MADEIRA INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE OPEN PROGRAMME 2019

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1. OPENING TIMES Welcome Desk

The Welcome Desk in the lobby of VidaMar Tower 2 will be open at the following times:

Thursday 31 st October	10:30 - 13:00 14:30 - 18:30
Friday 1 st November	10:30 - 13:00 14:30 - 18:30
Saturday 2 nd November Sunday 3 rd November	14:00 - 19:00 14:00 - 18:00
Monday 4 th November	10:30 - 13:00 14:00 - 17:00 19:00 - 21:30
Tuesday 5 th November	10:30 - 13:00 14:00 - 16:00
Wednesday 6 th November	15:00 - 16:00
Thursday 7 th November	15:00 - 16:00
Friday 8 th November	18:00 - 21:00
Saturday 9 th November	10:00 - 15:00
Sunday 10 th November	13:30 - 16:00

If you need help or information outside these times, please ask at the hotel's Reception Desk or speak to one of the Directors.

Registration Desk

Opposite top of stairs, Tower 2 lobby

Pairs Registration

Tuesday 5^{th} November 10:30 - 14:30

Teams Registration

Friday 8th November 17:30 – 19:30

Intertours Desk

Next to Welcome Desk, Tower 2 lobby

Monday 4th November 14:00 - 17:00Tuesday 5th November 10:30 - 13:00

Administration Office

Selvagens 5 - Tower 2

Cash prizes must be collected between these times. Please bring a form of identification.

Friday 8th November 18:30 - 20:00Saturday 9th November 10:00 - 11:3013:30 - 15:30Sunday 10th November 19:30 - 20:30

2. COLLECTION OF BADGES/ENTRIES

If you have booked in advance, you can collect your Identity Badge from the Welcome Desk before 8pm on Monday 4th November (please contact us if you will be arriving later than this).

You must bring your Identity Badge to all events, including Social events.

<u>If you booked the Intertours package</u>, your badge can be collected from the Welcome Desk.

If you booked online, you will need to keep a note of your Confirmation number [the number is in the format 123-4567]. If you cannot print the confirmation email, please take a photograph of it on your mobile phone and bring the phone with you to the Welcome Desk.

<u>If you want to enter on the day</u>, you will need to pay at the Welcome Desk, where you will be issued with an Identity Badge.

We can issue Identity Badges only to the person named on the badge.

3. ENTRY FEES

Tournament packages and social events are available to purchase at the Welcome Desk (please check opening hours below).

Pairs	€ 140.00
Teams	€ 155.00
Pairs + Teams	€ 260.00
Pairs + Teams + Traditional Dinner	€ 275.00
Pairs + Teams + Closing Dinner	€ 285.00
Pairs + Teams + Traditional Dinner	
+ Closing Dinner	€ 295.00
Traditional Dinner	€ 25.00
Friday Excursions	€ 25.00
Saturday Lunch (non-players)	€ 20.00
Closing Dinner	€ 40.00

4. MAIN BRIDGE PROGRAMME

5th – 10th November 2019

Congress Room and Selvagens 1-2-3

Tuesday 5 th	15:30	Open Pairs entries close
	16:00	Open Pairs Session 1
Wednesday 6 th	16:00	Open Pairs Session 2
Thursday 7 th	16:00	Open Pairs Session 3
	20:00	Final Results
Friday 8 th	19:00	Teams entries close
	20:00	Teams assignments
	20.30	Teams Session 1 (3 matches)
Saturday 9 th	11:00	Teams Session 2 (2 matches)
	13:15	Lunch break (light lunch included)
	14:30	Teams Session 3 (4 matches)
Sunday 10 th	14:30	Teams Session 4 (3 matches)
	19:00	Final Results

NOTE: Please arrive 30 minutes before the start to guarantee your place.

5. SIDE EVENTS

31st October – 11th November 2019

Congress Room Thursday 31st 20:30 Portuguese Simultaneous Pairs (€15*) Friday 1st 16:00 IMP Pairs 1 (€15*) Saturday 2nd 16:00 IMP Pairs 2 (€15*) Sunday 3rd 14.30 Charity Tournament (€15) Monday 4th 20:30 Warm-up Pairs (€15) Monday 11th 20:30 Cool-down Pairs (€10)

*€30 for all 3



Tuesday to Friday at 10.30, **Mark Horton** will conduct his "Mark your card" seminar, discussing the previous day's hands, in *Selvagens Room 1*



6. SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Monday 4th November

18.00

Welcome Cocktails at the Quinta Vigia, official residence of the President of Madeira. All welcome.

Address:

Avenida do Infante 1 9000-015 Funchal

5 minutes by car or 20-30 minutes on foot.



Bus 1, 2, 4 or 6 from the stop just past the *Casa Madeirense* restaurant. Get off at the stop below the Casino (the one after the Savoy).

Wednesday 6th November

<u> 20:45</u>

Traditional Madeiran dinner of *espetada* with folk dancing and music.

Restaurant O Lagar, Camara de Lobos

Coach leaves from outside VidaMar Tower 2 at 20:15 (journey time 15 minutes). Return to the hotel at 23:30.

Sunday 10th November

Cocktails

19:30

Closing Dinner and trophy presentation $\frac{20:30}{4}$

Ocean Room, 2nd floor, VidaMar



Any of the Social Programme events may be purchased at the Welcome Desk

7. EXCURSIONS

Friday 8th November

Option A Catamaran (limited availability) 9:30 coach leaves hotel



A relaxing trip along the south coast of Madeira, with a good chance of spotting whales and dolphins in all their magnificence and in their natural habitat. (**3 hours**)

Option B South-West (lunch included) 10.00 coach leaves hotel



Ribeira Brava – our first stop will be at this beautiful town on the South coast, named for the wild river which flows through it. The town boasts cafes, promenades, a market, a church and a fort.

Paúl do Mar – a fishing village known for its excellent surfing conditions and beautiful sunsets. Soon afterwards we stop at Jardim do Mar, a pretty seaside village surrounded by cliffs and adorned by the colourful gardens of its small houses.

Calheta - a charming place with beautiful scenery and one of the few sandy beaches on the island.

Ponta de Sol - a picturesque village on the sea, where we will break for lunch.

On the return journey we stop at *Cabo Girão*, the highest sea cliff in Europe, 580 metres high and famous for its suspended glass platform. Arrive back at the hotel at 16:00.



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The walk along the Levada Nova begins in *Tabua*, a village near Ribeira Brava. It is a pleasant walk, within most people's capabilities, and offers a view of this part of the island from a different perspective.

The beautiful landscapes are one of the main features of this walk. Between valleys and mountains, walkers can delight in the magnificent views over the villages. Small towns and plantations make up a unique landscape. Lunch at *Ponta do Sol,* a picturesque seaside village.

On the return journey we stop at *Cabo Girão*, the highest sea cliff in Europe, 580 metres high and famous for its suspended glass platform. Arrive back at the hotel at 16:00.

Please bring good walking shoes or boots, a warm coat (in case of low temperatures in the mountains) and a bottle of water. Grade: easy; Distance: 6.2 km; Duration: approximately 2½ hours.

Any of the Excursions may be purchased at the Welcome Desk

8. CONTACTS

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23rd Madeira International Bridge Open 29th October – 9th November 2020 (Main events 2nd – 8th November)

OUR SPONSORS



FUNCHAL CITY COUNCIL

Our local City Council, based in the former Palace of the Counts of Carvalhal, built in 1758.

MADEIRA TOURISM



The Tourism Board for the Madeira Archipelago. Visit the website for information about events, activities, transport and accommodation in Madeira and Porto Santo

APM (MADEIRA PROMOTION BUREAU)



Non-profit association of the Regional Tourism Board and the Funchal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, for the development of a common strategy for promotion of Madeira.

DRJD (REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF YOUTH & SPORT)



Regional government arm responsible for summer camps, internet cafés, youth associations, volunteering and other youth programmes.

MC COMPUTERS



Acknowledged regional IT leader, developing and managing projects for the biggest public and private clients.

NOS MADEIRA



Portuguese media and communications company with a regional base in Madeira, leader in cable television distribution and the home-video distributor for Walt Disney Pictures, Warner Bros., DreamWorks and Paramount Pictures releases in Portugal.

ECM - MADEIRA BREWERY



Established in 1872 and the largest producer and distributor of beverages in the region, ECM manufactures and distributes its own brands of beers, soft drinks and water.

VIDAMAR RESORT MADEIRA



Our beautiful venue for the International Bridge Open, VidaMar Resort Madeira is one of three 5-star resorts in the hotel chain.

INTERTOURS



Our partner agency, Intertours was founded in 1980 and specialises group travel, focusing on experiential, sustainable, accessible tourism.