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YOUR GUIDE TO GOING OUT, STAYING IN, AND GETTING AWAY



DANCING QUEEN

SPANISH-BORN **PAZ VEGA** PLAYS LEGENDARY OPERA DIVA MARIA CALLAS IN THIS MONTH'S *GRACE OF MONACO*, BUT IN REAL LIFE SHE GROOVES TO HER HOMETOWN'S SIGNATURE SOUND: FLAMENCO

Photograph by MEREDITH JENKS

BIRTHRIGHT: Everybody born in Seville learns how to dance flamenco. It's part of the tradition. I learned from our neighbor when I was 6 or 7. **SIBLING RIVALRY:** My sister dances professionally around the world, in Moscow, Japan, South America, and New York. She's a real dancer. I'm not like her, but I'm not so bad. **WARDROBE CHECK:** Choosing a dress is very personal. No two are the same. Right now, the style is very tight. Typically, they are long so that they swirl when you turn, but my favorite was cute and different—and short! **MOOD SWINGS:** Flamenco can be very happy and fun, or it can be tragic. It depends on the music. **FEEL THE EARTH MOVE:** Ballet is very light—you try to fly. Flamenco is the opposite. You have to be connected with the ground. You have to be deep. **ADVICE FOR BEGINNERS:** Feel the music first. If you love the music, you can dance. It's all about the pleasure of it. **SHOWSTOPPER:** A great performance touches you. You feel *escalofríos*—chills!
—Marnie Hanel

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FROCK SWAP FIESTA

CONCEPT: Everyone brings the warm-weather clothes they're ready to part with, and everyone leaves with something new (to them). Leftovers go to charity.

GUEST LIST: Girlfriends with a variety of body types and sizes. Ask each guest to bring along a friend; it's always good to get new wardrobes in the mix!

EATS: A cheese platter with nuts and fruits. Nothing saucy or requiring utensils.

DRINKS: White wine and bubbly. Clothes get tossed around, so avoid anything that will stain.

DECOR: Make sure to have a full-length



mirror on hand for on-the-spot try-ons.

TUNES: Make a girl-group playlist, heavy on bands like **The Ronettes**, **The Supremes**, **Haim**, and **Icona Pop**.



PARTY FAVOR: Get everyone together for a photo in their new duds, and make a print for each guest.

DRESS CODE: Leggings and a bodysuit or leotard—you'll be trying on lots of clothes.

PITFALL TO AVOID: Frenzied day-of closet clean-outs. Send out save the dates a month or two ahead of time so guests can get organized.



Take advantage of the waning days of winter with an outdoor party.



DIY WEEKEND UPGRADE

Not so into art for art's sake? Try one of these hybrid activities and get creative while multitasking.



PAINTING + DRINKING

The Theory: Test the hypothesis that booze gets the creative juices flowing with art-making parties at bars across the country.

HOW TO DO IT: At **Paintnite.com** events, artists guide liquored-up attendees in a paint-by-numbers approach (\$45–\$65). Or find a bar that hosts a drink-and-draw with live models: It's BYOS (bring your own sketchbook).

COCKTAIL EFFECT: Add alcohol to flower-arranging classes in Brooklyn (\$50, **stemsbrooklyn.com**) and screen printing in San Francisco (\$42, **workshopsf.org**).



PHOTOGRAPHY + HIKING

The Theory: Work your index finger while working your glutes on shutter-bug excursions that take you into the wilderness.

HOW TO DO IT: Follow in the master's footsteps with photographic trips through Yosemite organized by The Ansel Adams Gallery (**anseladams.com**). Or search **Meetup.com** for local hiking and shooting groups.

TIPS FROM THE PROS: Landscape photography should be supersharp, so always bring a tripod, advises Phillip Nicholas, a staff photographer at the gallery.



CRAFTING + VOLUNTEERING

The Theory: Connect with your inner child while helping children in need undertake crafty projects.

HOW TO DO IT: Project Sunshine connects volunteers in 175 U.S. cities with kids facing medical challenges (**projectsunshine.org**).

WHAT TO EXPECT: New Yorker Melissa Baez, 33, spends one day a month helping kids make masks and decorate chef's hats. "I usually have brunch afterward with my boyfriend, and he's like, 'You're in such a good mood. I like this.'"



COOKING + LANGUAGE-LEARNING

The Theory: Cook a delish foreign dish while maximizing vocab absorption on the hunch that the stomach is the quickest way to the brain.

HOW TO DO IT: Master Italian (language and cuisine) with Dr. Paola Rebusco's MIT seminar "Speak Italian With Your Mouth Full" (**ocw.mit.edu**). Or make a trip of it: **GoLearnTo.com** offers similar courses in France, Spain, and Morocco.

WHY IT WORKS: "People are more relaxed around food, so more likely to learn," says Rebusco, who also hosts pizza-baking office hours for her physics students.