

# California Magic 2010 Girls West Gothia Cup Tour Itinerary July 12th - July 21st, 2024

### General information:

**Skeleton Itinerary:** This is a skeleton itinerary only. The definite day to day program will be discussed with you upon arrival. The organized playing times and dates of your games and/or clinics and receptions must be honored.

**Banks:** Please note that banks in Europe are usually closed at weekends. We strongly recommend that you do not utilize traveler checks but use any or all of the following – ATM / Debit Card, Euro pre-paid cards, Credit Cards and take cash. Please take enough funds to cover the first few days, as precious time is wasted if most of your group needs to access cash on arrival.

**VERY IMPORTANT:** Most countries now require travelers to have a passport that is valid more than 90 days after your trip return date. If your passport expires within 90 days of your trip return date you should apply for a new one ASAP.

**Copies passports:** We also strongly recommend that your group's coach or team manager collects copies of all travelers' passports and, where applicable, paper airline tickets, prior to departure in case of theft or loss.

**Student ID:** If your group is a student group, please ensure all your party, where applicable, bring their Student ID as this will access many discounts on entry to various attractions.

Entrances fees: Entrance fees, parking fees, unless otherwise stated, are not included.

**Soccer balls:** Soccer balls will only be provided for the games. Please bring your own soccer balls for training sessions and/or clinic sessions.

**Check your tickets:** Please ensure that you cross-reference your airline tickets with your itinerary as departure times and flight numbers may have been amended since your itinerary was forwarded to you, and, if in doubt, check with your airline directly.

**Delay:** In case of delay caused by flight or transport issues, please advise our Representative as soon as possible if any amendments are required, so they can adjust your arrangements wherever feasible. The contact information /phone number of this representative is included in the following itinerary in this document.

**Availability of rooms:** Most flights from the US to Europe will arrive between 6.00 – 11.00 a.m. European times. However, please note that most hotel bedrooms will only become available between 2.00 and 3.00 p.m., so it will not generally be possible to check into your hotel room as soon as you arrive at your destination. Your local Representative will suggest a light excursion to occupy your group until your rooms are prepared.

**General Tour Information and Tour Preparation:** Please review your <u>Tour Confirmation</u> again and our <u>Travel Guide</u> on our website. If problems arise during the tour, please liaise with your local Representative immediately.

**Security deposit:** Some accommodation may require a small security deposit to be paid on arrival. The security deposit is to be held only in the event of damage by your team to any of the accommodation's property. Upon check out, your deposit will be returned.

**Seat belts:** All passengers, according to the law, must always wear seat belts on all bus transportation when in Europe. Premier International Tours, its partners and suppliers will not be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused to anyone ignoring this regulation.

### Ground transportation:

We have included airport transfers for parents, coaches and players on July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 21<sup>st</sup>. The Gothia Cup will offer free public transportation. Upon arrival at Gothenburg airport, there will be a Gothia Cup greeting center in the arrival hall. After retrieving your bags, the Gothia Cup Staff will direct you to the transportation (bus) to your accommodation. After arrival at your accommodation, please meet with the Gothia Cup staff member at your accommodation. During this meeting you will receive detailed information about mealtimes, the tournament game schedule, Gothia Cards, excursion options, etc. The Gothia Card will give you access to the City of Gothenburg public transportation system. This convenient transportation system will get you everywhere in relation to the tournament as well as the City of Gothenburg. We recommend that you download the Phone Application – <u>Reseplaneraren Västtrafik.</u> This app gives thorough instructions/directions on the correct bus/tram to get on.

Note: If your group is split up between schools (players and coaches) and hotels (parents), the Gothia Cup only arranges airport transfers for the players and coaches to/from the schools.

If people booked just extra Gothia Cards (parents that did not book hotel and/or air through PIT), these cards will be given to leader (manager of coach) that comes with the team to check them in at the school.

### People not booking arrangements through Premier International Tours:

Please be aware that we cannot provide any transportation from or to the airport or for any prearranged group tour activities (sightseeing excursions, etc.) or any transportation arranged for the group for individuals which did not book the tour package with Premier International Tours. Because of liability/legal issues with our suppliers (Bus Company, etc.) people who booked their own flights and accommodation are not allowed to just join the group on bus transfers arranged for the group.

### Guide services:

During the Gothia Cup tournament staff is available at your accommodation and the tournament information centers to assist you and your group.

### Airline reservations:

Premier International Tours has partnered with Fly My Group who made all your airline's reservations. In case of any questions concerning your airline reservations <u>prior</u> to the tour please contact Premier International Tours. (303) 768-0891 From the day of departure until your return you can contact the 24-hour emergency line of Fly My Group at (866) 551-9807. We request that only the group leader(s) call them and use the group ID number # 51226.



## Check-in and Seat assignments:

We have emailed your group leader specific information regarding check-in procedures and seat assignments.

## Information for flights in case of flight changes or cancellations:

Please note that your group is booked through the group departments of airlines under group fare guidelines and conditions. Many times, we must go through the group department of the airline to change flights for the group or individual passengers, etc. Therefore, please follow these guidelines regarding any flight cancellations or changes during the trip.

- In case of any flight delays that will cause a misconnect or any flights that are cancelled, always first work with an airline representative at the airport to fix the issue and get the group on other flights.
- If any individuals want to change flights (dates only, routing changes not permitted), then
  individuals should contact the airline first to see if the change can be made. If the change
  cannot be made by the airline, contact us and we will contact the airline group
  department and attempt to make the change. Please note that the group departments of
  airlines are closed at the weekends, so we have some limitations.

### Laundry:

The Gothia Cup offers a laundry service for team jersey kits, and we have sent you a flyer including specific information for this service. Please reach out if you need this re-sent.

### Sightseeing activities/excursions:

Please see this page for information on Gothenburg: <u>https://gothiacup.se/en/gothenburg</u> And this page for special offers for sightseeing with your Gothia Cards: <u>https://gothiacup.se/en/the-gothia-card</u>

# Carry-on luggage:

We recommend that you take medication with you in your carry-on instead of in a checked suitcase.

### Water during your soccer activities:

Teams should bring their own water to each game or training session; you can pick up a case of water from a grocery store or fill water bottles up at your hotel before departing for your game.

# Premier International Tours 24/7 emergency contact information:

- 1. In case of any flight issues, please see above under "Airline reservations".
- 2. In case of emergencies that come up from your arrival in Sweden until your return (mainly matters you cannot resolve with Gothia Cup staff) please contact us (Mike, Daniel, and Grant, 303-522-5531) who will be at the Gothia Cup.

### Game equipment note:

Please make sure players bring soccer shoes for both grass and artificial grass.

# July 13th to July 21st, 2024 Gothenburg, Sweden

### School accommodation coaches and players:

Ånässkolan Falkgatan 8 416 67 Göteborg Closest bus stop: Showers: Showers available at the school Meals: All meals are served at the school

## Meals schools:

Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner is included First meal: dinner July 14th, 2024 Last meal: lunch July 20th, 2024 During the tournament breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served at your schools. First meal at the school is July 14th dinner and last meal is lunch July 20th. <u>Meals before and after these</u> dates are not included.

## Hotel Accommodation:

Scandic Opalen Engelbrektsgatan 73, 402 23 Göteborg, Sweden Phone: +46 31 751 53 00 Website: <u>Scandic Opalen</u> Wifi costs: Free

# Meals hotel:

Daily breakfast is included. First meal: Breakfast July 14th, 2024 Last meal: Breakfast July 21st, 2024 Breakfast will be served at your accommodation.

Please note that drinks (such as bottled water, sodas) during the meals are not included. Tea, coffee, milk & juice are included in the breakfast buffet.

# **On-Site Premier International Tours Representative**

Mike Stebbins, Daniel Simerly, and Grant Bauer Mike, Daniel, and Grant will arrive on the Friday before the tournament. They will do a pre-check of all hotels on Saturday and join the check-in of your teams at the tournament office.

# Gothia Cup Office:

Gothia Cup Info-service Gothia Cup Director Vitkor Dahlqvist and/or Lena Roennefors EX-HUSET, Heden playing fields, Gothenburg Tel. 031-506780 (office hours) www.gothiacup.se



### **Tournament information**

- 1. Please read the Tournament Rules (for items regarding dispensations, tournament formats, etc.) to make sure that everything is clear to you and your team and that there are no questions that need to be addressed prior to your departure.
- 2. Tournament Rules: <u>https://www.gothiacup.se/regulation/</u>
- 3. Teams should bring their own water to each game or training session; you can pick up a case of water from a grocery store or fill water bottles up at your hotel before departing for your game.

## Tournament info:

Please visit the website at <u>https://www.gothiacup.se/</u> for all important tournament information. **Your match schedule:** 

Monday 10:00am California Magic SC West vs. IFK Stocksund @ Kviberg 21 Tuesday 11:50am HK 2 vs. California Magic SC West @ Kviberg 17 Wednesday 04:30pm Azalea BK vs. California Magic SC West @ Kviberg 6

#### Tournament guide:

During the Gothia Cup tournament staff is available at your hotels, schools and the tournament information centers to assist you and your group.

#### Friday, July 12th, 2024

03:00pm Departure flight Air France 083 from San Francisco to Paris.

### Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- 10:50am Arrival Paris airport.
- 12:55pm Departure flight Air France 1452 from Paris to Gothenburg.
- 03:00pm Arrival Gothenburg airport. Upon arrival at Gothenburg airport, there will be a Gothia Cup greeting center in the arrival hall. After retrieving your bags, the Gothia Cup Staff will direct you to the transportation (bus) to your accommodation. (there will be one bus for the people staying at the schools and one bus for the people staying at the hotel).
- 04:30pm Transfer to your accommodation.
- 05:00pm Arrival at your accommodation. Please meet with the Gothia Cup staff member at our accommodation. During this meeting you will receive detailed information about meal times, the tournament game schedule, Gothia Cards, excursion options, etc. Rest of the day at leisure.

## Sunday, July 14th, 2024

Day at leisure to explore Gothenburg and area. 00:00pm Evening dinner.

### Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, July 2024

First day of games (group stage) <u>Game #1 10:00am California Magic SC West vs. IFK Stocksund @ Kviberg 21</u> Age control until 7:00PM Gothia Heden Center is open Gothia Opening Ceremony at Nya Ullevi Admission from 6:30PM (free ticket with Gothia Card)

## Tuesday, July 16th, 2024

Group stage continues <u>Game #2 11:50am HK 2 vs. California Magic SC West @ Kviberg 17</u> Gothia Heden Center is open Gothia Leaders Party at Scandinavium arena 7:00PM-12:00AM Age control until 12:00AM

## Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Last games of group stage <u>Game #3 04:30pm Azalea BK vs. California Magic SC West @ Kviberg 6</u> The play offs start Gothia Heden Center is open

## Thursday, July 18th, 2024

A and B Play offs continue Gothia Heden Center is open

# Friday, July 19th, 2024

A and B Play offs continue Gothia Heden Center is open

## Saturday, July 20th, 2024

All B Play off are played at Heden, start time 8:00AM Gothia Finals at Gamla Ullevi and SKF Arena from 8:30AM

# Sunday, July 21st, 2024

Please order a packed breakfast 24 hours prior to departure with your hotel staff.

- 03:45am Depart for Gothenburg airport.
- 06:15am Arrival Gothenburg airport.
- 06:10am Departure flight KLM 1228 from Gothenburg to Amsterdam.
- 07:40am Arrival Amsterdam airport.
- 09:50am Departure flight KLM 605 from Amsterdam to San Francisco.
- 11:45am Arrival San Francisco airport.

## Tournament Information GOTHIA CUP - GOTHENBURG/SWEDEN

Since its beginning in 1975, the Gothia Cup has grown to over 1,900 teams representing more than 60-70 countries. The opening ceremony at Ullevi Stadium attracts 50,000 spectators and participants, while 1,500 volunteers guarantee that this will remain the tournament of all tournaments! First-class competition on first-class fields is only part of this



great festive week. Located on Sweden's beautiful west coast, Gothenburg offers all the excitement of a major seaport city, as well as fine beaches, water sports, boat trips, shopping and dining. The 2023 Gothia Cup will again be the world's largest and most prestigious soccer party for both players and fans.

# Gothia Cup facts:

- 1,600+ international youth soccer teams
- 40,000 participants from 80 different countries
- One of the highlights of the tournament is the Olympic style opening ceremony which takes place in Ullevi Stadium, home stadium of Swedish pro club IFK Göteborg, with 50,000+ spectators.
- Games will take place on natural grass and turf fields at approx. 30 soccer complexes.
- Heden is the heart of Gothia Cup. Here you will find the Central Information building, the tournament's headquarters, during the week.

# Touristic information:

- Tradgaardsforening: the city park created in 1842 along the ancient city walls. A special place with beautiful gardens, sculptures, live music and cafes.
- Liseberg: Scandinavia's largest amusement park right in the city centre; discounted entry fee for Gothia Cup participants.
- Gothenburg is surrounded by an archive of Islands. Make a trip along the coast to enjoy the view and spend a couple of hours on the beach.
- For more information about things to do and see in Gothenburg check: <u>https://www.goteborg.com/en/sights/</u>.



Dallas Texans Soccer Club

City of Gothenburg

Norco Soccer Club

Gothia Cup Opening Ceremony

more information about the tournament including age groups, rules and regulations and touristic/sightseeing information please visit the tournament website: <u>www.gothiacup.se</u>.