking and may including hiking and fitness programs that have potential hazardous activities associated with them. I should not participate prior to approval by my physician. I assume any and all other risks associated with these events included but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather including high heat and/or humidity.
- 3. To release, indemnify and hold harmless Pauwels Travel Bureau and their affiliates (which term shall include parents, subsidiaries, officers, directors, shareholders, agents and employees of Pauwels Travel Bureau as well as Pauwels Travel themselves) (the "Released Parties") from, and agree not to sue the Released Parties for, any claims that I may have arising from, or in connection with, any personal injury,

bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from any cause whatsoever related in any way to my participation in this tour. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, I release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from, and agree not to sue them for any personal injury, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from the Released Parties' negligence other than from intentional or reckless acts by such parties. I further agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all acts of God, war (whether declared or undeclared), terrorist activities, incidents of politically motivated violence, illness or quarantine, strikes or government restrictions or the acts or omissions of any other agents over which the Released Parties have no direct or indirect control, including, without limitation, airlines, railways, bus companies, hotels, shipping companies, guides and sub-contracted agents or tour operators. This release also includes activities not offered that may be considered risky. I further release any Tour Directors, bus drivers or other individuals involved in my tour.

- 4. That the air carrier's liability for loss of or damage to baggage or property, or for death or injury to person, is limited by their tariffs, or the Warsaw Convention, or both.
- 5. That Pauwels Travel Bureau shall have no liability or responsibility for me when I am absent from activities, such as visits to friends or relatives or during stay-ahead/stay-behind option periods if the stay-ahead/stay-behind period does not include the services of a Tour Director.
- 6. To abide by directions of my Tour Director or other leadership personnel during my tour. Failure to do so may result in my termination from tour immediately. I understand that to disobey such rules or directions are to waive the right to any refund, and that I may be sent home at my own expense. The participant and family undertake full financial responsibility for any damage caused by the participant and agree to pay his/her return home on the first available flight, should his/her behavior be deemed detrimental to the welfare of the group.
- 7. To abide by all local laws when in Canada and abroad, including those concerning drugs and alcohol. (Minors must have parents' permission to use alcohol even if the local law would otherwise permit them to.) I understand that if I abuse or disobey such laws, even unintentionally, I waive my right to a refund, and Pauwels Travel may send me home at my own expense. I also understand that should local authorities be involved, I will be subject to the laws of the country I am visiting.
- 8. That if I become ill or incapacitated, Pauwels Travel and its employees, or a designated chaperone may take any action they deem necessary for my safety and well-being, including securing medical treatment (at my own expense) and transporting me home. Pauwels Travel retains the right, in its sole discretion, to contact the traveller's parent(s) and/or guardian or emergency contact with regard to health issues or any matters whatsoever that relates to the traveller's tour. These rights transcend any and all privacy regulations that may apply. In the event of a medical emergency, Pauwels Travel will attempt to cause appropriate treatment to be administered, and the traveller authorizes Pauwels Travel to do so. Pauwels Travel, however, makes no warranty that it will be able to cause effective (or any) emergency treatment to be administered.
- 9. That Pauwels Travel may use any film likenesses taken of me and any of my comments while on a tour for future publication and also use my contact information for future Pauwels Travel communications.

A WORD ABOUT GROUP AIRFARES:

Please note that when booking one of our air inclusive tours, Pauwels Travel has negotiated reduced rates with the airline that we are able to confirm and lock in up to 359 days before travel. While it is wonderful to share the savings and flexibility this provides with you, our valued guests, the privilege does come with some restrictions. In some cases it may not be possible to collect frequent flyer miles, you may not be able to check in online 24 hours before travel, or you may need to try checking in with your ticket number rather than your booking reference and, in **almost ALL cases we are not able to offer advanced seat selection**.

It is the airline that makes the reservation and has control over the booking so it is their policy, not ours, that prevents us from assigning specific seats. If a request is made, it is passed on to the airline by our staff when they submit the names to the airline, i.e., 30-60 days prior to departure. Calling us several days before you leave will not change this fact nor will getting upset with our staff.

If a certain type of seat is indispensable to you, we suggest that you book our tour on a "land only" basis and make individual flight arrangements, in which case you may be able to get the seat of your choice; Pauwels Travel would be happy to assist you with that reservation at absolutely no additional charge. We will offer you the best fare available, but please note that this can only be done once a tour is a guaranteed departure because your individual airfare's conditions are likely to involve cancellation penalties. We thank you in advance for your kind understanding of the above!

REGISTRATION FORM

Please book seat(s	(s) on the "The Mallorca" tour of February $9 - 19$, 2020.	
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