



# COPA CATALUNYA LLORET DE MAR / SPAIN 9th EDITION JULY 11-15, 2011

Dazzling sun, deep blue seas, white sandy beaches, lovely boulevards and an exciting nightlife: for many, simply the perfect blend for an ideal holiday. This is also the ultimate location for many soccer fans to hold an international soccer tournament. Many soccer clubs have been lured to the Spanish coast for a number of years through the efforts of Euro-Sportring. During the sixties Euro-Sportring offered programs mainly centered in and around Barcelona, but this has since been extended to include all kinds of tournaments stretching along the Catalan coast. Celebrated seaside resorts such as Lloret de Mar, Calella, Blanes and Malgrat de Mar attract literally hundreds of soccer clubs from all over Europe, providing them with the opportunity to combine the enjoyment of international soccer with a fun holiday in a simply magical way. Spain hosts an extensive program, with tournaments taking place over the Easter and Whitsun holidays, during the summer and also in October. Over the years, more than 1000 teams from 22 countries have taken part in such tournaments annually. Organization is in the hands of a very experienced and able committee, assisted by the Catalan soccer association. Tournaments are held on a large sports complex close to the popular seaside resort of Blanes. Facilities include no less than grass 13 pitches, laid out in terraces, on by far the largest sporting complex in Spain.

## TOURNAMENT PLANNING

	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Boys</b>
Category	<b>U19/18</b>	<b>U17/16</b>	<b>U16/15</b>	<b>U15/14</b>	<b>U14/13</b>	<b>U13/12</b>	<b>U11/10</b>
Born on/after	01.01.92	01.01.94	01.01.95	01.01.96	01.01.97	01.01.98	01.01.00
Teams per category	15	20	10	15	10	15	10
Teams per group	4-6	4-6	4-6	4-6	4-6	4-6	4-5
Duration of matches	2x20'	2x20'	2x20'	2x20'	2x20'	2x20'	2x15'
Players per team	11	11	11	11	11	11	7
Minimum games	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Substitutions	5	5	5	5	5	5	Unlimited

	<b>Girls</b>	<b>Ladies</b>
Category	<b>U18/17</b>	<b>L</b>
Born on/after	01.01.93	Open age
Teams per category	15	10
Teams per group	4-6	4-6
Duration of matches	2x20'	2x20'
Players per team	11	11
Minimum games	5	5
Substitutions	5	5



## Sports facilities

The Copa Catalunya takes place on a fantastic sport park, situated in Tordera (just outside Blanes) between Lloret de Mar in the north and Calella in the south. The distance from our various hotels will be 6-12 miles, i.e. maximum 15 to 30 minutes by car. From this unique sport accommodation, which you will not find elsewhere in Spain, you can enjoy a beautiful view of the sea.

There are 13 well kept grass pitches (attention: no metal studs allowed!) and eighteen modern equipped changing rooms. Of course you will find here a bar/cafetaria and a covered space for when the sun is shining hot. At this sport park you also have, at your disposal, our central tournament office, our information desk with clear scoreboards, a room for medical assistance, a field for training before and/or between the matches and large parking facilities. A unique ambiance for a soccer tournament!

## Remarks

- Due to different age category deadlines - set by national soccer associations in categories U19 - the tournament organizer made some exceptions to this rule. Category U19: teams from Italy 5 players born on/after January 01, 1991, teams from Switzerland, Belgium and Luxemburg all players born on/after January 01, 1991 and teams from USA all players born on/after August 1, 1991.
- Due to different deadlines - set by national soccer associations in category G18 the tournament organizer made some exceptions to this rule: teams from the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland and France: all players born on/after January 1, 1992, teams from the USA: all players born on/after August 1, 1992, teams from Denmark: 2 players born on/after October 1, 1992.
- Please note that metal studs are NOT permitted.
- For the age categories U17, U16, U15, U14, U13 a general dispensation is given for 3 players born on/after August 1st of the year before.
- Player numbers on strips are compulsory.

## Tournament organizers:

Club Futbol de Tordera has been founded in 1914 and with 500 members it's a large club in Catalunya. It has 12 youth teams and 2 senior teams. The first team of the club is playing in the first regional division of Catalunya.

## Trophies

Number 1-4 per category: Trophy per team

## Participating countries

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, United States of America, Switzerland, Gibraltar, Scotland, England and Northern Ireland.

Winners	2007	2008	2009
U14	Perth Junior Soccer Club (AS)	Vasalund/Essinge IF (SW)	Willington Youth (GB)
U19	Trygg/Lade SK (NO)	Stord IL - 1 (NO)	FC Beausoleil (FR)
U17	Manchester Youth FC (EN)	AS Beauvais (FR)	FC Djursholm (SE)
U15	AS Beauvais (FR)	OKS Olsztynski Klub 194 (PL)	Messiniakos F.C. (GR)
U13	Lengokoak (ES)	OKS Olsztynski Klub 194 (PL)	S.C. Groyne (BE)
U16	Strømsgodset IF (NO)	Västerås BK 30 (SW)	Malahide Utd. (IR)
W	KC Bayern (US)	Boo FF (SW)	Farsta, FOC (SE)
G17	Matrix Soccer Club (US)		Lisle Redwings (US)

## Program

Be prepared for a stay full of attractions when visiting the Copa Catalunya. For those who want a fantastic excursion, the Sunday is free so you can take a full day trip to Barcelona and visit the famous Nou Camp Stadium. Or you can relax before the start of the tournament. Sunday evening the team leaders will be welcomed with a get together with free drinks and snacks in the cozy club La Masia in Tordera, for an attractive and exciting music and show program. The tournament will start on Monday with the first group matches and a festive welcome ceremony on the sports park. The group matches which will be planned in a compact program, so that the participating guests will have time to enjoy also the numerous other attractions in the area. On Tuesday and Wednesday the preliminaries continue. The classification rounds will be played on Thursday. After the last classification matches on Friday all attention will be focused on the finals, directly followed by the prize giving ceremony on the pitch. Thereafter followed by a match between the team leaders of the participating teams.

July 9	Day	Arrival, check in and information
	Evening	Leisure programme: suggestion - visit town center
July 10	Day	Free Day
	Evening	Apéritif d'honneur for team managers and coaches
July 11	Day	Tournament - preliminary rounds Afternoon: Welcome ceremony
	Evening	Free programme; suggestion: visit Flamenco Show in Grand Palace
July 12	Day	Tournament - preliminary rounds
	Evening	Free programme; suggestion: adventure park Marineland in Palafolls
July 13	Day	Tournament - preliminary and intermediate rounds
July 14	Day	Tournament - intermediaries and classification matches Not playing teams: boat cruise along the coast
July 15	Day	Tournament - classification matches and finals Team leaders match Ceremony protocolair
July 16		Departure

Entrance prices and transportation are not included; excursions are meant as a suggested guideline only.

**Watch the Copa Catalunya Video:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iuqYEW8uhs>

**Touristical Information:**

- Barcelona (1.700.000 inhabitants). Who doesn't know the great attractions of this beautiful Olympic city? If not, go for it, because Barcelona is truly a unique city. You will need more than a day to explore the center. Nevertheless you can catch the spirit if you follow the following program: the Sagrada Familia - one of the landmarks of Barcelona, the cathedral by Gaudi with a bizarre architecture, Plaza de Catalunya and the Ramblas - the heart of the city full of shops, restaurants and terraces, the gothic quarter with its narrow, picturesque alleys, the Mount Juic - the mountain right in the center with the Olympic facilities, castle and attraction park plus of course a magnificent view over the city and the sea, Plaza España - the square with the famous fountains and beautiful palaces.
- Salou (9.000 inhabitants) is about 1½ hour by bus from Barcelona. It is a harbor, already known from the time of the Greek colonists, but also a very popular tourist center, situated at both sides of a small, rocky peninsula. Near Salou is situated Port Aventura, after Disneyworld Europe's most famous theme park (in July open until 12:00pm).
- Montserrat is a beautiful, old and strange mountain, 10 km long and 1236 meters high, approx. a 1½ hour drive by bus. At 775 meters it offers the most famous monastery in Catalonia that can be reached by rack-railway. The monastery is also famous because of the choir of its music school, the Escolania. The complex also includes among others a museum with mainly Italian and Spanish (Picasso, El Greco) painters. Moreover you can find here restaurants, souvenir shops and different cable cars which bring the people higher up the mountain, offering breathtaking views.
- Stadium visit of F.C. Barcelona. A visit to this impressive Nou Camp Stadium is the climax for the real soccer fan. You are warmly welcome for a visit (entry fee: approx. € 11.00 for adults and € 8.50 for U13).
- Sitges and Vilafranca del Penedes (about ¾ hour by bus from Barcelona). Sitges is one of the most famous tourist resorts of the Costa Daurada, the coast south of Barcelona. It has about 13,000 inhabitants and had once the name "Cannes of Catalunya". In summer it is crowded by tourists and it is a nice experience to walk through the numerous small streets, full of shops (many art-items), bars, restaurants and nightclubs. Vilafranca del Penedes is famous for its wine, often with a high alcohol percentage, from its surrounding hills.



**Top Ten Soccer Complex with 13 grass fields**

**Please notice that the 2011 tournament information is based on the 2010 information. Definite 2011 tournament information will be available October of 2010.**