

We wear our colours with pride

Sitges has always been a rainbow.
We love all colours. And that means all of them.
Equally.



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Pride enduring through the ages

Sitges is not just a place to visit. It is a shared attitude. Sitges is always open. To everything and everyone. Sitges is colourful. Of all colours. And it has been, for many years, in a pioneering way. Here, LGBTQ+ pride is not just defended; it is paraded and enjoyed. A freedom won and defended that is expressed on the streets, on the terraces, on the beach, at the festivals, by day and by night. Wherever you are, wherever you go. In fact, all roads lead to Sitges.

A unique combination: atmosphere, gastronomy, and culture

📍 2 de Maig Street, Plaça de la Indústria and Joan Tarrida Street

Sitges is a pioneering place for the visibility and defence of the LGBTQ+ community, which also finds in the town centre a meeting point to enjoy a unique combination: not only is it a place to go out and have fun, but it also offers a highly varied yet compact gastronomic and cultural scene to enjoy on foot and combine in whatever order you wish.





A-ma-zing at-mo-sphere

Nightlife for the LGBTQ+ community in Sitges, one of the most comprehensive and lively in the Mediterranean, has the advantage of being concentrated within one stretch of the town centre. This is the axis formed by Carrer del 2 de Maig, known as Carrer del Pecat (Sin Street); Plaça Indústria, which opens up along the middle stretch of this street and is the place to see and be seen—in fact, it is nicknamed 'Judgement Square'—and Carrer de Joan Tarrida, pedestrianised and taken over by the terraces of the bars lining the stretch between the square and Carrer de Bonaire. This street is known as 'Bear Alley', though it welcomes a mix of people, all ideal for meeting someone new.

On this same street is the headquarters of Colors Link, an organisation that stirs up, connects, defends, and promotes LGBTQ+ diversity, rights, health, and culture in Sitges.

Sitges Pride

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📅 June — 📍 Various locations

PROUD OF THIS FESTIVAL

This international festival has established itself as one of the most important in the Mediterranean, ranking in the Top 5 Prides in Europe according to CNN, Lonely Planet, National Geographic, and others... Open to everyone, Sitges Pride is much more than a celebration of LGBTQIA+ pride: it is an explosion of freedom, music, and diversity, of coexistence, integration, and advocacy, transforming the town into a great open-air movement.



THE SITGES PRIDE PARADE, THE MAIN EVENT

With an estimated attendance of over 45,000 people across the 5 days, the Sitges Pride Parade, with more than 20 floats, fills the Passeig de la Ribera in a vibrant and moving procession. Sitges takes the opportunity to offer cultural and advocacy formats: educational workshops, inclusion programmes, and the reading of manifestos, among others.

INTERNATIONAL BEARS SITGES WEEK

Much more than a week...

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 September

 Various locations



The International Bears Sitges Week is much more than a week. For a start, this event usually lasts 10 days, and the more than 8,000 'bears' who take part from all over the world make it the most important of its kind held anywhere. The fact that it is held in Sitges has something (a lot) to do with it, of course...



SITGES QUEER FEST

The international queer culture festival

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The LGBTQ+ association Colors Sitges Link organises one of the most important queer culture festivals in the Mediterranean. Singers, musicians, writers, poets, dancers, and queer artists present their work through performances, concerts, talks, workshops, sessions, and exhibitions.

**ENDIMARIS LGTBIQ+
FILM FESTIVAL****Films,
visibility
and debate**[VER WEB ENDIMARIS](#) November Cinema Prado Sitges

The Festival de Cinema LGTBIQ+ Endimaris (LGBTQ+ film festival) was born from the desire of Cineclub Sitges and Colors Sitges Link to give visibility to the reality of the LGBTQ+ community. A reality that is not just difficult, but has been made invisible for far too long. For this reason, through the films screened, it invites open debate and reflection. And it is done in the right place: Sitges, where this invisibility has no place.

WHY IS THIS FILM FESTIVAL CALLED ‘ENDIMARIS’?

You have probably wondered about the reason for this festival’s name. Well, the organisers themselves explain it: “Endimari” is a Catalan expression, originating from the Garraf region, which means: “A useless person or thing, or one that gets in the way; piece of junk, useless utensil”. This expression perfectly describes how society in general has treated LGBTQ+ people throughout history. Following the queer community’s virtue of turning around concepts initially used pejoratively against them, the use of the word “Endimaris” in this regard is more than ideal.

You can stumble upon them... or seek them out

Allow us to share some highly recommended experiences rooted in the LGBTIQ+ movement. Experiences that are both personal and personalised, experiences that awaken the senses and emotions, experiences are unique and can only truly be appreciated in Sitges. Some are up to you. Others you may stumble upon or participate in depending on when you visit. See what you think ;)

RAINBOW ROUTE

Discovering the queerest Sitges

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You already know that Sitges is a proud, open and welcoming town. However, where does the love between Sitges and the LGBTI community come from? How did Sitges go from being a small town devoted to the sea and vineyards to becoming an international tourist destination, recognised everywhere for its atmosphere? What role did art, parties and festivals play? And how did that spirit survive Franco's dictatorship? All this and much more is what you will be told during the guided Ruta Arco Iris (Sitges Rainbow Tour).

WHAT DOES THE ROUTE CONSIST OF?

The route starts in front of the train station, ends at the memorial against homophobia on the Passeig Marítim, the 'Triangle Rosa' (Pink Triangle), and lasts almost 2 hours. The secrets of its streets, balconies, impossible passageways and unique spaces will be uncovered; the strangest stories and funniest anecdotes will be revealed alongside terrible and tragic urban legends. The visit includes a stop at the headquarters of Color Sitges Link.

SHOW DE DRAG QUEEN

The queens of the night

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📍 Queenz. Espalter Street, 2

[VIEW BAR COMODÍN INSTAGRAM](#)

📍 Bar Comodín. Tacó Street, 4



The nights in Sitges have undisputed queens: the Drag Queens, who offer live shows in two venues in the municipality. At both Bar Comodín and Queenz, drag takes to the stage to seduce the audience with music, choreography and fantasy costumes tailored to each performance. They set the rhythm of the night. And it's impossible not to follow it...

BAR COMODÍN, THE OLDEST GAY BAR IN SPAIN

Bar Comodín, located right in the centre of Sitges, opened its doors in 1955 aimed at a gay audience and with live drag performances. This makes it a pioneer in all of Spain and a benchmark venue that still maintains the same essence as on day one: fun, a great atmosphere and the defence of LGBTIQ+ identity. Every night in summer, and on Saturdays and Sundays the rest of the year, Bar Comodín becomes a stage where different Drag Queens offer a varied repertoire, alternating with walkabouts and ironic, sarcastic dialogues with a dedicated... and very loyal audience. Because if anything characterises the atmosphere of Bar Comodín, it is the feeling of being among family, something noticeable both amongst the artists themselves and in their connection with the audience, who tend to return and know some of the songs by heart. Ah! You shouldn't miss the 'Nit de la Mantilla' (Mantilla Night), in which the Drag Queens use this iconic and traditional Spanish garment to cover their hair and shoulders, and a jury chooses the queen of the night.

LORCA'S LEGACY IN SITGES

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Discover Sitges through Federico García Lorca's eyes in an experience full of poetry, history and creativity. This is a guided tour of the places where Lorca left his mark alongside Salvador Dalí and other artists. You'll visit iconic spots, hear true stories and discover more about local cultural memory in an activity that combines culture, history and an original approach to rediscovering Sitges.



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