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“SWEET BAKERY GOES TO BARCELONA”

Join Brantford’s favorite diva Stacey Farrant, owner of Sweet Bakery, on a tour to vibrant Barcelona, truly one of Europe’s most beautiful and exciting cities. We enjoy all the major sights, such as the Sagrada Familia Church, a creation of world-famous local architect Gaudi, and visit fine museums and art galleries, devoted to masters like Picasso, Miro, and Dali. Between visits we will immerse ourselves in the culinary delights of the city with food tours, tastings and cooking classes. Tapas anyone?!

September 23rd to October 2nd, 2018

Tour cost: \$4,125.00 based on double occupancy – single supplement: \$850.00

Land only cost: \$3,175.00 based on double occupancy

If paying by cheque deduct \$100 off of the tour price

Proposed Itinerary:

Day 1 – Sunday, September 23:

(Meals: B=breakfast/L=lunch/D=dinner)

Evening departure from Toronto to Barcelona with Air Canada. An apéritif, dinner, and a light breakfast will be served on board.

Day 2 – Monday, September 24:

(D)

Morning arrival in Barcelona, arriving around noon. Transfer to the centrally located Hotel Arc de la Rambla. Check in, followed by free time to settle in and get some rest after the overnight flight. In late afternoon, leisurely introductory walk along the lively Rambla Boulevard to Catalonia Square. This evening, welcome drink (Sangria, perhaps?), followed by dinner in a typical restaurant.

OUR HOTEL:

Location, location, location!!! Hotel Arc de la Rambla is located in the heart of Barcelona, close to La Rambla Boulevard, La Boqueria market, the Gothic Quarter, Plaza de Catalunya, the Columbus Monument, and the harbour. Nearby you will find jazz and flamenco clubs, tapas bars, museums such as the Maritime Museum, art galleries, Gaudi's Palacio Guëll, plenty of shops, and even outdoor arts and crafts fairs. The hotel is modern and clean, with breakfast served daily.

Day 3 – Tuesday, September 25:

(B/D)

After breakfast, walking tour of the historical city centre, the Gothic Quarter. The major sights of the *Barri Gotic* are Placa Nova, the Cathedral with its Catalan Gothic interior and fine cloister, an oasis of greenery inhabited by a flock of geese, Placa del Rei with Roman and medieval buildings such as the Chapel of St. Agatha, and Placa Reial, a vast pedestrian square lined by palm trees. We conclude this morning's sightseeing with a visit to the colourful Boqueria Market. Afternoon at leisure. This evening, dinner in another local restaurant in the vicinity of our hotel.

Day 4 - Wednesday, September 26:

(B/L)

This morning we visit the Picasso Museum, housed in a wonderful Gothic palace of the old town. Afterwards we continue to the Gothic Church of Santa Maria del Mar and explore the surrounding Born district, Barcelona's "Soho", teeming with quaint little shops and attractive cafés patronized by designers, artists, and students. This afternoon will be our first 3 hour tapas food tour where we will combine the best of Spanish tapas and drinks as we explore old Barcelona. The experience starts down by the water, overlooking Barcelona's marina. It is here that we share some of the intertwined history and culture of the areas, to set the scene for the rest of the afternoon. Over the next few hours we visit three more tapas food stops, savoring dishes from different parts of Spain and enjoying the drinks that are paired with them. The final stop is at a 16th Century bodega to indulge in a delicious lunch washed down with lashes of beautiful Spanish red wine. Throughout the experience, we will share insightful stories about the origin of the dishes and drinks, as well as the history, culture & traditions of the city. Needless to say, no group dinner this evening.

Day 5 – Thursday, September 27:

(B)

Full-day panoramic sightseeing tour by private coach. Among the highlights will be Gaudi's fabulous Guëll Park and his amazing Sagrada Familia Church; Passeig de Gracia Boulevard with many examples of modernist architecture; Montjuic mountain overlooking the city and the harbour; the Olympic Stadium, venue of the 1992 Olympics; Placa de Espana and the site of the 1929 World Fair; and the Miro Foundation, devoted entirely to the work of this great avant-garde Catalan artist who was born in this city in 1893 (he died in 1983).

Day 6 – Friday, September 28:

(B/L)

Breakfast followed by a tour of the Santa Caterina Market, where the group will indulge in different specialties such as: olive oil, olives, jamon, tomatoes, manchego cheese, chorizo & vinegar, all while learning about the diverse geography of Spain & where the produce comes from. Afterwards we will make our way to an historical venue, where we will be welcomed with a glass of cava as we learn how to make some of Spain's most loved dishes. Useful insights into making Mediterranean cuisine are gained with this hands-on cooking experience, before sitting down to enjoy our hard earned lunch served with wine. This afternoon we visit the superb Maritime Museum in the historical shipyards. Rest of the day at leisure but tonight we attend a flamenco show!

Day 7 – Saturday, September 29:

(B/L)

This morning we will enjoy a 3 hour tour around the Gothic & Born neighborhoods, learning about and enjoying the best of Spanish desserts. We start by taking our freshly made churros from a 3rd generation chuerria to a 'granja' that's been running since 1872 to dip them in their beautiful, thick hot chocolate. We visit a neighborhood favorite bakery to indulge in their beloved 'coca de crema' before going to an award-winning patisserie. We then sit in a 16th century bodega for some typical Catalan desserts: 'crema catalana' and 'tostadas de chocolate'. We finish our experience with a tour of the Chocolate museum. Throughout the morning we will learn about the history and stories behind these delicious sweets and the establishments we visit. We end

the tour with a traditional bocadillo (Spanish sandwich). In the afternoon we have an excursion to the Benedictine Monastery high in the Montserrat Mountains; a national sanctuary as well as the major cultural centre of Catalonia and the home of La Moreneta, the Black Madonna, who serves as the Catalan patron saint.

Day 8 – Sunday, September 30:

(B)

Today is set aside entirely for individual activities. Our suggestion: a visit to the City History Museum and/or the National Museum of Catalan Art with its superb Romanesque and Gothic collections, and of course a visit to one of Gaudi's other famous creations, such as La Pedrera, Casa Mila, or Guëll Palace. You may want to consider a side trip, or a train ride along the Mediterranean to visit the Salvador Dali Museum in Figueres. Or there's the opportunity to attend mass in the cathedral; whether you do or not, after mass one can watch the Sardana, the traditional dance of Catalonia, being performed by hundreds of people in the square in front of the Cathedral! This afternoon or evening there may be an opportunity to attend a classical music concert or an exciting game of soccer, featuring the local team, CF Barcelona, the 2006 European Champions!

Day 9 – Monday, October 1:

(B/L)

After breakfast we will embark on a journey that takes us back in time to the beautiful Modernism era in Barcelona, as we discover the people of the bourgeois scene, the architects, like Antoni Gaudi, they commissioned and the stories behind the creation of the most iconic buildings of the modernist movement in Barcelona; Casa Battlo, Casa Lleo i Morera, La Pedrera and Casa Amatller. We enjoy our bourgeois journey in style, the same as the millionaires of the time did. We start with oysters & cava in a period beautiful bar, followed by an artisanal chocolate tasting in a beautiful modernist gem. All this before we indulge in a spectacular 6 course lunch at an award-winning Michelin-starred restaurant. We round off our lovely day in the life of the rich & famous, on a rooftop bar that overlooks the city. This is where you can relax as you take in the beautiful views of Barcelona one last time! The rest of the day is for your leisure to do any last minute shopping or sightseeing.

Day 10 – Tuesday, October 2:

(B)

Following an early breakfast, transfer to the airport and return flight to Toronto.

Tour cost from Toronto, based on double occupancy: \$4, 125.00 per person, txs incl.

Land only cost, based on double occupancy: \$3,175.00 per person, txs incl.

Supplement for *single use of a double* room: \$850.00 in a classic room

(Please note single rooms will be in the classic room categories, while double rooms are in superior rooms)

Included in the price are:

- Return flight from Toronto to Barcelona, with Air Canada- rate includes all taxes & fuel surcharges;
- Accommodation, based on double occupancy, in a centrally-located and very comfortable 3-star hotel
- The surcharge for single use of a double room is \$850.00;
- Breakfast daily, 3 food tours, 6 additional lunches/dinners;
- Transfers, all visits and sightseeing as described in the itinerary;
- Gratuities to guides and drivers;
- Pauwels Travel tour escort;
- 2 hr. Plaza Premium Airport Lounge pass, if you register for the tour/air included, 90 days prior to departure.

Not included:

- Wine, beer, mineral water, and similar beverages with lunch or dinner;
- All items of a personal nature;
- Travel Insurance is available with Manulife, but premium depends on age, type etc, please call for rates.

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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 is 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 46 days before departure: 25% of tour cost

45 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 hotel, 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 further understand that travel involves certain risks to personal health, safety and property. Many foreign countries do not have the safety and health standards that are present in Canada. I am willing to accept the

associated risks and understand that and Pauwels Travel Bureau cannot guarantee the health and safety of travellers in a foreign trip or eliminate the risk from a foreign environment.

3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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 is 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.

10. 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 AIR:

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, in some cases 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 live reservation and has control over the booking so it is their policy not ours that prevents us from assigning you specific seats. I assure you if a request is made it is followed up on by our staff when they submit the names 30 to 60 days prior to departure. Calling us several days before you go will not change this fact nor will getting upset with our staff.

If the ideal seat is an absolute must for you we suggest you book our tour land only and make your own air arrangements so you can better control the individual booking. Pauwels would be happy to assist you with that reservation at absolutely no additional charge. We will offer you the best fare we can find but note this can only be done once a tour is a guaranteed departure and the rules and booking conditions of the applicable airfare will apply.

We thank you in advance for your kind understanding of the above.

APPLICATION FORM

Please book ___ seat(s) on the "Sweet Bakery Goes to Barcelona" travelling September 23 – Oct 2, 2018.

Enclosed is my/our deposit of _____ (\$750 per person, *plus* insurance premium if taken.)

Please indicate with an **X** if you intend to travel on Group flights _____ or Land Only _____.

Deposit and insurance premium, if taken, are due with registration. You will be invoiced for an interim payment for \$1000.00 and the balance due 45 days prior to departure.

WE REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) VALID 3 MONTHS AFTER TOUR DATE TO BE SENT IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

PASSPORT NAME(S): **Please** indicate the appropriate title (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Dr., Ms.)

Surname _____ First _____ Middle(s) _____ Date of Birth: _____

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If applicable, give your commonly used first name as you would like it to appear on your name tag: (e.g. "Liz" for "Mary Elizabeth") _____

ADDRESS: _____

Postal Code: _____

PHONE: _____ (Email) _____

If traveling alone, is a SINGLE ROOM REQUIRED? YES _____ NO _____

If sharing, what is your bed preference: twin _____ double _____?

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: We find the earlier a request is made, the more success we have in filling it, so **please list any dietary requests, allergies, any special physical needs or frequent flyer numbers etc here.** We cannot ensure requests made 30 days or less prior to departure will be possible.

Insurance, Please call the office for premiums then record it on application and add premium to deposit.

I /we would like to purchase (please check and record your rate):

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

All-inclusive Package _____ \$ _____ Non-medical Package _____ \$ _____

Other _____ \$ _____ **OR** Decline Insurance _____

PAYMENT: Cheque payable to Pauwels Travel Visa Mastercard American Express

Amount Paid: _____

Card Number: _____ Expiry: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

"I/we agree to the terms and conditions attached to the program, have indicated our insurance choice, indicated any special requests and included payment".

Date _____ **(Signature)(s)** _____

Please forward this completed and signed form, copy of passport and payment to:

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