QUEST SPORTS TRAVEL

ASSUMPTION GREYHOUNDS

3 GAMES VERSUS SPANISH CLUBS
WELL MATCHED OPPONENTS

2 PRACTICES W/ GREYHOUND'S STAFF
@ THE BEST LOCAL FACILITIES

FC BARCELONA & REAL MADRID STADIUM TOURS

COMPREHENSIVE TRAVEL, SOCCER AND SIGHTSEEING PROGRAM

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE W. SOCCER

Day 1:

- Depart Boston Logan International Airport on a regularly scheduled overnight TransAtlantic flight to Madrid Barajas International Airport

Day 2:

- Arrive in **Madrid** where our full time Quest Sports Travel Tour Manager meets the group to transfer by private motor coach for an orientation to the city - Spain's capital is wonderful year-round, but you'll especially appreciate being here in the Spring when the kaleidoscopic variety of life Madrid-style courses through the streets or takes up residence in the city's plazas
- Lunch on your own and free time to further explore the city
- Later, **check in** to a local hotel for 4 nights in triple bedded rooms (staff = twins)
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Day 3:

- After breakfast transfer to a local club for practice with the Greyhounds' staff
- After practice enjoy a **guided walking tour** of **Madrid** - Take in all the major sites including the Plaza Mayor, Almudena Cathedral and Puerta de Alcalà
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Note - there may be an opportunity to attend a La Liga professional game - Madrid is home to giants Real and Atletico as well as Leganes, Getafe, and Rayo Vallecano, so options are varied (ticket not included, game TBD)

Day 4:

- Breakfast at the hotel then tour European soccer giants *Real Madrid's* **Bernebéu Stadium**, home Europe's most impressive trophy collection - stroll around the pitch, run through the tunnel and sit in the dressing room
- This afternoon enjoy free time to further explore the city - maybe stroll through *Parque Buen Retiro*, or visit the *Palacio Real de Madrid,* the official residence of the Spanish Royal Family in the city of Madrid
- Later, transfer to the first friendly game against a local club
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant after the game

Day 5:

- Return to the training facility after breakfast fo practice with the Assumption staff
- After practice take the short journey south to discover **Toledo** - a place made special by its Arab, Jewish, Christian, and even Roman and Visigoth histories. Unchanged for centuries with streets barely wide enough for a man and his donkey, Toledo is surrounded on three sides by the Tagus River and stands atop a hill overlooking the arid plains of New Castile - a natural fortress in the center of the Iberian Peninsula
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Our goal is a "balanced tour" experience

Competition is great, but so is learning about the places and people you are visiting. Our itineraries are designed to give you the best of both - a soccer experience and cultural exchange you can't get at home, and sightseeing tours to really get to know your host country

Tour Inclusions

(A) LOGISTICAL SERVICES

- Round trip flights on regularly scheduled airlines (inc. departure tax and fuel surcharge allowance)
- 8 nights accommodation in 3/4 star hotels in triple bedded rooms
- 9 days ground transportation in a private motor coach
- 9 days service by a Full-Time Quest Sports Travel Tour Manager
- 8 Breakfasts and 8 Dinners

(B) SOCCER SERVICES

- 3 competitive matches against top local club teams
- 2 training sessions with the Greyhounds' coaching staff
- Guided tour of Real Madrid's Bernebeu Stadium
- Guided tour of FC Barcelona's Nou Camp Stadium

(C) SIGHTSEEING ACTIVITIES

- Guided tour of Madrid
- Excursion to Toledo
- Sightseeing in Zaragoza
- Guided tour of Barcelona
- Free time for individual sightseeing in Madrid and Barcelona

Tour Exclusions

- Airline departure tax and fuel surcharge above allowance
- Lunches and drinks with meals
- Twin / Single room upgrades
- Gratuities for Tour Manager
- Attractions not specified

Travel Insurance

Travel Protection is recommended and available

Prior to purchase, you may request a copy of the Description of Coverage which is a summary of the plan details, including the benefits, coverages, limitations, and exclusions

Day 6:

- Breakfast at the hotel then check out and depart for the Catalan capital, **Barcelona**
- Pause en route to visit **Zaragoza** - this great city on the banks of the mighty Río Ebro has a people-friendly Spanish casco (old town) crammed with historic buildings and with a colorful traditional identity. Intriguing archaeology, fine art and architecture
- Later, continue west to Barcelona and and **check in** to the a centrally located hotel
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Day 7:

- Breakfast at the hotel then enjoy a **guided tour** of **Barcelona** - Because of its rich history, Barcelona is filled with landmark buildings and world-class museums, including the Museu Picasso, the Gothic cathedral, and La Rambla the multi-faceted tree-lined promenade cutting through the heart of Old Town
- Free time to further explore **Barcelona** - maybe relax in a cafe in *Plaza Mayor,* or travel outside the city center to experience the remarkable *Sagrada Familia* church
- Later, transfer to the tour's second friendly game against a top local club
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Day 8:

- After breakfast enjoy a **guided tour** of **FC Barcelona's Nou Camp** stadium and museum, the largest stadium in Europe, with a capacity of 120,000! Take in the immense stadium, the pre-game chapel, the pressrooms, tunnel and more
- This afternoon return to central **Barcelona** and enjoy free time to explore the city - an enchanting seaside city with boundless culture, fabled architecture and great food!
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Day 9:

- Breakfast at the hotel then take the short trip north of the city to visit **Montserrat Mountain**, the most holy place in Catalonia where a Benedictine monastery sits on the side of a 4055 ft. high mountain of weird, bulbous peaks. The monastery was founded in 1025 after a statue of the Virgin Mary was found here, and pilgrims still come from all over Christendom to kiss the Black Virgin
- This afternoon transfer to the tour's third friendly game against a top local club
- Dinner at a pre-selected restaurant this evening

Day 10:

- Check out after breakfast and transfer to Barcelona El Prat de Llobregat International Airport for the return flight to the United States