

welcome to the Sauna

please leave your personal belongings at the entrance



Welcome to the Benidorm Sweat Olympics 2024! We will be diving into the world of relaxation and rejuvenation through the ancient practice of sauna bathing. Age is just a number, and the competition is all about embracing relaxation and good conversation, to feel GOOD and learn so many beautiful new things. Set in the cozy confines of a sauna, the city of Benidorm, our seasoned participants gather to showcase their mastery in the art of leisurely lounging and engaging in delightful banter with the people of the city. As the steam envelops Benidorm and the temperature rises, our contenders settle comfortably into their seats, ready to demonstrate their prowess in the fine art of laziness.

the competition is all about

embracing relaxation

Throughout this workshop, we'll explore the history, science, and benefits of saunas, from the traditional Zauna to modern vaporwave options. Join us as we uncover the secrets of sauna etiquette, mindfulness techniques, and practical tips for maximizing your sauna experience.

After all, in a world that never seems to slow down, there's something truly special about embracing the simple pleasures of a lazy afternoon spent in good company. Let's embark on a journey of wellness together!

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In the Benidorm Sweat Olympics 2024, participants not only compete in the art of sweating and relaxation but also have the opportunity to learn from the laid-back lifestyle of the city of Benidorm. Nestled along the sun-drenched coast of Spain, Benidorm is a sauna that embodies the essence of leisure and leisurely living, making it the perfect inspiration for the sweaty participants. As participants soak in the warm Mediterranean sun and take in the breathtaking views of sandy beaches, azure waters and wonderful high-rise architecture, they can't help but be influenced by the relaxed atmosphere of this coastal paradise. From the vibrant street cafes buzzing with chatter to the charming squares filled with laughter and music, Benidorm provides a wealth of inspiration for fostering meaningful connections and engaging conversations.

Wandering the streets and encountering many inhabitants, participants find ways to absorb know-how from others and to share their freshly found wisdom to the world. In the sauna, they sweat and relax together letting themselves go, blending in the Benidorm vibe and accumulating a wealth of experience to share and ultimately bring back home.

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your plans
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your shoes
your worries
all you know

The participants, stressed under the load of architectural duties, arrive in the city from every corner of the globe to indulge in leisurely living and engaging conversations, eager to absorb wisdom from the city. These seasoned professionals, who overthink how to shape the built environment, now find themselves in the role of inhabitants of the architectural haven of Benidorm.

simply be

The architects embrace the opportunity to let go of their professional responsibilities and simply be. With no deadlines to meet or blueprints to draft, they relish in the freedom to unwind and connect with one another, exchanging stories, ideas, and laughter beneath the Spanish sun. The sauna experience allows them to release their preconceptions to encounter the epiphany of the city.



When entering the sauna, participants ease themselves in by leaving their regular clothes, design ideas, drawings, shoes, worries and all they know. They fold everything up and leave it in a closet, ready to sweat as much as they can.

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Sauna tools

Please take: a comfy seat a towel hydration a kebab stick a fan your body courage a chill pill

In Benidorm Sweat Olympics 2024 participants require a few essential tools to fully immerse themselves in the experience and compete as real Sweat Athletes.



First and foremost, a comfortable seat is paramount. Whether it's a plush towel draped over a sauna bench or a cozy leather recliner, each contestant needs a spot where they can kick back and unwind without a care in the world. Next up, hydration is key. A refreshing beverage, perhaps a cool glass of water, a soothing ayahuasca tea or just a beer helps keep feeling refreshed. Now, onto the essential tools for facilitating conversation. A kebab stick may seem like an odd addition, but trust us—it's a versatile tool for our participants. Not only does it serve as a handy pointer for emphasizing important points during discussions, but it also doubles as a makeshift microphone for those who want to share their stories with extra flair. And don't forget your fan! You don't want your kebab to burn do you?! kick back and unwind

without a care in the world

Of course, no Benidorm Sweat Olympics would be complete without a selection of snacks to nibble on. Anything works if it keep you going, we have engineered a top-level chill pill for your needs, it's just mildly psychoactive, we promise.

So, grab your seat, your kebab stick, you fan and your favorite snacks and enjoy the ride!



hydration is the key

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wanna go for a ride?

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