



La Feria De Abril

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When? Where?



This celebration takes place every year on the last week of April, 2 weeks after the Semana Santa, or Easter Holy Week. It takes place at Seville in Spain, which is the capital of Andalusia.



Why? Who?



La feria de abril all started on august 1847, it started as a cattle trading fair, but over the years it has become a festival where millions of people come from around the world to celebrate the country's culture. It is hosted by wealthy family's, trade unions, political parties, night clubs or city organisations. Each one has there own tent to show off what there tradition is in spain is and to make guests feel welcome but they all have to be unique.

What to wear....

La feria de abril is also known as the flamenco day. This is because women and girls all get dressed up in flamenco dresses which is traditionally called a gitana or faraloes. All women over the age of 14 gather up and start flamenco dancing to the music.



All men and boys dress up in a short jacket, tight trousers and boots this outfit is called a traje corto they also wear a hat called a cordobes. The men usually ride on horses or driving carriages with their family.

What they eat and drink....

At feria de abril they eat traditional spanish food and drinks here are some of them:

- calamares con salsa ali-oli (fried squid with garlic sauce)
- fried prawns
- red mullets
- Clams
- Jamón tis is a type of ham it comes with sheep cheese.
- Tortilla Española (a potato omelette)
- Tortilla de Camarones (Shrimp Omelette)
- Boquerones en Vinagre (fresh anchovies marinated in vinegar)
- Churos for breakfast!
- Rebujito (sherry wine mixed with sprite) this is a very famous wine from the south of Spain.



My opinion....

I think this is brilliant festival because its showing off to who they are to the world and i would love to go there sometime. There foods sound amazing because i love seafood and its churos for breakfast! I wouldn't mind wearing one of the dresses but i'm not sure if i have to be spanish to wear it. But my overall opinion is i love the sound of it and i would live to go there someday.