



Benicàssim's Town Hall - TOURISM

SANT ANTONI FESTIVITIES PROGRAMME – FROM 12th TO 21st JANUARY 2024

FRIDAY 12th JANUARY

5 p.m. Inauguration of the exhibition “Lo salvaje y el movimiento” by Santiago Gil, winner of the Belle Époque 2023 speed painting award. Place: Sala Escena (cinema-theatre Benicàssim at Constitución square)

6. p.m. Inauguration of the exhibition by Marta Negre “Just a reflection”. Place: Sala Melchor Zapata.

7 p.m. Darts tournament (+18 years old) at the Carta Daurada, 41 Leopoldo Querol street.

7 p.m. Solemn act of moving of the standard of Sant Antoni Abad from the town hall to Constitució square moving along Santo Tomás, Josep Barberá and Bayer street accompanied by the town hall members, *Reina, festeros*, the Agrupació Folklorica el Cremaller, Colla de Dolçainers i Tabaleters and the Unió Musical Santa Cecília de Benicàssim.

Then, performance of the Agrupació Folklorica El Cremaller. At the end, distribution of typical sweet pastries and *moscatel*.

11 p.m. Fénix orchestra at the festival marquee.

SATURDAY 13th JANUARY. PEÑAS DAY

9 a.m. Football matches of C.D. Benicàssim throughout the morning on the Torre Sant Vicent field.

10 a.m. *Peñas* gathering at the festival marquee. Afterwards, they will tour the streets accompanied by the *charanga*. Distribution of *sangria* to the participants until it runs out.

10.30 a.m. Entrance of children's bulls in Pérez Bayer promenade. Organized by ACT Benicàssim & Benicàssim town hall.

12 p.m. Gymkhana for the day of the *peñas*. Organized by Benicàssim town hall.

2.30 p.m. *Paella* lunch at the festival marquee. Tickets from the *peñas* will be required. Organized by Benicàssim town hall.

5 p.m. Flamenco afternoon party by the group Cositas Buenas and La Meligrana, at the festival marquee.

5 p.m. First team match C.D. Benicásim A vs Morella F.C. corresponding to the 14th day of the league on Torre de Sant Vicent field.

6 p.m. Open fishing contest from 6 p.m. until midnight at Heliòpolis beach. Registrations and raffle at Rafa's bar at 4.45 p.m. Organized by the Club de Pesca Deportiva Costa de Benicàssim and Benicàssim town hall.

11 p.m. Orchestra Bella Donna at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim town hall.

SUNDAY 14th JANUARY

7.30 a.m. 10th *Mar Costa* contest, organized by C.P.E Els Canons from 8.30 a.m. until 1.30 p.m. at Voramar, Almadraba and Torre de Sant Vicent beach. Registrations and raffle at the social club headquarters (Sequiota street). Afterwards there will be a meal. Organized by Artículos de Pesca MarSalá and the town hall of Benicàssim.



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9 a.m. Football matches of C.D Benicense throughout the morning on the Torre Sant Vicent field.

10 a.m. 14th *bolilleras* meeting (lace and trimmings) at the festival marquee.

10 a.m. 1st horse-guided halter entry. Starting from Vilaroig path, stopping at Teresetes and ending up at the bullring.

1 p.m. Cattle exhibition at the bullring.

5 p.m. First team match A.C.D. Benicense vs Ribesalbes A corresponding to the 14th day of the league on Torre de Sant Vicent field.

5 p.m. Big costume parade for children with Timba-de bo music, which will run from les Corts Valencianes square stopping at Santo Tomás church and ending up at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim town hall.

6 p.m. Snack for children dressed in costumes, balloon cracks and face painting at the festival marquee.

7 p.m. Unió Musical Santa Cecília concert at the Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega. Free entry until capacity is reached.

MONDAY 15th JANUARY

1 p.m. Livestock race and exhibition at the bullring.

2 p.m. Popular lunch "Olleta de la plana" at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

3.30 p.m. Starting of the *guiñote* tournament (card game) at the Casino restaurant. Organized by the Cooperativa Agrícola San Antonio de Benicàssim.

4.30 p.m. Livestock exhibition and later *toro embolado* (with fireballs) at the bullring.

8.30 p.m. Popular *sobaquillo* dinner (bring your own sandwich) at the festival marquee.

9 p.m. Trio Twin's concert at the festival marquee.

TUESDAY 16th JANUARY

7 p.m. Traditional ringing of bells marking the start of the lighting of the big fires.

9.30 p.m. Gathering of *coqueta* participants. Prior registration at the Town Hall is mandatory from the 9th to 12th of January. Gathering of *tropell* participants at Juan Carlos I Avenue (behind Lidl).

10 p.m. Solemn act of animals blessing. Then, the Reina, *festeros* and *festeras* will serve the *coquetas*.

Note: All participants who come to the church for the blessing are asked to wear shoes and traditional clothing, in addition to maintaining the tradition of carrying an animal with you. In the case of cars and floats, they will also have to maintain the tradition of carrying the image of the Patron Saint with a lit candle. To be eligible for any of the prizes, prior registration at the Town Hall is essential from the 9th to the 12th of January and participate on the 16th (Blessing), on the 17th (Procession), the awards ceremony will be at the Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega to also collect the accrediting diploma.

12 a.m. Zoom Macro Swing disco at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.



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WEDNESDAY 17th JANUARY

11 a.m. Holy Mass in honour of Sant Antoni and Santa Àgueda at Santo Tomás Church.

12 p.m. Solemn offering of flowers to Santa Àgueda at Santo Tomás Church followed by firecrackers.

1 p.m. Awards ceremony of scholarships and 2nd literature contest award organized by Cooperativa Agrícola de San Antonio de Benicàssim at Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega.

3.30 p.m. *Guiñote* tournament (card game) at Casino bar. Organized by the Cooperativa Agrícola San Antonio de Benicàssim.

5 p.m. Traditional procession in honor of Sant Antoni Abad, with the participation of the *Reina*, *festeros*, *festeras*, authorities and all participants of the *coqueta*.

5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Exhibition by Santiago Gil "Lo salvaje y el movimiento" in the exhibition hall of the Municipal Theater, Sala Escena. Exhibition by Marta Negre "Just a reflection" at the Melchor Zapata exhibition center.

6 p.m. Traditional dancing by Agrupació Folklorica el Cremaller in front of Santo Tomás church. Hot chocolate will be served at Constitució Square, sponsored by NGO San Vicente Paul.

6.30 p.m. Day of children's board games at the Carta Daurada (41, Leopoldo Querol street).

7 p.m. Big show of Academia Coppelia Estudio de Danza which presents "Musical 24"; great spectacle with the performances of Arantxa Pons (Spanish song) and the humorist and presenter Oscar Tramolleres at the festival marquee. Free entry. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

THURSDAY 18th JANUARY

9.30 a.m. Visit from the *Reina*, *festeros* and *festeras* to the schools to introduce local traditions to children.

11 a.m. Activities for children at the festival marquee by La Varita Mágica. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

11.30 a.m. 1st "Cagà del manso" at the bullring.

1 p.m. Livestock race and exhibition at the bullring.

3.30 p.m. *Guiñote* tournament (card game) at the Casino restaurant.

4.30 p.m. Livestock exhibition and later *toro embolado* (with fireballs).

5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Exhibition by Santiago Gil "Lo salvaje y el movimiento" in the exhibition hall of the Municipal Theater, Sala Escena. Exhibition by Marta Negre "Just a reflection" at the Melchor Zapata exhibition center.

6.30 p.m. of Antonio Arbeloa's play "El Trastero" presented by Los Amigos del Teatro de Castellón. Free entrance until capacity is completed at the Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

8 p.m. Popular *sobaquillo* dinner (bring your own sandwich) at the festival marquee.

9 p.m. Five XXL concert at the festival marquee.



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FRIDAY 19th JANUARY. PAELLAS DAY

7.30 a.m. Awakening with firecrackers along the main streets of the town (starting at les Corts Valencianes square, Castelló ave., Santo Tomás street, Pérez Bayer promenade and Estación square) carried out by Els Deus del Foc de Benicàssim.

9 a.m. Traditional breakfast at the festival marquee next to the bullring. (€1 contribution for the San Vicente Paul fundraising).

10 a.m. Banana Boom *charanga* through the main streets.

11.45 a.m. Distribution of irons next to the Señor fountain, tables and firewood at Santo Tomás street. Tickets will be required. More information on the useful remarks.

12 p.m. Starting of *Paellas'* Day. Festival of Regional Tourist Interest.

5 p.m. Trío Trébol show at Señor fountain in front of Santo Tomás church.

11 p.m. Top 0 orchestra concert at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

SATURDAY 20th JANUARY

10.30 a.m. Children's activities at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

1 p.m. Livestock race and exhibition at the bullring.

4.30 p.m. Bull riding challenge.

5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Exhibition by Santiago Gil "Lo salvaje y el movimiento" in the exhibition hall of the Municipal Theater, Sala Escena. Exhibition by Marta Negre "Just a reflection" at the Melchor Zapata exhibition center.

10.30 p.m. Great costume and *charanga* parade, which will take place from Les Corts Valencianes square, Castellón avenue, Santo Tomas street ending up at the festival marquee. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

10.30 p.m. Livestock show and later *toro embolado* (with fireballs) at the bullring.

11.30 p.m. Fancy dress ball wit the Gran Orquesta Mundial at the festival marquee.

SUNDAY 21st JANUARY

10 a.m. Football matches of A.C.D Benicense throughout the morning on the Torre San Vicente field.

10 p.m. Magic Draft tournament organized by la Carta Daurada (41 Leopoldo Querol street).

11.30 a.m. Children activities at the festival marquee and pyrotechnics workshop by Els Deus del Foc. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

12 p.m. 1st part of the oriental, hip-hop, and modern dance festival organized by Beni Sport Gym at the Municipal Theater. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall.

1 p.m. Livestock race and exhibition at the bullring.



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1.30 p.m. Lunch tribute to our elders at the Torre de Sant Vicent sports complex. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall with the collaboration of the Asociación de Amas de Casa de Benicàssim and Cooperativa Agrícola Sant Antoni.

4.30 p.m. Bull riding challenge.

5 p.m. 2nd part of the oriental, hip-hop, and modern dance festival organized by Beni Sport Gym at the Municipal Theater. Organized by Benicàssim Town Hall. Then, *coquetas* awards ceremony at the Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega.

5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Exhibition by Santiago Gil "Lo salvaje y el movimiento" in the exhibition hall of the Municipal Theater, Sala Escena. Exhibition by Marta Negre "Just a reflection" at the Melchor Zapata exhibition center.

8 p.m. *Correfoc* (firerunner) from Estació square, Les Creus and Santo Tomas street up to Barcelona avenue organized by Els Déus del Foc de Benicàssim. Immediately afterwards, **Ending of the festivities** with fireworks displayed on Barcelona avenue.

USEFUL REMARKS

The events committee reserves the right to modify this programme when appropriate.

Participation in taurine events is a self-imposed risk. Underage people and people in inappropriate conditions at the bullring is completely forbidden during bull running.

The events committee provides the general public with horses for the *tropell* (horse race) and reserves the right to forbid participation of people in inappropriate conditions.

Coqueta participants awards.

Floats – 1st €500, 2nd €350 and 3rd €250

Cars – 1st €200 and 2nd €120

The remaining floats, cars and *grupas* will be rewarded with €90.

In order to participate in the parade with your floats or cars, it is necessary to register and collect the tickets at the Town Hall on 9th to 12th January.

In order to aim for any of these prizes it is indispensable to participate in days 16th (blessing) and 17th (Procession) and to pick up the certificate at the Teatro Municipal Francisco Tárrega on 21st January.

The cars and floats owners that wish to park them at the gathering point will be required to meet at the Juan Carlos I avenue on the 16th from 4 to 6 p.m. until the procession starts.

Due to the parade route, neighbors of Bayer, Josep Barberà i Ceprià and Santo Tomás streets are required to leave it clean of fires and objects after 9.30 p.m.

In order to prevent possible car damages, please do not park your vehicles in the main streets during the festivities. Please notice that most of the mains streets will be closed to traffic.

PAELLAS DAY

Return of irons and tables will be available at the same points of pick-up **with your ticket**. Then the refund of the deposit will be at the Teatro Municipal with those tickets on the 19th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.