



**SANTA EULÀRIA**  
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### **Santa Eulària Spring Events 2019**

Santa Eulària des Riu, one of Ibiza's five regions, has announced its calendar of events for spring 2019. Ranging from sports and cultural events to fairs and performing art festivals, there's something for everyone during the spring season which is the ideal time to visit the region with perfect temperatures, sunny days and blossom and wildflowers in bloom.

#### **Ibiza Marathon, 6th April 2019**

Spring 2019 sees the third edition of the annual Ibiza Marathon, an event which combines sports, tourism and leisure. The race will be held on the 6th April and takes place at sunset. Unlike before, this year it's possible to join in with the 42km relay at a national level as seen in other European marathons. The race covers the whole marathon however it is split between two participants and stands as an innovative way for couples or friends to explore the island through sport. In addition to the traditional 42km, a more relaxed 12km race will also take place!

#### **Santa Eulària Nautical Show, 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

Celebrating its 27<sup>th</sup> edition, this historic nautical show will take place at the Santa Eulària Leisure Marina in April 2019. The show features a wide variety of new and second-hand boats along with a selection of boating and other accessories relating to marine activities. The show is therefore is a must see for those who love sailing!

#### **May Festivities, 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

The May Festivities of Santa Eulària are famous throughout the Balearics and are a wonderful time to come and visit the region. The 15 days of festivities are considered one of the island's most important calendar events and include activities such as folk dancing, theatre shows, processions and traditional events. The main celebration takes place on the first Sunday in May (4<sup>th</sup>) when a long procession of carts, decorated in flowers and ribbons, carries local people wearing traditional clothing through the streets. There is also a procession of vintage cars and motorcycles, as well as concerts and flower shows.

According to the legend, the festival originated from a catastrophe that occurred after Sunday Mass on the first Sunday of May when, right after the weekly service the Old Church suddenly caved in and tumbled into the sea causing a deafening crash. The fact that the church collapsed once the people had exited was interpreted as a miracle and ever since this date, which always falls on Mother's Day in Spain, has been celebrated as a festivity.

### **Children's Theatre Festival *Es Barruguet*, 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

As part of its key positioning as a family friendly resort and region Santa Eulària offers various activities that the whole family can enjoy. Every year on the fourth weekend of May the Children's Theatre Festival takes place inspired by the '*Barruguet*', a mythical, mischievous character in Ibicencan culture. The festival aims to encourage children of all ages to enjoy a wide range of theatre styles, including circus, puppetry and dance.

The Santa Eulària Town Hall ensures that the festival reaches a big audience and therefore performances take place in Santa Eulària des Riu and also hospitals and schools where children will be gathered.

For further information about our sprint events, including a calendar please visit:

**<http://visitsantaeulalia.com/en/>**

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**Note to editors:** Santa Eulària des Riu comprises the townships of Jesús, Puig d'en Valls, Santa Gertrudis de Fruitera, Santa Eulària des Riu and Sant Carles de Peralta. It also includes an impressive stretch of coastline with more than 20 beaches as well as rural farmland.

It was the cradle of the hippie movement on the island and home to numerous artists from all over the world. In the year 1912, the well-known painter Laureà Barrau remarked that, "*Everything here is more beautiful than I could have imagined. A painter's entire life can be found here.*"