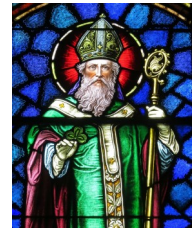




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# CVSC SkiZette

March, 2025



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- 1-8 FWSA Int'l Ski Trip to France
- 12 CVSC Board meeting at Dennie's
- 19 CVSC General meeting at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant @ 6pm
- 23-28 FWSA Mini Ski Week Big White, Canada

### APRIL

- 9 CVSC Board meeting at Sandy's
- 16 CVSC General meeting at Don Jose's Mexican Restaurant @ 6pm

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2026:

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### BAC/FWSA TRIPS

Please visit websites for detailed information.

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**Far West Ski Assoc: [fwsa.org](http://fwsa.org)**

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**MARCH  
BIRTHDAYS**



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## Castro Valley Ski Club Newsletter

### President's Message

Happy St Patrick's day everyone! Well, March is here and also daylight savings time. Are we ready??

Weather's been on and off, snow, rain and sun so hope everyone is enjoying their projects, adventures and fun this month.

We had a good turnout last month with free Margaritas, friends, and sharing. We sang happy birthday to Steve James whose birthday was that week. Nice to see everyone!!

The FWSA convention is coming up in June, Palm Springs area, don't forget to sign up if



Claudia Fernandes  
President

interested and let me know if interested in being a delegate. We will know more about how many delegates we can have this month.

We have some events planned in the coming months so please stay tuned for more information. Pat will let us know more as soon as we have them scheduled. We hope to do a BBQ in the summer with wine tasting, also a Halloween party, and of course our Christmas Trolley, to name a few.

Hope to see you at our next meeting March 19 at Don Jose's, we may have more updates to share with you all.

So until next time, be safe, enjoy each day, and may the luck of the Irish be with you!!

Claudia



## **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!!!

## The flu season is almost over

The flu is not just a bad cold. The flu is a contagious illness that affects the nose, throat, lungs and other parts of the body. Every year in the U.S., on average:

- 5% to 20% of the population gets the flu,
- More than 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications, and;
- The flu causes about 12,000 to 56,000 deaths each year. About 90% of these deaths occur in people 65 years or older.

According to the CDC the flu season starts in October, peaks in between December and February, but activity will continue until May.

Most experts say that the flu viruses are spread mainly by droplets made when people cough, sneeze or talk. The droplets can land in the mouth or noses of people who are nearby or inhaled into the lungs. The flu can even be caught by touching a surface or object that has flu virus on it and then touching your own mouth or nose.

Here are a few tips on how to lower your risk of getting the flu:

- Wash your hands often and don't skip the soap!
- Try not to touch your nose, mouth or eyes.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes. Cover your face with your upper sleeve or tissue. Be sure to throw the tissue away immediately and use hand sanitizer to wash your hands.
- Avoid shaking hands or close contact with others during the flu season.
- Sanitize surfaces people touch, doorknobs, phones, and television remotes.
- Get plenty of sleep.

If possible, when you do get sick, stay home and avoid contact with other people until your symptoms are gone. This will help prevent the spread of the virus.

For additional information:

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>

(submitted by Sandy Beecher, Safety Chair)

## IN LOVING MEMORY.....



Lina Erika Meinhardt, known to everyone as “Erika”, of Palo Alto, California, passed away in her sleep shortly after midnight on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at The Commons, an assisted living facility in Palo Alto. She was 90.

Erika was born on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 1934, in Hannoversch Münden, Germany, a picturesque mediaeval town of about 25,000 located between Kassel and Göttingen. She was the loving wife of David Meinhardt for 60 years. She met David while both were working in Frankfurt/Main. They have one daughter, Stefanie, who lives in Napa, California. Palo Alto has been their home for the past 40 years.

Erika was an avid skier and taught David how to ski while they lived in Germany. They belonged to the Far West Ski Association and participated in many ski trips, both domestically and in Europe. She was a fan of classical music and opera. She enjoyed hiking and was an excellent cook. They also belonged to the Santa Clara County Airmen’s Association and flew in their airplane to many destinations in the US, Canada, and Mexico.

Erika was a kind and caring person and will be sorely missed by everyone who knew her.

**2025 Castro Valley Ski Club presents**

## **Amazing Costa Rica**

May 4-15<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:tkhoffmann@comcast.net)

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## Castro Valley Ski Club

Presents

### Paris, Normandy, and the Seine River Cruise



**October 3-15<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://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](http://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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# Sensations of Lyon and Provence River Cruise

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

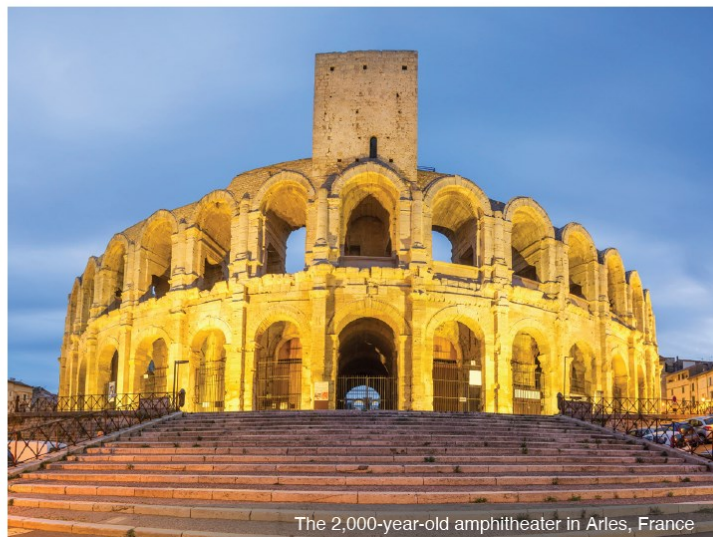
Departure Date: September 15, 2026



# 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 Chateauneuf 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*



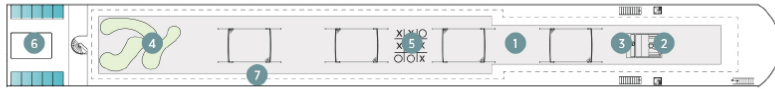
## Exceptional Inclusions

- **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

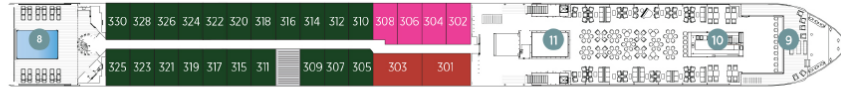
# MS Emerald Liberté

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

## SUN DECK



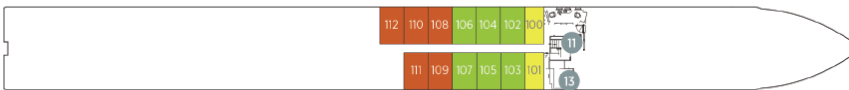
## HORIZON DECK



## 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**

315ft<sup>2</sup>

**CAT SA**



**Grand Balcony Suite**

207ft<sup>2</sup>

**CAT S**



**Panorama Balcony Suite**

170ft<sup>2</sup>

**CAT A CAT B CAT C**



**Emerald Stateroom**

170ft<sup>2</sup>

**CAT D CAT E**

### Sensations of Lyon and Provence

CAT	STATEROOM / SUITE	DECK	SEPT 15, 2026	
			PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM ADD
<b>E</b>	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5,465	+ \$4,099
<b>D</b>	Emerald Stateroom	Riviera	\$5,709	+ \$4,285
<b>C</b>	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6,249	+ \$4,689
<b>B</b>	Panorama Balcony Suite	Vista	\$6,609	+ \$4,959
<b>A</b>	Panorama Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$6,669	+ \$5,005
<b>S</b>	Grand Balcony Suite	Horizon	\$8,115	N/A
<b>SA</b>	Owner's One-Bedroom Suite	Horizon	\$8,719	N/A

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 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**



FOR RESERVATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**510-329-4242**

**tkhoffmann@icloud.com**



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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 Sundeck 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"



# 92<sup>nd</sup> 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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Host Council Convention  
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or 714-656-6032

A portion of the Silent Auction proceeds will benefit: USARC (U.S. Adaptive Recreation Center) [www.fwsa.org](http://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 31<sup>st</sup> and arrives in Santiago on August 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*August 1<sup>st</sup> - 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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, Valparaiso, 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.



*Valparaiso*

Send Deposit and Registration Documents to:

**Gloria Raminha**  
**FWSA VP of Int'l Travel**  
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