



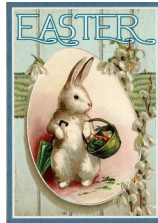
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CVSC SkiZette

April, 2025

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS



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President's Message

Happy Spring everyone!! The weather's changing but we had some good snow, but warming up again.

We had another good turnout at our general meeting, the appetizers were good, the company was better, and we learned about our upcoming trips, and some that are being considered for the future. Costa Rica is on the horizon already we leave next month! Another exciting adventure!



Claudia Fernandes
President

We have several events coming up this summer

and fall so stay tuned. I do need to know from those attending the FWSA Convention if interested in being a delegate. Please call me!! The list is due to Far West soon. Thank you! It will be in Palm Springs this year - another fun adventure in June.

We are looking at music concerts in the park or at wineries this summer, we will keep you posted.

Have a wonderful spring and Happy Easter everyone. Hope to see you at our April Meeting.

Claudia

*Happy
Easter!*



SkiZette Policy

NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE: 5th of the month

Articles submitted by this date will be included in the following month's newsletter .

Submit articles to:

Dennie Warren, Editor

email: dennieluuu1@gmail.com

Didn't get your newsletter? - Change of Address? -

PLEASE Contact Maggie Jong, VP Membership

email: mozoro25@gmail.com



SPORTING GOODS EXCHANGE

Got any sporting equipment (i.e. skis, snowboards) and/or clothing that you no longer can use, don't want, etc..... let me know & I'll put it here!!!!

OR.... If you need the above let me know as well!!!

This also goes for winter/ski cabins that you'd like to offer for rent or are looking for same.... Let me know!!!!

(Dennie—your editor — dennieluuu1@gmail.com)

GREENHOUSE MARKET-PLACE

Do you do lots of canning (fruit — jams/ jellies/preserves) and would like members to know about it — let me know & the word will go here!!!!

Are you blessed with culinary expertise (make pies, special desserts, etc) and would like to share?? Also, let me know!!!

If you Need a Hering Aid, Please Wear Them

Dr. Melissa Karp, AuD

The need for hearing aids is not uncommon, but for many people, getting into the habit of wearing them on a consistent basis is a challenge. Yet, there are advantages to wearing your hearing aids on a regular basis. Doing so could help to improve your quality of life more than you realize.

Why Wear Your Hearing Aids All Day?

It helps form a habit

It takes doing the same thing numerous days in a row to make it a habit. Many people who are wearing hearing aids for the first time find it hard to remember to put them in or take them with them on a daily basis.

To help with creating a habit, start with a routine. After grabbing a cup of coffee in the morning or brushing your teeth, get in the habit of picking them up and wearing them.

The more often you wear your hearing aids in various environments, such as crowded areas, outdoors, and in the home, the easier they become to wear. The uncomfortable loud sounds will become more natural and normal. That's because your brain begins to adapt to it. The sooner you start wearing your hearing aids on a routine basis, the faster this happens.

Hearing loss leads to an increased risk of dementia

Hearing loss that's left untreated puts you at risk for earlier onset of dementia. In a [2020 Lancet study](#) of people in middle age, there was a significant increase in the onset of dementia in people with hearing loss that's untreated. In fact, it could double the risk of the condition beginning. The report even went so far as to label the increased risk to the brain as bad as having a traumatic brain injury.

Any type of hearing loss, even a moderate level of hearing loss, needs to be treated as soon as possible to ensure the brain continues to process sounds as it should. When that does not happen, brain damage can be so severe it leads to an onset of conditions like dementia. There is no cure for dementia, and while there is no cure for all forms of hearing loss, the use of hearing aids can help to minimize the risk of brain tissue suffering damage from a lack of use of hearing skills.

A lack of wearing them could worsen the risks of depression

A person who is unable to hear well – even with mild to moderate loss of hearing – is at a high risk of developing mental health disorders like depression. As noted by the [American Academy of Audiology](#), people who have difficulty with hearing are more likely to withdraw from social activities and interacting with other people. That puts them at risk of developing depression.

Depression could include trouble sleeping and eating, feelings of guilt, and a loss of interest or pleasure in things that used to be enjoyable. For some people, this could mean low self-worth. With the use of hearing aids, the risk of depression brought on by social isolation lowers. The organization shares that 33% of people who are over the age of 70 and have any level of hearing loss have some impact on their daily communication. Ultimately, this leads to a lower quality of life.

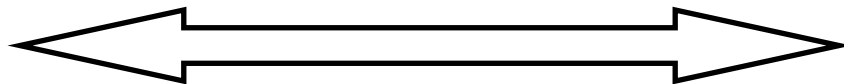
You need to hear well all of the time to remain safe

Imagine walking down the street and not hearing all of the people calling around you to move out of the way of an out-of-control vehicle. Perhaps you are in a shopping center, and something is falling, but you don't hear people warning you of the risk. You may not hear a fire alarm or a police officer asking you questions. In short, there are times in your life when you are in very normal situations where you need to hear something urgent. If you cannot do that, you cannot keep yourself safe.

Wearing your hearing aids on a daily basis ensures you can hear what's happening around you. That means being able to hear the people talking about you, the person thanking you for helping them, and even the small child that's asking you for help. Without your hearing aids in, all of these seemingly simple things don't happen.

If you cannot hear well, you may no longer enjoy watching TV as much. You may no longer listen to speeches or take time to take a class. Many times, it is these instances of a lack of information and new content that impacts the quality of your brain's function overall. If you don't use your brain in all forms possible, it doesn't work as well.

[submitted by Sandy Beecher, Safety Chair]



Music @ CV Library....

June 12 (Thursday) — Emily Day & the Cosmo Alleycats
American music, swing, soul, jazz, Motown, R&B, funk, blues

July 10 (Thursday) — Jimbo Scott
Folk, Americana, blue grass

August 14 (Thursday) — The Bobby Young Project
Blues

(submitted by Wayne Ainsworth)

MARCH GENERAL MEETING.....



2025 Castro Valley Ski Club presents

Amazing Costa Rica

May 4-15th, 2025



\$2599

Costa Rica is a land of volcanoes, rainforests and cloud forest

Your tour of Costa Rica includes:

- Ground transportation in an air-conditioned motor coach
- Accommodations at first-class hotels and beach resort
- 15 meals: 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 2 dinners
- Professional, English-speaking Tour Director throughout
- Tips & More

Not Included:

- Air & Transfers – everyone is on their own to get air

Travel Insurance:

- 10% of the price of your trip

Single occupancy supplement is \$750

Send \$300 per person non-refundable deposit to:

Tucker Hoffmann - CVSC Travel Director
2657 Rivers Bend Circle Livermore, CA 94550
510-329-4242 tkhoffmann@comcast.net

CVSC CST # 2081040

Castro Valley Ski Club

Presents

Paris, Normandy, and the Seine River Cruise



October 3-15th, 2025

\$3895 to \$4695 depending on cabin choice – plus air \$1400

Delight in the dazzling sights of Paris, explore the charming villages along the Seine, and encounter the sacredness of Normandy

Here is all the info on The Seine: Normandy to Paris River Cruise with Grand Circle Cruise Line in 2025. Below are the details for this cruise along with instructions to make reservations.

The upper deck has a small balcony with a sliding glass door. The lower deck has a large picture window and is slightly larger than the balcony cabins.

Learn more about this cruise online at: www.gct.com/SEN25 you can see deck plans here as well

Here's how you can sign up

1) Call Grand Circle Travel: 1-800-221-2610

2) **Mention Group Code: G5-25848**

3) Mention you'd like to make a reservation for the The Seine: Normandy to Paris in 2025 with the Castro Valley Ski Club

4) Deposit is \$500 per person, but more if including travel protection with the deposit.

I have negotiated a special incentive if you sign up by Jan 30, 2024 you will get an additional \$100 off PRICING, also you can get a Good Buy Discount (GBD): Pay in full from a checking account 15 months prior to departure to save up to 10% on your tour and airfare balance. Learn more about our Good Buy Discount online at: www.gct.com/GBD. This adds up!



Pricing:

- Alto D Cabin: \$3895 per person
- Alto C Cabin: \$4295 per person
- Soprano B Cabin with balcony: \$4495 per person
- Soprano A Cabin with balcony: \$4695 per person

Optional Pre-Trip extension to Brittany & Mont St. Michel: \$995 per person

Optional Post-Trip extension to Paris: \$895 per person

Single cabins are limited. If available, the single supplement is \$795

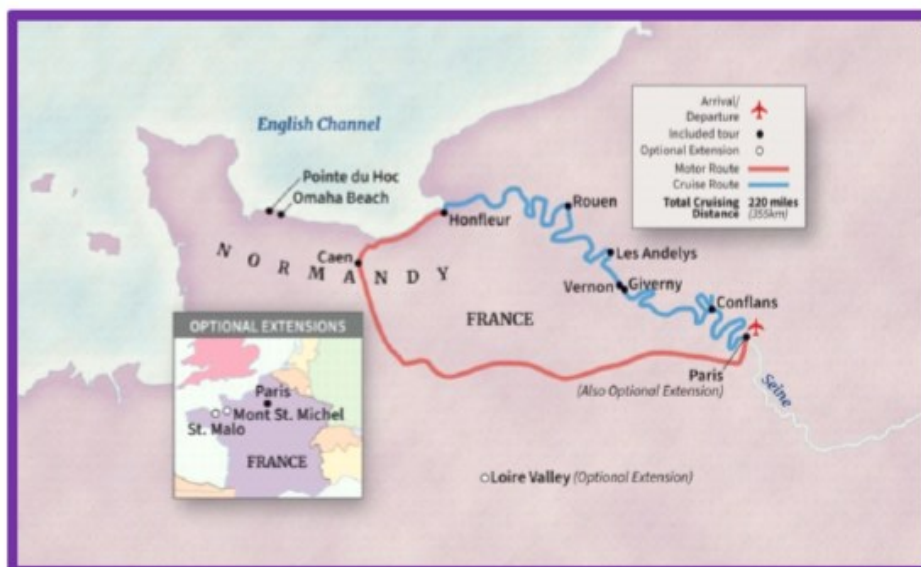
Grand Circle Reservations is open 7 days/week.

Hours: Monday-Friday: 6am-5pm PT

Saturday-Sunday 6am-3pm PT

Tucker & Kathy

Castro Valley Ski Club Travel



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9/14/2025



Sensations of Lyon and Provence River Cruise

Including a three-night hotel stay in Nice on the French Riviera

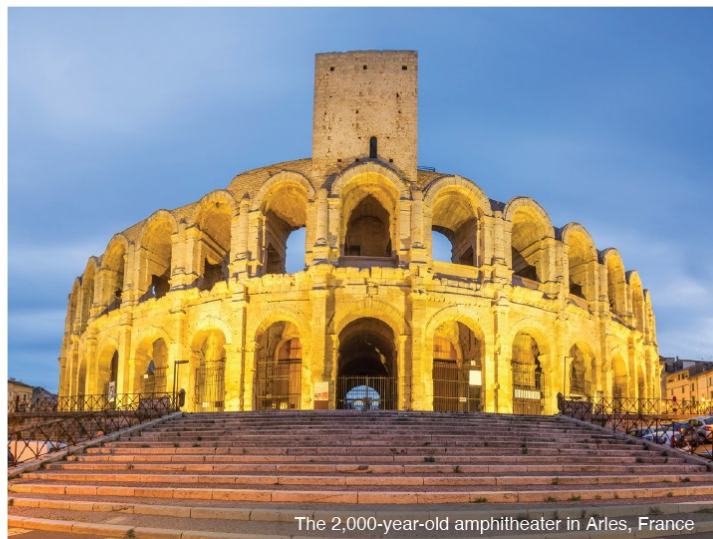
Departure Date: September 15, 2026



Sensations of Lyon and Provence River Cruise



The scenic beauty of Monte Carlo beckons



The 2,000-year-old amphitheater in Arles, France

DAY 1 Depart the USA: Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Nice, France.

DAY 2 Nice, France: Welcome to Nice! Upon arrival, you will be met at the airport by a representative of Mayflower Cruises and Tours and transferred to the hotel. A three-night stay awaits in this fascinating city on the French Riviera and the sun-kissed capital of the Côte d'Azur.

DAY 3 Monte Carlo / Nice: Depart by coach for the principality of Monaco to visit Monte Carlo on the French Riviera. Home to the Grand Prix, location of numerous movies and playground of the rich and famous – you're sure to recognize its beautiful setting and famed casino. After an insightful tour and free time to explore, return to Nice for the remainder of the day at leisure.
Meal: B

DAY 4 Nice: The final day in Nice is left free of planned activities. A hospitality representative is at your service to help you plan your day in this vibrant city. **Meal: B**
DiscoverMORE: Saint Paul de Vence (additional expense)

DAY 5 Nice – Arles: After breakfast, it's time to say farewell to the French Riviera and journey by motorcoach to Arles where the captain and crew welcome you aboard the *Emerald Liberté* – home for the next seven nights. Settle into your new surroundings and enjoy dinner onboard as the vessel remains docked in Arles overnight. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 Arles: The UNESCO World Heritage Site and Provençal town of Arles combines all of the region's charms. While strolling through the streets, medieval in character, with the local guide, you'll discover why the colorful houses were an inspiration to Vincent Van Gogh and other famous artists. Visit the 2,000-year-old Roman amphitheater which is still in use

today. This evening, a Provençal experience awaits as dinner is hosted by Top Chef finalist, Fabien Morreale. **Meals: B, L, D**

DiscoverMORE: Visit to L'Occitane Factory (additional expense)

DiscoverMORE: Excursion to Les Baux de Provence (additional expense)

EmeraldPLUS: Provençal dining experience onboard

DAY 7 Avignon: Avignon is one of the few French cities to have preserved its ramparts, historic center and churches. Classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is well known for the imposing Palace of the Popes. During your guided walk, see the famous ancient stone bridge, 'Pont d'Avignon', crossing the Rhône. Marvel at the ornate beauty of the Palace of the Popes and stroll through the historic center. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldACTIVE: Canoeing excursion

DiscoverMORE: Excursion to Pont du Gard (additional expense)

DiscoverMORE: Visit to Chateaufort du Pape with wine tasting (additional expense)

EmeraldPLUS: Classical concert in Avignon

DAY 8 Viviers: Arrive in Viviers, a town which still has Middle-Age flair. Join an included walking tour exploring the architectural heritage of this quaint town. **Meals: B, L, D**

DiscoverMORE: Visit to Chauvet Pont D'Arc (additional expense)

DAY 9 Tournon: As the vessel sails along the gently winding Rhône River, the landscape of Tournon comes into view. Nestled in the valley near the steep slopes of le Massif Central, France's 3rd largest mountain range, it's picture-perfect. During the included tour, a local guide leads you on a walk through Tournon, which is dominated by the 16th-century castle overlooking the village, ancient watchtowers and Roman ruins. The area has a long tradition in wine making, including the renowned wine growing center of Tain l'Hermitage across the river. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldACTIVE: Guided hike through vineyards (instead of included walking tour)



Stunning views of Lyon, France

DAY 10 Lyon: France's third largest city, Lyon is steeped in history and a former Roman capital. The city is positioned at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône Rivers. Take part in the guided tour of Lyon, which includes a drive to the UNESCO World Heritage Basilique Notre-Dame de Fourvière, Lyon's hilltop church, with stunning views over the town. A walking tour of the city center showcases its architectural wonders.

Meals: B, L, D

EmeraldACTIVE: Guided bike tour (instead of included city tour)

DiscoverMORE: Tour to Pérouges (additional expense)

DAY 11 Chalon-Sur-Saône /Beaune / Lyon: Chalon-Sur-Saône is best known as the birthplace of photography and the center of Burgundy's wine region. Travel by coach to the quaint village of Beaune to visit the Hospices de Beaune, one of the finest examples of French 15th-century architecture. Marvel at the multi-colored roofs of this former hospital, now a museum, which has become one of the symbols of Burgundy. The ship sails back to Lyon this evening. **Meals: B, L, D**

EmeraldPLUS: Cheese and olive tasting onboard

DAY 12 Lyon / USA: After breakfast, it's time to bid 'au revoir' to France and depart to the Lyon airport for your flight home. Flights to depart Lyon after 12:00pm. **Meal: B**

Itinerary and vessel subject to change.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 4 – Best Western Plus Hotel Massena or similar, Nice, France

Days 5 through 11 – Aboard the *Emerald Liberté*



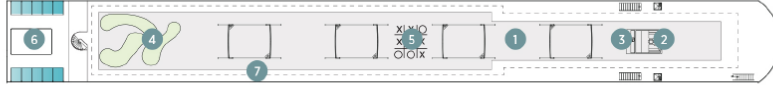
Exceptional Inclusions

- **23 Meals:** 10 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners
- **Airport transfers** on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Three-night **hotel stay in Nice, France**
- **Touring in Monaco and Monte Carlo**
- **Seven-night cruise** through southern France
- **First-class service** by an English-speaking crew
- **Shore excursions** with English-speaking **local guides**
- Personal **listening device** for onboard excursions
- All meals included onboard with a **variety of international cuisine**
- Complimentary **regional wines, beer and soft drinks** accompany onboard lunches and dinners
- **Onboard Activity Manager** will support all EmeraldACTIVE excursions and host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- Complimentary **bottled water** in your stateroom
- **All gratuities included**
- Complimentary **WiFi onboard**
- Complimentary **bicycles onboard** for use ashore

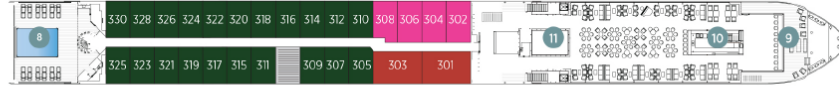
MS Emerald Liberté

Built: 2017 **Speed:** 15.5 mph **Staterooms:** 14 **Suites:** 54 **Length:** 361 ft. **Crew:** 43

SUN DECK



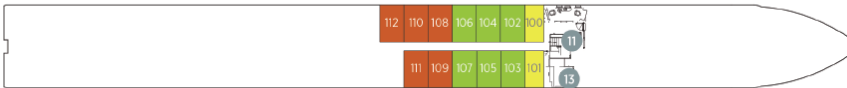
HORIZON DECK



VISTA DECK



RIVIERA DECK



Public Areas and Ship Amenities

- 1 Sun Deck with Deck Chairs
- 2 Navigation Bridge
- 3 Sky Barbeque
- 4 Golf Putting Green
- 5 Games Area
- 6 Retractable Glass Roof
- 7 Walking Track
- 8 Daytime Pool / Evening Cinema
- 9 The Terrace
- 10 Horizon Bar and Lounge
- 11 Elevator
- 12 Reception
- 13 Wellness Area
- 14 Fitness Area
- 15 Reflections Restaurant



Owner's One-Bedroom Suite

315ft²

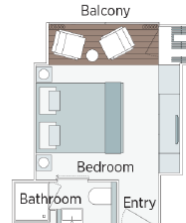
CAT SA



Grand Balcony Suite

207ft²

CAT S



Panorama Balcony Suite

170ft²

CAT A CAT B CAT C



Emerald Stateroom

170ft²

CAT D CAT E

Sensations of Lyon and Provence

		SEPT 15, 2026	
CAT	STATEROOM / SUITE	DECK	
E	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5,465
D	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5,709
C	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6,249
B	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6,609
A	Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$6,669
S	Grand Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$8,115
SA	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	Horizon	\$8,719

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group and may not be available until airport check-in. Seat changes can only be attempted at the airport and may not be possible. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend booking air on your own rather than booking air with the group.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) for River Cruises

This nonrefundable fee will provide a refund to you during the instance that you have to cancel your trip. The cancellation has to be for a covered reason (see Plan for details on coverage) and we have to be notified at least one day prior to departure. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness or the illness or death of an immediate family member, TPP will provide a refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets are purchased through Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Please review the Plan for details on coverage. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

- 91 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 90 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours. Plan and benefits offered and administered by Trip Mate, Inc.

Save \$300 per person when booked by 3/31/2025

Save an ADDITIONAL \$150 PER PERSON with your 2024 Douro River Cruise Loyalty Reward (Must book by 3/31/2025)

Please make deposit by March 20th, 2025

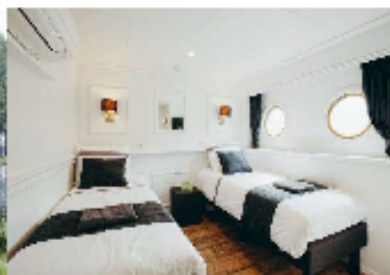


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BIKE & BARGE BRUGES to AMSTERDAM MAY 8-15, 2025



ITINERARY

1. Embarkation in Bruges, the "Pearl of Flanders"
2. From Bruges to Ghent through the beautiful Flemish Countryside
3. Cycling along the Scheldt: from Ghent to St. Amands
4. Pedaling to the city of diamonds: Antwerp!
5. From Belgium to Holland by bike & boat - Antwerp to Dordrecht
6. Cycling through the mills of Kinderdijk to Vianen
7. Among mansions, castles and villages toward Amsterdam
8. End of tour in Amsterdam

INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR:

8 days/7 nights 7 x breakfast 6 x 3-course dinner
 Packed lunches Coffee/Tea/Water on board Welcome drink
 Daily cabin cleaning Climate-controlled cabin Wi-Fi
 Fully guided cycling tours Jacuzzi on Sundek GPS
 Some short walking tours Use of a helmet Use of Manual bike
 Use of a waterproof pannier bag Fees for ferries
 Entrance Red Star Line Museum in Antwerp
 Tasting Belgium products Canal trip through Ghent

JOIN 34 BAC cyclists for a week-long bike & barge tour in Holland and Belgium: the land of bicycles! The terrain is **completely flat, and the bike paths, almost all of which are paved**, are always well marked. Some stages include a choice between a short and a longer ride, and if one day you don't feel like cycling, you have the option of staying on board the boat. The only variable to keep an eye on is the weather: a little wind or rain could make your ride more adventurous.

PRIVATE CHARTER VIA GIROLIBERO CYCLING HOLIDAYS

NOT INCLUDED:

Airfare 1-dinner (Antwerp or Bruges)
 Bottled/Alcoholic Drinks
 Trip Insurance
 Entrance fees not mentioned above
 Transfers to/from the dock

E-bike \$300 (very limited availability)

\$2,425* per person – double occupancy

Deposit: \$500 – to secure your spot
 \$1,000 Due AUG 1, 2024 Balance Due FEB 1, 2025

Checks payable to: **Bay Area Council of Ski Clubs**
 Mail to: **Karen Albrecht, 712 Matsonia Dr., Foster City CA 94404**

**Trip cost is based on 2024 currency conversion rates. Any major change in currency conversion rates that impact trip cost will be passed on to participants.*

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



92nd Annual Far West Ski Association Convention

June 12 - 15, 2025

at

Riviera Resort & Spa, Palm Springs

1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Hosted by the *Orange Council of Ski Clubs*



Riviera Resort & Spa, Palm Springs

1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92262

Reservations:

Call **760-327-8311**, Group Name: **Far West Ski Association**.

Room Rates per night plus tax, single or double occupancy —
\$169 per night

Room Registration Deadline: May 19, 2025

Hotel Features

- Palmetto Cafe
- Sante' Spa
- Circa 59
- Paradise Pool and Bar
- Tropics
- Starlight Lounge
- Oasis Pool

Transportation

- Air transportation via Palm Springs International Airport (4 minutes away)
- Transportation to the airport is available by rental car, Uber, or Lyft.

Convention Highlights

- Silent Auction & Trade Show
- Guest Speakers
- Snowsports Leadership Academy
- Public Affairs Panels
- Saturday Awards Luncheon
- Saturday Awards Banquet
- FWSA General Meeting & Elections

Optional Activities

Thursday

- Aerial Tram at St. Jacinto Park
- Let's Play Pickleball
- 28th Annual Pub Crawl

Friday

- 18th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament
- Spa Day
- Pool Party at Oasis Pool
- Club Happy Hour

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A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit: USARC (U.S. Adaptive Recreation Center) www.fwsa.org

FWSA 2025 Summer Ski Trip to Valle Nevado, Chile

August 1 – 10, 2025 (7 nights in Valle Nevado & 2 nights in Santiago)

The group departs the US on July 31st and arrives in Santiago on August 1st.

August 1st - Half-day Santiago City Tour before departing for Valle Nevado.

All Prices are based on US dollars



Land Package Includes:

7 Nights at The Hotel Puerto Del Sol in Valle Nevado

2 Nights at the 5-star Hotel InterContinental in Santiago

Prices start at \$3399 per person, based on double occupancy [air transportation sold separately.]

Single Supplements are available.

Valle Nevado resort is located just 90 minutes east of Santiago, Chile on 1,999 acres of terrain, with 34 trails. It is known for its spectacular views of the Andes Mountains, dry snow, and wide-open terrain. It traditionally has a deeper and better snow quality than any of the resorts in Chile due to its high altitude (elevation 10,000'), southern orientation, and extensive snowmaking system. We will be staying at the Hotel Puerto Del Sol which is just 20 meters away from the slopes.

Lodging Package at the Hotel Puerto Del Sol in Valle Nevado includes:



Hotel Puerto Del Sol

- Meet and greet at Santiago Airport with English Speaking Assistant.
- Half-day Santiago City Tour with English-speaking guide.
- Transfer between Santiago to Hotel Puerto Del Sol in Valle Nevado via a private Coach with English-speaking assistant.
- 7 nights' accommodation at the Hotel Puerto Del Sol.
- Welcome/Orientation Party on August 1st with reps from Valle Nevado Tourism Board.
- Daily Lift Tickets – (For those with an IKON pass, a discount will be applied based on your type of IKON Pass and any eligible PASS programs).
- One interconnecting ticket to La Parva or El Colorado resort (Subject to availability).
- Daily Buffet Breakfast & Dinner.
- Après Ski events – details to be provided.
- Complimentary use of the hotel amenities, such as:
 - WIFI
 - Ski storage
 - Spa
 - Outdoor heated swimming pool
 - Access to Fitness Center

Lodging Package at the 5-star Hotel InterContinental in Santiago includes:

- Daily breakfast at the hotel.
- Full-day tour to the Central Coast, Valparaíso, and Vina del Mar, then we will travel to Casablanca Valley where we will be welcomed at Casas Del Bosque Vinyard for a tour and tasting followed by lunch.



Valparaíso

Send Deposit and Registration Documents to:

**Gloria Raminha
FWSA VP of Int'l Travel
12707 Windy Ridge Dr.
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Trip information: Contact **Nancy Ellis, VP North American Travel,**

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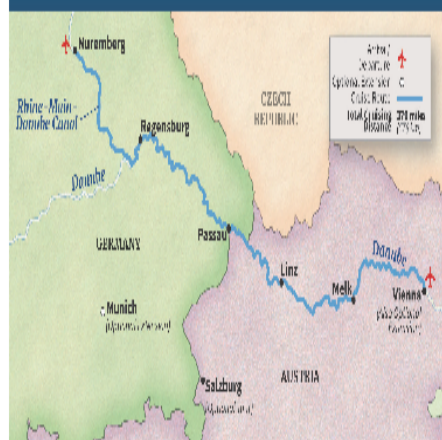
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- 1 King or 2-Queen Beds - \$1,660 per person/double occupancy
- \$1,235 Single Supplement

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