

Amsterdam, Lisbon, Berlin.

To some of you, these are only three cities, but to many other people they are, like this, in this particular order, the living history of a project that started four years ago and that has never stopped growing.

Let's recap for the newcomers. Our goal is quite simple: we want to get rid of that new-year's-eve straitjacket, of those formal parties, of expensive tickets, of the must of DOING SOMETHING. And our proposal to avoid all this is quite simple too: **we buy a ticket to a proposed destination and everybody meets in one spot of this destination on December 30th. This is the very beginning.** From then on, nothing is prepared. We don't have neither any booking for dinner nor settled plans or arrangements. We just let the good spirit flow, we just let the magic show. We've been doing this for three years and, believe us, it always shows.

We don't want to make this message last forever, so it'll be much better if you just visit our website (<http://mergingpeople.wordpress.com>) to check by yourselves the kind of momentum that you will experience if you accept our proposal.

And how does it work?

Quite simple too. Once you receive this e-mail, we ask you to do two things:

- 1 Forward it to any person around the world that you find that might be interested.** With this method, **more than 200** people have already enjoyed at least one of the appointments so far.
- 2 Buy your ticket and e-mail us your booking reference number** to any of the three addresses that you'll find at the end of this message. We'll tell you some more about this afterwards.

And now the moment that you were all waiting for: **DESTINATION FOR THIS YEAR.** Actually, this year we have faced a tricky challenge. First, we wanted the new spot to be very interesting by itself. And second, we also had the problem of the world's economic crisis, as a result of which we have been checking our pockets in search of some money more often than usual.

But the thing is that we have not only found the right place to solve these problems, but we will also go a huge step forward in the scope of this project. **A continental step. A cultural step. A step towards the realm of senses.** Yes, guys. We are travelling to...

Marrakech

How does it feel? You want to know more, don't you? Okay then, let's move on to the usual **logistic details.**

Flights

Ryanair, EasyJet and Vueling, low-cost elite, offer flights to Marrakech from the main Spanish cities where many of you live (Madrid, Alicante, Seville, Barcelona...). For those of you who live outside Spain, you may either find a direct flight to Morocco or just fly to any of those Spanish cities and then take another low-cost flight. Whatever you do, our experience makes us advise you not to wait until you see that the others are attending in order to buy your ticket and book your accommodation. As some who wanted but couldn't attend in the past know, **tomorrow might be too late**.

Accommodation

There are plenty of accommodation solutions to fit any budget, from the cheapest hostels to the affordable luxury of the wonderful riads. Just check the following link and find a place to suit your needs: <http://www.hostels.com/ma.ma.html>. Important: whatever your final accommodation is, **please make sure that it is placed in the medina**, that's to say, downtown, and close to Djemaa el Fna square, if it's possible. As you will see, rates are very good. We are making some phone calls to recommend you the ones that look better or those that have more room. We will tell you as soon as we know.

Meeting point

Almost needless to say. There only a few spots in the world that are so magical, so charming and, at the same time, so disconcerting as **Djemaa el Fna square**, with its story-tellers, its food stalls and its snake charmers. But the sun goes down it turns into a real mess, so we must be precise to settle the point. It will be **the front door of Café de France, at 8 PM (local time)**. This is one of the most emblematic spots in the square. Ask around once you get there; you can't miss it.

Further relevant details

- **T-shirt:** as usual, we will all be wearing a t-shirt of the same colour. On it you'll have to print, at least, your booking reference number, plus everything that you may want to add. You'll have probably noticed, but just in case, the colour for this year will be **orange**. And also as usual, the best t-shirts will be awarded spectacular prizes...
- **Flask:** this year more than ever it is almost compulsory to take your own flask with you. In fact, we strongly recommend that every person should buy **a bottle of its favourite booze** in the duty-free shop just to fill the flask during the trip. Finding alcohol in Marrakech is not as difficult as it may seem, but definitely is not easy.
- **Passport:** THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. As you know, you will need your passport to enter the country, but it's not just that. **Your passport has to be valid for at least six months after the trip**. Let's put in simple: if I should travel back from Marrakech on January 3rd 2010, my passport would have to be valid at least until July 3rd 2010. Please bear this in mind, and don't worry if you need a new passport. Getting it shouldn't take a long time.

About the e-mails

As we said above, in order to be aware of how many we are, we ask you to **e-mail your booking reference number to prove that you are finally joining us**. Every ten days from now we will send an update with the attendants so far, and after a month we will only send it to those who have already confirmed, because we don't want to disturb anybody else. Please send your booking reference number to any of the following addresses:

Antonio: a.aguilellaasensi@gmail.com

Gasch (Juan Antonio): jaggasch@hotmail.com

Emiliano: tradbruno@yahoo.es

Recap

Crazy New Year's Eve in Marrakech

Date: December 30th.

Time: 8 PM (local time).

Meeting point: front door of Café de France (Djemaa el Fna square).

T-shirt colour: orange.

Important: take a flask with you and check your passport's expiry date, in this order.

As we always do, we want to confirm you that we are **already 3 people** with booking reference number. We expect to be many more in short.

We don't want to finish this message without highlighting once again that we are able to send this message for the fourth year in a row just because of your enthusiasm and your will to take the road that has been less travelled by, to meet more people like you and to believe, as we do, that some moments in life are worth repeating. Once and again. **See you all in Marrakech.**



Anoche en Jemma el Fna / Angel Cantero

Antonio, Gasch and Emiliano

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