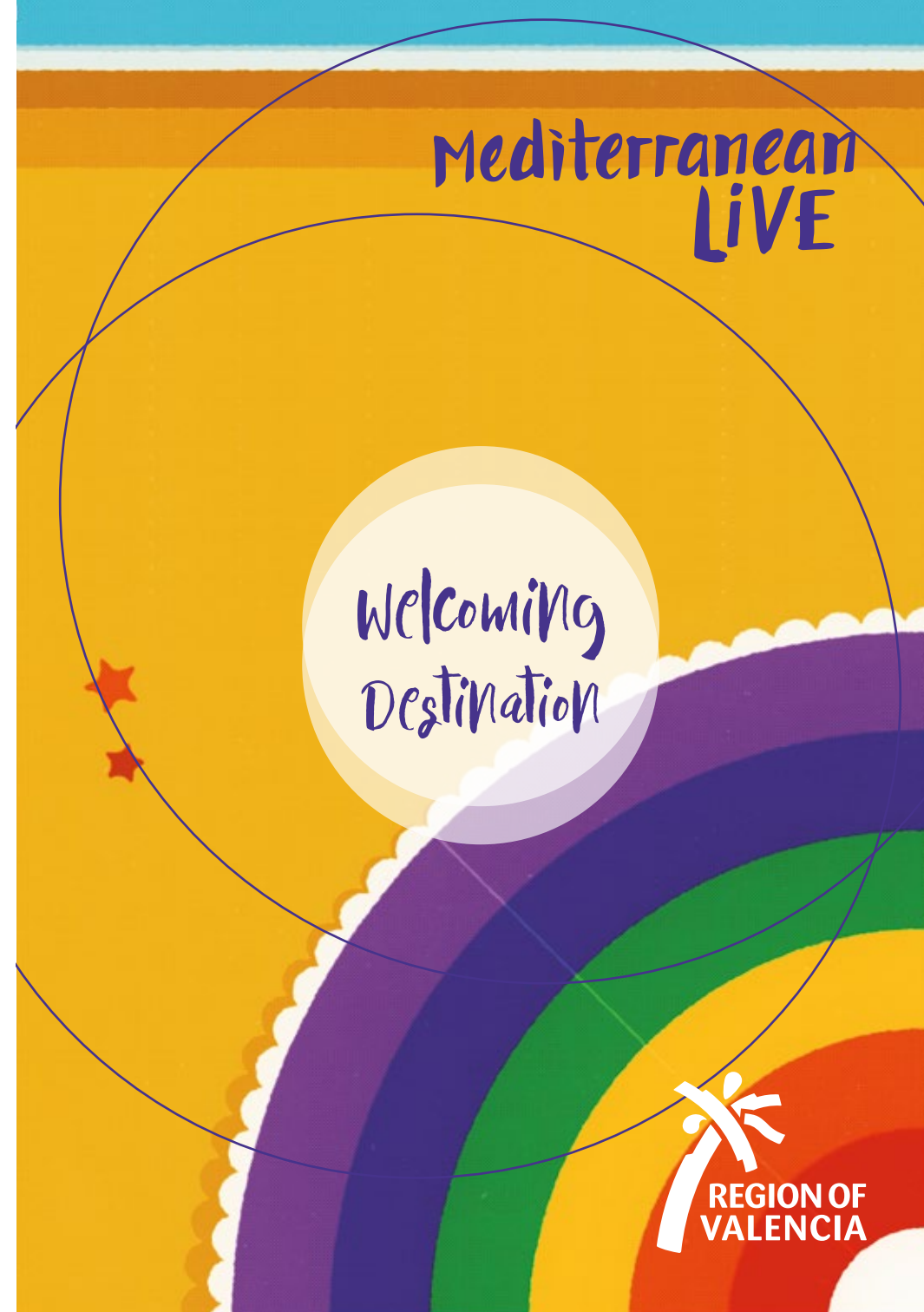




www.regionofvalencia.com



It doesn't matter with
whom you come,
You are @ll welcomed.

Welcoming destination.

The Region of Valencia is a land where all people are welcomed. Friendly, open-minded, welcoming, and tolerant people are the reasons why the Valencia Region is a land where the LGBTQ+ community is welcomed.

In Valencia you can enjoy the freedom of spacious beaches, natural areas or hidden coves: "Pinedo" or "Saler" in Valencia; "Saladar" or "Rebollo" in Alicante among others, some of them awarded the Blue Flag. On the other hand, the cultural offer of the region can satisfy all tastes. From traditional museums like "St. Pius V" or modern museums such as the "IVAM" in Valencia or the "Espai d'Art Contemporani" in Castellón de la Plana or "MARQ" and "MUBAG" in Alicante are all landmarks in the cultural and leisure offer of the 21st century; the City of Arts and Sciences of Valencia and the "Palau de les Arts Reina Sofía", which in its opera season, offers a selection of the best works on the international scene.



As for the cuisine, more than 20 of the Valencian restaurants have a Michelin-star and so they offer an incredible variety of rice recipes and all kinds of natural ingredients that make up the essence of the Mediterranean diet. And what about shopping? Major fashion stores and the warm traditional markets go hand in hand in towns and cities. In addition, the traveler will find, alongside national and international brands and those of the Valencian designers who have entered the forefront of fashion.

It is well known the intense nightlife that Region of Valencia offers to visitors: enjoying the night is easy thanks to the wide range of pubs, clubs and shows that there are both exclusive and friendly LGBTQ+ venues. Hand in hand with an enviable climate, boardwalks, ports and terraces ensure for most of the year a fantastic atmosphere.

Wide beaches, intimate coves, a recognized and valued worldwide cuisine, a cultural offering with unique places visited by thousands each year, traditional shops and boutiques with the latest trends, a spectacular nightlife ...The Region of Valencia has leisure opportunities for everyone.



Traditional or more contemporary cuisine, Region of Valencia offers several options that are worth knowing.



Strolling and shopping, sit on a terrace to enjoy the good weather: a great way to know the lifestyle in the Region of Valencia.

LGBTQ+ Events

VALENCIA

• Pride Valencia (June)

A festive rights march that includes demonstrators on foot and in vehicles, filling the streets of the centre of Valencia with music and diversity. The march ends in front of City Hall, with a reading of a manifesto in favour of LGBTQ+ rights, before turning into a massive party that will go on into the small hours.

<https://lambdavalencia.org/esdeveniments/orgull>

COSTA BLANCA

• Gala Drag Queen Torrevieja (Carnaval)

The National Drag Queen Competition will be held as part of the Carnival of Torrevieja. Candidates from all over Spain will compete to display their artistic talent in highly original musical performances..

www.carnavaldetorrevieja.com

• Transformarte Alicante (May)

Every year, more than 10 candidates take part in the Transformarte España Contest, in Alicante. This is a spectacular show in which the artists offer entertaining performances that prove that cross-dressing is an art.

www.facebook.com/transformartealicante

• Festival Diversa (May/June). Elx

The Diversa Festival is a festival of LGTBI+ culture which is held in May or June every year in in the city of Elx. They are great days out for the whole family, with cinema, theatre, kids workshops, storytellers, gymkhanas, concerts and lots more.

www.visitelche.com

• Orgullo Alacant (July)

The main event at the Alicante rainbow festival is the 'Alacant Pride March'; a huge festival in which groups, entities and thousands of people fill the main streets of the city. The march is accompanied by countless cultural, festive and sports activities.

www.alicanteturismo.com

• Benidorm Pride Festival (September)

Fun, welcoming and a bit naughty, three adjectives to ensure that visitors coming to the Benidorm Pride Festival have an unforgettable experience, and make sure that they come back again, year after year. These are the vital ingredients that have seen Benidorm Pride Festival recognized as the European Summer Closing Pride. Since its humble beginnings in 2011, when only a couple of hundred regular visitors, who know and love Benidorm, showed up, the event has gone from strength to strength until it now attracts around 15000 festive visitors.

www.benidormpride.com

• Benidorm Fest (January)

'Benidorm Fest' is a music festival organized by national broadcaster RTVE to choose the Spanish artist and song entry for Eurovisión. The Spanish warm-up heats consist of three shows, two semifinals and the final, when the audience and a professional panel choose the Spanish entry for the festival every year.

www.rtve.es/play/videos/benidorm-fest

