



A Coruña, SPAIN

June 22-25, 2014

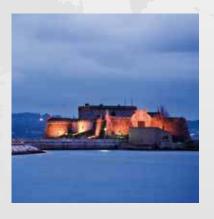














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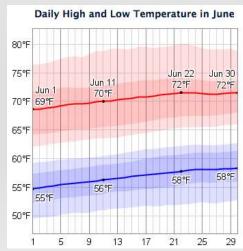
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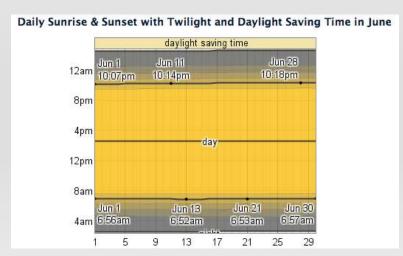
LOCATION - A CORUÑA, SPAIN



With more than 2,000 years of history, A Coruña and its metropolitan area is a modern, dynamic and innovative city looking out onto the Atlantic.

Motto: A Coruña, a cidade onde ninguén é forasteiro A Coruña, the city where nobody is a stranger





| Profile/ | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------|------|
| Location/ | Northwest Spain | | |
| Population/ | 409,085 inhabitants | | |
| Climate/ | | | |
| Average Summer Maximum | 22° C | 71.6° F | |
| Average Winter Maximum | 14° C | 57.2° F | |
| Accommodation/ | | | |
| Beds in the city | | 168 | **** |
| | | 2,701 | **** |
| | | 997 | *** |

LOCATION - A CORUÑA, SPAIN

The Old City

It allows to relive different stages of the history and shows rhythms of the heartbeat of a medieval and baroque city.





lighthouse in the world and the only one that remains in service.

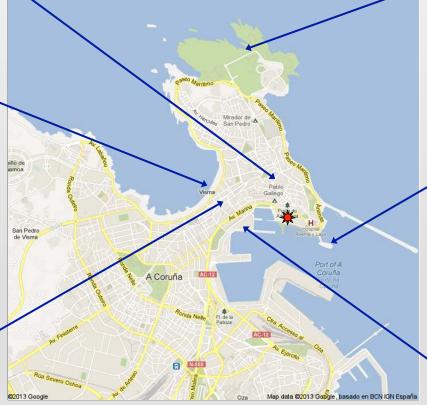
Tower of Hércules

It is the oldest Roman

Beach Promenade

It is the longest in Europe, with more than 10 kilometers in length.





San Antón Castle

16th century fortress that houses the Archaelogical and Historical Museum.



Beaches

More than two kilometers of beaches all around the city, within walking distances.



* The Venue

Hotel Hesperia Finisterre



Glass City

The city has constructed galerias, balconies in glass, where the original fishermen's houses were.

VENUE – HOTEL HESPERIA FINISTERRE

It is located in the heart of the city, just a short walk from the port and less than a five-minute stroll from the town's shopping streets, historic center, beaches, restaurants and café terraces.

It has five fully equipped meeting rooms that overlook the ocean and seat up to a total of

1,400 people.

Hotel Hesperia Finisterre

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Habitaciones/ Rooms/ 92 Plazas/ Beds/ 168

| Salón/ | m | 2 | | | Ψſ | ŵ | | | |
|-------------------|-------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|----|-----|
| Conference Halls/ | , 111 | • | | | 11 | | Т | | 2.2 |
| Victoria | 454 | 5,70 | 500 | 200 | 756 | 70 | 1.000 | 70 | 192 |
| Miramar | 352 | 4,10/3,70 | 250 | 120 | 160 | 60 | 400 | 70 | 108 |
| Finisterre (A) | 79 | 2,71/2,46 | 75 | 32 | 40 | 24 | 60 | 20 | 24 |
| Isla (B) | 76 | 2,71/2,46 | 75 | 32 | 40 | 24 | 60 | 20 | 24 |
| Mindanao (C) | 92 | 2,97/2,46 | 125 | 52 | 60 | 35 | 100 | 40 | 42 |
| Finisterre+Isla | 155 | 2,71/2,46 | 150 | 56 | 70 | - | 120 | - | 48 |
| Isla+Mindanao | 168 | 2,97/2,46 | 170 | 72 | 90 | - | 160 | - | 60 |
| La Toja (A+B+C) | 247 | 2,71/2,46 | 230 | 104 | 140 | - | 200 | - | 72 |











TRANSPORTATION

Alvedro Airport (15 minutes from city center)

Shuttle, bus, and taxi

Direct flights from: Barcelona, Bilbao, Madrid, Seville, Amsterdam, Lisbon, London and Paris.

Lavacolla Airport

(Santiago, 45 minutes from A Coruña city center)

Bus, train, car rentals and taxi

Direct flights from: Alicante, Barcelona, Basel, Bilbao, Dublin, Frankfurt, Geneva, Gran Canaria, Lanzarote, London, Madrid, Milan, Palma de Mallorca, Paris, Seville, Tenerife, and Valencia.





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By rail

RENFE Railway Station/In the center of the city

By road

A-9 Motorway/ Links A Coruña with Portugal.
Northwestern Highway/ Connects A Coruña with Madrid





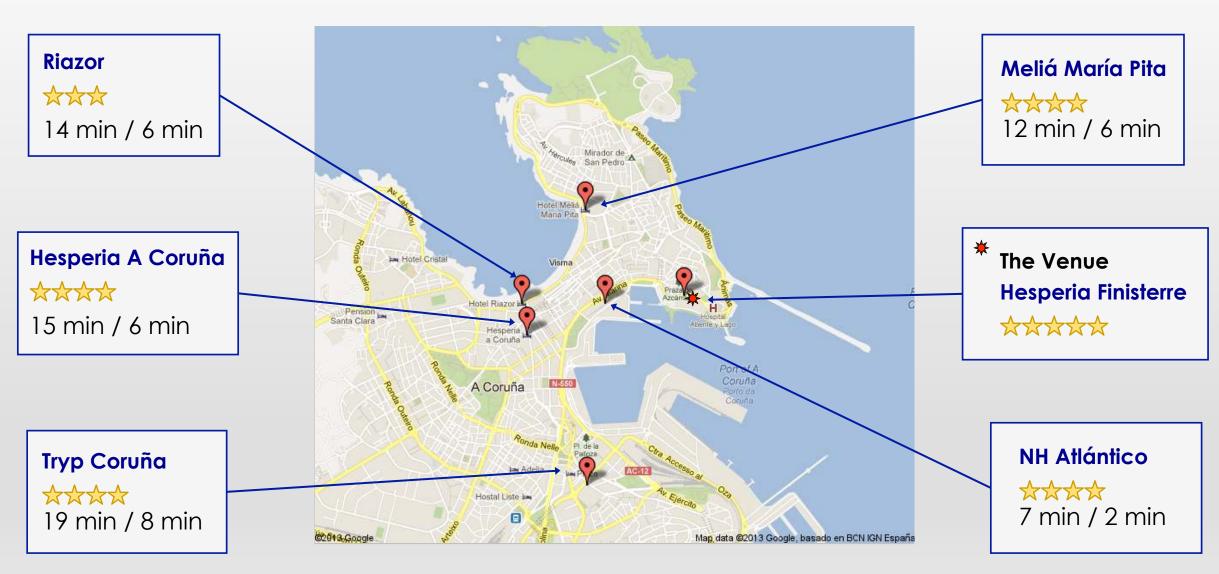
A Coruña

Santiago de

And once you are here, then everything is just a step away; no traffic jams, no rush

- A Coruña is the perfect place for a gentle stroll.

ACCOMMODATION



Times to venue are in walking distances / by public transportation

ACCOMMODATION





The Venue Hesperia Finisterre





Meliá María Pita











Hesperia A Coruña



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SIGHTSEEING



Praia das Catedrais (1 hour 30 min)

A natural monument (cathedral) with a supernatural dimension.



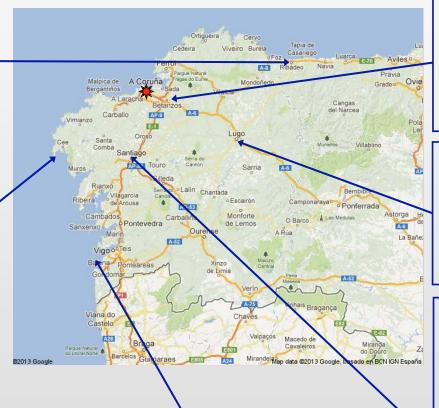
Cabo Fisterra (1 hour 45 min)

Westernmost point of Iberian Peninsula with meaning "end of the earth."

Las "Rías" (Estuaries)

They say that the Galician Rías, those long inlets, are the finger marks that God left when, after creating the world, he placed his hand there to rest (1,300 Kms of coastline from North to South).





Illas Cíes

Natural reserve with the best beach in the World.

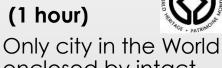


Betanzos (20 min)

One of the best preserved old quarters in Galicia.



Walls of Lugo (1 hour)



enclosed by intact Roman walls.

Santiago de Compostela (50 min) Visit and banquet

City of Culture of Galicia and destination of the Way of St. James pilgrimage route.







MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL (JUNE 23-24)

Unique opportunity for SAM 2014!

- It takes place the evening of June 23 (shortest night of the year)
- The people of Galicia are descendants of Celtic people, whose myths, legends and belief in the mystic are strong even today.
- The St John Bonfires constitute a ceremony to scare bad spirits.
- Water and medicinal plants (nice food, music and drinks) are also part of an unforgettable night full of magic and fun!











... AND MORE

Galician cuisine and wine

- The best shellfish and seafood you have ever tried;
- The tastiest meat and vegetables;
- The finest white wine (Albariño) that you have ever drunk
- Traditional pies (empanadas) and sweets















Culture and traditions

Bagpipe music, muiñeira (traditional dance), Sargadelos ceramics, ...







Outdoor activities

Sailing, hiking, surfing, white water rafting, and many more.







TENTATIVE FORMAT

| | Sunday (6/22/13) | Monday (6/23/13) | Tuesday (6/24/13) | Wednesday (6/25/13) |
|--|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | | Opening remarks | | |
| | | Plenary talk | Plenary talk | Plenary talk |
| | | Coffee break | Coffee break | Coffee break |
| | | Poster sessions | Poster sessions | Poster sessions |
| | | Lunch | Lunch | Lunch |
| | Possible | Plenary talk | Plenary talk | Plenary talk |
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| | Welcome reception | Midsummer festival event | Santiago de Compostela | |