



FIESTA DE LOS
MAYOS

ALHAMA DE MURCIA 5th and 6th May 2018
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III. OTRAS DISPOSICIONES
MINISTERIO DE ENERGÍA, TURISMO Y AGENDA DIGITAL

2449 Resolución de 1 de febrero de 2018, de la Secretaría de Estado de Turismo, por la que se concede el título de Fiesta de Interés Turístico Nacional a la fiesta «Los Mayos», de Alhama de Murcia (Murcia).

De conformidad con lo dispuesto en el apartado sexto de la Orden ITC/1763/2006, de 3 de mayo, por la que se regula la declaración de fiestas de interés turístico nacional e internacional, que se publicó en el «Boletín Oficial del Estado» número 135, de 7 de junio de 2006, esta Secretaría de Estado de Turismo, ha tenido a bien conceder el título de **«Fiesta de Interés Turístico Nacional»**, a la siguiente fiesta:

“LA FIESTA DE LOS MAYOS”
de Alhama de Murcia.

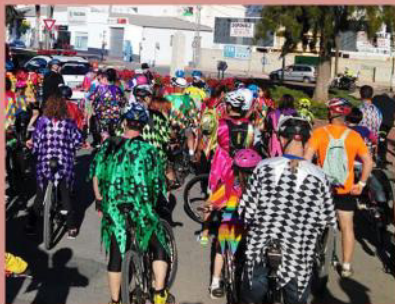
Lo que se hace público a todos los efectos.
Madrid, 1 de febrero de 2018.- La Secretaria de Estado de Turismo,
Matilde Pastora Asian González.



A big thank you to all of those who made this possible!

MAKE A GOOD 'MAYO' AND WIN UP TO 900 EUROS

LOS MAYOS ON BICYCLE



► **Sunday 6th May from 17.30 onwards**

The Club Ciclista Sierra Espuña organizes a bicycle tour around the Mayos: **join them and enjoy a healthy and fun way of seeing them!**

Tour begins in the Plaza de la Constitución.

WORKSHOPS



Helpers of all ages have taken part in the workshops to create the Mayos in the **Aula de Encuentro** and via the **'Un ratito más'** programme in the public primary schools of Alhama.



THE 'LOS MAYOS' TRAIN



Tours of the Crosses

At 18.30 on Friday 4th May and 11.30 on Saturday 5th May at the bus stop. Places are limited, and reservations should be made at the Casa de la Cultura (telephone 968 631985). Tours are free of charge.

Tours of the Mayos

Starting at 16.00 on Saturday 5th May and from 9.30 on Sunday 6th May at the Auditorio Municipal. Price 1 euro.



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Alhama de Murcia

Further information about Los Mayos 2018

www.fiestadelosmayos.es

Tourist Office

Plaza Constitución, 10. Phone: + 34 968 633 512

SATURDAY 5TH MAY



► **11:00 h. Free guided tour of the Los Baños Archaeological Museum:** registration is required at the Tourist Office (968 633512) or the Museum itself (968 630776).

► **11:30 h. Free guided tour of the Cruces de Mayo** on the tourist train, stopping at each one. The tour starts at the main bus stop in Alhama, and prior registration is strongly advised at the Oficina de Festejos in the Casa de la Cultura (968 631985).

THE 'PLANTADA' DE LOS MAYOS BEGINS!

From 15.00 to 18.00 you can see how neighbours and associations begin to set the "mayos" up in the streets, parks and squares of the town or visit them until well into the night. Enjoy this tradition!

From 16.00 onwards you can also visit them in Los Mayos Tourist Train until 20.30 from Avenida de la Constitución (at the door of the Auditorio Municipal). Price: 1 euro.



► **17.30 h. DJ MAYOS FEST** in the Parque de la Cubana, with performances by AKAMARA RAP, MORTY X SHOW, ELMELE and KILLTIME. Free admission.

► **18.30 h. MAYOS MAKE-UP WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN** in the Plaza de la Constitución.

► **18.30 h. ZUMBA MASTERCLASS** by Pryorem in the Plaza de la Constitución: make sure you wear your Corremayos costume!

► **19.00 a 21.00 h.** The Tourist Office is running an information point outside the office itself where maps, programmes, badges, etc can be collected.



► **19.00 h. CORREMAYOS STILTS** workshop for children in the Plaza de la Constitución.

► **21.00 h. PRESENTATION OF THE 2018 CORREMAYO MAYOR** at the doors of the Town Hall in the Plaza de la Constitución. This year the honour is awarded to **Javier García López**.

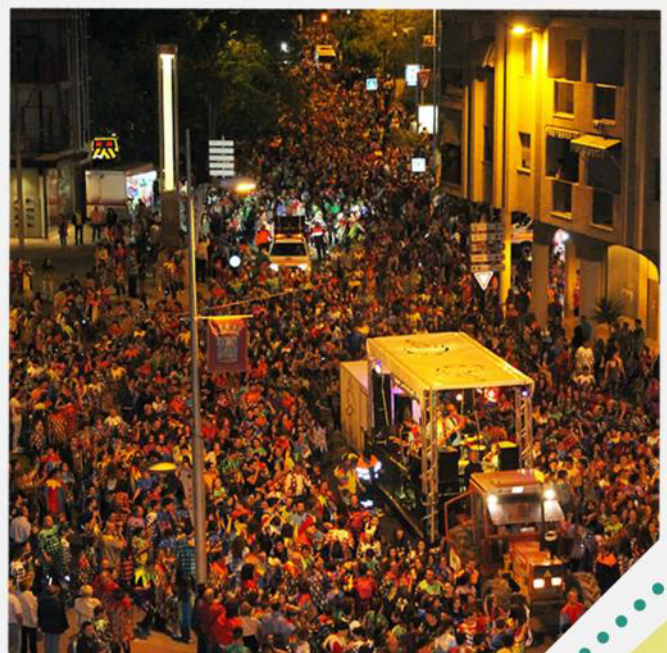
► **21.15 h. The CORREMAYOS PARADE** is accompanied by live music from Malvariche, with thousands of people dressed in their colourful jester outfits.

Route: Avda. Constitución, Juan Carlos I, La Feria, Corredera, San Francisco Javier, Plaza del Nazareno, Avda. Constantino López, Rambla Don Diego y Recinto Ferial.

► **23.30 h.** The main **LOS MAYOS CONCERT** takes place, with music from "**MUERDO**" in the Parque La Cubana. Free admission.



► **01.00 h. DJ MAYOS FEST** in the Parque de la Cubana, with performances by Lara Taylor, Blackbirds and DJ'Nano. Free admission.



SUNDAY 6TH MAY

► From early in the morning different "mayos" will continue to be set up in streets and parks of Alhama.

► **09.30h. LOS MAYOS TOURIST TRAIN**, the train resumes its tours of the Mayos from Avenida de la Constitución (at the door of the Auditorio Municipal Tierno Galván). Price 1 euro.

► **09.30h. The ZOCO ALHAMA Artisan Market** in Parque La Cubana, selling a wide variety of hand-crafted items.

► **09.30 and 11.30 h. "Alhama, un Castillo Medieval de Frontera"**: a free guided tour and historical recreation at the castle of Alhama de Murcia (in Spanish). Prior registration is required at the Museo Arqueológico Los Baños (968 630 776).



► **De 10.00 a 18.00 h. The tourist information point outside the Tourist Office** is staffed again, distributing Los Mayos 2018 badges, maps, programmes, etc...

► **10.30h. Reception of the music groups taking part in the "Encuentro de Cuadrillas"**. The folk music continues on Sunday as a number of Cuadrillas (groups who perform the traditional Murcia folk music) set out on foot from the Plaza de la Constitución to visit the different Mayos set up around the town, playing as they go.

► **10.35h. CORREMAYOS PARADE**. The Corremayos set off for another parade around the Mayos, accompanied by the musical charangas of 'Poyavés' and 'Charandonga'. The parade starts in Plaza de la Constitución.

► **13.00 h. The ENCUESTRO DE CUADRILLAS**. The Cuadrilla de Aledo and the Cuadrilla El Tío Juan Rita perform at the Auditorio Municipal.

► **14.30h. THE GIANT PAELLA** is served in the Parque La Cubana, with preference being given to those in jester costume who were handed invitations during the morning parade. Others have to take pot luck! Venue: Recinto Ferial.



► **17.00 h. ENCUESTRO DE CUADRILLAS**. The Cuadrillas perform in the Auditorio Municipal Tierno Galván. Running Order:

17.00h. Cuadrilla de Pasiones Huertanas de Llano de Brujas.

17.45h. Cuadrilla de Fuente Álamo.

18.30h. Cuadrilla de Patiño.

19.15h. Cuadrilla de La Costera.



LOS MAYOS ON BICYCLE

► **17.30h.** Bicycle tour of the Mayos begins, organized by the Club Ciclista "Sierra España". The tour starts in Plaza de la Constitución: bring your own bike and enjoy a healthy and funny way to visit the mayos!

► **18.00h. Meetings at the Castle**, a guided tour of the castle of Alhama de Murcia in English, registration required at the Tourist Office (968 633512) or the Museum itself (968 630776). Price 3 euros (2 euros for children aged 3 to 12).

► **20.00h.** Prizes are awarded for the **best Mayos and Crosses of May** at the Auditorio Municipal Tierno Galván.

AND THERE'S MORE...

FRIDAY 27th APRIL

► 19.00 h. THE MEDIEVAL MARKET

opens in Plaza de la Constitución until 22.00.

SATURDAY 28th APRIL

► **11.00 h. MEDIEVAL MARKET** in Plaza de la Constitución from 11.00 to 14.30 and then from 17.00 to 22.00

► **19.30 h.** Exhibition in the Casa de la Cultura entitled "**Mayeando con los Corremayos Mayores**". The exhibition runs until 7th May and can be visited from 17.30 to 20.30.



► **20.30 h.** Official reception of the **groups participating in the 35th Los Mayos National Folklore Festival** at the Town Hall.

► **21.30 h.** The **35TH NATIONAL FOLKLORE FESTIVAL** begins at the open-air auditorium opposite the Town Hall. Entrance free of charge.

SUNDAY 29th APRIL

► **11.00 h. MEDIEVAL MARKET** in Plaza de la Constitución from 11.00 to 14.30 and then from 17.00 to 22.00

TUESDAY 1st MAY

► **11.30 h. the Los Mayos Concurso de Arroces**, or paella-making competition, in the Recinto Ferial. The council provides rice, drinks and firewood and participants must supply the remaining ingredients. Prizes of 100, 80 and 50 euros and trophies will be awarded for the best dishes.

► **12.30 h.** Live pop music in the Recinto Ferial from ESPECIAL RC.

► **16.00 h.** Foam party in the Parque de la Cubana!



THURSDAY 3rd MAY, Day of the Crosses of May

► **22.00 h. Canto a la Cruz de los Mayos.** The folk group Grupo Folclórico "Villa de Alhama" sings a welcome to the Crosses of May. Location: Calle Alfonso X el Sabio, nº 35.

FRIDAY 4th MAY

► **18.30 h. Free guided tour of the Cruces de Mayo** on the tourist train, stopping at each one. The tour starts at the main bus stop in Alhama, and prior registration is strongly advised at the Oficina de Festejos in the Casa de la Cultura (968 631985).

► **20.30 h.** The 18th edition of the "**ALHAMA IN FOLK CONCERT**" event begins, with music by La "Musgaña" and "La Banda Morisca". Admission is free of charge in the Plaza de las Américas.

SATURDAY 12th MAY

► **09.30 and 11.30 h. "Alhama, un Castillo Medieval de Frontera en el siglo XIII"**: a free guided tour and historical recreation at the castle of Alhama de Murcia (in Spanish). Prior registration is required at the Museo Arqueológico Los Baños (968 630776).

SUNDAY 13th MAY

► **09.30 and 11.30 h. "Alhama, un Castillo Medieval de Frontera en el siglo XIII"**: a free guided tour and historical recreation at the castle of Alhama de Murcia (in Spanish). Prior registration is required at the Museo Arqueológico Los Baños (968 630776).

26TH ANNUAL "CUSTOM ALHAMA" BIKERS WEEKEND

AT THE COMPLEJO DEPORTIVO GUADALENTÍN SPORTS COMPLEX

FRIDAY 11th MAY

► **12.00 h.** The complex opens.

► **21.00 h.** Tasting of Murcian gastronomic products for those registered.

► **22.30 h. FYV Band** live in concert, with music from the 80s and 90s. Free admission.

SATURDAY 12th MAY

► **17.00 h.** Games and competitions.

► **18.00 h. Marcos Elvis**, Elvis Presley tribute act.

► **20.00 h.** Bikers drive out around the municipality.

► **23.00 h.** Live music with **LO MEJOR DEL ÚLTIMO**, tribute to Último de la Fila and Manolo García (admission 10 euros, including the ticket for the two Saturday night concerts and a drink).

► **01.00 h.** Live music with **ALTO VOLTAJE**, tribute to AC/DC.

SUNDAY 13th MAY

► **11.30 h. Marcos Elvis** returns with music from the 50s and 60s

► **12.30 h.** Prizegiving of the different competitions.

► **13.00 h.** Live music with **D. LOCOS** with a tribute to El Canto del Loco.

► **13.30 h.** Sampling of Murcia gastronomic products supplied by El Pozo Alimentación.

The bar service will be open during the weekend. Free admission to all the events, except to the Saturday night concerts (tickets 10 euros) and the gastronomic samplings. The organisation keeps the right to modify the calendar of events.



SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY 22nd APRIL

► 8th Swimming competition 'Trofeo de Natación Villa de Alhama' at the municipal indoor swimming pool.

SATURDAY 28th APRIL

► 10.00 h. Mayos 2018 **5-a-side football Tournament** at the Pabellón Municipal Adolfo Suárez.

SUNDAY 6th MAY

► 17.30 h. **Bicycle tour of the Mayos** begins in Plaza Constitución.

SATURDAY 12th MAY

► 08.00 h. A day of **caving and potholing for beginners** begins at the Cueva de la Matea, with the group departing from the Recinto Ferial. Prior registration is obligatory at the website of Alhama Coym: alhamacoym.blogspot.com.es.

► 11.00 h. **Training for the Spanish Motocross Championship** at the Las Salinas circuit.

► 19.00 h. **Night hiking tours Los Mayos.** Night walk in Alhama starting in Plaza de la Constitución. The long and medium routes begin at 19.00, a shorter walk starts at 20.00. Prior registration is obligatory at the website of Alhama Coym: alhamacoym.blogspot.com.es.

SUNDAY 13th MAY

► 10.00 h. **Racing at the Spanish Motocross Championship** at the Las Salinas circuit, categories MXS18, MX65, MX85 and MXF.



WEDNESDAY 16th MAY

► 18.00 h. **Deportimayos 2018**, fun and sport in Calle Paraguay (next to the indoor swimming pool and the Pabellón Municipal).

THURSDAY 17th MAY

► 18.00 h. **3-a-side football tournament for children** in Calle Paraguay (next to the indoor swimming pool and the Pabellón Municipal).

SATURDAY 19th MAY

► 17.00 h. 8th "**Sincromayos**" **synchronized swimming tournament** at the municipal indoor swimming pool.



SATURDAY 26th MAY

► 09.00 h. **20th Los Mayos Judo Games and regional championships** for youth age groups at the Pabellón Municipal Adolfo Suárez.

► 10.00 h. **World Orienteering Day Race**, the last event in the local orienteering league for boys and girls. Venue: Auditorio Municipal Tierno Galván. Prior registration is obligatory at the website alhamacoym.blogspot.com.es.

► 18.00 h. **Paragliding Festival** in Urbanización Nueva España and Vereda de los Secanos (continues on Sunday 27th May).

FRIDAY 1st JUNE

► 17.00 h. **Mayos 2018 Padel Tournament** at Polideportivo El Praico (continues on 2nd and 3rd June).

SATURDAY 2nd JUNE

► 09.00 h. **18th Mayos Tennis Tournament** at Polideportivo El Praico (continues on 3rd June).

► 10.00 h. **8th Kubala Memorial 8-a-side Football Marathon** at the Complejo Deportivo Guadalentín, to raise funds for the AECC Spanish cancer charity. Continues on 3rd June.

► 10.00 h. National Aikido event at the Pabellón Municipal Adolfo Suárez. Continues on 3rd June.