The Past & Present of La Coruna City

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La CoruÃ±a sits at the northwest portion of Spain with its Galician name, A CoruÃ±a. This region showcases vast green landscapes with rich Celtic-Roman heritage. There is a mystical allure to La CoruÃ±a as there are the old and the natural at their best.

La CoruÃ±aâ€™s neighbors are Biscay Bayon at its north, Pontevedra at its south, Lugo at its east and the grand Atlantic Ocean at its west. Hence, the climate is pleasant with frequent rain for this natural Atlantic island.

The Past

La CoruÃ±a was believed to be founded by the mythical Hercules according to local folklore. The Celts, Phoenicians and Romans came, conquered and traded at La CoruÃ±a during 2B.C. for its rich minerals. The city was greatly impacted by the Roman Empire in language, religion and culture. Its strategic location made La CoruÃ±a important in various industries such as fishing and textile manufacturing. It functioned as a vibrant commercial port and a point of departures for the many expeditions in charting new sea routes as well as new territory discoveries. Hence, the La CoruÃ±a port made Spain renowned in sailing.

The famous Spanish Armada or the Armada Invincible visited La CoruÃ±a port with Sir Francis Drakeâ€™s reprisal. La CoruÃ±a was given city status in 1446 by King Juan II who also authorized free commerce with England. This gave La CoruÃ±a the opportunity to venture into international trade and boomed in its economy and international stardom.

The Present

Today, La CoruÃ±a is a modern city with a lot of modernistic architecture which came up mostly during the 19th century. The old and new architectures blend well in La CoruÃ±a with traditional industries such as fishing and agricultural co-existing with new industries such as textile and fashion; all of which have been successful through time.

La CoruÃ±a has an international airport that is served by various airlines to bring in international tourists every year. Its top division â€œDeportivo de la CoruÃ±aâ€• football club is well received by the loca as well as foreign football fans.

La CoruÃ±a offers a delightful 14 degrees Celsius climate with sunshine and soft sandy beaches to the delight of the tourists and locals. Abundant water activities like fishing, sailing, surfing, scuba diving and snorkeling draw many to the beaches every year.

Although La CoruÃ±a is upbeat and modern, there are still the local activities happening every day at the port where troughs of fresh catches come in via local fishing boats for an exciting fish auction.

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