

2017

Events - July

Day of the Autonomous Region of Madeira

July, 1st

The Autonomy of Madeira, established in the Portuguese Constitution of 1976, is celebrated on this day in all the municipalities of the archipelago, with several proceedings like the Official Ceremonial tribute held at the Regional Legislative Assembly; the placing of flowers at the Statue of Autonomy by regional official entities; and the "Te Deum" religious ceremony that takes place at Funchal's Cathedral.

July 1st is a public holiday in Madeira Islands.

Madeira Big Game Fishing Championship

July, 4th

Madeira Islands will host this important event which takes place simultaneously in different parts of the globe, a reference in the panorama of the world sport fishing.

This is an event oriented for the enthusiasts of this sport, whose challenge is to catch the largest specimen of blue marlin.

The great marine biodiversity that characterizes the Maritime Zone of Madeira confirms its reputation as one of the best geographical spots of the world for big game fishing.

23rd Regional Folklore Festival – 24 Hours Dancing | Santana

July, 8th to 9th

This popular ethnographic festival plays an important role in the promotion of the cultural heritage and the gastronomic traditional aspects of this county located in the northern coast of Madeira Island.

The festival is held in the city centre and brings together several regional and national folk dance groups that invite everyone to enjoy good moments of great entertainment during 24 hours.

Traditional Madeiran Canoes Regatta | Funchal

July, 9th

The bay of Funchal will be the setting for this event organized by the Municipality of Funchal and the Madeira Canoeing Regional Association in cooperation with the Madeira Association of Sport for All (Associação da Madeira de Desporto para Todos).

The regatta consists of a race with 2,5 kilometre long in traditional fishing boats, starting at the quay of Funchal and ending at the Barreirinha beach, in the old quarter.

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Funchal Jazz Festival

July, 13th to 15th

The Funchal Jazz Festival is organised by Funchal City Hall, an event held in the gardens of the Santa Catarina Park. Some of the most prestigious national and international artists and groups of the world of jazz take part in this event that has become a reference in Madeira's cultural calendar.

In addition, during the remaining days of this event several of the streets and pubs in Funchal downtown area will promote other shows and activities

If you are a jazz enthusiast, don't miss these summer nights full of the unmistakable sound of jazz in the unique scenario of Santa Catarina Park.

For further information: <http://www.funchaljazzfestival.org/>

17th Regional Banana Fair | Madalena do Mar

July, 14th to 16th

The parish of Madalena do Mar is the venue for the Regional Banana Show. This event, with several forms of revelry, is held in honour of one of the most important local agricultural products: the banana.

Limpet Festival | Paul do Mar

July, 15th to 16th

The Casa do Povo of Paul do Mar annually promotes this important popular event, that intends to promote the cultural heritage of this parish located in the municipality of Calheta.

This festivity promotes a kind of shellfish very popular in Madeiran gastronomy – "Lapa" (limpet).

The Limpet Festival offers a diversified program in a scenario typical of the Madeiran religious festivities where food and beverage stalls can be found.

Regata Transquadra 2017/18

July, 20th to 29th

Quinta do Lorde Marina will host the official start of the 2nd stage of the Transquadra regatta towards the port of Le Marin (Martinique), a course with a total of 2,700 nautical miles, a competition that arrives in Madeira between, 20th to 29th July.

This year's edition, the Transquadra regatta, one of the most emblematic Transoceanic races on the sailing competition panorama, will integrate the participation of about 100 sailors.

To follow up all details on this competition go to: www.transquadra.com

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NOS Madeira Summer Opening | Funchal **July, 21st and 22nd**

The Santa Catarina Park, in Funchal, will host the third edition of the Madeira Summer Opening, an urban music festival of national reference in the genres of Hip-Hop, Soul, Funk, Rock, Rap and Reggae rock music.

This year edition features famous national and international bands such as the "Mundo Segundo & Sam The Kid" band (Portugal) and the Brazilian singer "Seu Jorge", amongst other performers.

Follow up all the details on this open air festival at: <http://www.nossummeropening.com/>

Sea Week | Porto Moniz **July, 24th to 30th**

This is one of the most outstanding events in the calendar of events of the northern municipality of Porto Moniz.

This initiative is comprised by a wide program of recreational and sports activities.

Apart from some musical performances, several competitions, boat rides, canoe races, cultural and sports activities will be held, as well as the Sea Games that include the participation of teams from various municipalities of the island.

Madeira Bike Tour **July, 28th to 30th**

The Madeira Cycling Association hosts the 42nd edition of the Madeira Bike Tour, a competition integrated in the junior and amateur cycling categories.

Several regional, national and international cyclists will take part in this race, riding the islands winding roads, a competition filled with colour and a challenge full of adrenaline.

32nd Gastronomic Fair of Machico | Machico **July 28th to August 6th**

Event organized with the purpose of promoting both the regional gastronomy and the delicacies from this municipality.

The fair also offers lots of entertainment, live music concerts presenting regional and national musical attractions during a week full of flavours, snacks and typical food by the seaside.