**CLUB DANCE HOLIDAYS FACTSHEET** 

# BALLROOM IN CRETE

10<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> October 2026

Join us in conjunction with Holiday&Dance for the ultimate Modern & Latin / Ballroom dance experience. Ideal for all dancers, including early stage (from approx. 1 year of experience)

### **PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- Return Airfares\*
- Return transfers
- 7 nights accommodation
- Breakfast & Dinner
- Minimum 5 x 1.5-hour morning dance sessions
- · Nightly music & dancing
- Welcome drink on arrival

From

299 per person

Book before 1st January 2026:

£1,249 per person

\*Return flights from London Gatwick. Other airports possible with supplement

### **HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Prime Seafront Location
- · Socialising with like-minded people
- Balanced Itinerary with Leisure Time
- Award-winning hotel!
- Leave everything to us.
  Accommodation, travel,
  dancing...We'll sort it all for you!



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### **UNIQUE FEATURES**

'Modern Ballroom, Latin and some popular Social Sequence. Ian Saville join us and Linda Collier can not wait to welcome you for the ultimate Ballroom dance holiday, ideal for all dancers, including early stage (from approximately 1 year of experience)

Ballroom dance has never been more popular, and we bring you a wonderful opportunity to learn or perfect a new skill, meet like-minded people and keep fit in the comfort of a fantastic 4\* Hotel in Crete. You will enjoy at least eight hours of dance tuition throughout the week, plus revision sessions and dancing each evening.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Return flights from London Gatwick\*
- Return airport transfers
- Seven nights' half-board accommodation at a 4-star Hotel
- Minimum 5 x 1.5-hour morning dance sessions, suitable for improver level upwards, plus revision sessions
- Music & dancing every evening
- Welcome drink

\*Other UK-based airports are also possible to fly from with a supplement

Not included: Climate resilience tax of 10 Euro per room | per night, payable on site

### IS THIS HOLIDAY FOR ME?

Yes! This is the ideal holiday for anyone who loves to dance, from improver level upwards. On this holiday, you will learn new routines and immerse yourself in the world of dance for an intensive week of classes, social events and fun in the sun. This is a holiday for all ages and abilities and is a fantastic opportunity to experience the dance fever currently sweeping the nation!

Not only will you perfect your ballroom repertoire, but you will also have the opportunity to chill by the pool, relax on the beach and explore the surrounding area.

### WHAT PREVIOUS GUESTS SAY

- "Loved being able to relax while still having an activity to focus on"
- "Overall an enjoyable week, good balance of teaching time, dancing and free time. Lots of laughter"
- "Very enjoyable and felt we improved our dancing skills considerably. The mix of classes and free time was good"
- "Superb tuition, lovely people, good evening dancing"

### THE DESTINATION

Crete is the largest island in Greece and the fifth largest in the Mediterranean Sea. Here, you can admire the remnants of brilliant civilisations, explore glorious beaches, impressive mountainscapes, fertile valleys, and steep gorges, and become part of the island's rich gastronomic culture. Crete is, after all, a small universe teeming with beauties and treasures that you will probably need a lifetime to uncover!

Located on Crete's north coast, this low-rise resort is set amidst lush gardens and opens directly onto a private, golden-sand beach with shallow, crystal-clear waters. Guests can also enjoy beautiful sunsets over the Cretan Sea and explore a selection of nearby tavernas, restaurants, and bars.



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### **CLIMATE AND WEATHER**

With average daily highs of 23°C and lows of 17°C, the weather in Crete during October is pleasantly warm to mild. It's an ideal climate for those who find summer's intense heat overwhelming but aren't fond of the cold. In our opinion, the best time to visit!

### **FOOD & MEALS**

The holiday is half board inclusive, with breakfast and dinner served daily at the hotel.

### **Cuisine:**

Cretan cuisine is a fresh, plant-based Mediterranean tradition centred on seasonal vegetables, wild greens, legumes, grains, and generous use of extra virgin olive oil. Meat and fish are used sparingly, while dairy—especially local cheeses like graviera and myzithra—features prominently. Dishes such as dakos, kalitsounia, and lamb antikristo highlight the island's simplicity and flavour. Meals often end with local desserts and a glass of tsikoudia (raki). Known for its health benefits and unprocessed ingredients, Cretan food offers a balanced, flavorful, and authentic cultural experience.

### **NIGHTLIFE**

You'll be able to put into practice what you have learnt in the company of your teacher and fellow students with 'Music and Dance' on seven evenings. All the dancing conveniently takes place in the Hotel. The best recorded music will be presented during the evening so you can show off your moves!

### YOUR ACCOMMODATION

### Four Star Hotel (Half Board Included)

This is a 4.5-star hotel complex nestled in acres of gorgeously landscaped Mediterranean gardens and on one of the best beaches in Crete. Offering its guests assured comfort and Crete's warm hospitality, it consists of 287 rooms, bungalows and suites, making it ideal for those seeking a relaxing holiday in the sun. The resort comprises of a main hotel building with elegant rooms and suites and a selection of bungalows set in the lush landscape. All accommodation is furnished in a fresh contemporary style, providing a comfortable stay.

### **UPGRADES, AND EXTRA NIGHT RATES**

### Half Board - (10/10/2026 to 17/10/2026 - 7 nights)

Twin/Double Superior Room /Bungalow - Included

Twin/Double Superior Room w/Sea View - 56.00 GBP per person

Twin/Double Bungalow w/Sea View - 105.00 GBP per person

### Extra Nights - prices are per room

Twin/Double Superior Room /Bungalow - 140.00 GBP per night

Twin/Double Superior Room w/Sea View - 180.00 GBP per night

Twin/Double Bungalow w/Sea View - 190.00 GBP per night



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### YOUR TEACHERS

We would like to introduce Ian Saville & Linda Collier, senior Modern UK & British Champions and very popular teachers and hosts.

### **CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS**

**Dance venue:** All the dancing conveniently takes place in the hotel on wooden floor.

Singles: Whilst those booking without a partner will be amply catered to in the classes, it is worth noting that Modern & Latin as a dance does attract couples. This might be a consideration from a social perspective on the holiday. If you are booking on your own, we will confirm your booking once we got a Dance partner with the same Dance level as you.

The main dances in modern ballroom area:

- The Waltz Slow waltz, (Think "Come Away with Me" by Norah Jones)
- The Quickstep As the name suggests fast! (Think Nat King Cole's "Let's Face the Music and Dance" or "I'm the King of the Swingers" a la Jungle Book!)
- Foxtrot Smooth as silk (Think Frank Sinatra's "I've got you under my skin" or Michael Buble's "Just Haven't met You Yet")
- Ballroom Tango Usually guite dramatic (Think "Phantom of the Opera" or Fernando's Hideaway")

The Waltz - Stems from one of the oldest folk dances, which was usually danced to a faster tempo - more like the Viennese Waltz. This was refined and slowed-down for ballroom waltz to emphasise the flowing and smooth nature of the music.

It is the most danced of all the ballroom dances and along with quickstep the first you would normally learn. The famous 1-2-3 music beat makes it fairly basic to follow and relatively easy for a beginner to pick up basic steps within a short period. To master the dance and make it look really good takes a lot of dedication and therefore a good ballroom holiday would help to enhance.

The Quickstep – Very fast and fun! Along with the waltz one of the first dances you would normally learn in ballroom. The slow-slow-quick-quick-slow rhythm is quite easy to follow and therefore relatively easy for beginners to get the hang of the basic steps and quickly be able to move round a dance floor.

To become really good needs a lot of practise and energy. So most people stick to the basics with one or two fancy steps to impress. A ballroom holiday would allow a beginner to learn enough to join in a dance and more experienced dancers to add to their repertoire or polish their style.

**The Foxtrot** (Also known as Slow-Foxtrot) – The most difficult of the modern ballroom dances, yet often the most beautiful music (Frank Sinatra, Michael Buble, Ella Fitzgerald etc) and that is why many people will go through the pain and frustration of learning it. You would usually learn basic waltz and guickstep before starting on foxtrot, as you need to have some idea of timing and how to move with the music.

You start by being mystified by the complexity of the steps, which make no sense at all at the beginning. Then, suddenly, you get it - and you link it in with the wonderful music - and it was all worthwhile!

A ballroom holiday gives you the concentrated tuition and practice needed to pick up the basics in a relatively short time and, for the experienced dancer, allow you to build on the grace and flow of this beautiful dance.



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### **SAMPLE ITINERARY**

Here's a provisional itinerary aiming to give you an idea of what your holiday will look like, however there may be some elements which will change.

#### DAY 1

Arrival and transfer to hotel Afternoon - Activity suggestion 2100 - Overview of the week: Welcome drink and Music and Dance session.

#### DAY 2

1000 - Learn & Improve workshop Afternoon - Relax on the beach, chill by the pool or explore the local sights 2045 - Music and Dance session

### DAY 3

1000 - Learn & Improve workshop Afternoon - Relax on the beach, chill by the pool or explore the local sights 2045 - Music and Dance session

### DAY 4

Free day to enjoy the hotel and surroundings 2030 - Music and Dance session.

#### DAY 5

1000 - Learn & Improve workshop Afternoon - Relax on the beach, chill by the pool or explore the local sights 2045 - Music and Dance session

#### DAY 6

Morning - Learn & Improve workshop Afternoon - Relax on the beach, chill by the pool or explore the local sights Evening - Music and Dance session

### DAY 7

Relax on the beach, chill by the pool or explore the local sights 2030 - Farewell dance evening

#### DAY 8

Transfer to Airport

### **ORGANISATION - WHAT TO EXPECT**

Before Arrival: You will receive a detailed itinerary, holiday joining instructions, and flight tickets 10 days before the departure date.

Overview of the Week and Welcome Drink: At the beginning of your holiday there is an overview of the week where your tour host will tell you about all the details of your holiday.

Getting Around: You are responsible for making your own way to the dance classes and meeting points on the itinerary.

### WHAT TO BRING / BEFORE YOU GO

Health and Fitness: There are no particular health requirements for a dance holiday. However, you should be able to dance for at least two hours a day in order to be able to enjoy the workshop/socials.

Insurance, Visa and Passport Requirements: Insurance is a condition of booking. Visas may be required for non-EU citizens. British nationals need a full passport to travel to Spain.

Travel Documents: You receive these 10 days prior to departure.



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### FLIGHTS & TRANSFERS

**Flights:** Your holiday includes flights from London Gatwick\*. Regional departures are available at a supplement - just give us a call on 0207 099 4816 - we're more than happy to help! Or you can buy your own flights and we can offer you a discount by doing so - please enquire when booking.

**Transfers:** We provide shuttle transfers from the airport (on the standard holiday dates).

\*Supplement increases may apply for ALL airports, not limited to Gatwick, in line with rising flight costs. It pays to book early and avoid any extra fees. Please get in touch for an accurate quote at the time of booking.

### AT YOUR DESTINATION

### **Banks & Accessing Cash**

The easiest way to access euros in Greece is by using a debit or credit card at ATMs, which are widely available and typically within easy reach of the hotel. Please be aware that some ATMs may charge a fee for foreign withdrawals, so it's a good idea to check with your bank for the most cost-effective option.

### **Tipping**

Tipping in Greece is appreciated but not obligatory. A 5–10% tip in restaurants is customary if you're happy with the service. Tipping taxi drivers is not expected, though rounding up the fare is a polite gesture.

Our tour hosts work hard to ensure your holiday is enjoyable and may sometimes go above and beyond. If you feel their efforts deserve recognition, you're welcome to offer a tip—either individually or collectively with fellow guests. This is, of course, entirely at your discretion.

### **Exclusive Holiday Activities**

Please note that dance classes and evening events are exclusive to Club Dance Holidays guests. For everyone's enjoyment and comfort, wristband checks will be in place. Anyone not part of the holiday group will be asked to leave these events.

### **HOW TO BOOK**

You can book online via our webpage www.clubdanceholidays.com, or for a more personal touch, give us a call or email and we can complete a booking for you.

A non-refundable deposit of £400.00 per person is required to confirm a booking. We then require the remaining balance by 10 weeks before departure, which we will remind you of closer to the time.

We are at your disposal Monday to Friday to answer any questions pre or post-booking, so do not hesitate to get in touch.

### **Terms & Conditions**

You can find our terms and conditions of booking here