

MAJOR FIESTAS PROGRAMME 2017

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

18:00 LIGHTING OF THE ARTISTIC ILLUMINATION, by our Queens, at Martínez Alejos Avenue and Opening of the "Porrat" (street market) at Emilio Ortuño avenue.

19:00 INAUGURATION OF THE FAIRGROUND, near the Bullring. Children's day: special prices.

22:30 "PEÑAS" INFORMAL PARADE. Meeting of the "Peñas" at Ruzafa street. Parade around the streets Ruzafa and Martínez Alejos.

SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

10:00 MASS, at the Church of San Jaime, in honour to the Virgin of the Suffrage, sung by the choir of La Barqueta".

11:45 OPENING OF THE DOORS AT SAN JAIME AND SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH, to sing the **VERSES IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN**.

12:00 BELL RINGING and spectacular **"AIR BOMBING"** from Plaza Castelar, to announce that...

THE MAJOR FIESTAS 2017 HAVE BEGUN!

12:15 BRASS BANDS PARADE, starting from Plaza de San Jaime to finish at Plaza de SS. MM los Reyes de España (Town Hall). Itinerary: Mayor, Alameda de D. Pedro Zaragoza, Herrerías and Plaza de SS.MM Los Reyes de España.

13:00 GATHERING OF BRASS BANDS, at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España, to perform the piece "FIESTA IN BENIDORM".

17:00 At Poniente Beach, **THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE OF THE FOUNDING OF THE VIRGIN**, by the theatre group of "La Barqueta". Afterwards, **SALVOES**, by "PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA".

18:30 SOLEMN PROCESSION, leaving from Parque de Elche (Harbour) through the following streets: Paseo de la Carretera, Alameda D. Pedro Zaragoza, Mayor street and Plaza de San Jaime.

When the procession gets to the church, there will be a **FLOWER OFFERING TO THE VIRGIN**, followed by the **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FIESTAS**. Afterwards, the **ANTHEMS OF BENIDORM AND THE REGION OF VALENCIA** will be sung, to end with a **SUPERB FIREWORK DISPLAY**, at Plaza Castelar, done by "PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA".

23:00 Performance of **"ORQUESTA VALPARAÍSO"**, at Gambo street.

00:00 Party with **"DJ XINXE"**, at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

01:00 Musical performance by **"LAS CHILLERS"**, at Plaza de SS.MM. los Reyes de España.

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER: VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE'S DAY

08:00 CHOCOLATE FOR EVERYONE, thanks to "CHOCOLATES MARCOS TONDA" (Villajoyosa), at Casa del Fester (C/ La Biga).

08:15 "DESPERTA" (awakening by the sound of firecrackers) by "PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA, from Plaza Castelar and from now on... ¡EVERY MORNING!

11:00 until 14:00 HUGHE CHILDREN PLAYPARK at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

11:00 RELEASE OF YOUNG BULLS, at the Bullring. PRICE: 3€ (free entrance for children under 4 years, with an adult)

11:30 SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR PATRON SAINT, THE VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE, at the Church of San Jaime and Saint Anne, sung by the choir "Agrupación Coral de Benidorm". Afterwards, **AIR BOMBING** by "PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA", and **PARADE**, around the streets of the Old Town.

14:00 MARVELLOUS "MASCLETA" (super big banger) at Plaza de la Hispanidad, done by "PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA" and tasting of "Anís Tenis".

17:00 SPECIAL CONCERT OF "LA UNIÓN MUSICAL DE BENIDORM", at Gambo street.

17:00 BULL TRIMMER ("Recortadores") SHOW at the Bullring. Price: 5€. Afterwards, **RELEASE OF YOUNG BULLS** for the public.

17:30 Rock show for children, by **RAMONETS**, at Huerto de Colón (Tomás Ortuño street).

19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO THE VIRGIN OF THE SUFFRAGE. Itinerary: Mayor street, Alameda de D. Pedro Zaragoza, Los Ángeles, Pintor Lozano, Virgen del Sufragio, Martínez Alejos, Paseo de la Carretera, Santa Faz and Plaza de San Jaime. Afterwards, **"ESTAMPETA"** in honour to the Virgin of the Suffrage, at Plaza de San Jaime.

23:00 Performance of the local bands **TERRIBLE MIN** and **ROTTEN PUMPKIN**, at Huerto de Colón (Tomás Ortuño street).

23:00 The traditional “**COPLETES**” will be sung to the Virgin of the Suffrage, at Plaza de San Jaime.
00:30 Performance of “**LA CASA AZUL**” at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.
02:00: Spectacular “**CORREFOC**” (moving fire and sound show), by SCURA PLATS with their show “Theos Foc”, leaving from Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España to end at Parque de Elche (Harbour), going over the main streets of the Old Town.

MONDAY 13TH NOVEMBER: SAINT JAMES DAY

08:00 CHOCOLATE FOR EVERYONE, thanks to “CHOCOLATES MARCOS TONDA” (Villajoyosa), at Casa del Fester (C/ La Biga).

11:00 until 14:00 HUGHE CHILDREN PLAYPARK at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

11:30 At the Church of San Jaime, **SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR TO SAINT JAMES** sung by the choir “Agrupación Coral de Benidorm”.

Afterwards, **AIR BOMBING** and **PARADE**, around the streets of the Old Town.

14:00 GREAT MASCLETA (super big banger), at Plaza de la Hispanidad, by “PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA” and tasting of beer “Estrella Galicia”.

17:00 Children’s wandering theater “RR1 Animàtic”, by SCURA PLATS, starting at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España and ending at Huerto de Colón (Tomás Ortuño street).

19:00 SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR TO SAINT JAMES by the streets: Mayor, Alameda D. Pedro Zaragoza, Paseo de la Carretera, Santa Faz and Plaza San Jaime. Afterwards, “**ESTAMPETA**”, in honour to Saint James. Inside the temple, the names of the members of the organizing committee (“Mayorales”) of the Fiestas 2018 will be revealed.

22:00 MUSICAL PARTY WITH 40 PRINCIPALES, at Gambo street.

00:30 Concert of the band “**LOS GAFAPASTA**” (music from the 80’s and 90’s), at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

02:00 Traditional “**CORDÀ**” (running firecrackers) at Parque de Elche (near the Harbour).

TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

08:00 CHOCOLATE FOR EVERYONE, thanks to “CHOCOLATES MARCOS TONDA” (Villajoyosa), at Casa del Fester (C/ La Biga).

10:30 SOLEMN REQUIEM MASS, at San Jaime Church, sung by the Choir of the Church.

Afterwards, OFFERING OF FLOWER GARLANDS to the Dead in the Sea, at Plaza de la Señoría, followed by a visit to the cemeteries.

11:00 until 14:00 HUGHE CHILDREN PLAYPARK at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

14:00 THUNDEROUS MASCLETÀ (super big banger) at Av. Mediterráneo, by “PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA”.

16:30 Children show with “RONALD McDONALD” at Huerto de Colón (Tomás Ortuño street).

17:00 Children’s wandering theater “La Selva”, starting at Huerto de Colón (Tomás Ortuño street).

19:00 FUNNY COSTUMES PARADE. Itinerary: Venus, Ruzafa and Martínez Alejos.

22:30 Performance of “**ORQUESTA REALITY**”, at Gambo street.

00:00 WONDERFUL NOCTURNAL MASCLETÀ (fireworks and bangers), at Plaza de la Hispanidad, by “PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA”.

01:00 Last musical party with the famous **DJ’s XIMO BAYO** and **KIKE JAÉN**, at Plaza de SS. MM. los Reyes de España.

WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

11:30 “FESTA DE LES FESTES”. Parade of the different Fiestas Commitees, departing from Plaza Neptuno. Itinerary: Almendros, Mercado, Tomás Ortuño, La Biga, Ruzafa, Herrerías and Plaza de SSMM Los Reyes de España.

13:00 CHILDREN’S “MASCLETÀ” at Plaza SS. MM los Reyes de España,

18:00 FLOAT PARADE through the following streets: Parque de Elche, Almendros, Marte, Venus, Ruzafa, Martínez Alejos, Gambo and finishing at Plaza de la Hispanidad.

Afterwards, **MARVELLOUS FIREWORK DISPLAY** at Poniente Beach (Harbour), done by “PIROTECNIA VALENCIANA”.

¡MERRY FIESTAS FOR EVERYONE!

IMPORTANT: The Tourist Office is not responsible for any of the changes that may happen.